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# APRIL MAGAZINE 2018

Dear Friends,

*Now the holy rays of the light of Christ shine forth,  
The pure stars of the Spirit rise,  
The heavenly treasures of glory and divinity lie open*

These extraordinary words by Hippolytus, an early theologian, express the Paschal (Easter) mystery which we celebrate on the first day of April. There is something about the fact that the greatest of all Christian festivals falls on 'All Fools Day' in 2018 that has something of a lesson to help us in understanding the profound nature of our Easter Joy.

God desires to draw each of us into a greater understanding of his love through his beloved Son who died for us on the cross. Through this action the wisdom of the world is turned upside down. Paul writes in his first Letter to the Corinthians, *'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. For it is written: 'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise; the intelligence of the intelligent I will frustrate.'* (1 Cor 1: 18-19)

But the story doesn't end there. The death and resurrection of Jesus is the sign by which we ourselves live resurrection lives; lives which allow the mysterious call of God to each of us cause the 'holy rays of Christ to shine forth' in all that we do.

What does this mean? I believe that there is no area where we should not be making a difference; no part of our contact with people to be anything other than transformative. In seeking to do this, we are called to lay aside 'self,' finding true freedom through loving service to the world. Sometimes this will be tough for all sorts of reasons. Sometimes we fail,

knowing the darkness which exists in so many situations we hear of or experience. But even the effort of *seeking* to follow the example of Jesus draws us closer to God.

*The heavenly treasures of glory and divinity* do indeed lie open to all, as we have the privilege of proclaiming the profound knowledge of God's love revealed by Jesus Christ through death and resurrection.

A very happy and blessed Easter

With love,  
Michael



# FROM THE VICAR'S DESK

**Easter Services** I outlined these last month, but just to remind you of the Three Great Days and Easter Day itself:

## **Maundy Thursday** *29<sup>th</sup> March*

8.00pm Eucharist of the Last Supper and Thanksgiving for the gift of Holy Communion

## **Good Friday** *30<sup>th</sup> March*

10.00 Family Service (followed by Hot Cross buns!)

12.00 Devotion at the foot of the cross

2.00pm Liturgy (service) of the Passion

## **Holy Saturday** *31<sup>st</sup> March*

8.00pm Easter Vigil and First Easter Communion (followed by a Resurrection Party!)

## **Easter Day** *1<sup>st</sup> April*

8.00 Holy Communion (BCP\_

**9.45 Family Eucharist and Easter egg hunt**

6.00pm Easter Evensong

Our visiting preacher for the Three Great Days is the Revd. Clive Woodward. Please do let people know about our Easter services.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL NOT BE AN 11.00 HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE ON EASTER DAY. The 8.00am will be BCP and the 9.45 Common Worship.**

**Lunchtime Recital** For our April recital on **April 6<sup>th</sup>** we welcome the young harpist, **Alex Rider**. Alex is a great communicator and we are in for a super treat. Our Lunchtime Recitals are free, with refreshments available from 12.30. On April 6<sup>th</sup> we welcome the Henschel String Quartet, who will perform Borodin's lovely quartet.

**Lady Day – The Feast of the Annunciation** This ancient and beautiful festival has been transferred from the 25th March to **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> April**. There will be a **Eucharist at 2.30pm**. All are very welcome to the service, together with the tea which follows. We are also inviting members of the Mothers' Union from local branches.

**Thy Kingdom Come On Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> May**, Bishop Richard is coming to Holy Trinity at **7.00pm** as part of his ride around Sussex during the 'Thy Kingdom Come' initiative – He has prepared a short service for those who can attend. I hope we may have a good number there to pray with him, and also to pray for those we hope will come to know the Lord.

**Deanery Synod** On the same evening as Bishop Richard calls, the Deanery Synod is meeting (7.45 for 8.00pm) in Ardingly at the Parish Centre. The speaker is the Revd. Jayne Prestwood, Diocesan Officer for Lay Vocation who will speak on encouraging and equipping lay ministry within parishes. ALL are welcome to synod meetings, and this promises to be a very interesting topic. (I will be beetling up there after Bishop Richard has departed!)

