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Letter from Fr Richard April 2020

Difficult times...

I recently looked at some old copies of the parish magazine dating from the 1950s and 60s. It is difficult to see what was going on in the world from the content since the church seemed to be carrying on as normal. Clearly, we are not in normal times. I am writing this as the nation begins to take a whole series of measures that are affecting us all.

Like everyone I am staying at home and only going out when I have to – this usually means taking funerals or doing a bit of shopping. And, like everyone else, I have been using the telephone rather more and have begun to discover the delights of using Zoom for conference calls. As I have telephoned individuals, I have been heartened by the fact that it seems that everyone I have spoken to told me that they have made the effort to phone others and that other people have phoned them. It seems that rather than being isolated a new – and slightly different - sense of community is developing.

As a church we are sending this magazine out by email which will restrict the readership – so feel free to forward it to your friends. Hopefully normal service will be resumed as soon as possible.

At the time of writing I do not know what the situation will be but we can expect dark times ahead. The situation in China seems to have improved so that there is light at the end of the tunnel but at the moment we are still in that tunnel.

The message of Easter is about seeing the light at the end of the tunnel. As we move through Holy Week, we see hope turned to despair when the ‘Hallelujahs!’ shouted by the crowds on Palm Sunday become the cry ‘Crucify Him!’ on Good Friday. But then three days later on the first Easter Sunday comes that supreme moment of hope when Mary Magdalene is able to say, “I have seen the Lord!” Those words of joy and faith that remind us that in Jesus, God has triumphed over the darkness of death. That at the end of the darkest night comes the brightest

morning. May we be able to celebrate the joy of Easter even at this difficult time.

Alleluia! Christ is Risen! – He is risen indeed Alleluia!

Fr Richard

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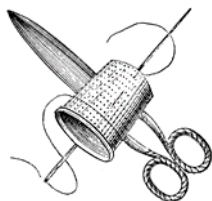
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One of my favourite poems from 'O' level English Literature was 'Mending Wall' by the American poet Robert Frost. A few years ago, when Ann and I were on holiday in New England, we made a pilgrimage to Robert Frost's grave in Bennington in Vermont. In that poem Frost uses the phrase 'Good fences make good neighbours'. In an attempt to be good neighbours, Colin Bowes has been mending the church boundary wall...



Did you know that we had a hole in the wall at Burghwallis? To be more precise, a hole in the churchyard wall, not the cash machine type, so you can put your credit cards away! The section of collapse was on the churchyard side of the wall adjacent to the footpath between the church drive and Burghwallis Hall. It is a typical

stone wall, well actually two stone walls with a cavity in between. The cavity is packed with small stones and rubble (*the fill*) this is to stop the two walls collapsing into each other as they normally taper toward each other as they reach the top, the whole is then topped with *copestones* to hold the structure together.

The repair. A section of about 1 metre in length was taken down to the *footings* just below ground level to reach a firm base, then gradually built up with larger stones at the bottom sliding them into the sides where possible and filling in the cavity with small stones and rubble as each course was completed. The row of copestones had been mortared in and was supported by the opposite wall which had remained intact. To complete the repair the upper courses had to be jig-sawed in and wedged with thin stones where necessary.



Also, in the churchyard. The area where rubble was moved to from the southwest corner of the churchyard by the working party two years ago in order to fill in a hollow, has now settled sufficiently for it to be levelled. Grass and natural herbage are gradually taking over and can be mown with the rest of the churchyard. Filling in the hollow is a long-term project which is mid-way to completion.



Burghwallis Parish Council News

Due to the current situation, all meetings of the Parish Council, including the Annual Meeting, due to be held in May, have been cancelled until further notice. As soon as the situation changes, we will reschedule meetings and advertise them in the usual way.

Planned events such as the Great British Spring Clean litter pick have been cancelled, and, hopefully will be rescheduled in September. That is not to say that all clean up activity will cease. Members of the PC will still do litter picking, but as individuals, or couples, where those people already live together anyway.

Doncaster MBC have temporarily ceased green bin collections from Monday 23rd March.

Bus services are running at a reduced schedule, though concessionary travel passes can be used before 9.30 am. Details of revised services can be found on the SYPTE website

Colin Bowes.

A Note from Jill Shaw...

**LOCKED - UP GRANNY
SYNDROME**
(MAY ALSO AFFECT MALES OF THE SPECIES)

Wondering how you'll
cope without 'social
contact', chatting to
friends or keeping busy?

Campsall 4A Trust has an idea that might help
us keep in touch and get through the current
situation with teamwork but without
physically meeting up.

Turn over to find out more ...



You might have seen wall-hangings created by community groups, usually depicting aspects of people's surroundings, history or daily lives.

We could do something similar by creating individual art works on squares of calico. After the crisis is over, they would be joined together and displayed for others to see.

