

HIGH FRAMLAND NEWS

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

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I am often asked why the date of Easter is different each year. There are some very complicated answers to this question, but basically it is because the date of Easter follows the date of the Jewish festival of Passover.

The earliest Christians wished to keep the observance of Easter connected to the Passover, because Jesus was a Jew, and the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus happened just after the Passover. Since Jewish festivals are based on solar and lunar cycles, each feast day is movable, with dates shifting from year to year.

Passover is celebrated on the night of the first full moon after the Vernal (or Spring) Equinox. An equinox is the moment when the sun is directly above the equator, and occurs twice a year, in spring and autumn. The Vernal Equinox is on either 20th or 21st March. Easter is dated on the first Sunday after the first full moon after the Vernal Equinox.

This sounds very complicated, and it is, but it is a good reminder to us that humans are not in charge of everything. As I write this, the solar eclipse is taking place and I am well aware that we cannot control the forces of

nature, and the lunar or solar cycles are far beyond our limited management.

In the same way, Easter reminds us that we are not in charge, and what a good thing this is! Easter reminds us that God is not controlled by us, but that God acts as He will, out of love and in power. At Easter Jesus rises from the dead, not because of anything we have done, but through the power and love of God.

So however much of a mess we make of our lives, or however low we might feel, the resurrection of Jesus shows us that God is in charge, not us. Jesus didn't rise from the dead because of human efforts or prayers, but solely through the power and love of God.

God can step in and act in our lives too, if we will but let Him, and acknowledge that we just can't sort everything out ourselves. So enjoy the wonders of nature, the full moon and lunar cycle, and rejoice in the wonder of God's love for us and the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Have a very happy Easter.

Rowena

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www.highframland.org.uk and www.saltbyvillage.co.uk.

Would you pass on any items for May
by **SUNDAY, 12th April, please,**
to either Nick Cooke, email na.cooke1@gmail.com
or Sue Watford, tel 01949 861256, email SueWatford@aol.com,

IN THE PARISHES

BRANSTON

Churchwarden: Susan Wells, 870240

Water Aid. Jar labels and posters are being circulated around the parishes for collecting money towards the Lent charity. Please contact Susan Wells if more jar labels are needed. Let's hope we can raise sufficient funds again to provide another village with water. Thank you.

CROXTON KERRIAL

Churchwardens: **Nalda Shipman, 870258** **Anne Markham, 870053**
Readers: 26th April OT Suzanne Pennells; NT Kim Ranns
Altar flowers: 5th April Mrs K Ranns
19th April Mrs S Pennells

HARSTON

Churchwardens: **William Hurrell, 870123** **Barrie Grice, 870452**
Readers: 5th April OT Serena Bradbeer; NT William Hurrell
19th April OT Barrie Grice; NT Virginia Hurrell

KNIPTON

Churchwarden: **Darren Goodey, 07891 379177**

SALTBY

Churchwardens: **Mrs S Hill, 860398** **Mr D Tebb, 562019**
April cleaning: Mrs P Purse
Flowers: ALL FOR EASTER
Visiting bellringers: Tuesday, 28th April : Nottingham Ringers, 6.00 pm

SPROXTON

Churchwardens: **Malise Graham, 860266** **Sue Dawson, 860130**
Readers: Easter Saturday OT Stanley Birch; NT Pam Graham
Cleaning & flowers Helen Hazard and Rosie Sulley

Village Hall 50/50 club - February winners

1st P Wright : 2nd Simone : 3rd S Matthews

Village Hall breakfast. The next breakfast will be on Sunday, 26th April, from 9.00 am to 10.00 am. £3 per head or £10 per family. All welcome.

Village Hall lunch. Wednesday, 8th April, at 12.45 pm. Main course, dessert, tea/coffee for just £3. All welcome.

Pop in Coffee Morning. Thursday, 16th April in the Village Hall from 10.30 am to 12.00 noon. There is a charge of £1 which will be split between the Church and the Village Hall.

BBC GARDENERS' WORLD LIVE and BBC GOOD FOOD SHOW—SUMMER
NEC Birmingham: Wednesday 11th June
Coach calling at Croxton, Saltby, Stonesby, Waltham and Melton
Call Mary Copley on 01476 870279 if interested

BENEFACTICE NOTICES

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Monday, 30th March

7.00 pm Branston church Compline

Tuesday, 31st March

7.00 pm, Croxton Kerrial Compline

Wednesday, 1st April

6.30 pm Harston Meditation with music

7.00 pm Harston Compline

Maundy Thursday, 2nd April

7.00 pm Knipton
Eucharist with foot washing and stripping of altar
Followed by a Watch of the Passion for one hour
*Readings: Exodus 12 (1-4, 11-14), 1 Cor 11 (23-26),
John 13 (1-17) (31b-35)*

Good Friday, 3rd April

9.00 am Saltby/Sproxton Walk of Witness, Saltby church to Sproxton for 10 am
2.00 pm Saltby Liturgy of Good Friday

*Readings: Isaiah 52 (13-end of 53), Hebrews 10(16-25)
John 18(1) to end of 19*

10.30 am Vicarage Children's workshop and choir at vicarage with hot cross buns

Holy Saturday, 4th April

8.00 pm Sproxton Easter vigil

*Readings: Job 14 (1-14), 1 Peter 4 (1-8),
Matthew 27 (57-end)*

Easter Day, 5th April

10.00 am Harston
*Readings: Isaiah 25 (6-9), Acts 10 (34-43),
Mark 16 (1-8)*

**SUNDAY, 10th MAY at 10.00 am: KNIPTON CHURCH
BISHOP TIM STEVENS**

BENEFACTICE SERVICES

Easter Day - Sunday, 5th April at 10.00 am HARSTON
Sunday, 12th April at 10.00 am SALTBY

MESSY CHURCH. The next Messy Church will be held on Sunday, 26th April, from 4.00 to 5.30 pm on in Knipton Village Hall.

MIDWEEK SERVICES

- (1) Evening Prayer is said at Sproxton church each Monday evening at 6.30 pm. All welcome.
- (2) 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.
- (3) On most Wednesdays of the month Rowena celebrates Holy Communion in Croxton Kerrial church at 9.30 am. On the 4th Wednesday Matins or Morning Prayer is led by a parishioner.

HOME COMMUNION. Please let the Revd Rowena know if you would like to receive Holy Communion at home.

CONCERT IN KNIPTON CHURCH - FRIDAY, 24th APRIL, 7.30 pm

8ctave - Britain's only fully ordained choir

Tickets: £5 adults, £2 under 16s, including refreshments.

Tickets available from 01476 870053

	5th April Easter Day GOLD or WHITE	12th April Easter 2 WHITE	19th April Easter 3 WHITE	26th April Easter 4 WHITE	
APRIL 2015 Year B	Isaiah 25 (6-9) Acts 10 (34-43) Mark 16 (1-8)	Acts 4 (32-35) 1 John 1(1)-2(2) John 20 (19-end)	Acts 3 (12-19) 1 John 3 (1-7) Luke 24 (36b-48)	Acts 4 (5-12) 1 John 3 (16-end) John 10 (11-18)	
Branston	JOINT SERVICE AT HARSTON 10.00 am	JOINT SERVICE AT SALTBY 10.00 am			
Croxton Kerrial				10.30 am Holy Communion	
Harston				9.00 am Holy Communion	
Knipton					Messy Church 4.00 pm
Saltby					10.30 am Holy Communion
Sproxton					*10.00 am Village Hall Service

* Sproxton Village Hall service: coffee/biscuits 10.00 am - service starts 10.15 am

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