**Baptism Party** This has now moved from its March date to **May 20<sup>th</sup>** – Pentecost in the afternoon. We will be inviting all of those families whose children have been baptised in the past few years, but the service is open to all who would like to celebrate the gift of Baptism, followed by tea in the Old School.

**Confirmation** A further reminder that Bishop Mark will be joining us on **Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> July at 9.45** for our Family Eucharist and I hope that we will have a number of confirmation candidates for that occasion. Confirmation is the opportunity to publicly declare your faith in Jesus Christ, the bishop confirming this with the laying on of hands. This Sacrament is one of the great markers of our faith, and I do invite those not yet confirmed to consider making this commitment to Jesus. The preparation sessions will run every Sundays after the 9.45 from Trinity Sunday - May 27<sup>th</sup> to the

24<sup>th</sup> June. If you are unable to attend all of the sessions, please don't worry – we will make sure that you are prepared! Please give you name to Gill in the Church Office: [htcuckfield.churchoffice@talktalk.net](mailto:htcuckfield.churchoffice@talktalk.net) or 01444 456461

**Our Parish Pilgrimage** this year will be to **St Alban's Abbey** on **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September**. Do put it in your diary. There will be an opportunity to leisurely explore this great abbey church (the longest mediaeval nave in Europe) together with the lovely city surrounding this hallowed site – that of the first British Christian martyr.

**School Accolade!** We were thrilled to hear that Mrs McGregor (Headteacher) recently received a letter from Nick Gill, Minister of State for School Standards, to congratulate Holy Trinity School Key stage 2 pupils who had reached 100% reading standard thus placing the school in the top 1% of primary schools in England for achievement in reading. This is a fantastic result reflecting on the hard work of both children and our outstanding staff! Well done!

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## THE PARISH MAGAZINE

For the foreseeable future, we shall be operating with a rota of duty editors taking it in turn to edit the magazine, covering for each other's absences.

To help with this, we have introduced a new email address:

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Mail to this address will forward to whoever is the editor for the month, and we would encourage all our contributors to start using this address, please, as the quickest and easiest way to reach the editor of the month. Replies to you will come from the real person who is on duty, however!

We hope this will work seamlessly for us all and, in the meantime, copy date for the **May edition** of the magazine is no later than **MONDAY 9<sup>th</sup> APRIL**.

*The Editorial Team*

## **APPEAL UPDATE:** **TARIRO “JACKDAW JARS FOR CHICKENS”**

Thank you everyone who contributed to this appeal. We collected an amazing amount of cash in small and not-so-small coins, and an interesting collection of ironmongery and haberdashery items!

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| Cash in jars       | £1,137.53        |
| Foreign Currency   | £ 311.71         |
| Crib services      | £477.90          |
| <b>GRAND TOTAL</b> | <b>£1,927.14</b> |

Thank you!  
*The Outreach Committee*

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## **MOTHER’S UNION**

Our Branch meeting in February came on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup>, so this was the right moment to focus on **Valentine’s Day: Cards, Memories and Litany**. At present the MU is meeting in members’ homes instead of the Old School, and today we were welcomed to Jane’s house in Mytten Close, Cuckfield.

Saint Valentine’s Day is now celebrated in many countries of the world, but its origins were spread through Europe by the Benedictines from their monasteries in Italy, France and England. It is known that Valentine was a third century priest in Rome who was stoned and beheaded for evangelizing. This was on order from the Roman Emperor Claudius II because Valentine had celebrated

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the marriage between a Roman Legionary and a Christian girl when the Legionaries were forbidden to marry when in the service of the Emperor. Claudius II was angry with the priest, and also resented the spread of Christianity. Valentine was martyred in A.D. 269 and buried on the Via Flaminia in Rome. In A.D. 496 Saint Valentine was added to the Calendar of Saints by Pope Galesius.

The day first became associated with romantic love in the circles of Geoffrey Chaucer in the fourteenth century. King Henry V, it is said, employed a writer to compose a valentine for Katherine, his wife at that particular time! The tradition of giving flowers, sending small tokens of affection and cards developed in England in the eighteenth century among the middle classes. The cards, known as Valentines, were always handmade. By the nineteenth century the first printed cards appeared and these became popular with everyone, particularly the ladies. Hallmark started mass production in 1913 and now it is a multi-million pound business with 150 million cards being exchanged. It is said that 85% of these are sent by women!