Paint, appliqué, embroider or decorate your square of calico in another medium to show future generations what happened in 2020 and how we got through it.

So far, this is just an idea. If you'd like to take part, please email your contact details to Jill Shaw at j.notg.shaw@live.co.uk or phone her on 01302 700003 and we'll be in touch shortly.

This will become part of the Fun Food and Fresh Air Lottery-funded project, replacing some activities which can no longer take place. We will provide the calico, keep in touch and gather together your creations when circumstances permit.

Campsall 4A Trust



Upcoming Events at Campsall Church

Due to the present crisis we have had to postpone our usual Easter events for the time being. One of these is our annual Plant Sale which is organized by Alan Troop. However, Alan has had some thought about how to proceed.

We hope that, by May, some of the restrictions may have been relaxed which may allow delivery or collection of plants to take place.

Plant Sale May 2020

PLANT SALE

Come and Buy your
Spring Plants

In this time of uncertainty and worry, and me being in the over 70 age bracket, I feel there is very little I can do to help! But what I can do is continue to grow plants for your gardens.

Although we cannot hold a Plant Sale in the church, I can organize a deliver to your doorstep service for all those who live locally, or a "pick-up" service from the church yard

on May 2nd 10.00 am - we will have to obey the 2 metre social distancing rule, but this should work if we are all mindful of this rule and only one or two at a time enter the church grounds when you call for your order.

I will list below all that are available , you can place an order by telephone 01302 707544 or 07507 860136 or 07815 295884 or by email attandst31@talktalk.net.

I hope you will find this service helpful it will also help towards the running of Campsall church, as 100% of the money raised

will be given to the church, also I hope it will bring a little colour and happiness into your lives.

***The kiss of the sun for Pardon,
The song of the birds for Mirth
One is nearer God's heart in a garden
Than anywhere else on earth***

Alan Troop

Plants available to order:

Bedding

Bush Geraniums (all colours)
Trailing Geraniums (red)
Varigated leaf Geraniums (pink)
Begonias (pink, scarlet & mixed)
Petunia (double) white/purple
French Marigold
Dahlias (mixed)
Impatient (mixed)
Lobelia (trailing) blue cascade, sapphire. Cascade Mixed
Fuchsia trailing (pink)

Perennials

Agapanthas (white)
miniature daisy (purple)
Lupins (mixed)
Hostas
Others



An Easter Reflection: Mary Magdalene

by Canon David Winter

As the traditional Easter story is rehearsed again this month, you may notice that there is one name that frequently occurs. It is that of the 'other' Mary – not the mother of Jesus, but Mary of Magdalene, who stood by her at the cross and became the first human being actually to meet the risen Christ.

That's quite a record for a woman who, the Gospels tell us, had been delivered by Jesus from 'seven devils' – New Testament language for some dark and horrible affliction of body, mind or spirit. As a result, her devotion to Him was total and her grief at His death overwhelming.

In church history Mary Magdalene became the 'fallen woman' a harlot who was rescued and forgiven by Jesus but there is no evidence to prove she was a 'fallen woman' but the contrast is sublime, Mary the virgin mother, the symbol of purity. Mary Magdalene, the scarlet woman who was saved and forgiven, the symbol of redemption. Surely, we all fall somewhere between those two extremes.

The dark cloud from which she was delivered may have been sexual, we are not told. What we do know is that the two Marys stood together at the cross, the Blessed Virgin and the woman rescued from who knows what darkness and despair.

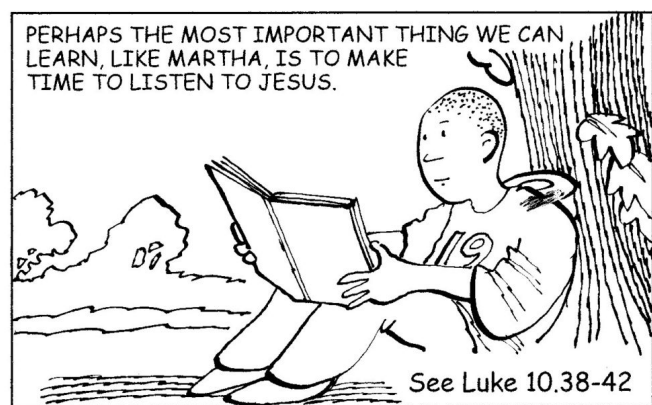
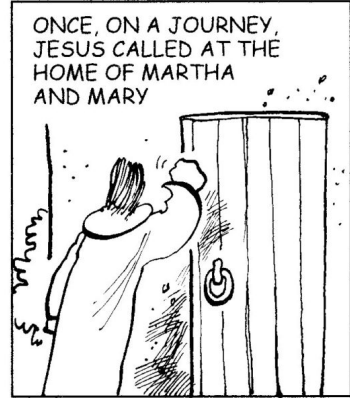
The second great moment for her was as unexpected as it was momentous. She had gone with other women to the tomb of Jesus and found it empty. An angelic figure told them that Jesus was not there, He had risen – and the others drifted off. But Mary stayed, reluctant to leave it like that. She became aware of a man nearby, whom she took to be the gardener. She explained to Him that the body of 'her Lord' had been taken away and she didn't know where to find Him.

