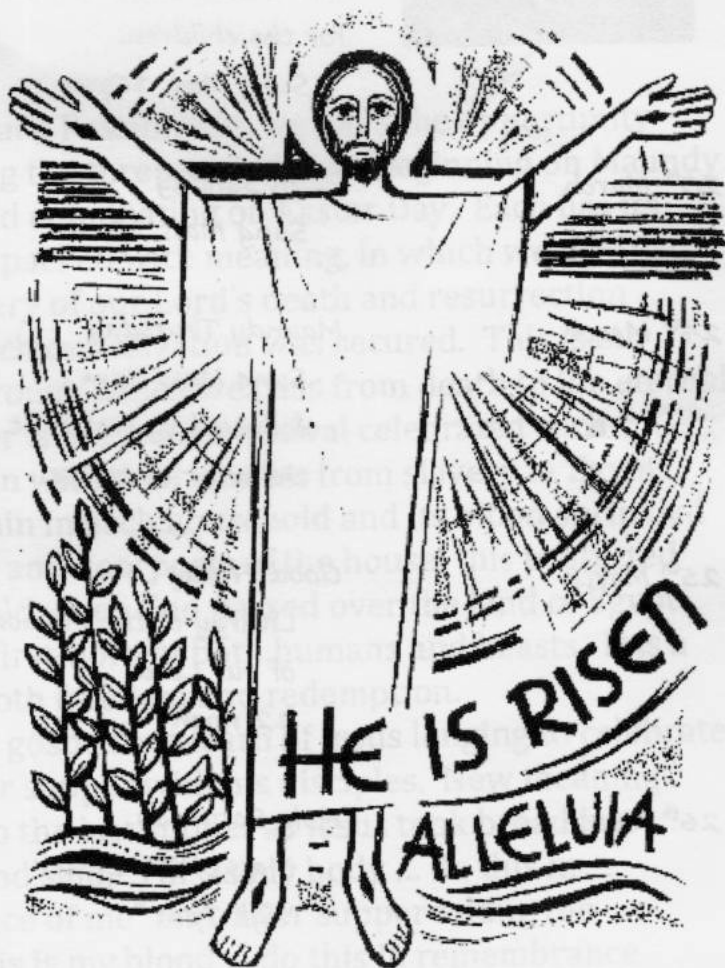


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March + April + May

Diary Dates ...

6th March

Mothering Sunday
with distribution of flowers
for the children.

Sung Mass 10pm

20th March

Palm Sunday

Sung Mass 10am

24th March

Maundy Thursday

· Sung Mass 7pm
followed by watch at
the altar of repose.

25th March

Good Friday

Liturgy of the Passion
of our Lord
12 noon

26th March

Holy Saturday

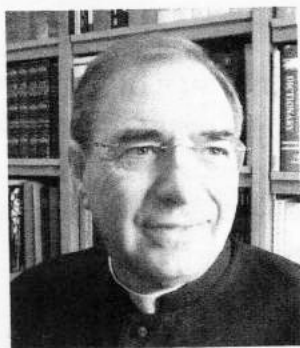
Mass of the Easter
Vigil 7pm

27th March

Easter Sunday

Sung Mass 10am

Fr Terry writes



Dear Friends,

As we approach Passiontide, we have the opportunity of celebrating the three sacred days beginning on Maundy Thursday and culminating on Easter Day. Each has its own liturgy, packed with meaning, in which we meditate on the mystery of our Lord's death and resurrection through which our salvation was secured. This is our Passover through which we pass from death to life eternal. The Passover is the Jewish festival celebrated each spring in connection with their exodus from slavery in Egypt. A lamb is slain in each household and its blood sprinkled on the lintel and doorposts of the house; this protected the household when God passed over the land of Egypt slaying the first-born of both humans and beasts. It is a festival of both freedom and redemption.