In closure we used a very lovely eight-part Litany which we spoke in turn. This was asking for mercy and grace upon our Church at this time, and giving thanks for the world-wide Anglican Communion past and present. We discussed plans for the Marriage Preparation lunch later in February, and closed our meeting with The Grace.

*Heather Hollis*

# HOLY TRINITY CUCKFIELD HOLY WEEK 2018



## **Palm Sunday** (25th March)

- 8.00 Holy Communion  
9.45 Parish Eucharist with procession of palms  
6.00 The Cross of Christ - a devotion of readings and  
music

## **Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday** (26th, 27th 28th)

- 6.00pm Holy Communion and short address  
8.00pm Final Lent Course Session (Wednesday)

## ***The Three Great Days - The Triduum***

### **Maundy Thursday** (29th March)

- 8.00pm Sung Eucharist of the Last Supper *Watch until 10.00pm*

### **Good Friday** (30th March)

- 10.00 Family Service (*followed by hot cross buns*)  
12.00 Meditation for Good Friday  
(*people are welcome to come and go as they please*)  
2.00pm The Liturgy of Good Friday

### **Holy Saturday** (31st March)

- 8.00pm Service of Light and First Eucharist of Easter  
(*followed by a party*)

## **Easter Day** (1st April)

- 8.00 Holy Communion (BCP)  
9.45 Family Eucharist for Easter Day  
6.00pm Evensong



# Spring

Spring is the time for the flowers;  
Spring is the time for the plants.  
Spring is the time for the newborns,  
Such as the chicks, lambs and calves.

Spring is the time for remembering  
Jesus, who died on the cross,  
And all the Easter eggs for which we hunt  
Some so well-hidden they stay lost.

Spring is the time for the butterflies;  
Spring is the time for birds.  
Spring is the time for writing poems  
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*By Molly C, Ruby R and Annabel S  
Year 4, Holy Trinity CE (A) Primary*

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Visitors have been enjoying the 19<sup>th</sup>-century model of the **Comet stage coach**, sent back to Cuckfield by a family in America, and listening to the calls of the post horn which would have sounded out in the village at that time.

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# APRIL GARDEN NOTES

The arctic blast that brought snow and temperatures as low as -10C at the end of February into the first days of March halted gardening activities for a brief period. The cold left the ground soggy, but with clods well broken-up by the frosts. Camellia buds suffered badly, as did our spring-heading cauliflower; exposed curds turning brown.

Hopefully March will be dry and windy to prepare for Easter which, falling on the first of April, will be ideal for cracking on with the many jobs to be done. Lawns can be repaired (new areas sown or turfed, moss and weeds treated, if you like pristine grass). Hardy annual flowers (sweet peas, larkspur, stocks), and vegetables like leeks, peas, broad beans, brassicas and lettuce may be planted out. Hanging baskets can be made up, to be kept protected from frost until the beginning of May.

When pricking out seedlings in trays, do it when their first cotyledon leaves have expanded, well before they get overcrowded. Try to sow more thinly next time if they come up like a forest. Don't over-water, preferably keep trays/pots on the dry side to avoid damping off, especially when the weather is overcast. This also encourages stronger, sturdy growth. Remember to ventilate greenhouses well on sunny days. Use cloches on early veg to speed up growth/maturity, e.g. lettuce, radish, carrots, rocket and mixed leaves. If you plant tomatoes, cucumbers and peppers into an unheated greenhouse in April, bubble polythene is advisable as extra insulation in the roof and walls, in case of hard frosts. Resist the temptation to plant out any of the tender bedding plants and frost sensitive vegetables (e.g. courgettes, sweet corn, French and runner beans), however mild the weather may be. Emerging shoots of first early potatoes (planted at the beginning of the month) are best protected by earthing up or covering with fleece until early- to mid-May, depending upon how exposed your garden or allotment is.

Weeding, though time consuming, is essential - especially amongst onions, leeks and carrots, which are easily choked and whose growth is particularly impeded by weeds. Finish pruning roses (hybrid teas, climbing and shrub types) that you haven't yet had time for, as well as penstemons, fuchsias, hydrangeas and buddleias.

