

EASTER

Rejoice with all the Church in the new life that Jesus offers all of us.

Easter the most important and oldest festival of the Christian Church, celebrating the resurrection of Christ. You may remember the Table in the Book of Common Prayer that had a list of "GOLDEN NUMBERS" to enable one to calculate the date of Easter in any year well into the future. In the Western Church is between 21 March and 25 April, on the first Sunday after the first full moon following the northern spring equinox.

Easter Sunday is the culmination of Holy Week and commemorates the resurrection of Jesus Christ. As the most important Christian festival, it is celebrated with the greatest joy.

We now celebrate Easter over the next few weeks and then the Church's Year takes us to the Ascension of Our Lord, and on to Pentecost when the Holy Spirit came down and the apostles spoke in tongues. And then we move to the Feast of the Most Holy Trinity and into Ordinary Time. On the Thursday after Trinity Sunday we celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi when we commemorate the Institution of the Blessed Sacrament, the Eucharist, which is where the Church receives her identity and mission.

On Wednesday afternoon in All Saints at Winterton there is an opportunity to light a candle and say a special prayer for something known only to you. A candle symbolises light in the darkness of life especially individual life. It is the symbol of holy illumination of the spirit of truth. Lit in times of bereavement, they signify the light in the next world, and they represent Christ as the light.

We lit the new Paschal Candle on Easter Eve – our new light.

Next Week: Saturday the Parish Eucharist is at 5:00pm at Roxby and Sunday at 10:45am at Winterton and Evensong at 6:00 at Winterton

Readings Next Week (second Sunday of Easter)

Acts 5: 27- 32

Revelation 1: 4- 8

John 20: 19- 31

Please take this pew sheet home with you to remind you of the prayers and readings.

Welcome to everybody and a Happy Easter.

Today we have come to church to celebrate our Risen Lord



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All Saints' Church Winterton
St Mary's Church Roxby

All Saints' Church Winterton
St Bartholomew's Church Appleby

Vicar: Revd Alice Nunn

9.15am Holy Communion at Appleby

9.15am Holy Eucharist at Roxby

10.45am Holy Eucharist at Winterton

6.00pm Holy Eucharist at Winterton.

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Alleluia!

This Eucharist is our Alleluia; our song of praise to the risen Christ who is our life and whose triumph over death we proclaim to all the world

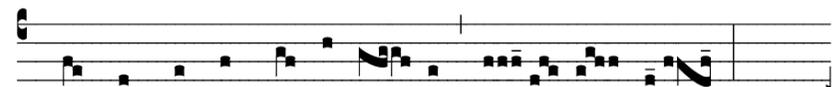
We have come to celebrate the Sacred Mysteries of the Holy Eucharist and re-live the words of Our Lord Jesus Christ when he instituted the Blessed Sacrament with his words at the Last Supper –

This is my body, this is my blood: do this in remembrance of me.

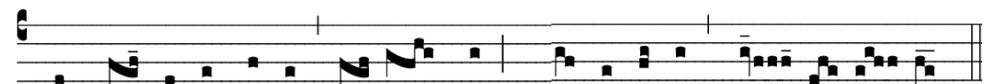
Say this Antiphon as your prayer as you come into Church today.



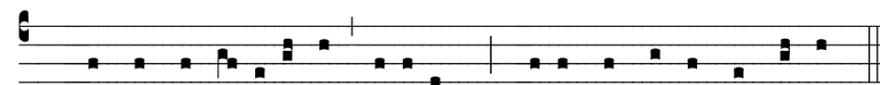
I have ri- sen, and I am with you still, al- le- lu- ia.



You have laid your hand u- pon me, al- le- lu- ia.



Too won-der-ful for me, this know-ledge, Al- le- lu- ia, al- le- lu- ia.



The Lord is tru- ly ri- sen, al-le-lu-ia. To him be glo-ry and pow-er

In the name of the Father, ✠ the Son, and the Holy Spirit, **Amen.**

Let us pray: Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity. **Amen.**

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

10: 34-43

We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection.

Peter began to speak to those assembled in the house of Cornelius. 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ – he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

15: 19-26

As all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ.

If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

Alleluia, alleluia! Christ, our passover, has been sacrificed; let us celebrate the feast then, in the Lord, **Alleluia!**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ ✠ according to John

20: 1-18

Glory to you, O Lord.

He must rise from the dead.

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the

other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes. But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' which means Teacher. Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God."' Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her. This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ

Then follows the Sermon, Creed, Prayers and the Peace.

Holy Communion is the most sacred part of the Eucharist.

Baptised persons who receive Communion in other churches are very welcome to receive the Holy Sacrament at our Altar. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please bring your service book with you and after you have been blessed please return to your place

Let us pray: Lord Jesus Christ, you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant, and in obedience died upon the cross for our salvation: give us the mind to follow you and to proclaim you as Lord and King, to the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

Any notices are now given after which the Priest will bless us before we go home to our families and friends.



We are a loving caring Church and we welcome all, whoever they are, to the House of God Sunday by Sunday to celebrate the Eucharist. But it is not just a weekly way of celebrating our faith; it should radically affect our relationship with others, especially those most in need. Jesus did not discriminate. He sought out the troubled, the outcasts and the side-lined, and took them in.

The Eucharist affects the life of our Christian communities, and is where the Church receives her identity and mission. It is something that Christ does for us, filling us with his grace and nourishing us with His own life and is not simply a memorial of what Jesus did for us. The Eucharist gives us the grace to feel forgiven and to be ready to forgive others. In the Eucharist we experience the forgiveness of God, and our hearts are enlarged to receive and show mercy. Jesus gave Himself to all on the Cross, so we are called to give ourselves generously to our brothers and sisters, sharing in their joys and sorrows.