In the gospels we learn of Jesus longing to celebrate the Passover supper with his disciples. New meaning was given to the last supper as Jesus took bread into his hands and said, "This is my body ... do this in remembrance of me" and, after supper taking the chalice, "This is my blood ... do this in remembrance of me". This act was intended to re-call Jesus to bring him back. According to John's gospel Jesus died on the eve of the Passover, at the time when the Passover

lambs were being slaughtered. Hence Jesus is seen as the Passover Lamb whose death brings salvation to the world. So, as Jesus was to pass from life to death, we pass from death to life because we have someone who enters heaven to plead for us at the right hand of the Father. Jesus, through sharing our life, knows what it's like to be human, understands our weaknesses. In sharing in the liturgy of these three holy days we deepen our understanding of just what it was that Jesus accomplished for us. This can only strengthen our faith and increase our hope.

So many people these days are assailed by a sense of hopelessness, their lives lacking meaning and direction. St. Paul continually wrote that our life "is hidden with Christ in God"; we are bound eternally to Jesus through our baptism. We might imagine that our life is dangerous, insecure and uncertain. Yet it is the most secure thing possible because it has Almighty God in and behind it. This is the joy of Eastertide. Paschaltide, the period in the church year immediately after Easter until Pentecost, is the time during which we celebrate the victory of the Risen Christ, who through his Passion has overcome sin and death and brought the Church into existence. We are, therefore, never alone because he walks with us always and forever.

May the joy of the risen Christ be with you always,

Fr Terry

Society News

Chrism Mass 2016

Save the Date!

Everyone - young and old, ordained and lay - is invited to this very special service, at which Bishop Tony will bless the oils for use in churches in our Diocese during the year, and clergy will renew their ordination vows. This year, the Mass will again take place on Palm Sunday evening, 20th March at 6pm, at St Paul's Church, Barnsley. Please do join us for this important moment in the Church's year!

Diocesan News

Coffee in Cross Gates?

Bishop Paul has paid a visit to a new, high end coffee house in the centre of Leeds that's helping to build better community cohesion and reduce loneliness.

Cielo was set up by Managing Director, Nick Castle and his wife, Linda, as a social enterprise. Nick says, "We offer quality, speciality grade coffee that we roast ourselves, put our profits back into the community and enable Christians to get to know people way beyond the church congregation. The idea isn't to be a church plant, but to strengthen the muscles of the local church by helping them engage more fully with people."

Cielo is on Boar Lane, just up from Holy Trinity where the Anglican church plant Riverside meet. Members and leaders of the church are often found in Cielo, volunteering, chatting with people and occasionally holding their Alpha courses.

Bishop Paul says, "Cielo is an inspiring enterprise - it's a really attractive venue, the coffee is great and the atmosphere is warm and friendly. It's a strong blend of compassion and professionalism."

Cielo began in Garforth, where there are now two coffee houses with Churches Together involvement. There's also one in Crossgates and they're about to set one up in West Bromwich with the YMCA.

Songs of Praise

Songs of Praise invites you to two recordings in Leeds BBC One's Songs of Praise is inviting church members in the diocese to join them for two afternoons of traditional hymn singing at St Aidan's Church, Leeds. These will be broadcast in future editions of the programme.

They are especially keen for enthusiastic singers to come and make up a specially-formed 'combined choir', who will lead the viewers at home in the singing.

The details are as follows:

SONGS OF PRAISE RECORDING 1

Combined Choir Rehearsal: Thursday 28 April, 7.15 – 8.30pm

Television Recording: Saturday 30 April, 2.30 – 5.45pm

SONGS OF PRAISE RECORDING 2

Combined Choir Rehearsal: Thursday 28 April, 8.30 – 9.45pm

Television Recording: Sunday 1 May, 2.30 – 5.45pm

All rehearsals and recordings take place at St Aidan's Church, Roundhay Road, Harehills, Leeds LS8 5QD.

People are welcome to take part in one or both recordings, and are also welcome to attend as part of the congregation. Congregational singers are not required to attend the rehearsal.

Admission will be by free ticket. To apply please use the ticket application form (available on the Diocesan website), and e-mail it to songsofpraise@bbc.co.uk, or you can post it to: Songs of Praise Tickets (Leeds), 1st Floor, Dock House, Media City UK, Salford M50 2LH.