Plums, gages and cherry trees needing a prune are best done mid-April to mid-May, as the sap is rising rapidly, causing the wounds to heal readily. Bulbs and tubers like dahlias, canna lilies and gladioli may be planted out at the end of April, but are best placed in sheltered positions.

Ponds should already have been cleared of winter debris, with congested clumps of marginal or water plants thinned, and pumps serviced, but do these jobs now if you haven't yet.

House plants that are bursting through the bottom of their pots will appreciate being repotted, preferably into terracotta pots that provide a better buffer against variable watering and temperature - as well as giving a more secure base for top heavy plants.

*Lindsay Shurvell*



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*BY MICHAEL BLENCOWE OF THE SUSSEX WILDLIFE TRUST*

Hola readers! I'm reporting from my holidays in the Spanish Sierra Morena mountains where I'm sat amid twisted cork oaks; tortilla in one hand, telescope in the other. I've been scanning the silent savanna for hours in the hope of spotting a very rare animal – a rabbit.

Rabbits are so common in Sussex that it's hard to believe they could be rare anywhere, but here in Spain they've hopped onto the endangered species list. This is all rather embarrassing for the Spanish because Spain (along with Portugal and North Africa) are the ancestral homes of the rabbit. Indeed the word 'Spain' (or España, por favor) means "land of the rabbits".

Rabbits were perfectly happy here in their native Iberia and had no plans of moving, so it must have bugged these bunnies when they were rounded up by the Romans and transported all over Europe to be farmed and eaten as a delicacy. The first British rabbits were carried over the channel 2000 years ago and subsequent waves of invaders brought more. By the 12th century rabbits had become acclimatised and established in the English countryside. They dug for victory, their burrows and warrens spread across Europe and the hole-y rabbit empire flourished. For our ancestors, rabbit meat provided a heartening meal and boy! – was it plentiful. As we all know, rabbits breed like, well, rabbits (which is pretty rich coming from us, a species whose population has doubled since 1970). The male (buck) and female (doe) can produce 7 litters of 4-8 kittens each year. It doesn't take a statistician to work out that quickly adds up to many millions of munching mouths

eating our crops and countryside; and presenting economic and ecological problems. But despite being despised, the rabbit also became domesticated and adored. A journey from pest, to pet, to pet.

This all-powerful rabbit tsunami seemed unstoppable, but they hadn't counted on one man: Monsieur Armand-Delille. This Parisian professor hated the rabbits on his small country estate, so in 1952 he injected a pair of them with a new disease called Myxomatosis. This spark started an inferno. In just one year these two simple injections inadvertently led to the death of 90% of all the rabbits in Europe. This virulent flea-borne disease did not discriminate, and back in Iberia the original Spanish rabbits were wiped out too. Against other pressures their population has never recovered.

Of course I haven't travelled to Spain to watch rabbits. I'm looking for an animal that's looking for rabbits – the Iberian lynx: the rarest cat in the world. The collapse in rabbit numbers had also affected their predators and by 2005 the 150 lynx left on the planet faced extinction. Now, thanks to a rabbit re-introduction programme, the missing lynx are slowly returning to these mountains. So did I find one? That's a story for another day.

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## PARISH NEWS

**The Roll Of Honour** – It is with the greatest regret that we record the fact that another Cuckfield man has laid down his life for his King and Country. On Good Friday the sad news was received that Lieutenant Ernest Attwater was killed in action on March 20th. He joined up on the outbreak of war and saw much fighting at Ypres, Loos and the Somme, where his good work as a machine gunner earned for him the recommendation for a commission. He was very well known in Cuckfield, being a member of the Church Choir and also a Bellringer. He was a good cricketer and footballer and ever ready to help in any good cause. He was as one who knew him says “one of the best,” and his death is deplored by his many friends. His mother died last December, and so she has been spared this sorrow, but we should like to express our sincere sympathy with his brothers and sisters and especially with his young widow with her infant son.

