



**St Giles' Church, Bubbenhall:
 Newsletter for April 2022.
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Services in the Benefice: April 2022

Date	Bubbenhall	Baginton	Ryton
April 3: Fifth Sunday in Lent (Passion Sunday)	11.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	10.00 a.m: Village Service.	9.30 a.m: Parish Communion 6.30 p.m: Evensong
April 10 Palm Sunday	6.30 p.m: Palm Sunday Evensong <i>with dramatized reading of the Passion according to Luke</i>	10.00 a.m: Holy Communion for Palm Sunday	8.00 a.m: Holy Communion. 9.30 a.m: Palm Sunday Procession and Parish Communion. <i>(No Village Worship).</i>
HOLY WEEK SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE: PLEASE SEE PAGE 2.			
April 17: Easter Day.	8.00 a.m: Holy Communion. 11.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	10.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	9.30 a.m: Parish Communion 6.30 p.m: Evensong
April 24: Second Sunday of Easter	8.00 a.m: Holy Communion	10.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	9.30 a.m: Family Service. 6.30 p.m: Holy Communion.
May 1: Third Sunday of Easter.	11.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	10.00 a.m: Village Service	9.30 a.m: Parish Communion. 6.30 p.m: Evensong.
May 8: Fourth Sunday of Easter.	6.30 p.m: Evensong	10.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	8.00 a.m: Holy Communion. 9.30 a.m: Village Worship.

Every Wednesday except April 13th at Ryton: 9.30 a.m: Holy Communion.

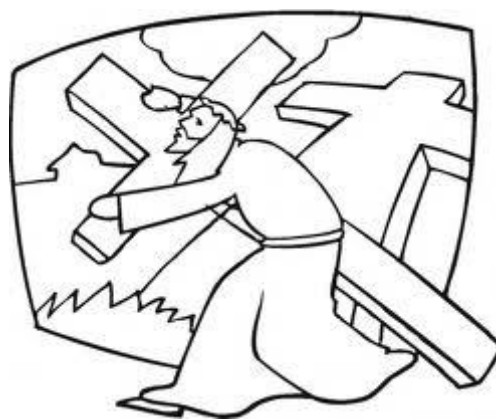
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April 11: Monday in Holy Week.			7.30 p.m: Holy Communion
April 12: Tuesday in Holy Week.		7.30 p.m: Holy Communion	
April 13: Wednesday in Holy Week.		11.30 a.m: Holy Communion 7.30 p.m: Tenebrae (A service of shadows: you may like to bring a torch)	
April 14: Thursday in Holy Week. (Maundy Thursday)		8.00 p.m: Commemoration of the Last Supper: Holy Communion, followed by The Watch.	
April 15: Good Friday.		10.30 a.m: Devotional service for Good Friday, led by the Revd. Penny Hughes	10.00 a.m: Children's Good Friday Workshop, followed by Family Service 7.30 p.m: Good Friday Liturgy
April 16: Holy Saturday.			8.00 p.m: Easter Vigil
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Lent Service: Stations of the Cross

On Thursdays in Lent, we are meeting at Ryton Church to meditate on the Way of the Cross- Jesus' last journey as he carried his cross through the streets of Jerusalem to the place of his crucifixion. Service begins at 6.30 p.m. and lasts about 40 minutes.



Good Friday Workshop, April 15, 10.00 - 11.30 am, in Ryton Church Centre

Everyone is invited, young and old, to join us in activities associated with the Easter story. We will be cooking, colouring, glueing, flower arranging and constructing an Easter Garden - and of course there will be Hot Cross buns!! Come and be part of the fun! The workshop will be followed by a short, child-friendly service in church.



From the Church Registers:

On March 5 at Ryton: The Wedding of
Dino Fella and Samantha Benn.

We wish them every happiness in their life together

On March 1 at Baginton: Burial of the ashes of **Elaine Kurzburg.**

On March 16 at Bubbenhall: The Funeral of **Maureen Walker.**

On March 26 at Bubbenhall: Memorial service

and Thanksgiving for the Life of **Angela Greenway.**

On March 30 at Ryton: Burial of the ashes of **Gordon Hendrie.**

May they rest in peace



Thank you from Craig and Jade Greenway.



