

THE SUNDAY SUPPLEMENT

17th April 2022 – EASTER SUNDAY

Easter

Good Friday to Easter Bank Holiday, daily 12noon-3pm

“Still Glides the Stream” – an exhibition by FLAX textile artists to celebrate the 200th anniversary of Wordsworth’s Duddon sonnets. Free entry. Seathwaite parish room. Refreshments served.

Saturday, 16th April – Mossy Church @ Thwaites

Easter Sunday, 17th April

6am – Dawn service at St Cuthbert’s, Kirkby, with bonfire, Holy Communion, breakfast to follow. For the rest of the day, services follow the usual Third Sunday timings, with some changes of content, as follows:

9.30 (Kirkby), Service of the Word

9.30 (Ulpha), Holy Communion

11.00 (Broughton), Holy Communion

6.00 (Kirkby), Taize

This Week

It’s a quiet week, with our regular groups taking a post-Easter break.

Wednesday 20th April

11.30am – Holy Communion, Broughton Mills.

Thursday 21st April

10am-12noon – Community Post Office and Coffee at Kirkby Community Centre and then 1-3pm at the Browfoot Room, Ulpha (Foodbank Collection also).

Friday 22nd April

5.00pm – Choir practice, St Mary’s, Broughton.

Next Sunday

There will be an additional service of Holy Communion for families at St Anne’s Church, Thwaites, 12.30pm, followed by lunch.

A Songs of Praise service to mark the retirement of Revd Ruth Crossley will be held at St Mary’s Church, Dalton, at 4pm.

READINGS AND PRAYERS

Collect

Lord of all life and power,
who through the mighty resurrection of your Son
overcame the old order of sin and death
to make all things new in him:
grant that we, being dead to sin
and alive to you in Jesus Christ,
may reign with him in glory;
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit
be praise and honour, glory and might,
now and in all eternity.

Acts 10:34-43

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

³⁴ Then Peter began to speak to them: ‘I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵ but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶ You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ — he is Lord of all. ³⁷ That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸ how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹ We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰ but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹ not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴² He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³ All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.’

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

¹ O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his steadfast love endures for ever!

² Let Israel say,
‘His steadfast love endures for ever.’

¹⁴ The Lord is my strength and my might;
he has become my salvation.

¹⁵ There are glad songs of victory
in the tents of the righteous:

‘The right hand of the Lord does valiantly;

- 16 the right hand of the Lord is exalted;
the right hand of the Lord does valiantly.’
- 17 I shall not die, but I shall live,
and recount the deeds of the Lord.
- 18 The Lord has punished me severely,
but he did not give me over to death.
- 19 Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them
and give thanks to the Lord.
- 20 This is the gate of the Lord;
the righteous shall enter through it.
- 21 I thank you that you have answered me
and have become my salvation.
- 22 The stone that the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.
- 23 This is the Lord’s doing;
it is marvellous in our eyes.
- 24 This is the day that the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

I Corinthians 15:19-26

A reading from St Paul’s first letter to the church at Corinth.

- 19 If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are
of all people most to be pitied.
- 20 But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the
first fruits of those who have died. 21 For since death
came through a human being, the resurrection of the
dead has also come through a human being; 22 for as all
die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. 23 But
each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his
coming those who belong to Christ. 24 Then comes the
end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the
Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every
authority and power. 25 For he must reign until he has
put all his enemies under his feet. 26 The last enemy to
be destroyed is death.

*This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.***

John 20:1-18

The minister uses this acclamation before the Gospel:

Alleluia, alleluia.
I am the first and the last,
says the Lord, and the living one;
I was dead, and behold:
I am alive for evermore.

All: Alleluia.

The reader announces the Gospel as usual:

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,
according to St John.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark,
Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the
stone had been removed from the tomb. 2 So she ran

and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one
whom Jesus loved, and said to them, ‘They have taken
the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where
they have laid him.’ 3 Then Peter and the other disciple
set out and went towards the tomb. 4 The two were
running together, but the other disciple outran Peter
and reached the tomb first. 5 He bent down to look in
and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not
go in. 6 Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went
into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying
there, 7 and the cloth that had been on Jesus’ head, not
lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by
itself. 8 Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb
first, also went in, and he saw and believed; 9 for as yet
they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise
from the dead. 10 Then the disciples returned to their
homes.