News has also been received that Sergeant W. J. Gasson, Gunner Cleaver and Company-Sergeant Major Charles Lloyd, who was married in our Church in November, 1916, to Miss Willshear, have been wounded, but the latest reports are, we are glad to say, satisfactory. Mrs. Young, of “The Studio,” has, we regret to hear, received news that her son, 1st Air Mechanic Franklin Young, R.F.C., has been severely wounded in the head.

Gunner Fred Fuller has been home on leave and took the opportunity to get married. We wish to congratulate him on this and also on the fact that he has brought home with him an embossed card, on which is a statement, signed by the Captain and Adjutant, to the effect that “The name of Gunner F. Fuller has been inscribed on the Roll of Honour of the 15th Brigade R.H.A. for acts of gallantry performed, September, 1917 – March, 1918.” Another of our Cuckfield men has taken the opportunity of his leave to get married, and on March 13th Gunner Thomas S. Penfold was married in our Church to Miss Mary Cutler, of Ansty. To them, also, we offer our

congratulations, and we hope that both couples may have many years of happiness before them.

We have been glad to welcome several Cuckfield men home on leave, including Captain Stuart Reid, M.C., who is now recovering from an attack of malaria, Captain Lionel Turner, who has also been on the sick list lately, and Private C. Bell, Sapper Herbert Bennett, Privates Jack Strangeman and Arthur Harding. Norman Bowell came home on leave in order to see his father, who was dangerously ill, and we are glad that when he returned he left him much better.

Miss Rita Bevan, who has been nursing in France, is now at home for a much needed rest. Some little time ago she met with an accident and shortly after that she had an attack of diphtheria, but we are glad to say that she is now practically convalescent.

We are sorry that we omitted last month to refer to the fact that Miss Cooper, the Commandant of our V.A.D. Hospital, has been mentioned for her good work there, and we should like to congratulate her on this recognition of her services.

**The Great Battle** – We shall never forget the Holy Week of 1918 and the terrible battle which was then being fought and which is even now being continued. On the issue of this war depends the salvation of the world, and there is a very distinct call to us who stay in peace at home to pray for the success of our men and for final victory. This call has been well responded to in Cuckfield, and in addition to other intercession services we shall continue, until further notice, the five minutes service of intercession every day when the Peace Bell is rung at noon. We are afraid that there is great anxiety in many homes in Cuckfield now.

**Good Friday** – We should like to say how much we are indebted to the Rev. R. H. C. Mertens, who conducted the “Three Hours’ Service,” for his excellent addresses. They were devotional and at the same time practical, and we were glad that such a large number of people were able to be present.

The decision to repeat the rendering on the evening of Good Friday of the cantata "Olivet to Calvary" which we had last year was certainly justified by the results. There was a very large congregation and the rendering was given in a thoroughly reverent manner. We have to thank Mr. Attewell and the members of the Choir, as well as the ladies and gentlemen by whom the Choir was augmented, for all the hard work which they have done, and we must not forget to give a special expression of sincere thanks to the soloists, whose singing was most thoroughly appreciated and enjoyed.

**The Easter Festival** – We can look back upon our Easter Festival with feelings of great thankfulness ... The services were bright and hearty and reflected great credit on Mr. Attewell and the Choir, and there were crowded congregations. It was dark and wet in the early morning, but there were 63 communicants at 6 a.m.; after that the weather improved and it was fine and bright all day, though the wind was rather high. There were 120 communicants at 7 a.m., 150 at 8 a.m. and 90 at midday, making a total of 428, which is an increase on last year's number.

The Mission Churches were also very prettily decorated, and our thanks are due to those who so kindly undertook the work. At Brook Street there was a celebration of Holy Communion at 6 a.m. and Evensong at 3 p.m. At Ansty there was Evensong at 6.30 p.m., and there will be a celebration of Holy Communion on Low Sunday at 8 a.m. At Ansty the work of decorating the Church, in the absence from home of Miss Best, was kindly undertaken by Miss Gray and Miss Lingley, who were pleased to have the help of Miss Florrie Fenn and her brother, Sidney Fenn, who is also a member of the Choir.

The Boy Scouts attended the Morning Service at the Parish Church. They had their newly formed Drum and Bugle Band, and we should like to compliment them on their smart appearance and effective turn-out, which was the result of careful and expert training.

