



Thoughts on Palm Sunday

Practically everyone has known the taste of Palm Sunday, the sweetness of success and popularity, and nearly all of us have tasted the bitterness of

Good Friday, of failure and rejection. What saves us from an endless round of ups and downs, what frees us from the tyranny of events over which we have no control is our commitment to press forward in obedience to God -it is trust in God's love to bring about Easter morning, - knowing that the meaning of life is to be found in the knowledge and love of God,- and in sharing that knowledge and love with those who accompany us on the way.

Rev. Richard J. Fairchild
Taken from christianquotes.com

TOOLS FOR SELF RELIANCE UPDATE

The final figure for the tools coffee morning at St Aidan's ten days ago is £307.60, which is our best result ever! There was a good crowd of folk from across the board, and a happy atmosphere, as always.

A lady from Nab Wood (who knows Kate Nisbet from St Walburga's) spoke to me about her late brother's tools. I've collected them (2 car loads!) and catalogued them : the electric ones will go on sale at Baildon Gala, which should make us quite a bit more income! Others are potentially valuable collectors' items, so they'll go to auction. And there are some good quality "ordinary" tools to add to our store. So, all in all, a profitable coffee morning! *Mike Skelton*

Services for EASTER SUNDAY

8am Rev Alistair Newton
Early Communion

10am Rev Alistair Newton
Easter Family Worship and Communion

6pm United Service at St Johns

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If you would like something on next week's Pews News, please will you let me know by Tuesday evening. Thank you. Tel 597170 /ros.crosland@yahoo.co.uk

If you are here today for the first time, we offer you a warm welcome. Please stay and have a coffee after the service. If you would like to know more about what goes on, please fill in your details below and hand it to one of the stewards. Somebody will then be in touch with you.

Name.....

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Pews News



Sunday April 17th
2011
Palm Sunday

Today's Worship

10am Rev Alistair Newton

Palm Crosses will be distributed during the service. Adventurers join us for the first part of the service.

There is a crèche for babies and toddlers.



After the service please don't rush off!

There will be a stall in Wesleys selling Easter goodies in aid of Phakimisa. Please buy a cake, or a knitted Easter chick (chicks £1 each) . Then come back into church for our ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING. We will share church news and elect new stewards and members to the Church Council

6pm Mr David Kenyon

Ministry of Flowers



The flowers in our Church today are a gift from Jean Austin and Dorothy Lonsdale in loving memory of parents, family and friends.

Lectionary Readings for the Week

Matthew 26:14-27:66, 27:II-54 Isaiah 50:4-9a

Philippians 2:5-II Psalm 31:9-16



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Prayer of the Week

Dear Lord who has been before us and knows not only the challenges but also the rewards, please fill me with confidence in your daily leading. Amen.



What's On during HOLY WEEK

SUNDAY 17th

7.30pm The Music Circle meets tonight at the home of Steve Duckham, 44 Moorfield Drive.

MONDAY 18th

1.30pm The Monday Cell Groups meet. We are to visit the new building at Baildon Community Link on Cliff Avenue, meeting there between 1.30pm and 1.45pm. There is a bus (626) from the village at 1.20pm – or arrange own transport. Usual finishing time.

7:30pm The Prayer Group meets in Room 2. All welcome.

TUESDAY 19th

7.30pm Lent Study "Gethsemane 2"

WEDNESDAY 20th

2pm Cameo - Service for Holy Week led by Rev Alistair Newton

MAUNDY THURSDAY

7.30pm Maundy Thursday Communion Service

GOOD FRIDAY

10.30am Café Style Worship in Wesleys

11.30am Churches Together Walk of Witness starting at the Ian Clough Car Park

7.30pm Service of Hymns and Meditation

Thank you so much for helping me when my loving husband Brian slipped away from us. Your beautiful cards, letters and flowers have given me so much comfort and peace of heart, and the hugs were wonderful. We are blessed to have this caring church. June Sorge.

On behalf of everyone who uses the wesleys entrance a BIG thank you to the person or persons responsible for providing such a beautiful Spring garden for us all to enjoy.

THANK YOU to Roy and everyone else who took part in last Sunday evening's Own Arrangement service. We had a wonderful time sharing readings, thoughts, prayers and music. I went home feeling really uplifted. Ros.

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LET'S CELEBRATE EASTER SUNDAY



Easter Flowers

We will be decorating church for Easter. Would all members of the flower team meet at 10am on Sat 23rd April in Church. Any greenery would be very welcome.

Members of the congregation are asked to bring flowers (any colour) on Easter Sunday morning for the decorating of the Easter Cross which will be hung on the wall outside after the service.

Thank you all in anticipation *Chris Leighton*

Easter Breakfast

As usual, Easter Breakfast will be served at 9.00 a.m. on Easter Day.

For catering purposes, please sign the list on the notice board by the steps that lead into church by Wednesday April 20th.

Have you a Smiley Face?

Have you warm hands?

Could you please spare $\frac{1}{2}$ an hour on Sunday Morning once every five weeks?

We are desperately short of welcoming stewards and door stewards.

Please contact Keith Hirst (591454) if you could possibly help to fill our rota.



London Marathon 2011

Today I should have been running in the London Marathon, but have had to withdraw after several days in bed with an infection, which is very disappointing. Many of my Church friends have already given me sponsorship money for Methodist Relief and Development Fund (MRDF). If you would like the money back, please ask me. MRDF have actually had an offer to run for them in this year's Marathon from 70 year old, ex-minister, Malcolm Brookes, who has completed many marathons, so, in one sense, he'll do it for me this year. Maybe you'd be happy for any sponsorship money you've already given to still go to MRDF in support of Malcolm's effort?

Whilst withdrawing from the race is disappointing to me, I still hold firm to Isaiah 40:31 "They that hope in the Lord will renew their strength they will run and not grow weary, walk and not grow faint". Praise the Lord! *Jim Parrish*

A FEW WEBSITE STATISTICS

1,002 Visits

4,710 Page views

We have had visitors from far flung places such as: Indonesia, India, United States, Spain, British Virgin Islands, Australia, Philippines, New Zealand and South Africa.