

All Saints News



APRIL 2023

Including news from the village of Eyke and surrounding area.

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Vicars Voice – April 2023



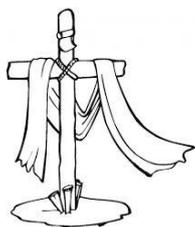
April begins with the celebration of Palm Sunday, when we remember Jesus entering into Jerusalem on a donkey, with people waving palm branches and crying out “Hosanna to the King of Kings”. There is a sense of jubilation and celebration as Jesus is welcomed into the city of cities.

But, what a week it turns into! As the week unfolds, we see Jesus on entering the Temple to pray, the place where God’s presence was known to dwell, filled with money lenders and merchants bartering, all out to make a profit at the expense of others. Outraged, Jesus loses his temper and overturns the tables in frustration at the lack of respect for His Father’s house. Jesus also takes some time out, and spends time with much loved friends, Lazarus, and his sisters Mary and Martha. It is during this visit that Mary pours expensive, perfumed oil on the feet of Jesus and then wipes them with her hair.

Later in the week, Jesus and his disciples meet together to celebrate the feast of Passover, remembering when the Hebrews were led out from slavery in Egypt, wandering through the desert for 40 years before entering into the promised land. Before this meal, Jesus shocks his friends by becoming servant-like and washes their feet.



It is during this meal, the last that all the disciples and their friends would spend with Jesus, that Jesus asks us to remember him through the breaking of bread. Jesus also tells Judas to go and do what he has to do. After the meal has ended, Jesus, along with Peter, James and John, go to the Garden of Gethsemene, where Jesus takes time out to pray. This, for me, is the most poignant and significant part of the week leading up to Good Friday, when we see the human vulnerability of Jesus as he prays to His Father to “let him off the hook”, yet knowing that he has to go through with what is to come.



Good Friday brings the culmination of all that Jesus has worked towards, his sacrifice once and for all for the sins of all people. We go from the jubilant cries of Hosanna to cries of Crucify. What a difference a week makes!

Good Friday brings an unconditional sacrifice of love that transcends all understanding. An unconditional sacrifice of love given for you and me.

Then, Easter Day dawns with an empty tomb, folded grave clothes and a risen Christ Jesus, when the victory of life over death, joy over sorrow,

love over anger and hate.

Easter Day begins with joyous cries of “Alleluia. He is Risen. He is Risen indeed.

Alleluia!” cries which resound at every sunrise service and in every church. These cries speak of promise and hope for all of us when faced with times of difficulty, anxiety and uncertainty.

Certainly, what with the cost of living crisis and increasingly more people needing to use foodbanks, natural disasters such as the earthquakes experienced by Turkey and Syria, and the man made horrors of war and conflict as suffered by Ukraine and all places of oppression, we seem to be in times of great difficulty and anxiety.

But let us remember that through the Easter promise, there is always the promise of a new and exciting future, full of hope and better times to come. And Love, most of all, the promise of love for all.

May this Easter bring you, and all those you love, hope and the promise of fulfilling times ahead.

With my love and Easter blessings,

Rev Mandy Xx

St Felix Top-Up Shop Tuesdays 11.00am – Noon

Donations always welcome. e.g. Personal hygiene goods, cleaning/laundry products, tinned meats, soups, non-perishable foodstuffs, dog/cat pet food

There is a box at the back of Eyke Church and anything left in it will be taken to St Felix’.



Services in Bromeswell, Eyke, Rendlesham, & Wantisden Parish Churches in April & early May

Sunday 2nd April (Palm Sunday)

10.00am Eyke	Holy Communion with commissioning of Elders by Archdeacon Sally Gaze	Re v. Mandy Reynolds
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Wednesday 5th April

10.00am St Felix	Holy Communion	Rev. Mandy Reynolds
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Thursday 6th April (Maundy Thursday)

7.00pm St Felix	Holy Communion with Foot Washing Vigil until Midnight	Rev. Mandy Reynolds
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Friday 7th April (Good Friday)

Noon Eyke	Stations of the Cross	Stephen Nicholls
2.30pm St Felix'	Prayers for the Passion of Christ	Rev Mandy Reynolds

Saturday 8th April (Easter Eve)

6.00pm Eyke	Lighting of Easter Candles & renewal of Baptismal Vows	Rev Mandy Reynolds
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Sunday 9th April (Easter Day)

9.30am St Greg's	Easter Communion	Rev. Mandy Reynolds
9.30am Bromeswell	Easter Communion with Easter Egg Hunt	Rev. Kevan McCormack
11.00am St Felix'	Easter Communion with Easter Egg Hunt	Rev. Mandy Reynolds

Sunday 16th April (Easter 2)

9.30 Eyke	Morning Prayer	Rev. Mandy Reynolds
9.30am Bromeswell	Holy Communion	Rev. Kevan McCormack
11.00am St Felix	Prayer & Praise	Greg Gooch