**The Easter Offering** – The Easter offering, including the contributions from the Mission Churches, amounted to the very handsome sum of £143 13s. 6d., and the Vicar wishes to take this opportunity of expressing his most sincere thanks for the exceedingly generous gifts. He appreciates the kindness of his friends more than he can say and he only hopes that he may be able to prove himself in some degree worthy of it.

**The Girls' Friendly Society** – Thanks to the kindness of friends Mrs. Wilson has been able to convert the Iron Room, which stands in the Vicarage garden, into a G.F.S. Club Room. Between 20 and 30 members use it every week and it is proving already a great boon. Mrs. Wilson and the G.F.S. members wish to thank all those who have so kindly helped them.

**The Clergy** – The Vicar is very sorry to say that the news which he has received lately from Mr. Layton is not very satisfactory, as he has not made such good progress as was hoped. Consequently it is probable that he will not be able to get back to work before June. The Vicar has been very thankful to have the valuable help of Mr. Blake, whose ministrations have been much appreciated at the Parish Church and also at the Mission Churches, but although he will come over for the week-ends until the end of May he will not be in residence at the Clergy House after April 8th.

**Missions Overseas** – We have been asked by Mr. Layton to find room for the following statement about the Ping Yin Hospital, China, and we are very pleased to do so:

“Some of our readers will remember the very interesting lecture Dr. Lock gave us on his work at this hospital when he came down here last year. He told us that they were hoping to build a new ward – badly needed – to be called the Memorial Ward, and he trusted that many people in this country who wanted a permanent memorial of those who had fallen in this

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war would support with such memorial gifts this ward. Last year we contributed £5 towards a bed in the ward. I hope we shall at least do the same this year. So far I have received gifts of £1 and 15s. 6d. How far more fitting a memorial this ward, where the names of those in whose memory it is erected will be inscribed, than stained-glass windows and memorial tablets in our Churches at home? – J. H. LAYTON.”

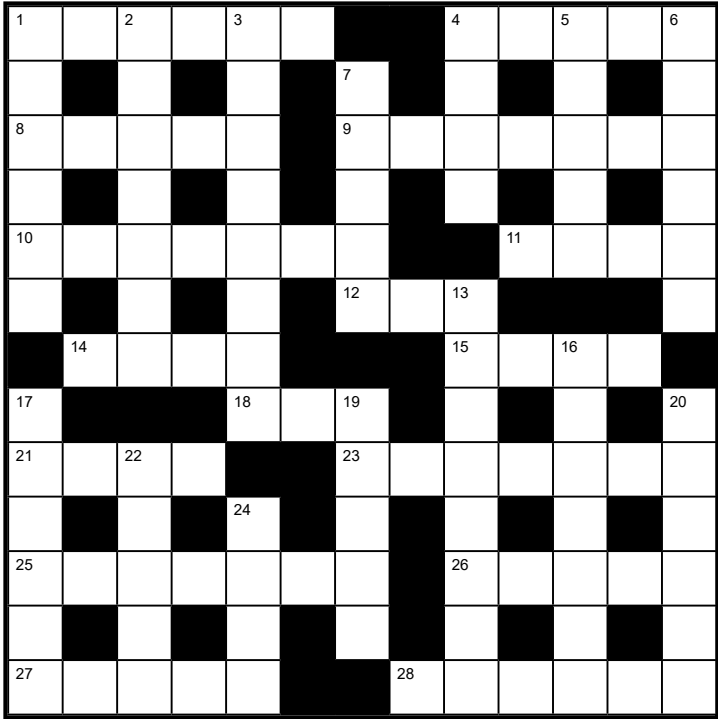
**The Easter Vestry Meeting** for the election of Churchwardens and Sidesmen and for the transaction of other business connected with the Church will be held in the Parish Room on Friday, April 12th, at 6.30 p.m., when it is hoped that there will be a good attendance of members of the congregation.

**The District Visitors** – The next meeting of the District Visitors will be held in the Vestry on Wednesday, April 17th, at 11 a.m.

