

*Little Saint Mary's,
Cambridge*

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Alleluia!
Christ is risen

Highlights of April

Sunday 7th April

Second Sunday of Easter

Preacher at the 10:30am High Mass: Fr John Hughes, Dean of Jesus College

Monday 8th April

The Annunciation of the Lord to the Blessed Virgin Mary

Low Mass 12:30pm, High Mass 7pm

Wednesday 10th April

Healing Mass

at 10am *preceded by silent prayer for healing at 9:45am*

Friday 12th April

Musick's Duell

8pm - a concert of readings and music from Richard Crashaw, Jeremiah Clarke, Robin Holloway and Alec Roth

Tuesday 23rd April

Feast of S. George, Martyr & Patron of England

Low Mass 7:45am, Sung Mass 7pm

Thursday 25th April

Feast of S. Mark, Evangelist

Low Mass 7:5am, Sung Mass 7pm

Friday 26th April

Quiz Night *in the parish centre to raise money for the parish Music Fund*

We regret that due to work commitments, Fr Jamie Hawkey of Westminster Abbey, is unable to preach for us on 28th April.

For your May diary...

Wednesday 1st May

Feast of Ss Philip & James

Pontifical High Mass & Confirmation

7pm Bishop Rowan Williams celebrates Mass and Confirms members of the congregation here at Little S. Mary's.

From the Vicar

Dear Brothers & Sisters,

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Snow is not something one expects at Easter, but we had our Palm Sunday procession amid a considerable flurry and Holy Saturday saw a further sprinkling. It is odd, to say the least – yet the absence of spring-like weather forces us to focus more on the joy intrinsic to the festival of Easter rather than being generally buoyed by the skipping lambs (albeit metaphorical within Cambridge!) around us.

Yet if it isn't springtime outside, it is springtime within. The great feast of Easter is exactly about new life from death and – as I said in one of my Good Friday addresses – not through the forgetting or ignoring of the winter of sin and death, but through God's endless creativity. The picture on the front cover of the newsletter is of the apse of San Clemente in Rome, my favourite church in that city. It shows the Cross, yes; but budding into flower and bloom, shoots and tendrils coming out all over. The sign of loss and shame and criminal death is in fact used by God as the source and seedbed of resurrection.

I hope very much that you have had a good Lent, and, even more, an inspiring and holy Holy Week. I've been hugely blessed and privileged to share my first Holy Week with you and have certainly experienced the new life of the Cross in many, many ways over these seven days. My wish for us all over the now Fifty Great Days of Easter is that in our prayers we will bring to the Lord our crosses and pains and ask and allow Him to use His Easter creativity to cause faith, hope and love to flower forth.

Thank you for our first Easter together and for your cards, gifts and kind words. As we sing our exultant 'Alleluia!' may the risen Lord bless you richly with his grace and reveal his risen presence to you over the weeks of the Resurrection that now await us.

With my love & prayers
Fr Robert

MUSICK'S DUELL

*A Concert of Music and Readings to Celebrate
the 400th Birthday of Richard Crashaw
(1613-1649),
Poet and Priest at Little S. Mary's*

Friday 12th April
8pm
Tickets £8/£5 concession

Don't miss this wonderful opportunity to celebrate one of our most distinguished former vicars. Regarded in his day as George Herbert's "second, but equal" (Herbert is pictured on the right), we will be celebrating Crashaw's poetry with a concert of music and reading performed by the Choir of Little S. Mary's, directed by Simon Jackson, the Choir of Gonville and Caius College, directed by Geoffrey Webber, and period instrument ensemble Chesterton Baroque, directed by Dan Tidhar. The programme includes music by Cambridge composer Robin Holloway, and two works commissioned by LSM, one of which is being performed for the first time - a setting of Crashaw's 'Song of the Shepherds' by Alec Roth, composer-in-residence for the professional Birmingham group Ex Cathedra. The concert will conclude with a chance to hear Jeremiah Clarke's splendid and rarely performed 'Ode on the Glorious Assumption', scored for soloists, chorus and orchestra.



