



ASTER comes at that beautiful time of the year when dark days are over and new life is apparent everywhere, and Easter Day comes with its message of assurance and hope to all troubled peoples whether the trouble is external in the world or internal in the soul. No-one was more sure of this than S. Paul when he writes in terms of true trust in the power of the Resurrection as experienced in his own life. History shows how opposing powers have attempted to suppress the faith of Christ and how their plans have failed. The whole world has been blessed by it and it has altogether transformed man's ideas of life. Today its message comes to a wearying world where hopes of stability are shaken by crisis after crisis, both national and international.

Hope of harmony and peace between nation and nation is so frequently dashed and open conflict lifts its ugly head. But the evil deeds of men were never more sinister than on the first Good Friday. The world was then full of darkness and cruelty—'men's hearts failing them for fear.'

The evil deeds of men seemed to have reached a climax, but Easter proved that sin and death were conquered.

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Services for Good Friday and Easter Day:—

GOOD FRIDAY:

- Parish Church, 11 a.m. One Hour's Devotion.
- S. Nicholas, 6 p.m. Evening Service.
- Parish Church, 7 p.m. Evening Service.

EASTER DAY:

- Parish Church, 8 a.m. Holy Communion.
- S. Nicholas, 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
- Parish Church, 11 a.m. Mattins and Holy Communion.
- Parish Church, 2.30 p.m. Children's Service.
- S. Nicholas, 3.15 p.m. Evensong.
- Parish Church, 6 p.m. Evensong.

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Easter and Annual Church Meeting. 7 p.m. in the Parish Church, April 7th.

Deanery Festival of the Mothers' Union. April 23rd, at the Parish Church

Preacher: The Rev. Canon Maddock, Rector of Wareham.

June 25th. Vicarage Garden Party, opened by Commander Churchill, R.N. A meeting to make final plans will be held at the Vicarage on Monday, April 13th, at 7.30.

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THE Bere Regis Rural Deanery has again, and for the fourth time, headed the whole Diocese in contributions to Diocesan Quota and Clergy Incomes Fund. The sum which we are asked to give from our own Parish in 1959 is £84. Our statement of accounts will be presented at the Annual Church Meeting and will be found to be very satisfactory, but we urge that those who do not at present contribute to our Free Will Offering Fund should get in touch with Mr. Berry, who will gladly provide helpful information.

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Register

Holy Baptism.

February 22nd. Allan John and Stephen Paul, children of Leonard William and Marion Rose Cox.

March 8th. Peter Leonard Thomas, son of Peter Robert Berkley and Pamela Florence Emily Taylor.

Holy Matrimony.

March 7th. Anthony Philip King and Evelyn Heather Joyce.

March 10th. Eric George Fancy and Patricia Ann Collison.

Burial.

February 24th. Owen William Hookey, aged 87.

February 29th. Dorothy Nora Goldie, aged 66.