



St Cuthberts Ormesby

Building the Church Building the Kingdom

Sunday 11th April

*Christ
is
Risen!*

Welcome to our church

We are pleased to welcome the Revd. Bruce Harrison (former Vicar of Christ Church Coatham, now retired) who will be celebrating Holy Communion at St. Cuthbert's today.

Turn to page 8 of this leaflet for today's prayers and readings.

In Memoriam

His Royal Highness The Duke of Edinburgh

1921 - 2021



We send our sincere condolences to the Queen, who has lost her beloved husband of 73 years, the man who supported her in every way and “always made her laugh”, also to the other members of the Royal Family who have lost their much loved father, grandfather, and great-grandfather. The Duke died just 2 months before reaching his hundredth birthday.

The Duke, who once described himself as the "world's most experienced plaque unveiler", was the longest-serving consort of a reigning British monarch.

Justin Welby, the Archbishop of Canterbury, said in a statement:

I join with the rest of the United Kingdom and the Commonwealth in mourning the loss of His Royal Highness Prince Philip, the Duke of Edinburgh, and give thanks to God for his extraordinary life of dedicated service. Prince Philip continually demonstrated his unfailing support and unstinting loyalty to Her Majesty the Queen for 73 years.

He consistently put the interests of others ahead of his own and, in so doing, provided an outstanding example of Christian service. During his naval career, in which he served with distinction in the second world war, he won the respect of his peers as an outstanding officer.

On the occasions when I met him, I was always struck by his obvious joy at life, his enquiring mind and his ability to communicate to people from every background and walk of life. He was a master at putting people at their ease and making them feel special.

The legacy he leaves is enormous. The Duke of Edinburgh's Award, which he founded in 1956, has inspired generations of young people to help others and instilled in them a vision for citizenship and a desire to serve their communities. His work with countless charities and organisations reflected his wide-ranging, global interests in topics including wildlife, sport, design, engineering and inter-faith dialogue. "In his powerful advocacy for conservation his was a prophetic voice for over half a century, as he brought people from around the world to a new concern and commitment to action for the future of our planet. "As we recover and rebuild after the terrible trial of the coronavirus pandemic, we will need fortitude and a deep sense of commitment to

servicing others. Throughout his life Prince Philip displayed those qualities in abundance, and I pray that we can take inspiration from his example.

"I also join many people in giving thanks for the marriage of Her Majesty the Queen and Prince Philip, and for their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Theirs was a marriage grounded in friendship and mutual respect and sustained by shared faith in Christ.

"I pray that God will comfort Her Majesty and the rest of the Royal Family at this time. May His Royal Highness rest in peace and rise in glory."

A Prayer on the death of HRH The Duke Of Edinburgh

God of our lives,
we give thanks for the life of Prince Philip,
for his love of our country,
and for his devotion to duty.
We entrust him now to your love and mercy,
through our Redeemer Jesus Christ.
Amen.

Online Condolence Book

If you would like to post a message, click the link below to be taken straight to the site

www.churchofengland.org/remembering-his-royal-highness-prince-philip

or,



if you have a smartphone, point the camera on your phone at the QR code on the left and open your phone browser. It will then take you to the C of E condolences page.

Easter at St. Cuthbert's

In spite of being in Lockdown with all the Covid rules in place, St Cuthbert's Church was still able to mark Holy Week and celebrate Easter with several special

services. As the Government has called an end to shielding, Easter Day saw some of our previously shielding members return to church.



A big Thank You to:

- **Janet and Peter** for the truly inspirational Holy Week and Easter Services.
- **Everyone who either sponsored or arranged flowers for the Easter display.** They were absolutely beautiful. As well as the traditional flower arrangements round the church there were some light-hearted displays for the children to enjoy.
- **The church members who opened the church on Easter Sunday** so that some of the visitors to Ormesby Hall could enjoy them too

Some words from Deacon Janet

This Sunday, it is the second Sunday of Easter. Easter is a season lasting for 50 days beginning at Easter Sunday and ending at Pentecost. So this is the second Sunday, counting Easter Sunday as the first Sunday.

It is a Sunday of many names, one of which is Thomas Sunday to reflect the story of today's gospel when Thomas coming late into a meeting of the risen Jesus and the disciples made his famous declaration of faith

'My Lord and My God'

It can also be called White Sunday because in the early church this was the day when those baptized at Easter wore their white garments for the last time.

As spring is now truly underway, I sometimes think it could be called Cherry Blossom Sunday, as several of the flowering cherries are now covered in white blossom, so I've gone all poetical and included some verses from A E Housman's A Shropshire Lad: You can even find some in suburban Ormesby.

Loveliest of trees the cherry now
Is hung with blossom along the bough
And stands about the woodland ride
Wearing white for Eastertide

Now of my three score years and ten.
Twenty will not come again
And take from seventy springs a score
It only leaves me fifty more.

And since to look at things in bloom
Fifty springs are little room
About the woodlands I will go
To see the cherry hung with snow.

Janet Caldwell

Regular services during lockdown

Sundays

Holy Communion at 10 a.m.