We will also be celebrating the launch of Robin Holloway's new edition of Crashaw's 'Selected Poetry' for Carcanet - copies will be available to buy at the concert. It looks set to be an exciting evening of music-making, and a great chance to discover more about Crashaw and his poetry - please do come along if you possibly can! For more details, please contact Simon Jackson (directorofmusic@lsm.org.uk), Lucy Razzall or Christopher Burlinson.



Calendar and Intentions

for

April 2013

*The list of Thanksgivings and Intercessions offers a focus
for our daily prayer, both at the Offices and Mass,
and in our personal times of prayer.*

*The Vicar would be glad of suggestions
for additions to the list of daily intentions.*

Calendar for April

Mon. 1st in Easter Week
Tue. 2nd in Easter Week
Wed. 3rd in Easter Week
Thu. 4th in Easter Week
Fri. 5th in Easter Week
Sat. 6th in Easter Week

SUN. 7th **II SUNDAY of EASTER**
Mon. 8th **THE ANNUNCIATION OF OUR LORD TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY:** LM, 12:30pm; HM, 7pm

Tue. 9th
Wed. 10th William Law, Priest
Thu. 11th *George Augustus Selwyn, Bishop & Missionary*
Fri. 12th
Sat. 13th

SUN. 14th **III SUNDAY of EASTER**
Mon. 15th
Tue. 16th *Isabella Gilmore, Deaconess*
Wed. 17th
Thu. 18th
Fri. 19th S. Alphege, Archbishop & Martyr
Sat. 20th

SUN. 21st **IV SUNDAY of EASTER**
Mon. 22nd
Tues. 23rd **S. George, Martyr, Patron of England:**
LM 7:45am; SM 7pm
Wed. 24th *S. Mellitus, Bishop*
Thu. 25th **S. Mark, Evangelist:** LM, 7:45am; SM 7pm
Fri. 26th
Sat. 27th

SUN. 28th **V SUNDAY of EASTER**
Mon. 29th S. Catherine of Siena, Doctor
Tue. 30th

Daily Intentions and *Anniversaries of death for April*

The joy of the resurrection to fill our hearts.	<i>Arthur Murrell,</i>	1 st
<i>Michael Farmer</i>		
That the Church will faithfully proclaim Christ's glory.		2 nd
All Bishops, priests and deacons		3 rd
For those without Faith: that they may know Christ's joy.	<i>Ruth</i>	
<i>Daniel</i>		4 th
For those preparing for Confirmation		5 th
The College of the Resurrection	<i>David Hand, Bp.</i>	6 th
The Parish	<i>Elsie Duncan-Jones</i>	7 th
Pilgrims at Walsingham		8 th
Society of the Holy Cross		9 th
The healing of the sick	<i>Eva Camps</i>	10 th
Jimmy's Night Shelter		11 th
L'Arche		12 th
Choir and organists		13 th
The Parish	<i>Patricia Morris</i>	14 th
Friends of LSM		15 th
Our Home Communicants	<i>Sidney Cade, Pr.</i>	16 th
Calcutta Cathedral Relief Service	<i>Iris Bushell</i>	17 th
Her Majesty the Queen	<i>Lucy Barlow-Poole, Edna Shipp</i>	18 th
Those who are persecuted for the Faith		19 th
Our elected politicians		<i>P</i>
<i>Philip Pare, Pr. Trevor Huddleston, Bp. Lydia Siddall</i>		20 th
The Parish	<i>Angela Waddington, Elizabeth Bagley</i>	21 st
Bishop Stephen		22 nd
Conversion of England	<i>Michael Ramsey, Bp.</i>	23 rd
Increase in devotion to the Saints	<i>Ruth Mott</i>	24 th
Christians in the legal profession		25 th
Archbishop of Canterbury		26 th
Increase in devotion to the Angels	<i>Patrick Morris</i>	27 th
The Parish	<i>Richard Love</i>	28 th
Nurses		29 th
Christian unity	<i>Frederick Thorling</i>	30 th

Saint George

23rd April

*O God of hosts,
who didst so kindle the flame of love
in the heart of Thy servant George
that he bore witness to the risen Lord
by his life and by his death:
grant us the same faith and power of
love
that we, who rejoice in his triumphs,
may come to share with him
the fullness of the resurrection;
through Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with Thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.*



S. George was probably a soldier living in Palestine at the beginning of the fourth century. He was martyred at Lydda in about the year 304, the beginning of the Diocletian persecution, and became known throughout the East as 'The Great Martyr'. There were churches in England dedicated to S. George before the Norman conquest.

