

QUINTET NEWS

**FOR THE BENEFICE OF
AYLMERTON
BEESTON REGIS
GRESHAM
EAST RUNTON
WEST RUNTON**

APRIL 2021

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HELLO FROM JEREMY

Dear Friends,

The highlight of the church's activities this month is the Easter weekend with its range of services starting without commemoration of the Last Supper on Maundy Thursday, through Good Friday, and the celebration of Christ's resurrection on Easter Sunday, when for the first time since January we can worship together in Church, which in itself feels like a kind of resurrection for us all!

The controversial former Bishop of Durham, David Jenkins, said of Easter that it was more than just a conjuring trick with bones. While others would ask whether it matters or not that this man Jesus was crucified, which was a dreadful way to die, and that he was raised from the dead?

But I believe very strongly that it does matter.

As a priest it is my privilege to conduct peoples' funerals and lay them to their rest, and I'm struck by the loving words of comfort often given by family and friends to each other. When they speak in hope about meeting their loved one again, and the fact that they have gone to a better place, and are now at peace. The only evidence for saying such things is in the Christian Easter message. If Jesus was raised to life, then he was someone really special, unique in fact. His new life is a sign of hope for us all, and it gives ultimate credibility to all he said and did.

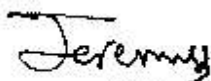
Apparently, a sealed tomb was found outside Jerusalem in the 1940's with a coin inside which dated it to around twenty years after Jesus' resurrection. Inside the tomb were two coffins and on them were scratched the words 'Jesus, let him arise' and 'Jesus, help'. Evidently within a few years of his death, Jesus' followers were being buried in the hope of his and their own resurrection.

Some of the key life issues today are questions about life after death, purpose, value, the nature of the spiritual world, and suffering; and the Easter message speaks into each one of those, and helps us to find answers!

May the Risen Lord Jesus fill your hearts and lives with his peace and his love this Eastertide and always.

With every blessing for a joyous and Happy Easter,

All my love and blessings



Jeremy

SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE

We are pleased to announce that a decision has been taken to begin the gradual and cautious reopening of our churches for services.

We will begin on Easter Sunday with Communion services at All Saints, Beeston Regis and Holy Trinity, West Runton.

Then on subsequent Sundays we will go back to our previous pattern of alternating our services between the two churches. Those who want to attend, will, for track and trace purposes, need to book their place in advance with the relevant Churchwarden and wear a face covering.

However, on the weeks when the service takes place at Holy Trinity, West Runton, we will also be able to “live stream” the service via Zoom, and you will be able to join us using the usual link. A reminder of this will be on the Quintet website at www.quintetbenefice.com along with the Order of Service and Hymn sheet.

To join by telephone, dial one of the following numbers:

0203 051 2874 0203 481 5237 0203 481 5240 0203 901 7895

You will be asked for the meeting ID (847 5169 5104) and the Passcode (239946) followed by #, you will then be asked for a participant ID press #, finally you will be asked for the passcode (239946) followed by #. You will then be put into a waiting room until we let you into the service.

Assuming that there is a continued decline in transmission rates and subject to revisions in social distancing rules, we would hope to begin to open up Aylmerton, East Runton and Gresham in due course.

THANK YOU!

Many thanks to everyone who has signed up to receive the Newsletter by email. If you have not signed up yet please consider doing so. Send your details to Ali Wharton, the Benefice Administrator, at quintetchurchesnorfolk@gmail.com.

REMEMBER

If you would like to have an item included in May's Newsletter then please call or email Jenny or Pam by Sunday 18th April—

Jenny Barrie:
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jennybarrie27@gmail.com

or

Pam Thompson:
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SERVICES DURING HOLY WEEK

Monday 29th March 5.30pm	Evening Prayer <i>(on Zoom)</i>
Tuesday 30th March 5.30pm	Evening Prayer <i>(on Zoom)</i>
Wednesday 31st March 5.30pm	Evening Prayer <i>(on Zoom)</i>
Maundy Thursday 1st April 7.30pm	Commemoration of the Last Supper Holy Communion <i>(on Zoom)</i>
Good Friday 2nd April 10.00am	Voices from the Crowd – The Way of the Cross Six monologues for Good Friday <i>(on Zoom)</i>
2.00pm	The Last Hour on the Cross <i>(on Zoom)</i>

SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE

	Sunday 4th April Easter Day <i>(White)</i>	Sunday 11th April 2nd Sunday of Easter <i>(White)</i>	Sunday 18th April 3rd Sunday of Easter <i>(White)</i>	Sunday 25th April 4th Sunday of Easter <i>(White)</i>
All Saints Beeston Regis	09.30am <i>Holy</i> <i>Communion</i> *	11.00am <i>Morning</i> <i>Prayer</i> *		11.00am <i>Holy</i> <i>Communion</i> *
Holy Trinity West Runton	11.00am <i>Holy</i> <i>Communion</i> <i>(Will also be</i> <i>on Zoom) ≠</i>		11.00am <i>Holy</i> <i>Communion</i> <i>(Will also be</i> <i>on Zoom) ≠</i>	

* To book a place for a service at All Saints, Beeston Regis please contact John Meikle (01263 820364)

≠ To book a place for a service at Holy Trinity, West Runton please contact Peter Strudwick (01263 823657) or Rosemary Large (01263 838121)
This service will also be on Zoom, for those who are still isolating.

