



Easter Parish Newsletter 25/3/2021

Dear friends, sisters and brothers,

With children back at school, vaccinations, a few more options, daffodils blossoming and from 29th March a little more opening up, we pray that you are feeling some hope in your hearts.

We know many people are very weary and we pray that you will renew your strength over the Easter season.

Easter connects us to the whole range of life's journey and emotions which Jesus invites us to share.

Maundy Thursday: a call to bless

Good Friday: a call to lament and pray

Holy Saturday: a call to wait

Easter Sunday: a call to rejoice.

Jesus says "Peace be with you"

Then shows his friends his wounds.

He knows..... Us

He loves.....Us



We look forward to opening the doors of our churches this Sunday 28th March for Palm Sunday.

10.00 am St Helen's

11.00am St Helen's

11.00am St Pauls

St Helen's will be live streamed at 10.00 & 11.00am

Churches will be safe and have been beautifully cleaned by a wonderful team. Thank you so much to everyone. We will continue to wear masks, sit socially distanced and unfortunately there will still be no fellowship in the church building.

As you will have seen the live streaming is looking wonderful and we are grateful to Richard for developing this opportunity.

Please be praying as this new ministry unfolds. If you would like to join the tech team please can you contact Richard Hughes.

We will continue to livestream our services at 10 am and 11am

<https://www.facebook.com/SandalMagnaParish/>

[Youtube sandalmagnaparish](#)

ZOOM COFFEE: 12.00-12.30 every Sunday: All are welcome whether you have watched worship or worshipped somewhere else. Or if you haven't been anywhere, YOU ARE WELCOME.....

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Lead us into Holy Week

We tell your story
We follow in your footsteps
Lead us into Holy Week

We walk towards the city
We wait in the garden
Lead us onto Holy Ground

We journey towards death
We hope for the resurrection
Lead us into Holy Joy



Good Friday

St Helen's 12.00-3.00pm
Please come in and out on the half hour
St Pauls 2.00-3.00pm

The long day
Stretched into night
and time crept onward
towards the new day.

Easter Sunday

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With the first gold of dawn
came the resurrection,
a new hope that grew
With the rising sun,
and went out
into a waiting world.

Rupert and Sally's farewells.....

We are looking forward to gathering groups of 25-30 people outside in the Vicarage garden during our last week in May 17th-22nd. We hope that it will be warm and sunny, but are putting up a big tent just in case. We would be so grateful if you could leave a message with your name and telephone number on the parish office answer phone 01924 259966 if you would like to come and share tea, coffee and cake, and we will get back to you with a day and time.

We will enjoy spending time at the Spring during the week beginning the 10th May.
On Sunday 16th May we will be joining the congregation of St Paul's and seeing folk in Walton.
We will be in Portobello Thursday 20th May.

Then we will join together in worship for our two final services at St Helen's at 10 and 11am on Sunday 23rd May. These will necessarily have to be limited in numbers to the 50 we can safely have in church during this season.

We have begun receiving precious cards from people with so many beautiful memories of times shared together and we want to say a heartfelt thank you x
We see them as postcards from heaven, and will treasure each one.

God bless each and every one, you are so precious and loved by God,
Sally and Rupert xx