The man simply said her name 'Mary' and she instantly realised it was Jesus. She made to hug Him, but He told her not to touch Him because his resurrection was not yet complete. She was, however, to go to the male disciples and tell them she had met Him. She did – but they couldn't believe her.

Her words – 'I have seen the Lord' – echo down the centuries, the very beating heart of the Christian gospel.



Words and Actions



Bible Bite

A short story from the Bible

It can be read in the Bible in
Luke 22:24, John 13:3-17

Jesus and his disciples were celebrating the Passover with the special meal. The disciples were bickering again.

I'm most important because I've known him the longest

But I've given up the most to follow him!

But I'm the oldest!

There was a reason why no-one wanted to be the least important - the roads were mud and everyone's feet got very dirty.

It was the job of the least important servant to wash everyone's feet...

The disciples didn't have a servant, and none of them wanted to do the feet washing...

Jesus took off his outer robe and tied a towel around his waist.

He filled a large bowl with water and started washing the disciples' feet.

Peter couldn't believe what he was seeing!

Are you really going to wash my feet?

You will understand later why I am doing this.

I can't ever let you serve me like this!

If you don't let me, you will no longer be my disciple

Then wash all of me!

If you've had a bath, then you only need your feet washing!

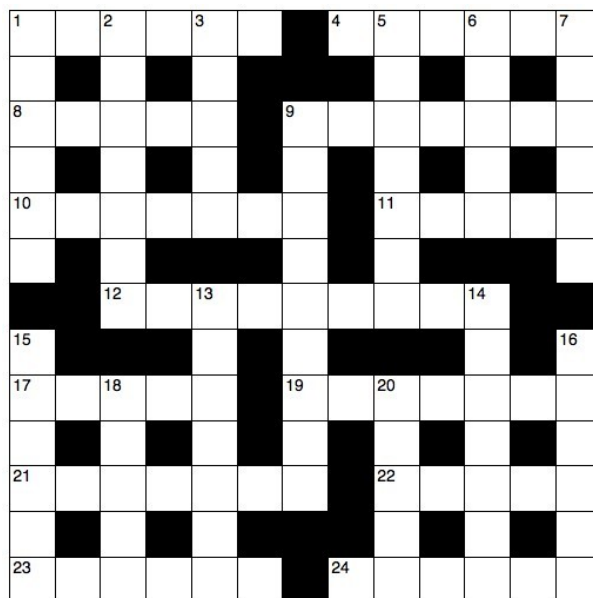
Once Jesus had washed all their feet, he put his robe back on and sat down.

Do you understand why, your teacher, did this? I am setting you the example of how you are to serve each other. Do it, and God will bless you.

Crossword

Across

- 1 Relating to the whole universe (6)
 4 The disciple who made the remark in
 8 Across (John 20:24) (6)
 8 'Unless I see the nail marks — —
 hands, I will not believe it' (John 20:25)
 (2,3)
 9 He urged King Jehoiakim not to burn
 the scroll containing Jeremiah's message
 (Jeremiah 36:25) (7)
 10 Baptist minister and controversial
 founder of America's Moral Majority, Jerry
 — (7)
 11 'Look, here is — . Why shouldn't I be
 baptized?' (Acts 8:36) (5)
 12 Repossessed (Genesis 14:16) (9)
 17 Port from which Paul sailed on his
 last journey to Rome (Acts 27:3–4) (5)
 19 'Moses was not aware that his face was — because he had spoken with the
 Lord'
 (Exodus 34:29) (7)
 21 Roonwit, C.S. Lewis's half-man, half-horse (7)
 22 Grill (Luke 24:42) (5)
 23 'The lot fell to Matthias; so he was added to the — apostles' (Acts 1:26) (6)
 24 'I was sick and you looked after me, I was in — and you came to visit
 me' (Matthew 25:36) (6)



Down

- 1 Coastal rockfaces (Psalm 141:6) (6)
 2 Academic (1 Corinthians 1:20) (7)
 3 Publish (Daniel 6:26) (5)
 5 For example, the Crusades (4,3)
 6 11 Across is certainly this (5)
 7 He reps (anag.) (6)
 9 Liberator (Psalm 18:2) (9)
 13 Man who asked the question in 11 Across was in charge of all her treasury
 (Acts 8:27)
 (7)
 14 They must be 'worthy of respect, sincere, not indulging in much wine' (1
 Timothy 3:8) (7)
 15 The human mind or soul (6)
 16 'O Lord, while precious children starve, the tools of war increase; their bread is
 — ' (Graham Kendrick) (6)
 18 'We played the flute for you, and you did not — ' (Matthew 11:17) (5)
 20 Bared (anag.) (5)

ANSWERS

ACROSS: 1, Planet. 4, Rugged. 7, True. 8, Augustus. 9, Attitude. 13, Bed. 16, Participation. 17, War. 19, Hillside. 24, Baldhead. 25, Bede. 26, Census. 27, Arisen.

