



Holy Trinity

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Welcome to this week's edition of Holy Trinity News - Sunday 31st March 2024

Alleluia! Christ is risen!
He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

I love the Paschal greeting which we will exchange this Easter Sunday which joyfully asserts the central tenet of our faith – that Christ crucified for our sins was resurrected that first Easter. And it truly is a wonderful and extraordinary thing that through Jesus' death and resurrection sin and death are conquered, and new life is offered to all. But what does that new life we celebrate mean to you and me, and how do we express this to others?

I often explain the difference faith in Christ has meant in my life in terms of a well-known scene from a famous movie. My favourite film as a child was *The Wizard of Oz*, and one scene captivated me. It is the moment when Dorothy's house, thrown up in the air by the "twister" (tornado), crashes to the ground in the land of Oz. We watch Dorothy (and Toto the dog!) wander through the house, and then nervously open the outer door. The film up to that point was shot in sepia giving an essence of colour, but as Dorothy steps into Oz the movie is transformed as the viewer now watches the scene unfold in the vivid brightness and hues of "Technicolor" (sorry for the spelling, but that's what MGM called it!).

When I came to faith it was like seeing the world and life in its true colours for the first time, as if I had stepped from a sepia world without Christ where I had discerned aspects of true life, into a new life where the presence of God made my life a richer, more vivid, "technicolor" experience. Accepting Jesus as my Saviour literally transformed my life into something infinitely richer. I wonder how faith in Christ has enriched your life.

This Easter may we all know the wonder of Christ's resurrection and the joy of salvation afresh.

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Revd Dr Richard Coldicott

HT / worship

Sunday 31st March
Easter Sunday

8.00am Book of Common Prayer **Holy Communion**

Led by Revd Debbie Beer
Preacher Revd Dr Richard Coldicott
Readings: Acts 10:34-43 and John 20:1-18

9.30am A Service of Holy Communion

Led by Revd Dr Richard Coldicott
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11.00am Service

Led by Revd Dr Richard Coldicott
Preacher Sarah Steel

Readings: John 20.1-9

Don't forget the clocks go forward an hour on Saturday night!



HT / Diary

Monday 1st April

10am – 12 noon Easter Fun Activity Morning

Tuesday 2nd April

9.00am Morning Prayer

9.30-11.30am Toddlers at Fairfield Pavilion, Fairfield Recreation Ground

12noon Funeral of Eileen Clark

Thursday 4th April

7.30pm – Bell Ringing Practice

8.00pm – Room to Grown at Vicki Macken's home

Friday 5th April

2.00pm – Lent Course

6.30pm – Junior Choir practice

7.15pm - Choir Practice

Sunday 7th April

8.00am Holy Communion Book of Common Prayer

Led by Revd Debbie Beer

Preacher Kevin Carey

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11.00am Service

Led by

Preacher Jenny Brown

Friday Lent Course group - final session 5th April

A reminder that the final session of the Lent Course Friday group, will be this coming Friday, 5th April, at 1.45 for 2pm in church. All welcome!

Easter Fun Activity Morning

We are really looking forward to our Easter Fun activity morning on 1st April, aimed at children aged 0-11 and their families. If you are able to help out, either by baking some Easter-themed cakes/biscuits or by volunteering on the morning, please contact Sarah - sarah.holytrinityhpp@gmail.com or 07913103827. Thank you!



Date of the APCM and Joining the Electoral Roll

Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM), when we appoint our churchwardens for the coming year and new members to the PCC, as well as receiving reports and the accounts for the year from 1st Jan to 31st Dec 2023, will be taking place on the evening of Monday 29th April at church. Still quite a way off but an important date in the church diary, so do put the date in your diary and join us if you are able.

Ahead of the APCM, our Parish Electoral Roll will be revised, and we encourage anyone who has been part of the church community for at least 6 months, to consider joining our electoral roll. By being part of the roll you will also have voting rights at the APCM. Electoral Roll forms are available on the table at the back of church, or you can download one from our website by visiting the [Documents and Forms](#) page. Please put completed forms into the box at the back of church, or photographed and emailed to the church office.
Thank you.

Good condition laptops and tablets needed for a school in Ukraine

Last year all the computers in a school linked with one of the Hurst Ukrainian families were destroyed by a power surge. We are looking to help replace them. If you have a spare laptop or tablet/ipad in good condition and would be willing to donate it, please get in touch:
jenny.brown1106@gmail.com (07986119603)

Dementia Friendly befriended

Easter Celebration Service

3 pm
31st March

Easter Sunday afternoon followed by refreshments

Court Buses Community Hub
Willow Way, Hurstpierpoint
BN6 9TH

ALL ARE WELCOME

Call 0300 7727703 or email
office@befriended.org

All are welcome to join us for a simple short dementia friendly Easter service with Jenny Brown speaking and followed by refreshments.

This week we are praying

For King Charles III as he continues his treatment for cancer, for Queen Camilla as she supports him, and for the Royal Family at this difficult time. We also pray for the Princess of Wales as she receives treatment for cancer, and for the Prince of Wales and their children.

For peace and justice in our world. For Israel and Palestine. For the leaders of the nations. For our Prime Minister Rishi Sunak, our government and all who bear responsibility for our nation, for wisdom to seek first justice and peace.

For refugees, the international response to the refugee crisis – and for our own response. Pray for the families we are welcoming to Hurstpierpoint, for host families and for the whole support network.

For those across the world suffering from the impacts of climate change. For a greater sense of urgency from politicians and major companies in tackling the causes and consequences.

For those who are in distress, who feel anxious, or are facing difficulties – may they know God’s love.

For those who are unwell including Fran, Neil, Joan, Hugo, Yasmeen, Ann, Ben, Neil, Esther, Tony, Benny, Rosemary, Susan, Paul, Roger, Pauline, Belinda, Nicki, Richard, Brian, Rosslyn and June.

For the bereaved, especially the families and friends of Eileen Clarke, John Kentsley, Robert Lovegrove, Valerie Evershed and Margaret Wilson.

Please do tell us if you are unwell and would like to be included in our prayer list. Do not think that any request is too small.



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