The deadline for all ticket applications is Tuesday 12 April 2016. Tickets will be posted after this date. In the event that we are oversubscribed we will allocate on a first-come, first-served and/or a pro-rata basis.

Spotlight on the Sacraments

(Part 1)

Marriage

When I listen to accounts of the frenzied preparations for a wedding in today's world, or witness the celebrations of celebrities, I am sometimes led to wonder if these bear any relation to the true meaning and reason for the uniting of two people in marriage. Sadly, in all too many instances, it seems the focus has shifted away from the bride and groom making their vows to one another before God, to the creation of the perfectly co-ordinated, hugely expensive, celebration of 'My Big Day'.

I am reminded of the wedding day of my husband and me, and looking back now, I realise more than I ever could have done then, the depth and significance of the vows that are made on that very special and sacred occasion.

Those vows, so familiar to many of us, '...to have and to hold from this day forward; for better, for worse, for richer, for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish till death us do part...' are the heart of the marriage contract. Hopefully, for most young couples, the true significance of these vows only becomes apparent as the years unfold, when difficulties and struggles inevitably intertwine with delights and joys.

Possibly the most enduring visible reminder of the marriage ceremony, is the wedding ring. The action of exchanging rings is hugely significant for it represents the fact that the couple are joined in an unbroken circle with God at the very centre. The ring is to remind them of the gift of God's continuing grace which they receive through the Sacrament.

John Pitchford in his book, 'Discovering the Faith', describes it thus, 'That grace – or inward spiritual strength – is unseen, but is available to the couple throughout their married life. This grace can be constantly renewed. The grace of God helps them to fulfil their responsibilities to each other, and to deepen their love. Their human love is caught up in the love of God.'

'The gift of marriage brings husband and wife together in the delight and tenderness of sexual union and joyful commitment to the end of their lives. It is given as the foundation of family life in which children are (born and) nurtured....'

(Common Worship)

Family life is at the heart of marriage and quite rightly so, but for most couples the gift of a child or children introduces an even greater need for mutual support, for patience, understanding, wisdom and the grace of God.

Reflecting on the last 50 years, has made me realise afresh, just how the bond of marriage has deepened and grown. I realise how important the element of friendship and respect has been to us, and most important of all, that the love of God has been at the heart of all that we have experienced, and I pray, at the heart of all that is to come, until 'death do us part.'

Joan Whyman

Congratulations ...

to Kevin Sencherey and
Patricia Mapisa

who were married at St Wilfrid's
on 30th January 2016.