The story of his slaying the dragon is probably due to his being mistaken in iconography for S. Michael, himself usually depicted wearing armour, slaying Satan depicted as a serpent; or it may again be a mistaken identity representing Perseus' slaying of the sea monster, a myth also associated with the area of Lydda.

S. George replaced S. Edward the Confessor as Patron Saint of England following the Crusades, when returning soldiers brought back with them a renewed cult of S. George.

In an era when the flag of S. George is claimed by racists and others holding views incompatible with the Christian faith, it is important to reclaim S. George as the patron of all people in England and, given the fact that he was from the middle East, he makes a fine patron for the diverse people who make up the English nation today.

JANE AUSTEN AT HOME

Friday 10th May 2013
from 7:45pm

Tickets £7/£5 concessions

A recital of extracts from the writings of Jane Austen by Emerald O'Hanrahan, award-winning actress, best known as the voice of Emma Grundy on Radio 4's *The Archers*, arranged by two members of the LSM congregation

Doors open 7:45pm; wine & canapés, Recital begins at 8pm
(90 minutes with interval)

This year is two hundred years since the publication of Jane Austen's most successful novel, *Pride and Prejudice*.

This recital-performance celebrates the variety and wit of Austen's writings, with extracts from her memoirs, letters, juvenilia, poetry and novels. Enjoy her perceptive (often satirical) observation of the social life of English county families. The extracts also capture her warm-heartedness and affection. In the spirit of the Austen drawing room, there will be accompanying music by Dr Simon Jackson, organist and choirmaster of Little S. Mary's.

Emerald O'Hanrahan performed as Miranda in *The Tempest* at the



Cambridge Arts Theatre, before going to drama school at the Bristol Old Vic Theatre School. Emerald graduated in July 2009 and went straight into work with the BBC Radio Drama Company for five months, having won the Carleton Hobbs competition. She is the current voice of Emma Grundy on Radio Four's *The Archers*.

This recital is devised and directed by Stephen Siddall, who was Head of English at the Leys School, Cambridge and has directed for BBC2 and at Cambridge Arts Theatre; it is produced by Jeremy Musson - an author and broadcaster and former architectural editor at Country Life - who has a strong interest in the history of drawing-room performance and private theatricals.

Funds raised go towards Little S. Mary's Church.

For tickets contact the Pastoral Assistant, Scott McCombe: admin@lsm.org.uk, churchwarden Christine Tipple on 350 657, Patricia Davies or Jeremy Musson: jeremy@jeremymusson.com Tickets also available on the door.

CHOIR QUIZ

Friday 26th April * 8pm * Tickets £5

Please join us for the LSM Choir Quiz - a fun evening to raise money for the LSM Music Fund, to support the musical activities that go on in the church. For more details please contact Charlotte Perry or Simon Jackson: directorofmusic@lsm.org.uk

CD RECORDINGS

Simon Jackson, Director of Music, writes...

I am delighted to bring you news of not one, but two possible CD recordings being planned.

Anne Page has kindly agreed to record a recital of organ music on the 2007 Tickell organ, to be recorded and released by Regent Records. We have been discussing programming and - while plans are very much in their early stages and subject to change - the CD may include a "new" piece of Bach, and works by the Belgian composer Flor Peeters (whose Ave Verum we heard on Maundy Thursday), and by former Assistant Organist at LSM Anthony Fort. While the recording engineers are in the building, we are also hoping to make a new recording of the LSM Choir. These projects are, though, expensive undertakings; and before they can progress much further, we need to secure sponsorship. If you, or anyone you know, may be able to help to sponsor these exciting projects, please contact me:

directorofmusic@lsm.org.uk

Thank you.

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