

Roath News



Easter 2018

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THE PARISH OF ROATH, CARDIFF

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*The Parish Surgery is open on Mondays (except Bank Holidays) between 6.00.p.m. and 7.00.p.m. in Roath Church House to arrange **Baptisms and Weddings**. (Contact no. 20487854).*

Confessions and the Sacrament of Healing by arrangement.

**Copy date for the next magazine (Pentecost) is
1st May**

From the Vicar of Roath, the Reverend Canon Stewart Lisk

My dear Friends,

At the time of writing the news of several internationally famous individuals deaths have been in the news. In one week, Hubert de Givenchy, Sir Ken Dodd and Professor Stephen Hawkin have died. Givenchy was renowned for his style and fashion dressing Audrey Hepburn and Jackie Kennedy as well as heading his fashion and perfumery business. He brought elegance to many and brought delight to millions through his imitators. Sir Ken Dodd a music hall comic of the old style brought laughter to countless audiences. Professor Hawkin was a brilliant scientist who made amazing discoveries and popularized science to new generations. He did so while conquering extraordinary illness and disability.

Someone joked that there would be an interesting queue at the Pearly Gates Hawkin of course was an atheist, Ken Dodd a regular church goer attending Liverpool Cathedral and much involved in Church life in his beloved Knotty Ash. We can only speculate how the Almighty would welcome each of these famous men. However through Passiontide, Holy Week and Easter we have all been reminded of the timeless message of death and Resurrection. Jesus journeyed through the events of Palm Sunday in the entry to Jerusalem hailed as the Son of David with the crowds crying 'Hosanna!' By Maundy Thursday he is sharing a solemn meal with his disciples showing his love and service to them by washing their feet. He invites them to be part of Him by

sharing himself in bread and wine, His Body and Blood. He is then tried and condemned to death. Then he undergoes unimaginable pain in the horror of the Crucifixion. When all seems lost and hope appears to have vanished, the extraordinary events of Easter morning transpire. Mary visits the empty tomb and soon the disciples learn that Jesus has risen from the dead. Gradually they will all have their own experiences of the resurrected Lord.

These great events in the passion of our Lord Jesus are not just remembered and retold for the benefit of those of us who gather in Worship at the Churches of many Christian denominations throughout the world. These events are a reminder that Christ died for all, for designer, comic or scientist, for each and every one, as we read in I Peter Ch, 3, v.18, "For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous and the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God."

As we rejoice and celebrate the Easter season let us try to remember those words and share the joy with everyone we meet. Even if times are dark and uncertain and local and national news is grim, the gift of Christ's love for the world shown forth at Eastertide conquers all evil and suffering, all pain and sin.

May the Risen Lord Jesus bless you all,
Happy Easter,
With every good wish and prayer

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stuart", written in a cursive style.

St Edwards Notes Easter 2018

Mothering Sunday was a joyful occasion, with beautiful bookmarks made by Huw and lovely posies prepared by the Vestry Team including Dorothy, Heather, Janice, Kathie, Sandra and Sue. Lots of families in church to enjoy a special day of refreshment during Lent.

Pre-Vestry the annual meeting took place on a cold and snowy Passion Sunday. Hannah Way and Frances Gerrard were proposed as new members of the committee. Stewart thanked everyone for their work and support over the last 12 months. Sue Mansell is standing down after 6 years as Vicars Warden. The decisions will be ratified at the Easter Vestry to take place Monday 30th April. The next committee meeting, to include our new members, is scheduled for 4pm Sunday 3rd June.

This time ten years ago Lucian Goble & Richard Mayer received RSCM Long Service Medals last month for 20 years service to St Edward's Choir. Lucian continues in his place in the Basses and Richard joins his father Alan in the Tenors when he is in Cardiff.

Committee news A full agenda kept the committee busy in March; news of the successful proposal to the DAC was received, *"The DAC met yesterday, although I haven't had the minutes approved (or even finished writing them yet) I thought you'd like to know the unofficial view:*

The parish was praised for its community consultation and submitting a thorough application.

The existing hall is currently heavily used, and the facilities need to be upgraded. The community room will be fully accessible and include storage, kitchen facilities and allow better access from the existing clumsy porch.

The parish have consulted with the wider community and have their support which will be of help when applying for a Big Lottery Grant.

The principal elevation will retain the windows, although the windows at the rear will be lost.

