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.

Coffee Stop is now operating every Saturday between the hours of 10-12 noon. During April we are supporting Malton-based Camphill Village Trust. Everyone is welcome to drop in. If anyone would like to volunteer to help on the Coffee Stop rota please contact Heather. Last year we were able to donate over £2000 from Coffee Stops to a number of charities, so apart from the important social aspect of the activity, it is also a valuable demonstration that we are a generous church.

**OMG** has been nominated in the Ryedale Mumbler Awards in the category of Best Community Project or Charity for Families. If you have experience of OMG and would like to register a vote, you must do so before midnight on 31st May 24. The following link takes you to the voting web site.

Shortlist Vote - Ryedale & Thirsk Mumbler

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

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

Items for Weekly Sheet to: helen.shaw59@btinternet.com

Ryedale Community Foodbank sent an update last week and current shortages are: instant mash, tins of hot dogs, tinned meat in sauce, tinned cold cut meat, tins of soup, tinned pasta in sauce, shower gel, shampoo and conditioner, clothes washing liquid & fabric conditioner

**Sunday Reflection:** every week, the Diocese of York offers a new reflection and prayer resource on: vimeo.com/dioceseofyork
This Sunday, The Ven Andy Broom, Archdeacon of the East Riding, reflects

on our Gospel reading.

St Mary's Priory Coffee Concerts are being held on the first Saturday of the month. The recitals start at 10.15 am, with coffee/tea and cake available from 10 am. Free entry but a retiring collection.

The preferred option for the site of a new home for **Malton Museum** will be revealed next Friday afternoon in St Michael's church at 2pm.

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# 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.

# 21st April 2024

#### Welcome to our service today

We welcome to Communion all baptized Christians. Sandwiches and cakes will be served after the service as we say farewell to our vicar, Revd Glyn Diggins. If you are new to St Michael's, please make yourself known to us.

## **Collect**

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

# **Prayer after Communion**

Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

# Fourth Sunday of Easter

Website: www.maltonbenefice.org.uk

**Welcome back** to Alison and the choir after their well-earned Easter break.

A big thank you to Sue Wright for master-minding the refreshments served after today's service and to everyone who has baked, or helped in any way.

During Communion, the choir will sing the Anthem "This Joyful Eastertide". At the end of the service, Alison will play an Organ Alleluia on "Good Christians all, Rejoice & Sing."

HYMNS: 395, 589, 138 & 150

#### **BENEFICE PRAYERS WEEK 11**

Please pray for those who live or work in these roads: Church Hill, Edenhouse Road, Mount Crescent, Riggs Road, Rye Close and Worsley Court.

**LEGO CHURCH** next Sunday for those aged 3 and upwards to explore Bible stories. Held in the Lady Chapel during Parish Communion.

Next Iona-style service
Sunday 5th May at 4pm.
Tea & cake afterwards.
Everyone welcome.

#### Services at St Mary's Priory

Today: Choral Mattins 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 6.30 pm

# READINGS & DUTIES Sunday 28th April at 9.30 am APCM

Readings Genesis 22. 1-18

Acts 8. 26-40

John 15. 1-8

Duty Leader Sam Free
Assistant Rosie Miller
Sidesperson Joyce Birch
Readers Sam Free

Sue Thackray

Intercessions Sarah Barry
Chalice Sue Wright
Coffee Sue Thackray

Sue Wright

Flowers Nora Woodall

#### **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.

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

The Annual Meeting **(APCM)** will be held next Sunday within the Parish Communion Service, as is our tradition.

## Readings for the Fourth Sunday of Easter

Today's **Old Testament reading** from Genesis (7. 1-5, 11-18; 8. 6-18; 9. 8-13)is very long and takes up too much space to be reproduced this week.

## A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

The Jewish rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, 'By what power or by what name did you do this?' Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, 'Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is "the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone." There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.'

Acts 4, 5-12

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

Jesus said to the Pharisees: 'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away — and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So, there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason, the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.'

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