

HIGH FRAMLAND NEWS

PARISHES OF
BRANSTON : CROXTON KERRIAL : HARSTON
KNIPTON : SALTBY : SPROXTON



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April 2014

The sun is shining and the daffodils are out - I can't say "Hallelujah" because it's Lent, but oh, what a joy to see the flowers and sun after those long weeks of rain, rain, rain.

Part of the beauty of living in the UK is the noticeable difference between the seasons - we enjoy, or endure, a variety of weather conditions throughout the year.

Part of the beauty of the church year is that we also have a noticeable difference in our worship and traditions as the year unfolds.

Today we expect to have everything we want, all the time. We can get strawberries throughout the year; we can buy a takeaway meal 24 hours a day; we can go shopping every day.

The changing weather reminds us how unnatural this is, and that the cycle of life is not static, but constantly moving. The church year also reminds us that Jesus entered this cycle of life - the life of Jesus was real - he was born, lived, died, rose from the dead. The church marks these different stages as the year unfolds.

So in Lent, we don't say hallelujah; we use the colour purple for worship; there are no flowers in the church; we make real changes to our lives by giving up something or doing something extra. We save our hot cross buns until Good Friday and our Easter eggs until Easter. We learn to wait, and not expect everything we want all the time. So the joy we feel at Easter is reflected and celebrated by real differences in our lives - chocolate for one!

As we move through Lent, to Mothering Sunday, Holy Week and Easter - enjoy the difference!

IN THE PARISHES

BRANSTON Churchwarden: **Susan Wells, 870240**
Readers: 6th April To be arranged
13th April To be arranged
Cleaning: Jeannie Scholefield, Mel King, and anyone else available, please. To be completed by Friday, 11th April. It is the Guthlac 1300 celebrations on 12th/13th, so our church needs to gleam (as it usually does, thanks to you all).

Also much appreciation to the churchyard working party who met twice in March.
All volunteers welcome to join in next time. Date to be announced.

CROXTON KERRIAL Churchwardens: **Nalda Shipman, 870258**
Barbara Jefferson, 870073
Readers: 20th April OT Diane Bursnall; NT Kim Ranns
Altar flowers: 20th April Mrs B Jefferson

HARSTON Churchwardens: **William Hurrell, 870123**
Barrie Grice, 870452
Readers: 27th April OT Angela Skales; NT Derek Carruthers

KNIPTON Churchwarden: **Freda Hart, 01949 842732**
THE PASCAL CANDLE IS IN KNIPTON CHURCH

SALTBY Churchwardens: **Mrs S Hill, 860398**
Mr D Tebb, 562019
Cleaning: Mrs S Hill
Flowers: ALL FOR EASTER
Visiting bellringers: Tuesday, 22nd April 6.00 pm - Nottingham Ringers

SPROXTON Churchwardens: **William Ennis, 07584 255340**
Malise Graham, 01476 860266
Readers: 6th April OT William Ennis; NT Gillian Ennis
Cleaning & flowers April Helen Hazard and Rosie Sulley

"COME & SING" MOZART REQUIEM

Good Friday, 18th April 2014 at Bottesford Parish Church
All welcome - £5 to sing, donations on door from audience

Rehearsal 5.00 pm, charity performance at 7.30 pm

Singers, please book your place by contacting Kate on 01949 843386 or kattfisch00@hotmail.com
Music provided if required - please state. Money raised will go to the Tearfund Syria Crisis Appeal.

Once again the Cranmer Company of Singers and Musical Director Deborah Davies are hosting a "Come & Sing". Last year this event, where the organisers freely give their time and talents for the cause, raised a record £762 for Tabora Village. Let's see if the ever popular Mozart Requiem can exceed that for the work of Tearfund who are providing food, shelter, clothing, stoves and hygiene goods in Syria.