**The Mothers' Union** – A meeting of the members of the Cuckfield Branch of the Mothers' Union will be held on Wednesday, April 10th, at 3 p.m., in the G.F.S. Club Room in the Vicarage Garden, when an address will be given by Mrs. Firth, a well-known worker in the Diocese among women. All mothers will be welcome and it is hoped that there will be a large attendance.

**In Memoriam** – On March 14th Mrs. Newman, of Whiteman's Green, passed away at the age of 88 years. She was well known and highly respected in Cuckfield, where she has resided for many years, and we wish to express our sincere sympathy with Miss Newman, who has tended her mother so carefully, and with the other members of the family.

# April Crossword



**ACROSS**

- 1. KINGDOMS (6)
- 4. APOSTLE (5)
- 8. HOLY TABLE (5)
- 9. ALLOWS WATER TO SEEP AWAY (7)
- 10. DUSK (7)
- 11. CHURCH OFFICER (4)
- 12. TIME (3)
- 14. BIBLICAL BROTHER (4)
- 15. KNOCK AGAINST (4)
- 18. NOT CLERGY (3)
- 21. BEER IS MADE FROM THEM (4)
- 23. ACTIVE VIVID RECALL (7)
- 25. GAS (7)
- 26. ANAESTHETIC (5)
- 27. LITTLE PIECE (5)
- 28. SCANDINAVIAN COUNTRY (6)

**DOWN**

- 1. BROUGHT UP (6)
- 2. CHOIR MUSIC (7)
- 3. COMPASSIONATE (8)
- 4. SAINT (4)\_
- 5. ANIMAL DISEASE (5)
- 6. RUN AGROUND (6)
- 7. SAW (5)
- 13. BIBLICAL CHARACTER (8)
- 16. DISCIPLE (7)
- 17. ANOTHER 16 DOWN
- 19. MIDDLE EASTERN COUNTRY (5)
- 20. DISEASE (6)
- 22. THE ROCK (5)
- 24. MOIST (4)

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**Friendship Club  
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# Regular Events

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|                                   |   |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| <b>Bellringers</b>                | Thursday evenings 7.45–9.15pm.  |
| <b>Choir</b>                      | Choir practice Friday evenings 7.30 for 7.45-9pm. (There are no practices during August)<br><b>Choir Club</b> for children and young people from age 7 - 8 upwards. In the Old School 6.30 (doors open 6.15) - 8pm on Fridays. ( <i>Not during Half Term and school hols.</i> ) |
| <b>Holy Trinity Mens Group</b>    | Wednesday 18 April Meal at The Whyte Harte<br>For more information contact Clive Simmonds 01444 454481 or email: <a href="mailto:clivesimmonds@btinternet.com">clivesimmonds@btinternet.com</a>   |
| <b>Home Groups</b>                | <i>Alternate Thursday Evenings (2 groups), 8pm</i> call Clive & Isobel Simmonds 01444 454481<br><b>Tuesday, 8.00pm (in term time).</b> David and Ros Thunder, Wayfarers, South Street, Tel. 417103.   |
| <b>Prayer Group</b>               | <b>Tuesday 17 April 10am in the Lady Chapel</b><br><b>Tel. Pam Sagar 01444 414409</b>   |
| <b>Mothers' Union</b>             | Monday 9 April 2.30pm Lady Day Service and Tea in Church. Please contact Ros Thunder 417103 for more details  |
| <b>Little Ones Church Service</b> | First Tuesday of the month at 11am. Come for a story, some songs and a prayer. All welcome. Please contact Catherine Snashall for more details 01444 454712 or 07775932823.   |

## ANSWERS TO APRIL CROSSWORD

### ACROSS:

1.REALMS 4.JAMES 8.ALTAR 9.DRAINER 10.EVENING 11.DEAN 12.ERA  
14.ESAU 15.BUMP 18.LAY 21.HOPS 23.EIDETIC 25.METHANE 26.ETHER  
27.SCRAP 28.NORWAY

### DOWN:

1.REARED 2.ANTHEMS 3.MERCIFUL 4.JOAN 5.MANGE 6.STRAND  
7.ADAGE 13.ABEDNEGO 16.MATTHEW 17.THOMAS 19.YEMEN  
20.SCURVY 22.PETER 24.DAMP

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# Regular Events (continued)