Craig and Jade would like to thank their Bubbenhall neighbours and all the friends and relatives who attended the memorial and thanksgiving celebrations for Angie on March 26.

It was a lovely occasion, worthy of a truly lovely person. Craig writes: “It was a wonderful day and all that we could possibly have wished for with a really good attendance for which I am very grateful. “



May she rest in peace.

Annual Parish Meeting/Annual Parochial Church Meeting.

Date to be announced.

These two meetings – which are so close together that they feel like one meeting – will take place this year before Evensong on April 10th. The meeting will start at about 11am. Both meetings are open to anyone who wishes to attend, though there are restrictions on who may vote.

The Annual Parish Meeting is for the election of Churchwardens, and anyone on the civil electoral roll who lives in the parish of St Giles may vote.

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting receives reports on the life of the church and hears any questions which you may have about St Giles'. It also elects members to the PCC, and anyone who is on the church electoral roll may vote.

Please consider carefully if you are able to offer to serve on the PCC (Parochial Church Council).

New ideas, new enthusiasm and new energy are always needed to ensure the vitality of your Parish Church into the future. Please have a word with the Churchwardens or Rector if you would like to serve your Parish Church in these ways.

LENT STUDY GROUP 2022

For this year's Lent Course, we are using a York Course

called : Caring for Creation

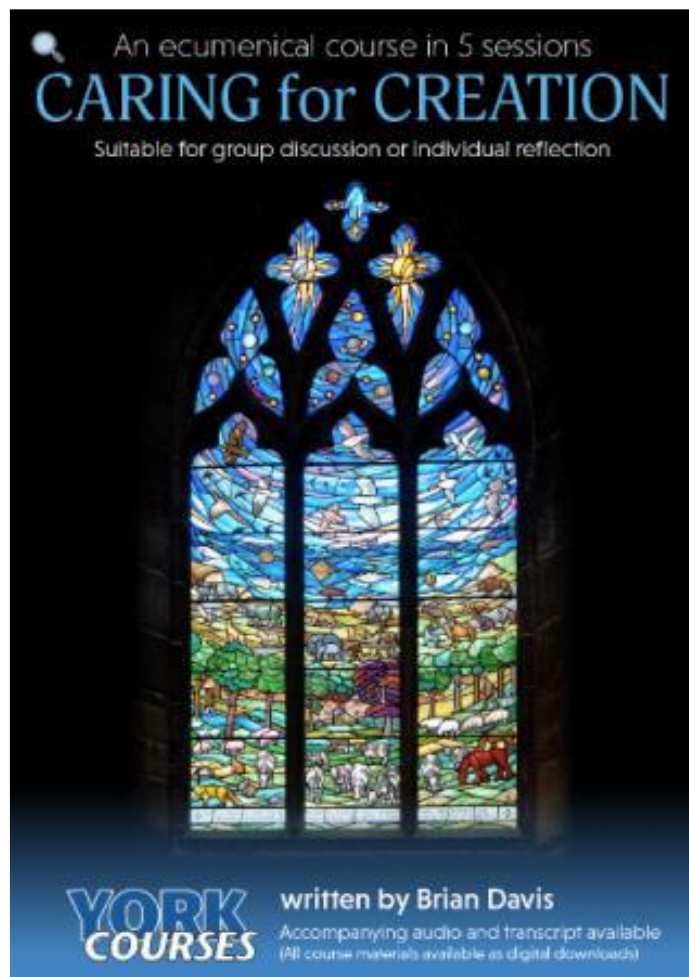
with audio contributions by a number of well-known clergy and broadcasters.

The sessions are well put together and will provoke lively discussion.

The Lent Course meetings are taking place on Thursday evenings in Ryton Church centre, starting with food at 7.00 p.m.

The sessions will finish by 9.00 p.m.

Remaining session is on April 7.



Lent Jars.



This Lent, many of us will give up glasses of wine, coffee or chocolate, to mark the 40 days Jesus spent fasting in the desert.