Resolved:

The DAC support the project and encourage the parish to progress with the design.”

Our thanks go to Kathie and Alan who produced this thorough application commended by the DAC.

Also discussed was our plans for marking the centenary of the end of The Great War in November, and the 50th Anniversary of the Nave in October. More information to follow.

Date: January 24, 2018 **Author:** USW Journalism

By Courtney Evans

Forget me not café in Roath, Cardiff, allows people with dementia and their carers to get support and have a listening ear.

The cafe was set up in memory of Val Mayer and her husband Ron, who both had dementia, yet there was nowhere for them to go and talk and have support from others.

Her daughter in law Kathie decided that she wanted to set up something for people suffering from dementia and for their carers and those recovering from strokes who felt isolated and vulnerable.

A volunteer at the café said: “I think it’s hugely important for those who have dementia and for the people who look after them, to get a chance to talk to other people.”

The event offers activities including a range of games, puzzles, books, music and arts and crafts, giving those who attend a stroll down memory lane.



Forget-me-not



Café & Support Group



**Every Tuesday: 2pm – 4pm
at
St Edward's Schoolroom ***



March 20th 2:30 Sitting Physio Fun with Ed Doe

March 27th Decorating and eating Easter eggs

No meeting April 3rd Café Closed

April 10th normal Café activities

April 17th 2:30 Emma Money-Kyrle QIGONG taster session

April 24th Normal activities

May 1st Anniversary Party

May 8th Normal Café activities

*For further details,
please contact Kathie on 02920 495769 or kath@mayer.uk.net
<http://www.roath.org.uk/ForgetMeNot/>*

** (CF23 5DE, at the junction of Blenheim Road & Westville Road.)*



NEWS FROM THE LYCHGATE

As this is written, Wales has just come second in the Six Nations Championship, and the Lent Lilies are blossoming all over Cardiff. But what is this? Snow is forecast. Oh, the delights of our Welsh spring!

Many people have had the 'flu' or flu like viruses in the last few weeks. We wish everybody well again. We particularly remember those of you who are ill at home or in hospital. We send all our best wishes.

Sadly we have to report that our dear Father Harold Clarke passed away on 15th March. He was 86 and had been living in Willowbrook in St Mellons, where he had been very well cared for. When dressed, he was always wearing his clergyman's collar. Here at St Margaret's we got to know him in his retirement years when he had a home behind the church, and would come to the Wednesday and Sunday Services. Previously he had been Vicar of St Martin's Roath for many years and he leaves many friends there. Rest in peace, Father Harold.

As you read this, Lent will have passed and Easter is upon us. We do thank everybody in St Margaret's

who have contributed to our observance of Lent. This includes those who hosted the Lent Lunches, those who prepared the church for its solemn observance, those who organized Lent discussions and collected the Lent Boxes. Once again as we come to church on a joyous Easter morning, we thank the people who decorate the church with flowers, and do so faithfully and efficiently all year. (We mustn't call them "Flower Ladies" anymore!).

Teifion Griffiths was surprised and delighted to be presented with two lovely bottles of wine, by the Vicar and Church Wardens on behalf of the congregation, on the occasion of his 80th birthday. Many people will remember him as Headmaster of St Teilo's. He and his family would like to thank everyone for the kind thought.

Betty and John Katchi, who are now settling into their new home in Barry, send their regards to everyone. They hope to come to St Margaret's sometimes, as the weather improves.

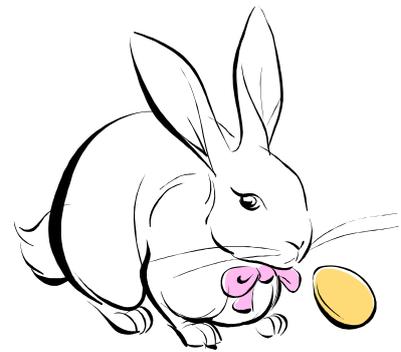
Sally reports that the sponsor a flower for Easter is available and we invite you to donate £2 to sponsor a flower in our display to reflect a thank you, prayer or a memory of a loved one. If you wish to sponsor a flower then forms are available at the back of the church or from Gill Day or Pam Phillipou of St Margaret's.

Also Sally reports that the 9:30am service for Mothering Sunday was very moving especially when

the junior choir members performed their piece titled “Mum”, I imagine that all the mother’s present at this service were deeply moved by the way the junior members of our choir sang. We wish to extend a ‘well done’ to Gary and the younger members of our choir for having achieved this in a very short space of time.