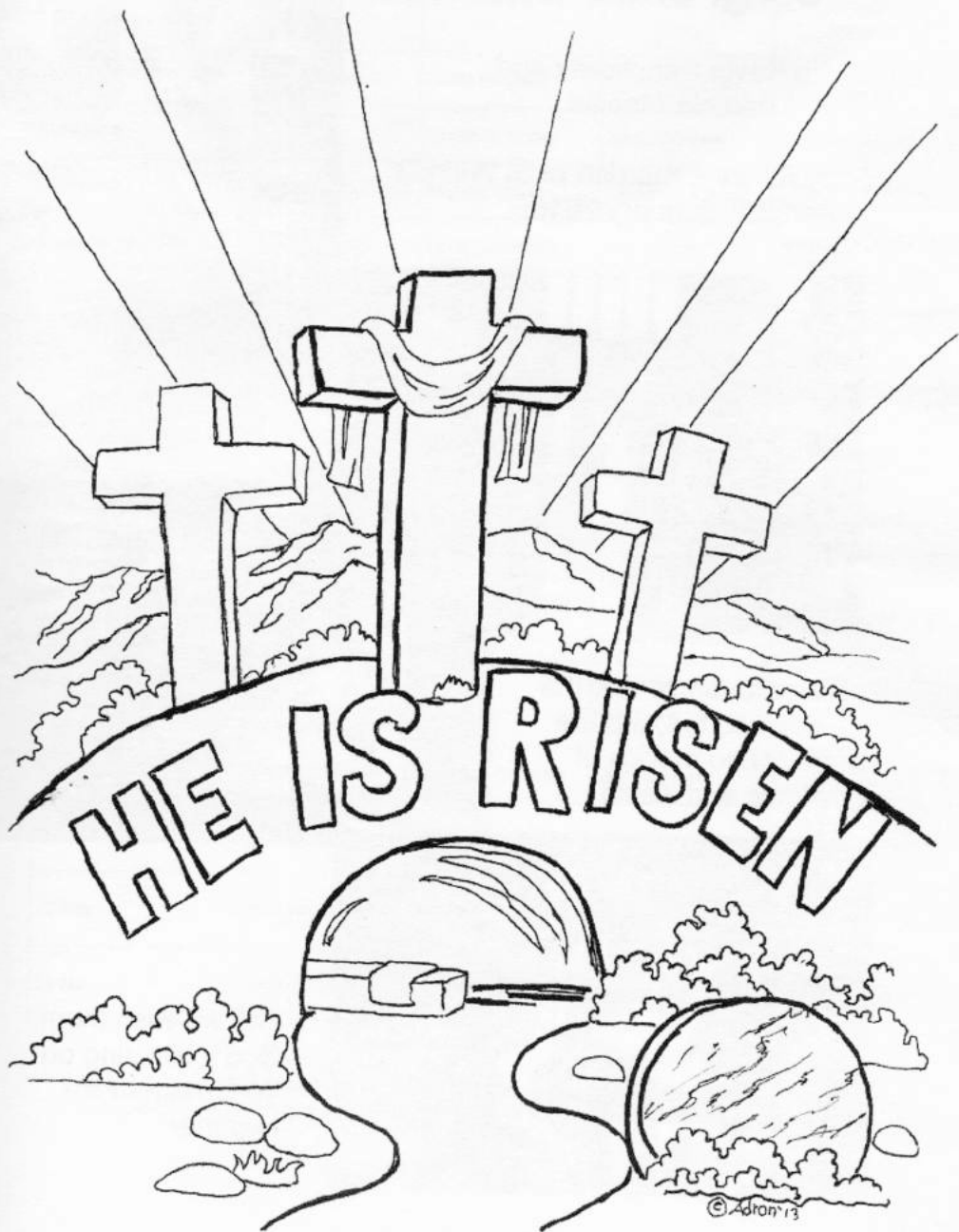


It was lovely to see the
church so full with the
family and friends of
Patricia and Kevin



and we wish them
God's blessing on
their married life
together.

For the children ...



Easter Word Search

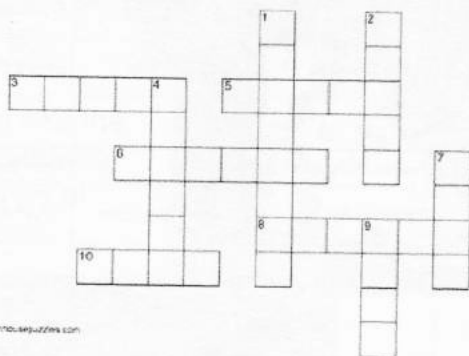


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ACROSS

- 3 This was left behind in the tomb
- 5 Jesus died on this
- 6 The body of Jesus was prepared after his death and they put what on it
- 8 Holiday we celebrate for Jesus rising
- 10 Jesus died on a cross for our what

DOWN

- 1 Mary thought Jesus was this
- 2 Who rose from the dead on the third day
- 4 This was folded up in the tomb
- 7 She looked in the tomb to find Jesus gone
- 9 Jesus was placed in this after his death

WORD BANK: Cross, easter, gardener, jesus, linen, mary, napkin, sins, spices, tomb.

