

Chesterfield Parish Church
Saint Mary & All Saints

Waking the Dead

Jesus moves from teaching and symbolic actions to the real thing.

The progression of great miracles in John's gospel, and the teaching that goes with them, are all about the meaning of Jesus's presence, and they all meet with incredulity or downright lack of understanding.

Surely the raising of Lazarus has to be different? You would have thought so; but it doesn't seem to persuade the leaders and trend-setters among the people.

Jesus is still bringing life from death all around us. How long does it take us before we 'get it' and take notice?



LENT V PASSION SUNDAY (26th March 2023)

- 08.30 Holy Communion (1662)
- 09.30 Morning Prayer (St Leonard's)
- 10.30 Choral Mass
- 18.30 Choral Evensong
with Lent Address

ALSO THIS WEEK:

Monday 27th March

- 09.00 Morning Prayer
- 12.15 Mass
- 16.00 Evening Prayer

Tuesday 28th March

- 09.00 Morning Prayer
- 09.30 Mass
- 14.00 Funeral of Mary Croft
- 16.00 Evening Prayer

Wednesday 29th March

- 09.00 Morning Prayer
- 09.30 Holy Communion (BCP)
- 11.00 Gospel Reading - John
- 16.00 Evening Prayer

Thursday 30th March

- 09.00 Morning Prayer
- 17.00 Evening Prayer
- 17.30 Mass

Friday 31st March

- 09.00 Morning Prayer
- 12.15 Mass
- 16.00 Evening Prayer
- 19.00 Stations of the Cross

Saturday 1st April

- 09.00 Morning Prayer
- 09.30 Mass
- 16.00 Evening Prayer

LENT V / PASSION SUNDAY - CHORAL MASS

Processional Hymn: 358
Setting: Harris in F

Collect Prayer

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Ezekiel

Ezekiel 37.1-14

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all round them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, 'Mortal, can these bones live?' I answered, 'O Lord God, you know.' Then he said to me, 'Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord.'

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, 'Prophecy to the breath, prophecy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.' I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, 'Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, "Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely." Therefore prophecy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act, says the Lord.'

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

Gradual Hymn: 63

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint John

Glory to you, O Lord

John 11.1-45

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, 'Lord, he whom you love is ill.' But when Jesus heard it, he said, 'This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it.' Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, 'Let us go to Judea again.' The disciples said to him, 'Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?' Jesus answered, 'Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them.' After saying this, he told them, 'Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him.' The disciples said to him, 'Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right.' Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, 'Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him.' Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow-disciples, 'Let us also go, that we may die with him.'

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come

to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.' Jesus said to her, 'Your brother will rise again.' Martha said to him, 'I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.' Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?' She said to him, 'Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.'

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, 'The Teacher is here and is calling for you.' And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.' When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, 'Where have you laid him?' They said to him, 'Lord, come and see.' Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, 'See how he loved him!' But some of them said, 'Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?'

Jesus Raises Lazarus to Life

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, 'Take away the stone.' Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, 'Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead for four days.' Jesus said to her, 'Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upwards and said, 'Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.' When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, 'Lazarus, come out!' The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, and let him go.'

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

Homily, Creed, Intercessions & Peace

Offertory Hymn: AM 641 (*see separate sheet*)
Communion Motet: Once, only once (*Christopher Tye*)
Post-Communion Hymn: 294
Voluntary:

CHORAL EVENSONG WITH LENT ADDRESS

Lent Prose: 507
Responses: Smith
Psalm(s): 30
First Lesson: Lamentations 3.19-33
Hymn: 234
Canticles: Heathcote Statham in E minor
Second Lesson: Matthew 20.17-end
Anthem: Wash me thoroughly (*Samuel Sebastian Wesley*)
Hymn: 90
Hymn: 241
Voluntary:

Prayer Intentions This Week:

Today 26th March - Lent V / Passion Sunday

- Benefice of Hathersage, Bamford, Derwent and Grindleford
- ◇ The Anglican Church of South America
- ✦ *Kate Bennet*

Monday 27th March

- Bishops in the House of Lords, esp Bishop Libby
- ◇ Rupert's Land - The Anglican Church of Canada

Tuesday 28th March

- Benefice of Barlborough and Clowne
- ◇ Rutana - The Anglican Church of Burundi
- ✦ *George Butt, priest; Edith Peters; Matthew Revis; Henry Stockton; Derek Ecclestone*

Wednesday 29th March

- Benefice of Baslow and Eyam
- ◇ Ruvuma - The Anglican Church of Tanzania
- ✦ *Noreen Duffill; Gladys Earnes; Roy Clark*

Thursday 30th March

- Benefice of Beeley and Endensor
- ◇ Ruwenzori - The Church of Uganda

Friday 31st March - John Donne

- Benefice of Belper St Peter
- ◇ East Ruwenzori - The Church of Uganda
- ✦ *George Wood; Simon French; Maureen Gordon; Greta Hutchinson*

Saturday 1st April - Frederick Denison Maurice

- Pending
- ◇ South Ruwenzori - The Church of Uganda
- ✦ *Mary Webb*

- Diocesan Cycle of Prayer
- ◇ Anglican Worldwide Cycle of Prayer
- ✦ Year's Mind

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Our prayers have been asked for:

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✦ *David Donaldson*

✦ *Mary Croft*

✦ *Alice Martin*

Lent Information

The leaflet containing information for Lent is still available at the back of church.

Easter Flower Arrangement Pedestals

Easter pedestals are again available for sponsorship. Sorry, the price of flowers has risen so dramatically that sponsorship has had to increase to £40. Please contact Dorothy Turner on 07974 829350.

Church Electoral Roll

Being on the Electoral Roll enables you to help choose representatives on PCC, Deanery Synod etc. Application forms for new members are now available from the Sacristy or the Gift Shop.

Services at Saint Leonard's have reduced for the time being. Morning Prayer will be at 9.30 a.m. on the **second** and **fourth** Sunday of each month, with Mass only very occasionally. It is hoped that this situation will only be temporary.

Next Sunday - 2nd April - Lent VI / Palm Sunday

- 08.30 Holy Communion (1662)
- 10.30 Procession of Palms & Choral Mass
Readings: Matthew 21.1-11
Isaiah 50.4-9a
Matthew 26.14-27.end
- 18.30 Choral Evensong & Holy Week Address
Readings: Psalm(s) 80
Isaiah 5.1-7
Matthew 21.33-end

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