READINGS FOR APRIL – YEAR B

Thursday 1st April Maundy Thursday	Exodus 12. 1–4, 11–14	1 Corinthians 11. 23–26	John 13. 1–17, 31b–35
Sunday 4th April Easter Day	Isaiah 25. 6–9	Acts 10. 34–43	John 20. 1–18
Sunday 11th April 2nd Sunday of Easter	Exodus 14. 10–30; 15. 20, 21	Acts 4. 32–35	John 20. 19–30
Sunday 18th April 3rd Sunday of Easter	Zephaniah 3. 14–20	Acts 3. 12–19	Luke 24. 36b–48
Sunday 25th April 4th Sunday of Easter	Acts 4. 5–12	1 John 3. 16–24	John 10. 11–18

GIFT AID CLAIMS — We hope you may be saving your weekly collection for when you return to church. If you have completed a Gift Aid Donation Form you are able to pay this amount by cheque or cash. If you are not a tax payer then the church can still claim Gift Aid under the Small Donations Scheme for collections. Please under these circumstances do not pay your donations by cheque but by cash either in your envelopes or in not more than £20 notes as we cannot claim Gift Aid under this scheme on cheques or large denomination notes. Preferably please put in your weekly envelope.

Benefice Gift Aid Officers

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Sunday 9th May	The APCM for Beeston Regis will take place immediately following the 11.00am Morning Prayer Service at All Saints, Beeston Regis
Sunday 16th May	The APCM for Runton will take place immediately after the 11.00am Holy Communion Service at Holy Trinity, West Runton

Dates for the APCMs at Aylmerton and Gresham will be announced once confirmed.

NEWS FROM AROUND THE BENEFICE

AYLMERTON

WANTED — Does one of our readers, or one of their friends, have the hobby of calligraphy? In our church there is a list of past and present Rectors/Priests and we need to add two more names to the list. If you are able to offer assistance please contact Connie Burchett on 01263 837647.

Vacancy for PCC Members and a Churchwarden — There are vacancies on the PCC and for one role of Churchwarden in the coming year. Anyone who is on the Electoral Roll for St. John the Baptist is entitled to stand for election and so, if you are interested in coming forward to take on one of these positions, please contact Revd. Jeremy Sykes or Connie Burchett.

EAST & WEST RUNTON

Runton Parochial Church Council: Treasurer Vacancy — We are seeking someone to take on the role of Treasurer after Brenda Hones resigned after years of sterling work for us, and we thank her for all that she has done. The Churchwardens have temporarily taken over but we need a new Treasurer. Are you that person? If you are interested please ring either Rosemary Large (838121) or Brenda Hones (838948) for more information.

EAST RUNTON

St Andrew's – The church is drying out nicely. Peter Strudwick brought a quote to the PCC for the necessary repairs, but has been asked to get two more; so more details next time.

It is sad that we are not able to celebrate Easter in our church, but hopefully we will be able to go to All Saints at 9.30am or Holy Trinity at 11.00am or join in with Zoom as we have been doing.

Whichever we choose, may it be a holy, prayerful and joyous Easter for everyone.

Jean Steward

WEST RUNTON

Holy Trinity Church Hall – Many of you may have noticed the sorry state of the area in front of the hall. Not only does it not look good but left it could become a safety problem. Thanks to the Covid-19 grants we have received we are now in a position to be able to put this right. The Parochial Church Council have agreed to a local and well respected company doing the work for us. The surface will be removed and a new one laid plus new drainage to prevent water getting into the lobby of the hall. This work will be done while the hall is still closed, then all being well we hope to open the hall again mid-summer.

Runton Parochial Church Council

Access from the Car Park to the Church Porch — There has been discussion in the past about providing a path from the car park to the church porch which would be suitable for disabled people, with motor scooters if necessary. We would need to apply for a faculty through the DAC and initial requests have not been very satisfactory. The DAC advise on a resin bonded path which is beyond our financial resources at about £12,000. We favour the paving slab path which we could just about afford at £7,000 but the DAC does not like that idea and would prefer a concrete path as being, in their opinion, more in keeping with the church and churchyard. We are still discussing this and will make an application for the April DAC committee meeting.

Peter Strudwick

LOCAL NEWS

Runton Parish Council — The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 27th April but until further notice the meetings are being held virtually by “Zoom”. Members of the public are welcome to join the meeting but if you wish to speak then please contact the Clerk not less than 24 hours before the meeting to register your intention to do so. The Clerk can be contacted on 01263 512214 or email runtonpc@aol.com to receive a link to the meeting.

THE BENEFICE OF AYLMERTON, BEESTON REGIS, GRESHAM and RUNTON

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