11 But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she
wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; 12 and she
saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus
had been lying, one at the head and the other at the
feet. 13 They said to her, ‘Woman, why are you
weeping?’ She said to them, ‘They have taken away my
Lord, and I do not know where they have laid
him.’ 14 When she had said this, she turned round and
saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it
was Jesus. 15 Jesus said to her, ‘Woman, why are you
weeping? For whom are you looking?’ Supposing him to
be the gardener, she said to him, ‘Sir, if you have carried
him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will
take him away.’ 16 Jesus said to her, ‘Mary!’ She turned
and said to him in Hebrew, ‘Rabbouni!’ (which means
Teacher). 17 Jesus said to her, ‘Do not hold on to me,
because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go
to my brothers and say to them, “I am ascending to my
Father and your Father, to my God and your
God.”’ 18 Mary Magdalene went and announced to the
disciples, ‘I have seen the Lord’; and she told them that
he had said these things to her.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Prayer after Communion

God of Life,
who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son
to the death of the cross,
and by his glorious resurrection
have delivered us from the power of our enemy:
grant us so to die daily to sin,
that we may evermore live with him
in the joy of his risen life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

SERVICE OF LIGHT

At services where a fire is kindled outdoors, the Vigil prayers accompany the lighting of the fire and other readings may be used before the service of light.

The service begins near the entrance to the church, with the church in darkness, the Paschal Candle unlit.

Eternal God,
who made this most holy night
to shine with the brightness
of your one true light:
set us aflame with the fire of your love,
and bring us to the radiance
of your heavenly glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

The Paschal Candle is presented.

Christ yesterday and today,
the beginning and the end,
Alpha and Omega,
all time belongs to him,
and all ages;
to him be glory and power,
through every age and for ever.

All: Amen.

We renew our baptismal vows.

As we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ from the dead, we remember that through the paschal mystery we have died and been buried with him in baptism. To follow Christ means dying to sin and rising to new life with him. Therefore I ask:

Do you reject the devil
and all rebellion against God?

All: I reject them.

Do you renounce the deceit
and corruption of evil?

All: I renounce them.

Do you repent of the sins
that separate us from God and neighbour?

All: I repent of them.

The Paschal Candle is lit, using a flame from the fire if one has been kindled during the Vigil.

May the light of Christ, rising in glory,
banish all darkness from our hearts and minds.

In baptism, God calls us out of darkness into his marvellous light. Therefore I ask:

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour?

All: I turn to Christ.

Do you submit to Christ as Lord?

All: I submit to Christ.

Do you come to Christ,
the way, the truth and the life?

All: I come to Christ.

May almighty God who has given you the desire to follow Christ, give you the strength to continue in the way.

All: Amen. Lord, have mercy.

The Paschal Candle is brought into the body of the church. The Minister three times sings the following, and the congregation respond using the same note:

The light of Christ.

All: Thanks be to God.

Individual candles are now lit from the Paschal Candle.

THE EXSULTET

Rejoice, heavenly powers! Sing, choirs of angels!
O Universe, dance around God's throne!
Jesus Christ, our King, is risen!
Sound the victorious trumpet of salvation!

Rejoice, O earth, in glory,
revealing the splendour of your creation,
radiant in the brightness of your triumphant King!
Christ has conquered! Now his life and glory fill you!
Darkness vanishes for ever!

Rejoice, O Mother Church! Exult in glory!
The risen Saviour, our Lord of life, shines upon you!
Let all God's people sing and shout for joy.

**Sing, choirs of heaven, let saints and angels sing!
Around God's throne exult in harmony!
Now Jesus Christ is risen from the grave!
Salute your King in glorious symphony!**

**Sing, choirs of earth,
behold, your light has come!
The glory of the Lord shines radiantly!
Lift up your hearts,
for Christ has conquered death!
The night is past, the day of life is here!**

**Sing, Church of God! Exult with joy outpoured!
The gospel trumpets tell of victory won!
Your Saviour lives; he's with you evermore!
Let all God's people sound the long Amen!**

The Lord be with you

All: and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is right and good that with hearts and minds
and voices we should praise you, Father
almighty, the unseen God, through your only

Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who has saved us by his death, paid the price of Adam's sin, and reconciled us once again to you.

