

WHAT'S ON?

Easter Study: Tonight! At 5pm. 'The God Who Speaks Life', led by the Revd Andrew Errington. No preparation necessary.

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Funeral for Andrew Armstrong: Monday, 11th April at 11.45am.

Magazines are available in the porch

International Evening on 15 April. A social evening enjoying international cuisine and customs. Invite friends and families.

Paper Aeroplane Competition on the 23rd of April. We will build paper aeroplanes and test them in a competition. Fun for all ages.

Sing on Thursdays at 7.30pm. Learn hymns and service music. No experience or musical ability necessary

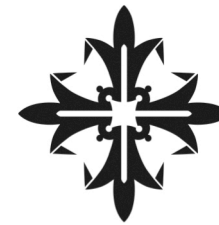
10er Challenge If you can, save £10/week for one year, to help with the cost of replacing our failing heating system.

WHO'S WHO?

Rector: The Revd Dr James Merrick
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Curate: The Revd Jason Hobbs

Organist: Mr Christopher Black



SAINT MARY'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Easter 2, 3rd April 2016

WELCOME TO SAINT MARY'S

Relax and rest in God from the past week.

Rejoice with friends and family.

Be renewed by shared prayer, adoration and thanksgiving.

Children of all ages are welcome. Our children's programme occurs during the 10.15am service.

Communion is open to all who love Jesus Christ. You may drink from the chalice or dip the bread into it. If you prefer not to receive communion, you are welcome to come to the altar for a blessing; indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest.

Coffee, tea and biscuits are enjoyed after the 10.15am service.

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RECTOR'S REFLECTION: Resurrection and Creation

Paul says in 1 Corinthians 15 that if Christ has not been raised then Christian faith and preaching is in vain. The centrality of the resurrection for Christian faith is not merely because it is so amazing or because it gives us hope for life after death. For early Christians, the resurrection was significant because it reaffirmed the goodness of creation. It was easy for ancient people, lacking our technology and globalised economy, to think that the problem with the world was that it was material rather than spiritual. The reason why people did bad things, the reason why the world was full of tragedy was because it was made out of inferior stuff. Salvation would be a matter of freeing our pure, immaterial souls from the deficient, corrupt material order. Christians rejected this, claiming that the problem was not with bodies or matter, but with our spirits. Material creation is good, but our spiritual attitude toward it has been twisted such that we have false expectations of it. That God raised Jesus from the dead as a human body reaffirms that God loves the material world and that salvation is a return to the goodness of creation, not an extraction of our souls from it

HOLY COMMUNION (1970 LITURGY) at 8 and 10.15AM

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Opening Hymn	388 O Praise Ye the Lord!
Opening Sentences	Orange Booklet p3
Confession & Absolution	Booklet pp3, 5
Request for God's Presence, for Purity & for Christ's Mercy	Booklet p5
Gloria in excelsis Deo	Booklet p7
Prayer for the Week: Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.	
First Lesson	Acts 5.27-32
Psalm 95: <i>Venite</i>	Sung by the Choir
Second Lesson	Revelation 1.4-8
Gradual Hymn	509, This Joyful Eastertide
The Gospel	John 20.19-31, NT p99
The Sermon	The Curate
The Nicene Creed	Booklet p11
Prayers of Intercession	TBA

LITURGY OF THANKSGIVING

Offertory Hymn	309, Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendour
Preface to Communion	Booklet p15
Sanctus and Benedictus	Booklet p17

Prayer of Consecration	Booklet pp17, 19, 21
The Lord's Prayer	Booklet p21
Prayer of Humble Access & Agnus Dei	Booklet p23
Invitation to Communion	Booklet p25
Post Communion Prayer: Father, in this sacrament, we have seen with our eyes and touched with our hands the body of Christ. Strengthen our faith that we may brow in love for you and for each other, through Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. Amen.	
The Blessing and Dismissal	Booklet p27
Concluding Hymn	427, Praise to the Lord

INTERCESSIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean; The Most Revd Ian Gerald James Ernest

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St Mary's-on-the-Rock, Ellon, their Rector, Revd Andrew Tucker and the farmers in the community who are lambing and calving

St Mary's Cycle of Prayer: St Mary's, Mqanduli, The Ministry Team and Congregation; St Mary's, Diss, The Revd Anthony C. Billett;

St Mary's, Carden Place: the Revd Dr James Merrick and family; the Revd Jason Hobbs; Jean and Sandy Hamilton; Malcolm Hay; Bridget Homer; Christian Hutcheon; Morag and Frank Kelly; Alex and Margaret Kilgour; Prue King; Anna Koruth; John and Margaret Lumsden; and all who are not with us this week.