Please join in our Lent Jars Collection: Gill Church, Lent Jars Co-ordinator, writes:

This year the charity chosen for us to support is Cancer Research UK. As many of you will know, this is a charity very close to my heart. Statistics now say that one in two people will be diagnosed with cancer, and so we need to raise funds for research to find new treatments, to help alleviate side effects from treatment, and hopefully one day find a reliable cure for this disease.

The Lent Appeal jars will be available in Church from the last week of February, so please do take a jar, and, if appropriate, complete a Gift Aid form which you will find inside your jar. After Easter, return your jar to Church, from where it will be collected, the money counted, and sent to Cancer Research.

Thank you to everyone for your continued support of our annual appeal.

Your Churchyard: a place for peace and reflection.



Thank you to those who are continuing to maintain the churchyard in the present crisis. If you would like to help keep our churchyard looking beautiful, and providing a place for peaceful reflection for everyone, please contact Jackie Lloyd on 02476302836 or Craig Greenway on 02476 303918

Our sincere thanks to all of you who work so hard and so skilfully to ensure that we have an immaculate churchyard – something the whole village can be proud of – Editor.

Flower Rota

No flowers in church during Lent. Donations for Easter Lilies to Mrs. Jackie Lloyd please

Easter Day: April 17.

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion at St. Giles'
11.00 a.m: Parish Communion at St Giles'
6.30 p.m: Evensong AT RYTON

Dates for your diary.

April 10 Palm Sunday: Holy Week begins.

April 14: Maundy Thursday

April 15: Good Friday

April 16: Holy Saturday

April 17: Easter Day



John Church writes: We can now take all ink cartridges, laser and toner cartridges, although we only get paid for the chunky types, the others are disposed of without going into land fill. Our thanks go to the person who left 17 of the chunky types in the Church centre, I can now send off a box with 31 cartridges in and that will give the Church £31.00.

Children in Church.



We love having children in our churches, and there is **always provision for them at our 9.30 a.m. services** at St. Leonard's Church, Ryton. All families with babies and children are sure of a warm welcome whenever they can join us. **Families from Bubbenhall are especially welcome.** All Ryton Sunday morning services start at **9.30 a.m.**, and the pattern is:

2nd Sunday in every month: Village Worship.

The most informal of all our services. We start in the Church Centre (warm and welcoming) with workshop activities for children, and coffee, puzzles and chat for grown ups to get to know one another.

At about 10.00 we move into church for a short and child-centred service. There is no need to be there on the dot of 9.30- people drift in as soon as they can make it.

4th Sunday in every month: Family Service.

An all-age service of readings, songs and activities with everybody young and old in church together. Children always participate in the readings/ drama sketches etc. and several people bring instruments to accompany the songs. (and any other musicians among you and your children would be very welcome to join them) Tea/coffee and cake after the service in the Church Centre.

1st and 3rd Sundays in every month: Parish Communion with Sunday School.

Tea/coffee and the chance to socialise after every service. Children start the service in church with their parents, and after the first hymn go out for Sunday School activities in the Church Centre, returning to receive a blessing at the time of Communion. Parents are welcome to accompany their little ones to Sunday School and stay with them if they lack confidence at first.

At these services, we also have a robed choir which includes older children (aged about 8 and upwards) and teenagers: if your son or daughter enjoys singing, please encourage them to join the choir. Contact Barbara Marsh, our choir mistress on geoffandba@gmail.com (tel. 02476 304295)



We also offer the opportunity for children, young people and adults to train to become altar servers at the Parish Communion services at both Bubbenhall and Ryton. Contact Rosemary on rosiking2963@gmail.com (tel 01788 573067) about this. We value children, and make them and their parents welcome.



Village Worship and family Services- for all ages!

Church Giving

We give because God gave first.

A message from PCC Treasurer, David Hollway:

“Not being able to get to church or any church services has been a real frustration – but now we are able to do so again! The expense of maintaining the building continues none the less, and if you would like to make any envelope contributions, they would be greatly appreciated. Please either let me know and I can collect them from you, alternatively pop them through my door.”



Brunch in BUBBENHALL Village Hall Saturday, April 2.



from 9.00 – 12 noon.

Full English £5.00, or bacon/sausage etc. batches, tea, coffee – priced per item.

Proceeds in aid of St. Giles' Church.