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**Royal British Legion (Women's Section)** *Tuesday 24 April 'Thirteen Steps to Blighty' Sally Williams. Meetings take place at 2.30pm in The Old School, Cuckfield*

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**Cuckfield Crafts and Vintage Market** Saturday 21 April 9.30am to 1pm at the Queen's Hall, Cuckfield. For more details or to book a pitch contact Marie Dormer email: Marie.dormer@cuckfield.gov.uk

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**Cuckfield Local Market** 9.30am to 12.30pm. Food Market at The Talbot, High Street, Cuckfield. (Monthly)

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**Cuckfield Evening Flower Club** Friday 13<sup>th</sup> April 'Wonderful Flowers' Gill Horner Venue Haywards Heath Methodist Church 7.30 for 7.45pm

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**Cuckfield Ladies Group** Tuesday 3 April 2pm Walk to 'The Hyde' meet at Handcross Recreation Ground. Tea afterwards in Handcross. For more details please contact Jan Bryan 414891

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**Solo Lunch** The next Solo Lunch will be on Sunday 8 April. Tickets £6 available from the Church office.

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**Cuckfield Evening WI** Tuesday 17 April –Meal at Haywards Heath Golf Club Meetings take place at 7.30pm at the Cuckfield Baptist Church, Polestub Lane

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## HOLY BAPTISM

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| Eric John BECK                | Aged 81 |
| Margaret (Peg) SWAIN          | Aged 93 |
| Geoffrey Arthur CLIFTON       | Aged 89 |

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# April 2018 Calendar & Readings for Sunday Services

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## **SUNDAY 1 APRIL – EASTER DAY**

- 8.00am Holy Communion  
As 9.45am
- 9.45am Family Eucharist  
Isaiah 25: 6-9; Acts 10: 34-43;  
Mark 16: 1-8
- 6.00pm Sung Evensong  
Ezekiel 37: 1-14; Luke 24 13-35

## **SUNDAY 8 APRIL – SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER**

- 8.00am Holy Communion (Traditional Language)  
As 9.45am
- 9.45am Parish Eucharist  
Acts 4: 32-35; 1 John 1: 2:2;  
John 20: 19-end
- 6.00pm Evening Communion

## **SUNDAY 15 APRIL – THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

- 8.00am Holy Communion  
As 9.45am
- 9.45am Parish Eucharist  
Acts 3: 12-19; 1 John 3: 1-7;  
Luke 24: 36b-48
- 6.00pm Choral Evensong  
Deuteronomy 7: 7-13; Revelation 2: 1-11

## **SUNDAY 22 APRIL – FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

- 8.00am Holy Communion (Traditional Language)  
As 9.45am
- 9.45am Parish Eucharist  
Acts 4: 5-12; 1 John 3: 16-end;  
John 10: 11-18
- 6.00pm Sung Evensong  
Exodus 16: 4-15; Revelation 2: 12-17

## **SUNDAY 29 APRIL – FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

- 8.00am Holy Communion  
As 9.45am
- 9.45am Parish Eucharist  
Acts 8: 26-end; 1 John 4: 7-end;  
John 15: 1-8
- 6.00pm Sung Evensong  
Isaiah 60: 1-14; Revelation 3: 1-13

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# Holy Trinity Cuckfield

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## **SUNDAY SERVICES & MAJOR FESTIVALS FOR THE MONTH (SEE INSIDE)**

### **WEEKDAY SERVICES – NORMALLY IN THE LADY CHAPEL**

|           |                   |  |
|-----------|-------------------|--|
| Monday    | 9.00am            | Morning Prayer   |
| Wednesday | 10.30am<br>5.00pm | Holy Communion followed by Coffee & Cake<br>Evening Prayer |
| Thursday  | 9.00am            | Holy Communion   |
| Friday    | 11.00am           | Holy Communion, BCP  |
| Saturday  | 8.45am            | Morning Prayer   |

### **FOR CHILDREN - IN THE OLD SCHOOL – SUNDAYS**

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|-------------------|--------------------------------|
| Noah's Ark        | ages 0 to 3                    |
| Children's Church | ages 3 to 10                   |
| Xplorers          | action for 11 to 13 year olds. |

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