Churches of Llandeilo Fawr, Taliaris & Maesteilo

April 2015



Dear Friends,

Have you noticed that it's becoming increasingly difficult to find Easter cards with any connection whatsoever with Easter?

Easter, apparently, is about chicks and ducklings and daffodils. The colour vellow seems to be particularly significant for some reason!

It's hardly surprising, of course, that a society with little understanding of what the cross of Jesus is all about should find the resurrection of Jesus too meaningless even to want to mention, let alone contemplate.

The irony of the situation is that as terrible events around the world scream out at us about the depths of the evil and selfishness to be found in the human heart we seem to grow ever deafer and blinder to what God offers us in Jesus.

The message of the Gospel is that humanity has failed and fallen. Far from evolving into something better, we continue to find ever more effective ways of visiting evil and destruction upon each other and we are unable to change what we are!

What we require is remaking, and this is what the death and resurrection of Jesus make possible for us. By His death Jesus is able to deal with our sin and guilt so that we can be forgiven. By His resurrection Jesus is able to begin the work of reconstructing those who've turned to Him and preparing them for a future as part of a human race which has been TOTALLY REMADE IN HIS IMAGE (see Romans 6:4).

The Gospel faces us with a stark choice. We can each "go it alone" until death finally sweeps us into what Jesus described as "outer darkness", or we can repent of our ways and receive the mercy, forgiveness, and new life and hope Jesus was willing to die in agony and desolation to win for us. Why would we ever want to choose the first option over the second?

"These things are written", John wrote of his gospel, "that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have LIFE IN HIS NAME." That's what Easter is REALLY about!

Yours sincerely,

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ELECTORAL ROLL

The Electoral Roll is a list of names and addresses of the lay people of the parish. The list is revised every 5 years and **this year every church member needs to reapply.**

Please complete, sign and date one of the forms available at the back of church then return it to the Vicar or PCC Secretary (Mrs Ann Phipps) by19th April

Services for Holy Week and Easter

Maundy Thursday, April 2 7.30pm, Holy Communion

Good Friday, April 3

Saturday April 4

from 8.00pm, Easter Vigil Details from Mike Clark

2.00pm, Last Hour on the Cross service

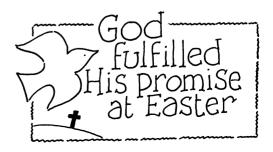
10.00am, All Age Service

Easter Day, April 5

8.00am, Holy Communion 9.15am, Cymun Bendigaid 11.00am, Holy Communion

Maesteilo and Taliaris

9.45am Easter Communion



DIARY FOR APRIL

| Fri 3rd | 7.30pm Bell Ringing practice at St Teilo's |
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| Wed 8th | 12 noon Ladies' Fellowship lunch in St Teilo's Church Hall |
| Tues 14th | 10.00am Start of the Summer Term for MOPS (Mothers - or Carers-of Pre-Schoolers) in St Teilo's Church Hall. 7.00pm Meeting of St Teilo's PCC in the Church Hall. |
| Fri 17th | 7.30pm Bell Ringing practice at St Teilo's |
| Sat 18th | 8.30am Men's Breakfast in St Teilo's Upstairs Hall. Details to be announced later. |
| Tues 21st | 10.00am MOPS (Mothers - or Carers- of Pre-Schoolers) meet in St Teilo's Church Hall. |
| Wed 22nd | 7.00pm, Holy Trinity, Taliaris, PCC and Easter Vestry meetings, in church |
| Fri 24th | 7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice at St Teilo's |
| Sun 26th | 12.15pm, St Teilo's Easter Vestry meeting in upstairs hall |
| Tues 28th | 10.00am MOPS (Mothers - or Carers- of Pre-Schoolers) meet in St Teilo's Church Hall. |
| Wed 29th | 7.00pm St John's, Maesteilo, PCC and Easter Vestry meetings in church |
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Enquiries regarding the use of the church or hire of the church hall or meeting rooms should be made to Mrs Asha Silk on 01558 685475 (before 7pm) or e-mail: ashasilk@btinternet.com

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Services and Readings for April

5th April (Easter Day)

8am Holy Communion
9.15am Cymun Bendigaid
11am Holy Communion
Maesteilo
9.45am Holy Communion
Taliaris
9.45am Holy Communion

Readings for Principal Services

Isaiah / Eseia 25: 6-9 Psalm / Salm 118: 14-24 1 Corinthians / 1 Corinthiaid 15: 1-11 John / Ioan 20: 1-18

12th April (Easter 2)

11am Morning Worship
6pm Holy Communion
Maesteilo
9.45am Holy Communion
Taliaris
9.45am Holy Communion

19th April (Easter 3)

8am Holy Communion 9.30am Cymun Bendigaid 11am Morning Worship 6pm Compline / Evensong Maesteilo 9.45am Morning Prayer

26th April (Easter 4)

11am Family Communion
6pm Holy Communion
Maesteilo
9.45am Morning Prayer
Taliaris
9.45am Holy Communion

Exodus 14: 10-31; 15: 20-21 Psalm / Salm 133 Acts /Actau 4: 32-35 John / Ioan 20: 19-31

Zephania / Seffaneia 3: 14-20 Psalm / Salm 4 Acts / Actau 3: 12-19 Luke / Luc 24: 36b-48

> Acts 4: 5-12 Psalm / Salm 23 1 John / 1 Ioan 3: 1-7 John / Ioan 10: 11-18

ST TEILO'S CHURCH

POWERPACK & MOSAIC: 1st, 2nd and 3rd Sun. at 11am Holy Communion : Wednesdays at 10. 30am