Our regular Sunday service of Holy Communion is still permitted ***on condition that we comply with the Government's rules.***

We are sorry to have to be so restrictive, but we must try to keep everyone safe, so as our services take place indoors:

- **you must wear a face covering while you are in the building**

- **you must come on your own or with members of your household or bubble**
- **you must not “mingle” with anyone else while you are in the building**
- **there will be communion in one kind only with no common cup**
- **congregational singing is not allowed**
- **we may not offer refreshments after the service**

Café Church

This will be replaced by Holy Communion until further notice.

Future services

Sundays at 10.00 Holy Communion

Wednesdays at 10.00 Holy Communion

Canon Peter has kindly offered to carry on with the Wednesday service if there are sufficient communicants to make it viable (please listen for announcements in church, check the pewsheets or website for any variations).

Check the church website or Facebook page for up- to- date news of any other activities at: www.stcuthbertsormesby.org.uk,

or contact one of the people listed below.

Deacon:	Revd. Janet Caldwell	01642 454790
Reader-in-training:	Elizabeth Furnell	01642 293108
Church Warden:	Janet Danks	01642 321347
Church Warden:	Elaine Boyle	07794621752

Wedding and Baptism enquiries

The Tuesday evening office hours at the church have been resumed. No need to book, just come along to St Cuthbert's on Tuesday evenings between 6pm and 7pm.

You can also fill in an online application on the Church's website at

www.stcuthbertsormesby.org.uk,

Current guidelines for holding ceremonies were printed on last week's pewsheet and can also be found on our website.

Safeguarding

Useful Phone numbers:

Childline: 0800111

NSPCC: 08088005000

Womens Aid: 08088029999

Samaritans: 116123

Mind: 0300123339

**Diocese of York.
Keep up with the news at:**

www.dioceseofyork.org.uk/thenews

Giving: a message from our treasurer.

Hebrews 13.16:

“Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have”,
I would like to thank all those members of our congregation who have embraced contactless methods as well as those who are giving through the planned giving envelopes to continue to support St Cuthberts.

Please continue to put away your weekly envelope contributions and

If you can donate online please do so. All details are on our website If you are donating more than £30 you might consider gift aiding it; if you can't go on line, contact Ian for a form to fill in.



If you have a smart phone and you point your camera at the QR code to the left, it will prompt you to open the web browser on your phone at a page allowing you to choose one of the set amounts or choose to set the donation amount yourself. Default is a single donation but there is an option to set it to give the same amount each month.

The Collect for the second Sunday of Easter

Risen Christ,
for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred:
open the doors of our hearts,
that we may seek the good of others
and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace,
to the praise of God the Father.

The Bible Readings for the second Sunday of Easter

The first New Testament Reading, Acts 4:32-35

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

The Epistle, 1 John 1:1-2:2

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life-- this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us-- we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

The Gospel, John 20:19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the

sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The Bible passages are reproduced from The New Revised Standard Version. (NRSV)

Post Communion Prayer

Lord God our Father,
through our Saviour Jesus Christ
you have assured your children of eternal life
and in baptism have made us one with him:
deliver us from the death of sin
and raise us to new life in your love,
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

A prayer for all those affected by coronavirus

Keep us, good Lord,
under the shadow of your mercy.
Sustain and support the anxious,
be with those who care for the sick,
and lift up all who are brought low;
that we may find comfort
knowing that nothing can separate us from your love
in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Amen.

A prayer for peace

O God, who would fold both heaven and earth in a single peace:
let the design of thy great love
lighten upon the waste of our wraths and sorrows:
and give peace to thy Church,
peace among nations,
peace in our dwellings,
and peace in our hearts:
through thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

You won't catch Covid from picking up this or any other leaflet:

Transmission of the virus via paper surfaces

Public Health England states that:

“the virus does not survive well for long periods outside the body and so it is highly unlikely that COVID-19 can be spread through post or packages.”

The researchers found that the coronavirus lasts longest on smooth, non-porous surfaces such as plastic. Since paper and cardboard are porous, they carry the lowest potency for the shortest period of time.

To further reassure you, when this leaflet is printed it is done so by a person wearing a mask and with sanitised hands.

Can you help to distribute our lockdown “pewsheet”?

Most of you will know by now that we have temporarily expanded our weekly leaflet to include a little more news and other items we hope will be of interest.

We would like to distribute it to members of the congregation who are staying at home at the present time, so we are asking those of you who are still able to attend church to help in one or more of the following ways:

- If you have a friend who used to come to church, you could put a copy of the weekly sheet through their letterbox each week
- Ask any friends that you may be in touch with if they would like a copy of this leaflet emailed to them each week
- Tell people that we are taking every precaution to keep everyone safe.

To arrange for copies to be emailed, or hand-delivered if you are unable to access the internet, phone Carol on 01642489568

Or email Carol at carolmbruce@yahoo.co.uk

or leave a note for Larry on the table at the back of the church.

We would prefer to email the leaflet to you, but if you have no Internet access we will endeavour to deliver a printed copy to you.

This leaflet will also be on the church website at www.stcuthbertsormesby.org.uk

Please leave the order of service on the pew but take this leaflet away with you.