Sunday 23rd April (Easter 3)

9.30am St Greg's	Morning Prayer	Stephen Nicholls
11.00am Bromeswell	Holy Communion	Rev. Mandy Reynolds
11.00am St Felix	Holy Communion	Rev. Kevan McCormack

Sunday 30th April (Easter 4)

10.00am St Felix'	Café Church	Charlotte Gooch & David Jordan
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Sunday 7th May (Easter 5)

9.30am Eyke	Holy Communion	Re v. Mandy Reynolds
11.00am Bromeswell	Family Worship	Greg & Charlotte Gooch
11.00am St Felix	Holy Communion with Prayer Ministry	Rev. Mandy Reynolds

Eyke Parish Council

The last meeting of the current session was held on 13th March, after which councillors will stand down ahead of the election on May 4th, when voting takes place for 7 parish councillors, and the one position of District Councillor, currently held by James Mallinder.

Please look out for notices about who is standing, and the timetable for the weeks ahead, and don't forget your photo ID when you go to the village hall to vote.

The first session of the new Parish Council will be on 15th May, and a week later the Annual Parish Meeting will take place on 22nd May– an opportunity for residents to get together and hear what is going on in their community.

Please go to the website to find copies of reports from our District and County Councillor, and the draft minutes of the meeting.

The upgrading of the lanterns in Church Lane is now on the works list for the County Council, but the wait could be three or four months, so hopefully the work will be done before the autumn.

The parish council heard from one of the pupils at Eyke School, who gave compelling reasons why we should recycle batteries. Residents in Eyke are urged to join the Big Battery Hunt, and take them to Eyke School, where a receptacle, sensibly named "Mr Duracell" is waiting to receive them. Mr Duracell will be conveniently placed, so that we don't have to go into the school building.

Eyke pupils have been learning about how batteries work and why we need to recycle them as they take over 100 years to decompose, and leach poisons into the ground. The children have been motivated to join this scheme, which they want the wider community to embrace as well.

Please support them!

Jacky Pooley (Clerk to the Council)

Village Hall

Although there is still work to be done the hall is now able to be let out for functions and the Hall Committee have put together a list of actual or potential events.

Please see below those events that are due to take place and make a diary entry for future reference.

Further details will appear in the Newsletter in good time before each event.

The Sunshine Club

The Sunshine Club will be holding a Jumble Sale in the Village Hall on **Saturday, 1st April 2023, 2.00pm until 4.00pm.**

Items for sale include the usual jumble, nearly new, bric a brac, cakes etc. There will be a draw and teas will be available.

Please come along and support what hopefully is an event which will help to bring the social side of the village together after going through, and in some cases still going through, such difficult times.

Spring Supper

A supper is planned for Saturday 15th April 2023 6.30pm-7.00pm. It will be held in the Village Hall and will consist of a two course meal. There will be a Veggie option.

The cost will be £10.00 per head and as the hall isn't licenced you will need to bring your own drink and glasses.

Because this is the first event that hot food will be served and the hall refurbishment is still underway ticket numbers are limited to 50. So please decide quickly if you would like to attend

Tickets will be available from the following.

Mike and Gerry Fisher, 01394 460494, fishertwogates@gmail.com. Gill Nicholls, 01394 461244, g.nicholls@gmx.co.uk. Jean Magennis, 01394 461207, meadowholm@aol.com. Sandy Sutch, 01394 460648, sandysutch@hotmail.com, Mervyn Whitmore, 01394 460491.

Coronation Weekend

It is proposed that a Village lunch be held on Sunday 7th May 2023 to commemorate the Coronation of King Charles the Third. Noon – 4.00pm.

It will be held in the Village Hall and the Churchyard

Food in the form of BBQ chicken and hot dogs (there will be a veggie option) along with green salad, coleslaw, potato salad, new potatoes and Cake.

Tea and coffee will be available but you will need to bring your own booze!!

A charge of £5.00 for adults and £3.00 children will be made to cover the cost of the food.

Help will be needed both prior to and on the day so if you are able to please contact one of those below to volunteer.

Linda 01394 460283lindamacfarlane@btinternet.co.uk or dave.macfarlane@btinternet.co.uk,

Mike and Gerry Fisher, 01394 460494, fishertwogates@gmail.com. Gill Nicholls, 01394 461244, g.nicholls@gmx.co.uk.

Village Fete

The Fete this year will be on Sunday 16th July 2023 and will be in the garden of the Old Rectory courtesy of Olly & Nicola Briginshaw.

In addition to the above there will be a Harvest Supper (date to be arranged), Christmas Bazaar & Craft Fayre (25th November 2023), Sunshine Club Christmas Buffet (2nd December 2023), New Year's Party (31st December 2023)