

The **Collection Plate** is no longer passed around during the service and, if you are not signed up to the Parish Giving Scheme, you may put your offering in the plate at the back of church as you enter or in the second plate as you leave.

Last Sunday we sang “Jesus Christ is risen today” and I noted it was written by Lyra Davidica and others in 1708. In my ignorance, I assumed this was the name of a woman and I began wondering who this early 18th century female was; whose masterpiece could only be sung on one Sunday a year. It turns out that Lyra Davidica is not a person at all, but is the name given to a collection of hymns and tunes published in London in 1708. The title means “Harp of David” and the hymns were mostly translations from the original high German and Latin.

Interestingly, Philip Pullman named Lyra Belacqua, the heroine of his trilogy “His Dark Materials,” after the Lyra Davidica.

Diary date: there will be **“A Bit of a Do”** to say goodbye to Revd Glyn immediately after the 10.45 am service on Sunday 21st April.

As this will include refreshments, it has been agreed with the Rise and Shine Team that coffee and cakes will NOT be provided in the gap between services. Instant coffee will be available for those attending both services to keep them going! Please do join us in wishing Glyn all the best in the future.

**Another Date for your Diary:** a service for Ascension Day on Thursday 9th May at 10.30 am.

**Special thanks** to Edith, who took charge of the flower decorations for Easter and gave Anne a weekend off to spend time with her family.

**Privacy Notice:** seating in the side aisles is designated a “video-free” area - out of range of our cameras.

**Sunday Reflection:** Every week, the Diocese of York offers a new reflection and prayer resource on: [vimeo.com/dioceseofyork](https://vimeo.com/dioceseofyork)  
This Sunday, The Rt Revd Paul Ferguson, Bishop of Whitby, reflects on our Gospel reading.

The Annual Meeting (APCM) will be held as part of our Parish Communion service on Sunday 28th April.

**The PCC is responsible for the overall wellbeing, practical as well as spiritual, of their church, the church members, and the church buildings.**

Please speak to either of the Wardens if you would like to join the PCC and contribute to the life of St Michael’s.

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**7th  
April  
2024**

**Second  
Sunday  
of Easter**

**All-Age  
service**

## St Michael’s Church, Malton

*The Church in the Market Place*

*We are a church, who invites and welcomes others,  
to journey together, growing in our love of Christ  
and deepening our relationship with Him.*

**Welcome to our All-Age service today,** which has no Eucharist. Coffee is served at the end of the service; please stay for fellowship and, if you are new to St Michael’s, make yourself known to us.

### Collect

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. **Amen.**


### The Grace

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit  
be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

Website: [www.maltonbenefice.org.uk](http://www.maltonbenefice.org.uk)

**Congratulations** to everybody involved in our wonderful Easter Sunday service. Alison was magnificent at the organ, the augmented choir was magnificent, the flowers were magnificent and Revd Glyn was at the top of his game. Around 70 adults and 20 children attended and cannot fail to have been uplifted.

**Hymns** and songs are in the printed order of service. The words to one of the songs have been written by our very own Director of Music! At the end of the service, Alison will play Paraphrase on Handel's "Judeas Maccabeus" by Alexandre Guilmant.



**BENEFICE PRAYERS WEEK 9**

Please pray for those who live or work in these roads: Chapel Lane, Copperfield Close, Middlecave Drive, Rabbit Lane, Russett Road and Wheelgate.

**Tuesday Tea:** We invite you to join us for a cup of tea/coffee and a slice of cake, **this coming Tuesday, 9th April**, from 2.15 to 4pm. An opportunity for a relaxing catch-up with friends.

**Services at St Mary's Priory**

**Today:** Sung Eucharist at 11.15 am  
**Wed:** Holy Communion at 9.00 am  
**Thurs:** Morning Prayer at 10.00 am  
**Next Sunday:** Choral Mattins at 11.15 am & Evensong at 6.15 pm,

If anyone would appreciate a home visit and/or home Communion, then please contact Connie Clark on 07544 380163.

**READINGS & DUTIES**

**Sunday 14th April at 9.30 am**

Readings Zephaniah 3. 14-20  
 Acts 3. 12-19  
 Luke 24. 36b- 48

Duty Leader Mike Rhodes  
 Assistant Rosie Miller  
 Sidesperson Marg Rhodes  
 Readers Helen Shaw  
 Mark Davey

Intercessions Heather Williams  
 Chalice Mike Rhodes  
 Coffee Marg Rhodes  
 Mark Davey  
 Flowers Shirley Thompson

**SERVICES**

**Parish Communion** on Sundays at 9.30 am in church, except third Sunday of the month, when Parish Communion starts at 10.45 am and Rise & Shine (for families & children) is at 9.30 am. The All-Age service on the first Sunday is a non-Eucharistic service.

**Holy Communion** on Wednesdays at 10.30 am in church.

**Tuesday 9th:** PCC meeting in church at 7.15 pm.

**Iona-style service**

**today** at 4pm.  
 Tea & cake afterwards.  
 Everyone welcome.



Items for Weekly Sheet to:  
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**Readings for the Second Sunday of Easter**

Today's **Old Testament reading** from Exodus is rather long and takes up too much space to be reproduced this week.

**A reading from the Acts of the Apostles**

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. Acts 4. 32-35

**Hear the Gospel of our Lord, according to John**

It was the first day of the week. That evening Jesus' followers were together. The doors were locked because they were afraid of the Jews. Then Jesus came and stood among them. He said, "Peace be with you!" After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. His followers were very happy when they saw the Lord. Then Jesus said again, "Peace be with you! As the Father sent me, I now send you." After he said this, he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone his sins, they are forgiven. If you don't forgive them, they are not forgiven." Thomas (called Didymus) was not with the followers when Jesus came. Thomas was one of the Twelve. The other followers told Thomas, "We saw the Lord." But Thomas said, "I will not believe it until I see the nail marks in his hands. And I will not believe until I put my finger where the nails were and put my hand into his side." A week later the followers were in the house again. Thomas was with them. The doors were locked, but Jesus came in and stood among them. He said, "Peace be with you!" Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here. Look at my hands. Put your hand here in my side. Stop doubting and believe." Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Then Jesus told him, "You believe because you see me. Those who believe without seeing me will be truly happy." Jesus did many other miracles before his followers that are not written in this book. But these are written so that you can believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Then, by believing, you can have life through his name. John 20. 19-31