Gill Green and team hope to welcome even more of you **on Saturday, April 2nd**

Do come along and bring your friends!

Many thanks to Gill, and all those who are helping her in this popular venture

TWIRLS – Women's Institute

Meet every third Thursday of the month at Ryton Church Centre.

7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Further details from Claire Jones

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Thought for the Month: From our Rector, the Revd. David Wintle



Can you recognise the Fool in this picture from 1983?

Because of the way Lent and Easter fall this year, I can't wish you a happy Easter yet, and it's too late to encourage you to give up (or take on) something for Lent. So it's a good thing that there is a custom which always falls at the beginning of April about which I can say something: April Fool's day.

Where did it come from? Once upon a time, the Church kept the only calendar that everyone used, so feast days and festivals were religious ones. For most of Christian history (until 1752 in England), the Feast of the Annunciation on March 25 was New Year's Day, and the Church sponsored a week-long new year feast, which had the important, and no doubt popular, side-effect of allowing people to break their Lenten fast. Each day of the week came with a special blessing for the year ahead, and at the end of the week, on April the first, the 'fools' were blessed: All Fool's Day.

Why have a special blessing for fools? The idea of being a fool, or playing a fool, had religious connotations of humility and piety.

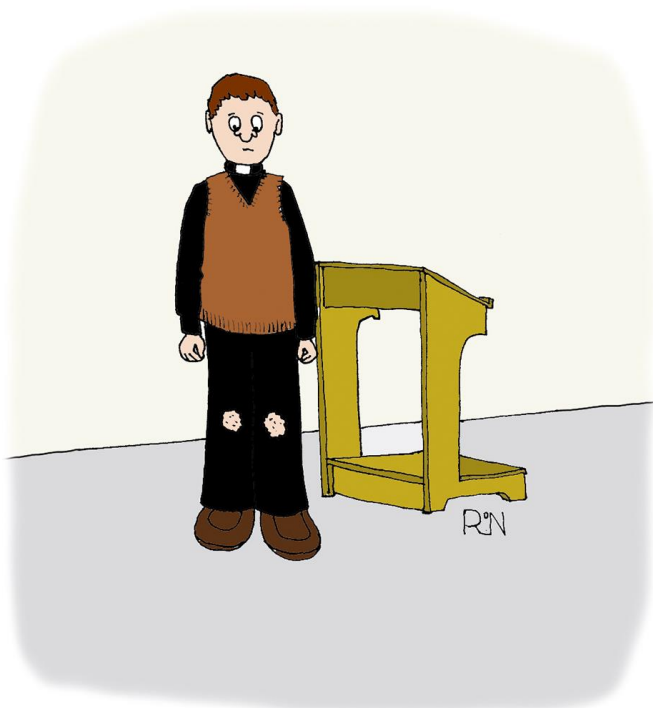
From the earliest years of Christianity, particularly in the Byzantine Empire, and later in Russian Orthodoxy, being a Fool was a kind of holy vocation.

A “Fool for Christ” would live a sort of mendicant, beggar lifestyle; they would do silly or outrageous things that were meant to shock people out of dependence on, or excessive love of, worldly things, and they were often seen as a prophetic voice, especially when they challenged the powers-that-be.

The idea is that the Christian vocation is at direct odds with the way the world does things, and so the world is bound to see Christianity as foolishness. This idea is articulated several times in the Bible by St. Paul, for example: "the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God." (1 Corinthians 1:18); "the wisdom of this world is foolishness in God's sight. As it is written: "He catches the wise in their craftiness." (1 Corinthians 3:19).

As Christians, we are called to do foolish things. We do them because Jesus shows us that, through them, we are brought into the wisdom of God, which is entirely different from the ‘Everyone for themselves’ mentality. We do things like: give without counting the cost; visit and spend time with people who our society counts as throwaways; help people to get well or better, even though we might risk sickness or poverty for ourselves. We do them because Jesus showed us that they are the best way to enjoy the gift of life that we all share; and the way to learn to be ourselves, full of a humility and joy that has always puzzled people who were ‘in it for themselves’.

And finally....



The world situation took its toll on Kevin's trousers....

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- Rosemary's email is rosiking2963@gmail.com

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