



Dear Friends,

The events of Good Friday and Easter have much to say to us as we live through the chaos and uncertainty of Brexit.

What we have witnessed in recent months is a staggering failure of leadership on the part of our politicians, which traditional party politics has proved impotent to address. The disarray among our politicians is, I suspect, simply a reflection of the disarray in our nation where we no longer have any generally shared vision and understanding of ourselves around which we can unite.

To quote the old Authorised Version of the Bible, "**Where there is no vision, the people perish**" (Proverbs 29:18). The vision of which it speaks is that provided by God, and without it we find ourselves confused, lacking in right purpose and direction, and likely to make foolish and destructive decisions.

Amidst the confusion of pluralistic secularism the Bible speaks with calm certainty as to the direction in which God is moving history.

For He [Christ] must reign until He has put all His enemies under His feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death." (1 Corinthians 15:25-26)

Something new began as Jesus rose again on Easter morning. Ever since, Christians have been praying, "**Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven**". "**For you were slain**", sing the angelic beings in Revelation 5:9, "**and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation**".

In every generation God has been gathering those who will one day make up a new, redeemed and restored humanity living fully and gladly under His rule. When this work is finally complete then death will be abolished and human beings will at last find the unity which can never otherwise be ours.

Have a joyful and hope-filled Easter!

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael". The signature is written in a cursive style and is underlined with a long, horizontal stroke that extends to the right.

MAESTEILO COMMUNITY EVENT

St John's Church, Maesteilo, will be holding the first Community Event of the year on Friday 12th April at 7.30pm. We are delighted to welcome back Richard Rees, the documentary film-maker, who will be showing his film "**Towy: The Dark River of Wales**". This is a fascinating film about our local river, and we hope you will be able to come along and see it.

As usual we will be having light refreshments afterwards, and the cost for the evening will be £4.00.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Margaret (James)

Men's Breakfast on 27th April at 8.30am

The speaker will be Rob Donaldson who will share his colourful experiences as a forester in both South Africa and Wales in a talk entitled "Forests: Creators of Life".

Please let Mike Clark know if you intend to be there : 01558 822994 or mikeclark444@hotmail.com (for catering purposes). Continental breakfast £3.

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DIARY FOR APRIL

- Tues 9th** 7.00-7.30pm Prayer Meeting in St Teilo's Prayer Room
10.00am MOPS (Mothers - or Carers - of pre-schoolers) in St Teilo's upstairs hall. This will be the last meeting of the term. MOPS start again on 7th May.
7.15 for 7.30pm WordLive Lent Course "**From the Ram to the Lamb**", in the Dinefwr Room.
- Weds 10th** 12.0 noon Women's Fellowship Lunch in St Teilo's upstairs gallery
- Thurs 11th** 7.30pm Holy Trinity Taliaris Vestry & PCC Meetings, in church.
- Fri 12th** 7.30pm Maesteilo community event (See opposite)
- Sunday 14th** 12.30pm (approx) St Teilo's Vestry Meeting, following 11am service.
- Tues 16th** 7.00-7.30am Prayer Meeting in St Teilo's Prayer Room.
7.15 for 7.30pm WordLive Lent Course "**From the Ram to the Lamb**", in the Dinefwr Room.
- Weds 24th** **NO 10.30AM COMMUNION SERVICE THIS WEEK**
- Sat 21st** 8pm onwards Easter Vigil. Please sign up in church.
- Sat 27th** 8.30am Men's Breakfast (See opposite)
- Mon 29th** St John's Maesteilo Vestry & PCC Meetings, in church.
- Weds May 1** 7.00pm Local Ministry Area preparation meeting for clergy, readers and elected LMA Council members, in St Teilo's Hall.

Enquiries regarding the use of the church or hire of the church hall or meeting rooms should be made to Mike Taylor on 01558 822089 or e-mail: taylorbeddoesdrive@hotmail.co.uk

Services and Readings for April

14th April (Lent 6, Palm Sunday)

11am Morning Worship

6pm Holy Communion

Maesteilo

9.45am Holy Communion

Taliaris

9.45am Morning Prayer

Isaiah/Eseia 50: 4-9a
Psalms/Salm 31: 9-16, [17,18]
Philippians/Philipiaid 2: 5-11
Luke/Luc 22: 14 - 23: 56

18th April (Maundy Thursday)

7.00pm Holy Communion

Exodus 12: 1-4 [5-10], 11-14
Psalms/Salm 116: 12-19
1 Corinthians /1 Corinthiaid 11: 23-26
John/loan 13: 1-17, 31b-35

19th April (Good Friday)

10.00am All Age Worship

2.00pm Last Hour on the Cross

21st April (Easter Day)

8am Holy Communion

9.15am Cymun Bendigaid

11am Holy Communion

6pm Compline / Evening Prayer

Maesteilo

9.45am Holy Communion

Acts/Actau 10: 34-43
Psalms/Salm 118: [1,2] 14-24
1 Corinthians /1 Corinthiaid 15: 19-26
John/loan 20: 1-18

28th April (Easter 2)

11am Morning Worship

6pm Holy Communion

Maesteilo

9.45am Morning Prayer

Taliaris

9.45am Holy Communion

Acts/Actau 5: 27-32
Psalms/Salm 118: 14-29
Revelation/Datguddiad 1: 4-8
John/loan 20: 10-31

5th May (Easter 3)

8am Holy Communion

9.30am Boreol Weddi

11am Holy Communion

Maesteilo

9.45am Holy Communion

Acts/Actau 9: 1-6, [7-20]
Psalms/Salm 30
Revelation/Datguddiad 5: 11-14
John/loan 21: 1-19

ST TEILO'S CHURCH

Holy Communion : Wednesdays at 10. 30am