READERS' ROTA & OFFERTORY

	First Reading	Second Reading	Intercessions	Offertory
March				
6 Mar	Paul Moran	David Simpson	Lynne Dransfield	Nikki Oyeboode Omatayo Makinde-Barth
13 March	Andrew Kingham Buc	Christine Moran	David Simpson	Mollie and Lynne Dransfield
20 March	Elizabeth Demaine	Michael Brown	Christine Moran	Elizabeth Demaine Vione Moving
Maundy Thursday	Harry Bowden	Lynne Dransfield	Paul Moran	Lydia Cunningham Gillian Simpson
Good Friday	Andrew Kingham Buc	David Simpson		
Easter Vigil	TBA	TBA		
27 March	Tom Ward	Paul Moran	Elizabeth Buckingham	Shola Abolade and children
April				
3 April	Elizabeth Demaine	Christine Moran	Tom Ward	Elizabeth Buckingham Alexandra Ward
10 April	Lynne Dransfield	Michael Brown	Harry Bowden	Christine Craigen Pam Dimery
17 April	Elizabeth Buckingham	Paul Moran	David Simpson	Joan and Allen Croft
24 April	Harry Bowden	David Simpson	Lynne Dransfield	Margaret Hayes Carol Page
May				
1 May	Andrew Buckingham	Tom Ward	Paul Moran	David & Gillian Simpson
8 May	Christine Moran	Elizabeth Demaine	David Simpson	Paul & Christine Moran and Cindy
15 May	Elizabeth Buckingham	Michael Brown	Andrew Buckingham	Chelsea & Nini Oyeboode
22 May	Harry Bowden	Lynne Dransfield	Christine Moran	Mollie and Lynne Dransfield
29 May	Paul Moran	David Simpson	Tom Ward	Margaret Hayes Carol Page

If any of the dates above are inconvenient, please arrange with someone and let Lynne Dransfield know (273 0323)

FLOWER ROTA

		Donated by	for
March			
27 March	All flower arrangers	Elizabeth Buckingham	Bernard Nichols RIP
April			
3 April	Lynne Dransfield		
10 April	Liz Demaine		
17 April	Joan Croft	Allen & Joan Croft	Jessie Robinson RIP
24 April	Elizabeth Demaine	Fr Terry & Elizabeth Buckingham	Irene Buckingham RIP
May			
1 May	Joan Croft		
8 May	Lynne Dransfield	Paul & Christine Moran	Cindy's birthday
15 May	Joan Croft	Allen & Joan Croft	Aunty May's 100 th birthday
22 May	Liz Demaine		
29 May	Lynne Dransfield		

There are no flowers in church during Lent.

There are still several Sundays where no flowers have been donated.
If you would like to donate some flowers,
please enter your name on the Flower rota on the notice board.

RIPON CATHEDRAL REVEALED

A festival of Flowers, Music, Spirituality,
Food and Drink

28th April to 2nd May 2016

This is a celebration of the life of the Cathedral
and a way of showcasing many of the
dimensions of its life that people don't
often know about. We will also be
launching our far-reaching vision of the future.

From the Archives

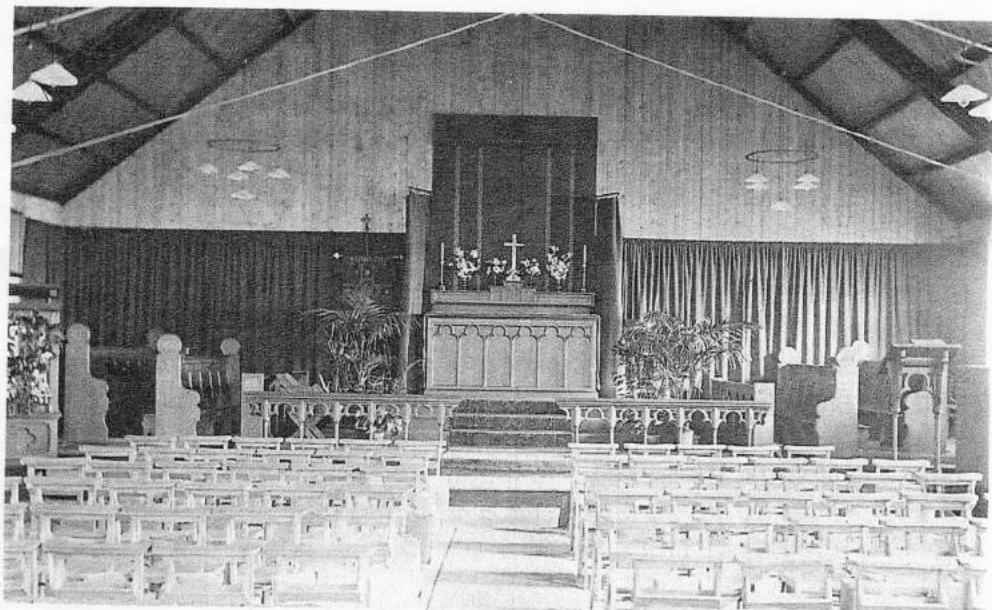
As present day members of St Wilfrid's, we tend to forget that our heritage stretches back in time for 116 years. Over those years many people have worked hard and dedicated their lives to ensuring that the St Wilfrid's we know could exist today. St Aiden's Church was the permanent church in the area and the founding church of St Wilfrid's in the year 1900. The terraced houses between St Wilfrid's and St Aiden's were in the process of being built on virgin fields to house the exploding population of Leeds in this area. The newer houses to the west of the church stand on the land where the first St Wilfrid's Church stood.