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BENEFICE NOTICES

MONTHLY BENEFICE SERVICE

The joint Benefice Service this month will be on
10.00 am on Palm Sunday, 13th April at BRANSTON (also please see below)

MIDWEEK COMMUNION

On most Wednesdays of the month Rowena celebrates Holy Communion in Croxton Kerrial at the home of Mrs Anne Markham (870053) at 9.30 am. On the 4th Wednesday Matins or Morning Prayer is led by a parishioner.

DIVINE OFFICE

Rowena says the Divine Office (said, not sung) in Harston Church each Tuesday at 8.00 am. Do join her if you would like to.

MESSY CHURCH

Messy Church will be held this month on Sunday, 27th April, at 4.00 to 5.30 pm
In Knipton Village Hall. Come and join us for an afternoon of family-based activities and crafts,
followed by tea. All ages welcome!

Details of services during Holy Week appear on the back page

PARISH NOTICES

BRANSTON

To celebrate the 1300th Anniversary of St Guthlac, there will be a Coffee Morning in church on Saturday, 12th April, from 10.00 am to 12.00 noon. The High Framland Ringers, and guest ringers from other parishes, will also be joining us. The following day, Sunday 13th April, we are pleased to welcome the Venerable Tim Stratford, Archdeacon of Leicester, as guest preacher at our 10.00 am Benefice Service.

KNIPTON

Our next **Tea at Three** will be on Wednesday 16th April, from 2.30 to 4.30 pm in Knipton Village Hall. Tea and homemade cakes will be available. There will also be a Bring and Buy Stall and Easter activities for the children.

SALTBY

The Saltby Methodists are having a Coffee Morning in aid of Dove Hospice on Saturday, 5th April, from 10.00 until 11.30 am. All most welcome.

SPROXTON

Village Hall 50/50 club - January/February winners.

January - 1st (22) Mrs P Dodds : 2nd (38) Mr A Hollingworth : 3rd (65) Mrs R Sulley
February - 1st (36) Mrs H Hazard : 2nd (62) Mrs Clare Smith : 3rd (15) Mrs S Coleman

Village Hall Lunch. Wednesday, 9th April at 12.45 pm. Main course, dessert, tea/ coffee for just £3.00. *All welcome.*

Village Hall breakfast. Sunday, 27th April, 9.00 to 10.00 am. £3 per head, or £10 per family. All welcome.

April 2014 Year A	6th April Lent 5 Purple	13th April Palm Sunday Red	20th April Easter Day Gold/White	27th April Easter 2 White
	Ezekiel 37 (1-14) Romans 8 (6-11) John 11 (1-45)	Isaiah 50 (4-9a) Phippians 2 (5-11) Gospel tbc	Jeremiah 31 (1-6) Acts 10 (34-43) John 20 (1-18)	Acts 2 (14a, 22-32) 1 Peter 1 (3-9) John 20 (19-end)
Branston	10.30 am Holy Communion	JOINT SERVICE at BRANSTON 10.00 am (see Parish Notices)	JOINT SERVICE at CROXTON KERRIAL 10.00 am	
Croxton Kerrial				
Harston				9.00 am Holy Communion
Knipton				
Saltby				10.30 am Holy Communion
Sproxton	9.00 am Holy Communion			

SERVICES IN HOLY WEEK

Monday	7.30 pm	Saltby
Tuesday	7.30 pm	Harston
Wednesday	7.30 pm	Croxton Kerrial
Maundy Thursday	7.30 pm	Branston
Good Friday	2.00 pm	Sproxton
Holy Saturday	8.00 pm	Knipton
Easter Day	10.00 am	Croxton Kerrial

**Sproxton Village Hall service on 27th April:
Coffee and biscuits at 10.00 am, service starts 10.15 am**

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Would you pass any items for **MAY's HF NEWS** by **SUNDAY, 12th APRIL**, please,
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or Sue Watford, tel 01949 861256, email SueWatford@aol.com,
to allow plenty of time for it to be photocopied and distributed before the end of the month.