God Bless and Happy Easter to you all

Julia & Sally



Seventy Times Seven

C.S.Lewis has a nice take on this call to forgive 77 times. He says it may not be that we have to forgive 77 separate offences; it's that it may take us 77 attempts to forgive someone fully even once. We forgive them. We say 'I've let it go'. Then that night we remember the offence again. It rankles. We get cross. We suddenly realise we haven't really forgiven them.....we have to start again. We may only have said 'I forgive' out loud once, but there's been a lot more unspoken forgiving to do.

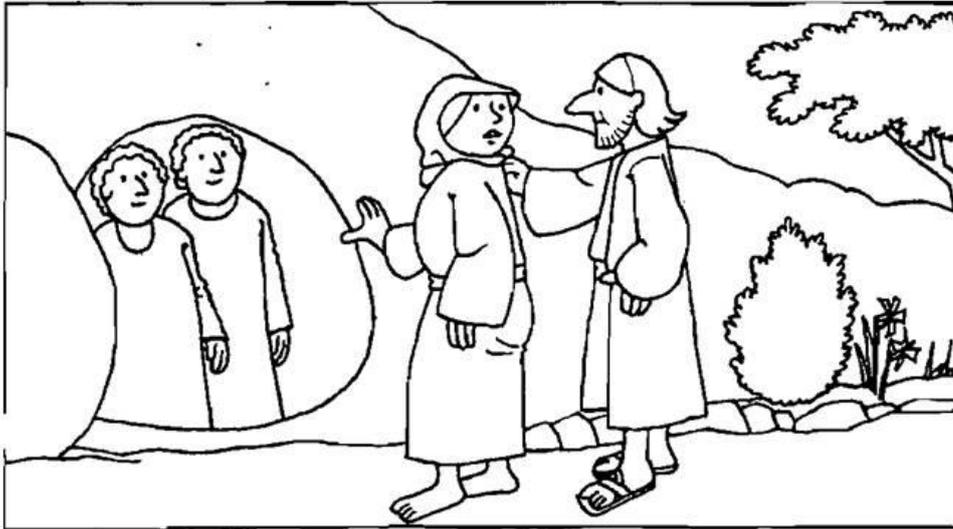
If that is so, if it is hard to forgive, if we find ourselves trapped in a repetitive loop of resentment, then Jesus' outrageous parable of the two debtors might re-frame everything for us and break the cycle. In this story we are invited to give up playing the tiresome role of the magnanimous (but secretly resentful) forgiver and suddenly remember that we are also the unexpectedly, utterly forgiven. Then, instead of the effort to muster up the feeling we may not have, we can let sheer gratitude for our own undeserved release from guilt flow out naturally into release and peace for others. ¹

¹ Malcolm Guite Reflections for Daily Prayer Church House Publishing 2017

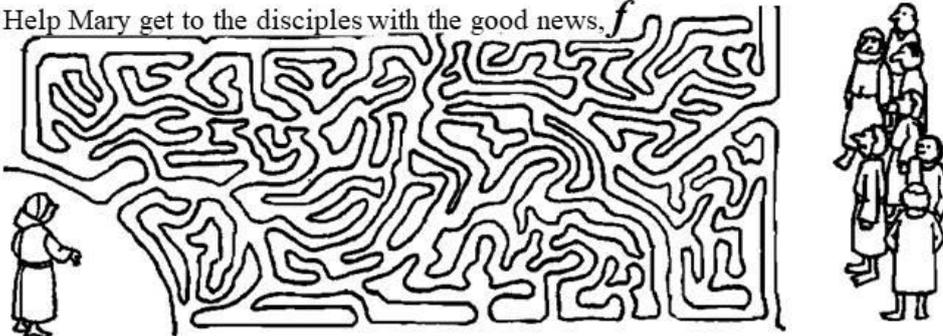
Kids corner

Colour in the pictures or solve the puzzles

Read this story in John 20:11 -18



Help Mary get to the disciples with the good news.

