

St Michael & All Angels

Cherry Burton



Newsletter April—May 2018

Listen carefully: Unless a grain of wheat is buried in the ground, dead to the world, it is never any more than a grain of wheat. But if it is buried, it sprouts and reproduces itself many times over. John 12.24

Spring is here and Easter is just around the corner as we continue the cycle of the seasons from one year to the next. Old and new flora and fauna grow and spread and reproduce all around us as we leave the winter behind. Our lives have their seasons as well and for some of us the 'autumn and winter of our lives' feel much longer than the spring times and summers. The words of Jesus above were spoken a short while before he entered Jerusalem for the last time, knowingly heading for his arrest, torture and death. It is with this knowledge Jesus shares this parable with his disciples.

Unless a grain of wheat is buried... a grain of wheat has intrinsic value in and of itself but if it is planted it has the potential to become a completely different thing – no longer a seed but a whole plant that produces hundreds, maybe thousands, of grains of wheat.

The hard times in life or times of transition, for example moving job, moving to a new house, getting married, getting divorced, suffering from an illness or caring for someone who is ill, to name just a few can feel like we are losing part of ourselves. A part of who we are or what we value is lost or given up and we can grieve that loss but it does not have to mean only an end to something but also be a beginning. The grain is lost to the dark ground but because of it is lost new life begins.

Jesus didn't just die on a cross, he was also resurrected, that is to say, resurrection is more than just being brought back to life, but entered a new, richer and fuller existence. In our lives that hope of a resurrected life is both now but also not yet – we can experience those times of loss, depression and emptiness knowing that through resurrection in God they are made fruitful. This is more than just wishful thinking but the reality for many of us who choose to be followers of Jesus.

This spring if you would like to know more about this pop in to see me at The Rectory or stop me on the street and we can have a chat.

Blessings,

Richard

Walks — Our walks in the next two months are (1) Saturday April 7th—Pocklington - The Pilgrimage of Grace route. 7.5 miles. Moderate. Need to know in good time if joining us to organise transport. (2) Saturday May 12 - Nr Castle Howard 5.5 Miles - easy. Both walks start in the morning. Please contact Alan Woodhead on 01964 550191 or woodhead321@gmail.com for further details.

Carpet Bowls—Every Thursday night 7:30 to 9:30 in the village hall. All welcome. We're a very friendly bunch who don't take it too seriously. For further info call Steve or Jean on 01964 503144.

CHURCH OFFICE

Office open Friday mornings 10.30—11.30 am.

Tel. 551805

Everyone is welcome to join us for tea or coffee and a chat in the St Michaels's Centre or for quiet prayer in Church on Friday mornings

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Parish Council News

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Tuesday 10th April 2018, 7.30pm in the Sports Pavilion, Sportsfield, Off The Meadows.

Coffee Mornings— Coffee Mornings are held every third Saturday in the month in the village hall Cherry Burton 10:30am to 12 noon. Come along and enjoy a mug of fair trade tea or coffee, home made cakes to eat in or take home. All proceeds go towards the Village Hall Fund. For further information please contact Jean Minney on 01964 503144.

Messy Church at St Michael's

Come and join us in our new venture – **Messy Church** where children, young people and adults come together to have fun, make stuff, play games, share food and learn and worship with each other.

We meet on the **first Sunday of every month at 3pm (until 5pm)** in St Michael's Church. **Everyone is welcome to join us**, whatever your age, with or without children! Our next Messy Church will be on **1st April**. And our May event will be on **Sunday 3rd May**. **We look forward to seeing there!**

Walkington Bowling Club - The outdoor summer season starts in May. Now is the time for players, either beginners or regulars, to request an application form to play on one of the best greens in Yorkshire. Annual membership is £68 with no limit to the number of games played, whether for practice, social, league, competitions etc. For a free trial or for more information please call: Gavin Maynard on 01964 551010 or George Southern on 01482 868704.



The Friends of St Michael's

Last Night of the Proms with Beverley Male Voice Choir - At St Michael's Church, **Saturday 14 April**, 7.30 pm.

Tickets £7 members £8 non members, available from CostCutter, Cherry Burton or George Sweeting (Ph: 01964 550112). Come along and join in this rousing celebration of British music.

Cherry Tots—The Cherry Tots playgroup meets every Tuesday during term time (9.15—11.00am) in the St Michael's Centre (behind the church). It is £2.00 per family which includes tea/coffee juice and biscuits, games and activities for the children. All pre school children and their guardians are welcome. For more information contact Rachael McKay 01964 229493.

Craft Mornings (Cherry Makewells)—The second Saturday of the month (April 14th and May 12th) in St Michael's Centre from 10am—1pm. Cost £2 towards centre costs. Bring along something you're working on or something new and join us for a cuppa. We'd love to see you.

