

INTERCESSIONS

Please pray for:-

- **the sick, and those who care for them** including Fiona Rose
- **those who have lit candles and those for whom candles have been lit**
- **those who have recently died** including Barbara Ardern and Gordon Smith
- **those whose anniversary of death falls at this time** including Amos Wood, George Hammett, Joseph Hodgson, Charles Mutton, Dorothy Moseley and Ann Beavers

NOTICES

Pickering and District Churches Together

Lent Lunches ... This week's Lent Lunch will held on *Monday, 8th April at 1.00 pm* at St. Andrew's Church, Middleton. Come along and share fellowship with other Christians in the town. Please note the change of time. ALL ARE WELCOME

Reminder There are forms on the table at the back of Church for nominations of Churchwardens and PCC members. Please give completed forms to Lesley Jaram.

Encounters with Christ on the Cross ... Session 5 of the parish Lent Course 2019 will be held on Wednesday 10th April, 10.45 until 12 noon in the Parish Hall starting with coffee. We shall be looking at Craigie Aitchison's painting Crucifixion 9 and reflecting on Jesus' words from the cross 'It is finished' and 'Father into your hands I commend my spirit.' Please come along, all are welcome.

Easter Lilies ... We are inviting you to dedicate lilies, at Easter, in memory of loved ones. There are forms at the back of church

Easter Gardens As part of our Easter decorations this year we are hoping to have a large display of miniature Easter gardens. Everyone is invited to participate (young or old, male or female) by creating a garden in a container of their own choice. It is not a competition and the gardens will be displayed anonymously. We do hope that as many of you as possible will take part and help to make our Easter really special. Please bring your completed gardens to church before 10.00 a.m. on the morning of Holy Saturday, 20th April. Thank you. *Steve and Gill*

Eastertide Feast ... Join us for an Eastertide Feast on Sunday 28th April at 12 noon. Tickets £10 available now from Ali Holmes 01751 476395. Please see posters for full details.

Easter Monday Coffee Morning

Join us in church for coffee and good company on Easter Monday from 10 am till 12 noon. Serving tea, coffee home made cakes and scones. Everyone welcome!

100 Club ... If you would like to become a member please have a word with David Billett or Ali Holmes.

Please send any notices for next week's pew sheet by Wednesday to

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SERVICES FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY, 7th APRIL, 2019

At 8 o'clock the readings for the Fifth Sunday in Lent can be found in the Prayer Book.

At 10 o'clock we use the printed service booklet.

Sunday, 7th April	The Fifth Sunday of Lent
8.00 am	Holy Communion
10.00 am	Parish Eucharist
6.00 pm	Evensong

Wednesday, 10th April	
10.00 am	Holy Communion

Friday, 12th April	
6.00 pm	Stations of the Cross

Sunday, 14th April	Palm Sunday
8.00 am	Holy Communion
9.00 am	Holy Communion <i>at Levisham</i>
10.00 am	Palm Sunday Procession and Parish Eucharist
	<i>Meet outside the Parish Hall</i>
10.30 am	Holy Communion <i>at Lockton</i>
6.00 pm	Evensong

Please have a word with a sidesperson before the service if you require a gluten free wafer

Annual Parochial Church Meeting

7.00 pm on Tuesday, 9th April,
in the Parish Hall
(Please note time)

As a result of the collection taken over the last two Sundays, we have been able to send £641.30 to the Disaster Emergency Committee's Cyclone Idai Appeal.
Thank you!

It would be helpful, please, if you could stack the pew cushions where directed after the service whilst work is going on in the nave. Thank you.

READINGS AND PROPERS

Collect

Most merciful God,
who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ
delivered and saved the world:
grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross
we may triumph in the power of his victory;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

First Reading: Isaiah 43. 16-21

Thus says the Lord,
who makes a way in the sea,
a path in the mighty waters,
who brings out chariot and horse,
army and warrior;
they lie down, they cannot rise,
they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:
Do not remember the former things,
or consider the things of old.
I am about to do a new thing;
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?
I will make a way in the wilderness
and rivers in the desert.
The wild animals will honour me,
the jackals and the ostriches;
for I give water in the wilderness,
rivers in the desert,
to give drink to my chosen people,
the people whom I formed for myself
so that they might declare my praise.

Psalm 126

Response: *The Lord has done great things for us
and we rejoiced*

When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion,
then were we like those who dream.
Then was our mouth filled with laughter
and our tongue with songs of joy. R

Then said they among the nations,
'The Lord has done great things for them.'
The Lord has indeed done great things for us,
and therefore we rejoiced
Restore again our fortunes, O Lord,
as the river beds of the desert. R

Those who sow in tears
shall reap with songs of joy.
Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed,
will come back with shouts of joy,
bearing their sheaves with them. R

Second Reading: Philippians 3. 4b-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on towards the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

Even now, says the Lord, return to me with your whole heart; for I am gracious and merciful

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Gospel: John 12. 1-8

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, 'Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?' (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, 'Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me.'

Post Communion Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ,
you have taught us
that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters
we do also for you:
give us the will to be the servant of others
as you were the servant of all,
and gave up your life and died for us,
but are alive and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**