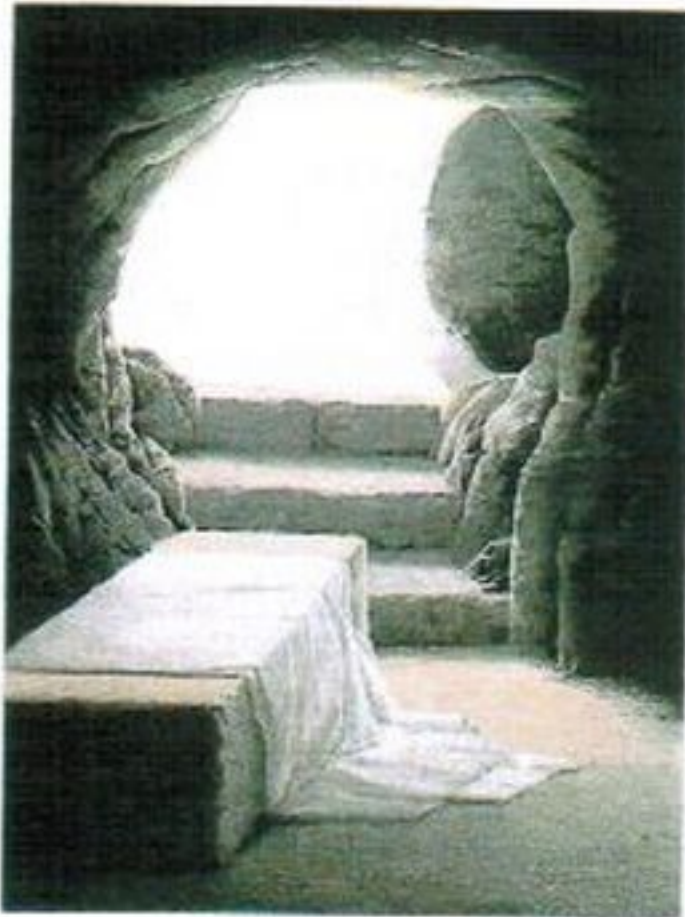


EASTER SUNDAY

30th March 2013

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Noticeboard

<u>Sunday Masses:</u>	Vigil Mass, Saturday,	6 p.m.
	Sunday Morning Mass	10.30 a.m.
<u>Weekday Masses:</u>	10.15 a.m.	
<u>Sacrament of Reconciliation:</u>	Saturday :	9.45 to 10 a.m.;
		4 to 4.30 p.m.;
		5.30 to 5.50 p.m.

There are no Feasts or Memorials this week.

A happy and holy Easter to you all!

Our sincere thanks those who have helped make the Liturgy of Holy Week all the more special: our readers, our cantors and organists; our Eucharistic ministers; our young altar-servers; our sacristan and the ladies who cleaned the altar cloths. A special thanks to those who donated towards the Easter flowers and to those who arranged the flowers in celebration of the Risen Lord. Our thanks, too, to our pass-keepers, who make everyone feel so welcome. God bless you all!

Please note that the ecumenical **Easter Service** takes place in St. Mary's this year: next Sunday at 6.30 p.m. Please try to come along!

We pray for the eternal peace and joy of our Faithful Departed, especially those whose anniversaries are about this time: **Winnie MacLellan, Donald Alistair MacDonald, Ian Kerr, James Campbell, Rosemary Clark, Ann MacBeth, Duncan MacBeth, Lyndsey McMonagle, Donald John MacNeil, John Deakin, Una Tully, Natalie Smith, Donald MacDonald, Mary Walker, Donald MacLennan and Heber McMahon.** At Easter all our departed loved ones have a very special place in our hearts and prayers.

Thank you for your very generous support of the **Peter's Pence** collection. It came to £497.79. This is the time, of course, that we begin to return the **SCIAF Wee Boxes**. Please do so as soon as possible.

And thank you for your Easter cards and kind gifts! Your thoughtfulness is always deeply appreciated.

Christus resurrexit!
Χριστός ἠνέστη!
Christ has risen !
Tha Crìosd air èiridh!
Chrystus zmartwychwstał!
Le Christ est ressuscité
Cristo è risorto!
Cristo ressuscitou!
¡Cristo ha resucitado!



Kristus z mŕtvych vstal!
Христос воскрес!
Kristus prisikèlè!
Kristus (ir) augšāmcēlies!
Si Kristo ay nabuhay!
Kristus je vzkříšen!
Krisztus feltámadt!
Kristus z mŕtvych vstal!
Tá Críost éirithe!

Easter in Image and Word



Easter spells out beauty, the rare beauty of new life.
(S. D. Gordon)

Now let the heavens be joyful,
Let earth her song begin:
Let the round world keep triumph,
And all that is therein;
Invisible and visible,
Their notes let all things blend,
For Christ the Lord is risen
Our joy that hath no end.
(Saint John of Damascus)

The great gift of Easter is hope - Christian hope which makes us have that confidence in God, in his ultimate triumph, and in his goodness and love, which nothing can shake. (Basil C. Hume)

Tomb, thou shalt not hold Him longer;
Death is strong, but Life is stronger;
Stronger than the dark, the light;
Stronger than the wrong, the right...
(Phillips Brooks)

The point of the resurrection...is that the present bodily life is not valueless just because it will die...What you do with your body in the present matters because God has a great future in store for it...What you do in the present—by painting, preaching, singing, sewing, praying, teaching, building hospitals, digging wells, campaigning for justice, writing poems, caring for the needy, loving your neighbor as yourself—will last into God's future. These activities are not simply ways of making the present life a little less beastly, a little more bearable, until the day when we leave it behind altogether (as the hymn so mistakenly puts it...). They are part of what we may call building for God's kingdom. (N.T. Wright)

The evidence for the resurrection is better than for claimed miracles in any other religion. It's outstandingly different in quality and quantity. (Anthony Flew, Ph.D.)

Why would the apostles lie?...Liars always lie for selfish reasons. If they lied, what was their motive, what did they get out of it? What they got out of it was misunderstanding, rejection, persecution, torture, and martyrdom. Hardly a list of perks! (Peter Kreeft, Ph.D.)

All I really need is love, but a little chocolate now and then doesn't hurt! (Lucy in "Peanuts")

There are times when I feel that he has withdrawn from me, and I have often given him cause, but Easter is always the answer to My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me!
(Madeleine L'Engle)

The resurrection gives my life meaning and direction and the opportunity to start over no matter what my circumstances.
(Robert Flatt)

