



Seacroft Churches

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EASTER DAY

- ALLELUIA! CHRIST IS RISEN!

Sunday 17 April 2022

THIS SUNDAY

See over for the readings and special prayers.

6am	Easter Sunrise service over Leeds at the top of Ramshead Drive, followed by breakfast (no charge)	
9.30am	Easter Eucharist Service	St J's
11.30am	George Garry Christened today	St J's
10am	Easter Eucharist Service	St R's

THIS WEEK

MONDAY	Prayer and Praise Bell Ringing Practice - week off	Whinwood Grange St J's
TUESDAY	FOODBANK AND PARISH LARDER ARE CLOSED TODAY Thank you volunteers.	St R's
WEDNESDAY	10am Ladies Group 10.30am Mid week communion 1pm Little Angels 1.30pm Ladies Group	St J's St J's St J's St R's Crypt
THURSDAY	11am Pastoral meeting ~ please note the change of venue. Please Let Rev Anne know if you can't make it. 11.30-1.30pm 'Place of Welcome' cafe 2pm Prayer and Praise 3.15pm St Paul's after-school club 6pm Beavers and Scouts 6pm Narcotics Anonymous	St R's St R's St R's Woodview St R's St R's crypt
FRIDAY	9am staff prayers and meeting 4-6pm Youth club (8-11yrs) 7-9pm Youth Club (11+)	
SATURDAY	11am-1pm dance group	St R's

NEXT SUNDAY

Readings: Exodus 14.10-end; 15.20-21; Acts 5.27-32; Psalm 150; Rev 1.4-8; John 20.19-end

9.30am	All Together service	St J's
10am	EUCHARIST	St R's
11.15	Baptism	St J's
5pm	Youth Church	St R's

Welcome

If you're a newcomer today we are very glad you've joined us for worship. Please stay for refreshments after the service and say hello. Everyone is welcome in the churches in Seacroft Parish: St Richard's, St James' and St Paul's.

THANK YOU!

For all the help cleaning and decorating our churches for Easter.

'Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation...present your requests to God,' Phil 4.6

In our prayers this week:
We thank God for such strong support of all the Holy Week and Easter events and services.

We pray for the Ukraine and all those in food crisis, our youth work & those ill or grieving.

NEWS

Our annual meeting is on 1 May. Time tbc.
Please pick up a copy of our accounts out today; please think about getting involved in church life by joining the church membership or the PCC—see Dave or another church leader.

BE COVID AWARE:

We encourage people to sanitise their hands and wear facemasks in our church buildings. Thanks.

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A special prayer for today ('the collect')

God of glory,
by the raising of your Son
you have broken the chains of death and hell:
fill your Church with faith and hope;
for a new day has dawned
and the way to life stands open
in our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Readings

Acts 10.34-43

34 Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no favouritism, 35but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. 36You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all.37That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: 38how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.39We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. The authorities put him to death by hanging him on a tree; 40but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, 41not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. 42He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. 43All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

Psalm 118.14-24

14 The Lord is my strength and my song, •
and he has become my salvation.
15 Joyful shouts of salvation •
sound from the tents of the righteous:
16 'The right hand of the Lord does mighty deeds;
the right hand of the Lord raises up; •
the right hand of the Lord does mighty deeds.'
17 I shall not die, but live •
and declare the works of the Lord.
18 The Lord has punished me sorely, •

but he has not given me over to death.
19 Open to me the gates of righteousness, •
that I may enter and give thanks to the Lord.
20 This is the gate of the Lord; •
the righteous shall enter through it.
21 I will give thanks to you, for you have answered me •
and have become my salvation.
22 The stone which the builders rejected •
has become the chief cornerstone.
23 This is the Lord's doing, •
and it is marvellous in our eyes.
24 This is the day that the Lord has made; •
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Luke 24.1-12 The Resurrection of Jesus

24 But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. 2 They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, 3 but when they went in, they did not find the body. 4 While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. 5 The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, 'Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. 6 Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, 7 that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.' 8 Then they remembered his words, 9 and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. 10 Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. 11 But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. 12 But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

A prayer to follow communion

God of Life,
who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross,
and by his glorious resurrection
have delivered us from the power of our enemy:
grant us so to die daily to sin,
that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.