Here is an extract about our early history written in 1977.

The 24th November 1900 will not mean anything to most of us, but to the people living in our neighbourhood all those years ago, an event of great importance took place and which still has an impact today.

St Wilfrid's began, and like many of us, commenced life in humble circumstances. A wooden building (second hand) was erected at the top of Conway Mount/Ashton Road.

This was a Mission room, an offshoot of St Aiden's accommodating 150 people, and was used as a Sunday School and for Sunday evening services. It was also a meeting place for people in the area, many of whom were newly arrived, because Harehills in those days was in the process of being developed. There were no houses in the Luxors or the Milans, and only a few on the North East side of Harehills Lane.



Before 1912



Rev Percy Perry Hobson
St Wilfrid's Church
1900 - 1909

In the new (iron) Church all the Sacraments, except marriage, were possible and the first 'Priest in Charge' (Rev Percy Perry Hobson, 1900 to 1909) a man of dynamic personality soon gathered round him a wonderful and loyal band of workers.

During these early days St Wilfrid's owed a debt of gratitude to many friends at St Aiden's who gave money and particularly the Leeds Church Extension Society who very generously sponsored the building of the first Mission Room and the first Church.

These buildings, especially the latter, were the home of many of us for over 20 years and quite a lot could be written of the exciting and happy times we all enjoyed.

This article is attributed to William Ascough, Church Warden

David Simpson

A father was reading Bible stories to his young son. He read, "The man named Lot was warned to take his wife and flee out of the city, but his wife looked back and was turned into a pillar of salt."

His son asked, "What happened to the flea?"



"Pastor, about this new idea to reach teens..."

Visiting his grandparents, a small boy opened the big family Bible. He was fascinated as he fingered through the old pages. Suddenly, something fell out. He picked it up and found that it was an old leaf that had been pressed flat between the pages. "Mama, look what I found," he called out.

"What have you got there, dear?" his mother asked."

With astonishment in his voice, the boy answered, "I think it's Adam's underwear!"

Donald and Hymn No 365

The Minister of Drumcrian Parish Church was on annual leave and a relief minister was in the pulpit for the Sunday sermon. the Elders had accepted the only man available.

The new Minister immediately launched into an attack on the evils of strong drink, and shaking with indignation declared "If I had all the beer in the world I'd pour it into the river!" Followed by, "If I had all the wine in the world I'd pour it into the river!" Then, apoplectic with rage, "If I had all the whisky in the world I'd pour it into the river!" Sermon complete, he sits down sweating profusely awaiting congratulations from his adoring flock – at which point Donald, the stand-in organist, strikes the first bars of

Hymn No 365 - "Shall We Gather By the River?"

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Hall Users

50p

Monday

Splat Messy Play
Karate

9.45am – 10.55am
6pm – 8pm

Friday

Prophetic Mission Church

7pm-9pm

Saturday

Eritrean Orthodox Church
Prophetic Mission Church
Eritrean Orthodox Church

9am-12pm
12.30pm-3.30pm
4pm-6pm

Sunday

Prophetic Mission Church

7pm-9pm

See calendar in the hall for additional bookings