All: Glory to you for ever.

For this is the Passover feast, when Christ, the true Lamb of God, is slain whose blood consecrates the homes of all the faithful.

All: Glory to you for ever.

This is the night when you first saved our ancestors, freeing Israel from her slavery and leading her safely through the sea.

All: Glory to you for ever.

This is the night when Jesus Christ vanquished hell, broke the chains of death and rose triumphant from the grave.

All: Glory to you for ever.

This is the night when all who believe in him are freed from sin, restored to grace and holiness, and share the victory of Christ.

All: Glory to you for ever.

This is the night that gave us back what we had lost; beyond our deepest dreams you made even our sin a happy fault.

All: Glory to you for ever.

Most blessed of all nights! Evil and hatred are put to flight and sin is washed away, lost innocence regained, and mourning turned to joy.

All: Glory to you for ever.

Night truly blessed, when hatred is cast out, peace and justice find a home, and heaven is joined to earth and all creation reconciled to you.

All: Glory to you for ever.

Therefore, heavenly Father, in this our Easter joy accept our sacrifice of praise, your Church's solemn offering. Grant that this Easter Candle may make our darkness light. For Christ the morning star has risen in glory; Christ is risen from the dead and his flame of love still burns within us! Christ sheds his peaceful light on all the world! Christ lives and reigns for ever and ever!

All: Amen.

The Easter acclamation, used by Christians all over the world as a greeting to one another, is declared. It is traditional to shout, cheer, whistle, applaud, shake shakers and generally make a noise immediately after.

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**All: He is risen indeed.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

All lights are switched on. Church candles are lit. Individual candles are extinguished.

The service continues from the Gloria in Excelsis (page 171 in Common Worship texts, page 5 of the Kirkby service booklets).

RENEWAL OF BAPTISM

Following the sermon, water may be blessed.

Praise God who made heaven and earth,
All: who keeps his promise for ever.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give thanks and praise.

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ was baptized in the river Jordan, we thank you for the gift of water to cleanse us and revive us.

All: Saving God, give us life.

We thank you that through the waters of the Red Sea you led your people out of slavery to freedom in the Promised Land.

All: Saving God, give us life.

We thank you that through the deep waters of death you brought your Son, and raised him to life in triumph.

All: Saving God, give us life.

Bless this water, that your servants who are washed in it may be made one with Christ in his death and in his resurrection, to be cleansed and delivered from all sin.

All: Saving God, give us life.

Send your Holy Spirit upon them, bring them to new birth in the household of faith and raise them with Christ to full and eternal life; for all might, majesty, authority and power are yours, now and for ever.

All: Saving God, give us life.

We profess our faith.

Brothers and sisters, I ask you to profess the faith of the Church.

All Do you believe and trust in God the Father?
I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

All Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ?
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

All Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

You are invited to come to the water to mark your own forehead with the sign of the cross in renewal of your baptism.

Almighty God,
we thank you for our fellowship in the household of faith with all who have been baptized in your name. Keep us faithful to our baptism, and so make us ready for that day when the whole creation shall be made perfect in your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

All **Amen.**

May Christ dwell in your hearts through faith, that you may be rooted and grounded in love and bring forth the fruit of the Spirit.

All **Amen.**

Depending on the time, the service continues with either Prayers of Intercession or the Peace.

AFTER COMMUNION

Acclamation

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All: **He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

All: **He has given us new life and hope. He has raised Jesus from the dead.**

God has claimed us as his own.

All: **He has brought us out of darkness. He has made us light to the world.**

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All: **He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Dismissal Gospel: John 11:25-26

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to St John.

All: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said, 'I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Blessing

God the Father,
by whose love Christ was raised from the dead, open to you who believe the gates of everlasting life.

All: **Amen.**

God the Son,
who in bursting from the grave has won a glorious victory, give you joy as you share the Easter faith.

All: **Amen.**

God the Holy Spirit,
who filled the disciples with the life of the risen Lord, empower you and fill you with Christ's peace.

All: **Amen.**

And the blessing ...

The final hymn is announced.

Dismissal

He is not here. He is risen.

Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

All: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**