DOWN: 1, Path. 2, Adulterer. 3, Tract. 4, Rigid. 5, Gust. 6, Exude. 10, Irish. 11, Uriel. 12, Esau's. 13, Blindness. 14, Deny. 15, Spew. 18, Awake. 20, Ideas. 21, Lydia. 22, Odes. 23, Lean.

Parish Registers

Funerals

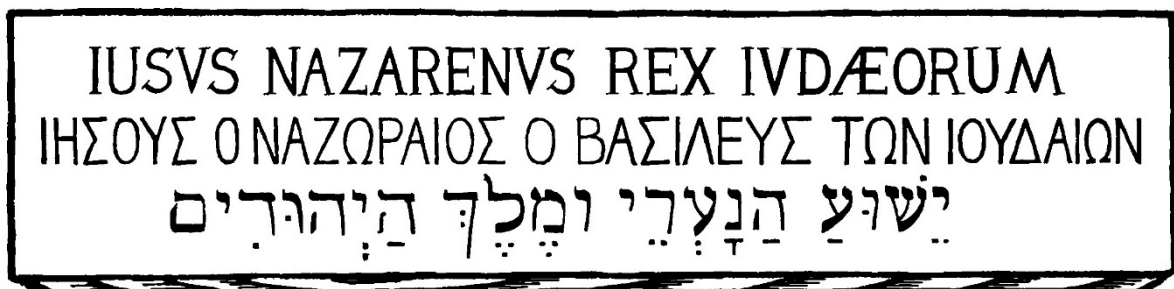
11 th March	Brian French
19 th March	Fred and Brenda Smith
20 th March	Anthony Horth
25 th March	Iris Nicklin

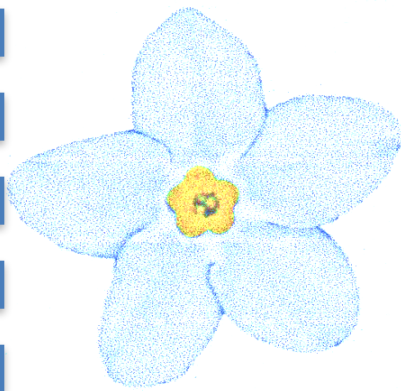
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Due to the Coronavirus Pandemic the churches are closed until further notice. However, this does not mean that the church is inactive. Church members have been encouraged to pray daily. The weekly newsletter and Bible readings are being circulated and we are looking at ways we can worship together on-line.

It is a reminder that the church is not a building but is the body of Christ of which we are its members

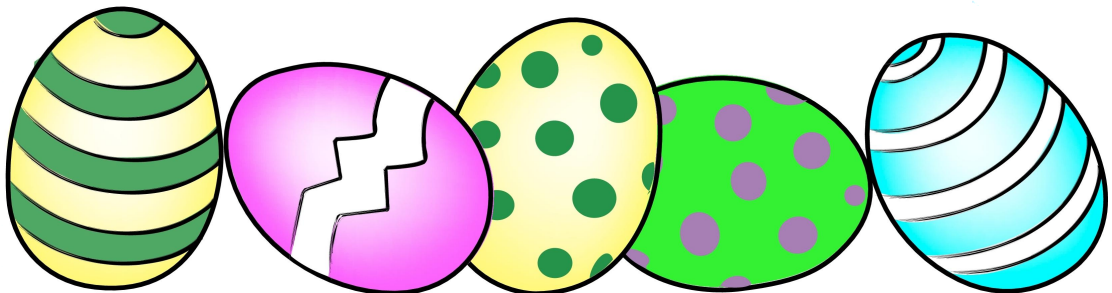
Saint Helen, our patron at Burghwallis was the mother of the Emperor Constantine. In the 4th century she brought back to Rome part of the Headboard – the Titulus – of Christ's cross.





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<p>St Mary Magdalene, Campsall</p> <p>11.00 Holy Communion</p> <p>First Sunday in the Month 11.00 Family Service</p>	<p>St Helen, Burghwallis</p> <p>9.00 Holy Communion</p> <p>First Sunday in the Month 8.00 Holy Communion</p>
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The **Revd Dr Richard Walton** will be in Campsall Church every Thursday evening between 6pm and 7pm to discuss arrangements for baptisms and weddings.

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