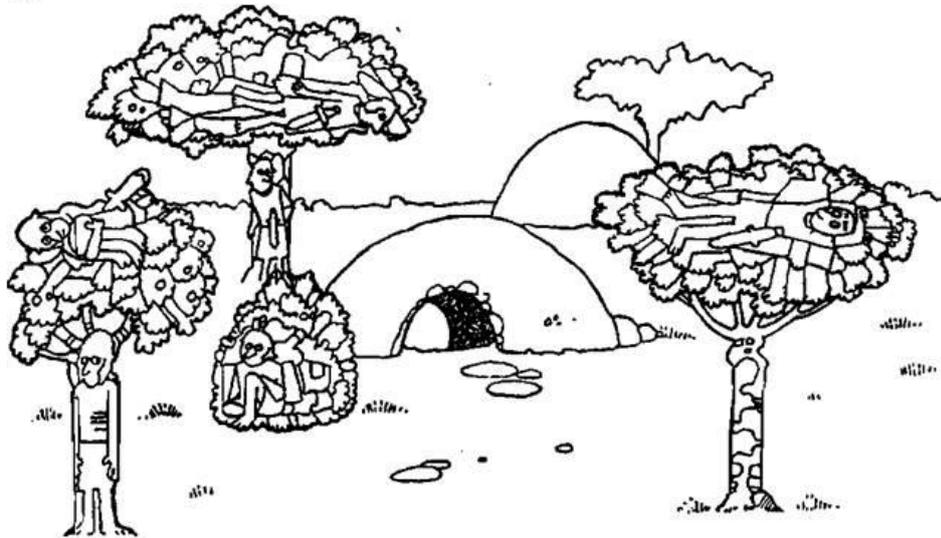


These pictures may look the same, but can you spot

six differences?



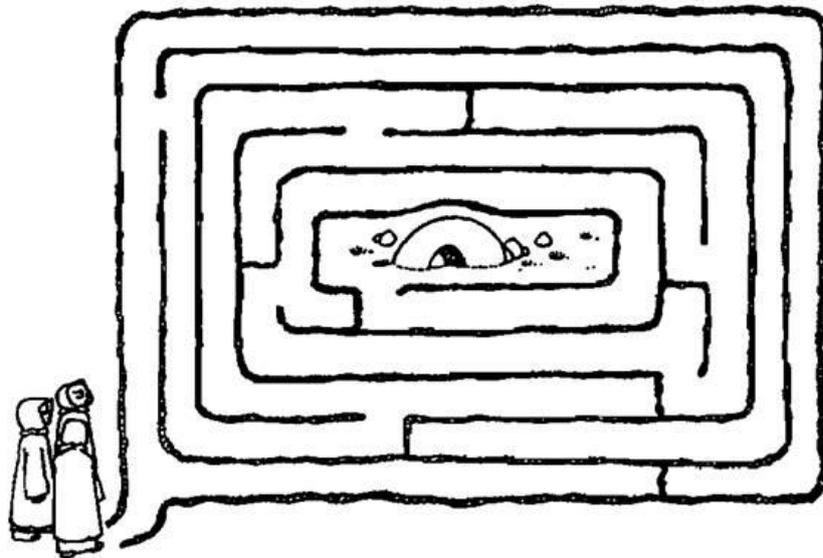
Head Matthew 28:1-
10



The six frightened soldiers are hiding.
Can you find them?

God gives life

Help the women find the tomb.



**SUNDAY AND WEEK-DAY WORSHIP
IN THE PARISH OF ROATH**

(For Holy Day Celebrations see Weekly Newsletter)

**ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH WATERLOO
ROAD**

Sun: 8.00 am Holy Eucharist
9.30 am Sung Eucharist
9.30 am Sunday School R.C. House
(each Sunday except 1st during school terms)
6.00 pm Sung Evensong
1st Sunday in month – Evensong/Holy Eucharist

Wed: 9.30 am Holy Eucharist

ST. EDWARD'S CHURCH BLENHEIM ROAD

Sun: 11.00 am Sung Eucharist & Sunday School
7.00 pm Choral Evensong
Wed: 10.15 am Holy Eucharist

Conventional District of Tremorfa
ST PHILIP'S COMMUNITY CHURCH
TWEEDSMUIR ROAD

Sun: 9.30 am Family Communion
Tues: 3.15 pm 'Messy Church' (in term-time)

**Copy date for the next magazine (Pentecost) is
Tuesday 1st May**

Please send hard-copy (typed, hand-written or cut-out) to the Parish Office; email contributions to:
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or Sue Mansell, smmansell@icloud.com
or Gwynn Ellis, rgellis@ntlworld.com, (preferably using Arial font 12)



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