

## Diary

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| Mon 1st April   | 9:00am  | Morning Prayer on Zoom                   |
| Wed 3rd April   | 10.30am | Coffee and Communion at Rudford Church   |
| Thurs 4th April | 11.30am | Sportily Pop Up at Highnam playing field |
|                 | 1.30pm  | Sportily Pop Up at Tibberton Church room |
| Sat 6th April   | 10.00am | Churchyard Working Group at Highnam      |

### Sunday 7th April

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| 9.30am  | Holy Communion at Highnam      |
| 11.00am | Holy Communion at Rudford      |
| 5.00pm  | Evening Prayer at Minsterworth |



### Plant Troughs for sale in aid of 'HIGHNAM CHURCH'.

Now that sun is here and spring is in the air you may be turning your thoughts to getting those all important flowers planted. Plant Troughs can be purchased from Graham Hayles. All proceeds are in aid of Highnam Church. Single troughs £15, Double troughs £20. For more details please phone Graham on 01452 422353

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## The United Benefice of Highnam, Tibberton with Rudford and Taynton and the Parish of Minsterworth

### Sunday 31st March

### Easter Sunday



*A very warm welcome to our services*

*If you are visiting or worshipping with us for the first time, we do hope that you will enjoy the service.*

*Please introduce yourself to the clergy and the worship team.*

### Sunday 31st March - Today's Services

|         |   |                  |
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| 6.15am  | Sunrise Service                           | Lassington Tower |
|         | **Followed by breakfast at Astmans Farm** |                  |
| 9.30am  | Holy Communion                            | Highnam          |
| 11.00am | Holy Communion                            | Minsterworth     |
| 11.00am | Holy Communion                            | Rudford          |

### Bible Readings

Isaiah 25.6-9

Acts 10.34-43

Mark 16.1-8

### 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.



## Bible Readings

### Isaiah 25.6-9

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples  
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-matured wines,  
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-matured wines strained clear.  
And he will destroy on this mountain  
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,  
the sheet that is spread over all nations;  
he will swallow up death for ever.  
Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces,  
and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,  
for the Lord has spoken.  
It will be said on that day,  
Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.  
This is the Lord for whom we have waited;  
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

### Acts 10.34-43

Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how 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. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not 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. He 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. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

### Mark 16.1-8

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, 'Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?' When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, 'Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.' So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

### Lent Lunches

Many thanks to everyone in the benefice who supported our Lent lunches this year and especially to our hosts for their generous hospitality. So far the total raised for Christian Aid's work with the poorest communities around the world is £460, of which £415 was gift-aided. There are envelopes at the back of church for anyone who was unable to get to a lunch but would still like to contribute.

Jane Gardener