Leconfield Bowling Club—Leconfield Bowling Club is inviting new members, both Ladies and Gentlemen, at special introductory membership fees for the first year of £5 indoor short mat (Oct. to Apl.) and £25 outdoor flat green (May to Sept.). A £1.50 charge per session played is also levied. All you need is flat soled shoes - all other items can be provided by the club. Phone me for a free trial if you wish. Details from Geoff Swan tel. 01964 550530.

Village Hall News:

Opportunity to guide the future of our Village Hall: A re-invigorated management committee is already getting to grips with the challenges and opportunities facing our Village Hall. We need to formalise things and appoint new Trustees at the Annual General Meeting to be held at 7:30pm in the Village Hall on the 10th May. The Hall is used most evenings by various village groups and every weekday by Cherry Burton Pre-School. We want to make sure that can continue and develop but we need help. There is a pressing need to provide access for people with disabilities so if you would like to guide the Hall's future, or just have your say, please come along to the meeting which is open to everyone in the Village.

Bereavement Support

Support is available for those experiencing the pain of bereavement. Feel free to call Mavis 550474 or Howard 550736.

Burundian Cultural Evening: 7-10pm, Saturday May 19th. Mark Costen, one of our congregation will be cycling 770km across Rwanda at the end of May to raise money for Great Lakes Outreach who support communities in Burundi, a country rich in culture but known to be the hungriest and unhappiest nation on earth after suffering years of conflict and genocide. Tickets £5 available from the Shop or the pub or on the door.



The Open Door Community Café: During the month of May we will be opening a community café in the St Michael's Centre (behind the church) to serve the needs of the village and wider community. Initially this will be open 2 days per week—Tuesdays from 11.30am and Fridays from 9.00am. Transport will be available for those who need it. This is a joint initiative between the church and wider village community to provide a friendly meeting point for all. Keep an eye out for opening announcements. Further details re The Open Door will be appearing in the coming weeks so for up to date information check out our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/TheOpenDoorCherryBurton/>) or call Andrea Simpson (our Café Manager) on 07940907168 or Howard Petch (Chair of Management Group) on 01964 550736.

Fundraising @ Etton: In St Mary's Church, Friday 25th May. Actor Chris Cade will be bringing another historical character back to life with his individual sense of humour. Not to be missed!! More details later.

Etton Village Hall Regular Events

- Coffee morning** 1st Saturday of the month (except January) 10.15am
- Book club** Every 3rd Tuesday 7.30pm
- Felt making group** First Tuesday of the month 10am to 1.00pm
- Indoor Bowls** Every Thursday (except 2nd) 7—9pm
- Pilates with Helen Walker** Thursday 9.30 - 10.30am & 10.30 - 11.30am
- Yorkshire Countrywomen's Association** 2nd Thurs in the month 7pm

CHURCH CONTACTS

Rector— Rev. Richard Parkinson (Tel. 503036) Or email Rector@stmichaelscherryburton.org.uk
(Saturday is Richard's rest day)

Churchwardens—Rob Stanley (Tel 01964 550688) Judi Peirson (Tel 01964 551490)

PEW NOTICES News@stmichaelscherryburton.org.uk PRAYER REQUESTS prayer@stmichaelscherryburton.org.uk

Services in April—May 2018

		St Michael & All Angels Cherry Burton	St Mary's Etton
April 1st <i>Easter Day</i>	8.30am 10.00am 11.00am 3.00pm	BCP Communion CW Communion ===== Messy Church	===== ===== Holy Communion =====
April 8th <i>Easter 2</i>	10.00am 11.00am 7.30pm	All Together ===== Praise and Prayer	===== Holy Communion =====
April 15th <i>Easter 3</i>	10.00am 11:00am	Celtic Communion =====	===== Morning Prayer
April 22nd <i>Easter 4</i>	10:00am 11:00am	Morning Worship =====	===== Holy Communion
April 29th <i>Easter 5</i>	10.00am 11.00am	CW Communion =====	===== Songs of Praise
May 6th <i>Easter 6</i>	8.30am 10.00am 11.00am 3.00pm	BCP Communion CW Communion ===== Messy Church	===== ===== Morning Prayer =====
May 9th <i>Rogation Day</i>	7.30pm	Rogation Service	=====
May 10th <i>Ascension Day</i>	7:30am	Communion with Breakfast	=====
May 13th <i>Easter 7</i>	10.00am 11.00am 7.30pm	All Together ===== Encounter	===== Holy Communion =====
May 20th <i>Pentecost</i>	10.00am 11:00am	Celtic Communion =====	===== Morning Prayer
May 27th <i>Trinity Sunday</i>	10:00am 11:00am	Morning Worship =====	===== Holy Communion