

Dryburgh District Churches (Church of Scotland) SC010210

# CELEBRATE EASTER 2024

**Maundy Thursday 28 March**  
Service of Communion  
Church Hall, St Boswells  
6.30pm

**Good Friday 29 March**  
Service of contemplation and reflection  
Newtown Church  
6.30pm

**Easter Sunday 31 March**  
Christ is Risen, Hallelujah!  
Greet this wonderful new day,  
sharing in worship, praise and prayer.

**Ecumenical Service**  
Dryburgh Abbey 7.30am  
*Please note time*

Offering in aid of  
*Borders Talking Newspapers*  
SC020192



**Family Easter Service**  
with Sacrament of  
Holy Communion  
Mertoun Kirk  
10.30am

*Come along with your decorated  
egg and/or Easter Bonnet.  
Prizes for ages 0-5, 6-12, 12 & over*

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*'United in serving God, by welcoming you, sharing His love  
and reaching out in service to our community'*

**Website:** [www.dryburghdistrictchurches.org](http://www.dryburghdistrictchurches.org)

**Sunday 17 March 2024**  
**Newtown Church 10.30am**  
**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent**

We extend a warm welcome to visitors to all our services and hope that you will enjoy worshipping and a time of fellowship.

*Please remain seated for the hymns if that is more comfortable for you.*

**Intimations**  
**Please keep this sheet for future reference**

**Spring Quiz** sheets are now available for £1; the theme is 'Trains & Boats & Planes & Motors'! **Deadline Sunday 14 April.**

**March – May Newsletter:** these should have been delivered to everyone. Thank you to the people who undertake this task every quarter. If you haven't received your copy, please pick one up this morning. As well as current events, there are lots of dates for your diary for April and May.

**Weekly:**  
Mondays: **Tea and Chat Afternoon**, Church Hall, 2 - 4pm; everyone welcome.  
Wednesdays: **Craft Group**, Church Hall, 1 - 3.30pm.  
Wednesdays: **Community Choir**, 6.30 - 7.30pm; Community Wing, Newtown.  
*having a break until 10 April..*  
Thursdays: **'Zoom' Bible Study**, 7.30 - 9pm.; everyone welcome.  
*(Meeting ID: 843 4289 1909; password 479943.*

**This Week: see overleaf**

## This Week:

Wednesday 20 March: **St Cuthbert's Day Walk** around Old Melrose: *see below*. If you wish to join the walk, please let Rev Sheila know: 01835 822255.

Thursdays in Lent: **Lenten Thursday**: Whitchester House, Hawick, is open to anyone wishing to set some time aside during Lent for quiet reflection: *see below*.

Friday 22 March: **Messy Church Play**, Church Hall, 12.45 - 2pm: *next 26 April*.


Sunday 24 March: Palm Sunday **Worship in St Boswells Church**, 10.30am.

## Further Ahead:

**Holy Week**: 24 – 31 March: *see back page*.


**Worship on Wednesday** 3 April: Church Hall, 10 - 11am.

Friday 5 April: **Lunch Club**, Church Hall, 12noon - 1.30pm; *next 19 April*.



WHITCHESTER  
CHRISTIAN CENTRE

**Lenten Thursdays—Open House**  
22 & 29 February  
7, 14 & 21 March, ending with  
**Maundy Thursday Quiet Day 28 March**



The House will be open from 10am – 4pm  
Warm spaces on the ground floor; hot drinks available throughout the day.  
Please bring your own lunch.

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St Cuthbert's Way  
Churches Together

**St Cuthbert's Way Churches Together**  
invite you to celebrate  
**St Cuthbert's Day**  
**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2024**  
with a guided walk around Old Melrose  
led by Dr Margaret Collin,  
along with short times for reflection.  
**Meet in the courtyard at Old Melrose**  
**for a 2.00pm start.**

Parking in the steading beyond the Tearoom carpark. The walk is 1.5 miles long over rough terrain so sturdy footwear is required. The Tearoom will be open at the end of the walk for a cuppa. An indication of numbers would be helpful to [RFrew@churchofscotland.org.uk](mailto:RFrew@churchofscotland.org.uk)  
Donations to the Old Melrose and Environs Project.

## Christian Aid Week (12 - 18 May): fundraising plans:

**"200 square hamper prize draw"** (£2 per square), in Tony's Old PO, St Boswells for a couple of weeks and drawn at: .....

**'Big Brekkie'**, St Boswells Church Hall, Sunday 19 May, serving bacon and/or scrambled egg rolls, tea and coffee for £4; 8.30 - 10am.

### Donations invited:

- \* for the hamper contents, please speak to Winnie Milligan
- \* for the 'Big Brekkie,' donations of money towards the cost of the food, please speak to Lucy Smith.

## Information:

**Music on Fridays** for people living with Alzheimer's and their partners or carers; Langlee Community Centre from 10.30-12.00 every Friday in the blue room. We want to offer fun, lively sessions of singing and music making in a relaxed friendly atmosphere. If you care for someone with dementia, come and join us and give it a try! Email me at: [pruepullen@hotmail.com](mailto:pruepullen@hotmail.com) or Ring: 07806 619989

**Newtown Community Food Help**: Confidential and free; Mondays 4- 6pm, Wednesdays 10am - 12 noon and Fridays 4 - 6pm; Tel: 07811 976 943; come along and collect what will see you through. **The Larder in Newtown** is experiencing increasing demand for assistance from the community. Especially with cleaning items and toiletries. There is a container in Newtown Church to collect such item.

**Transport to Worship in our Churches**: The Kirk Session encourages Members of the congregation to offer transport to those without their own, to enable our congregation to worship in other churches as well as their local one.

**Kirk Session Trust Fund**: the gift of a small cash donation (from a restricted fund), is available to anyone who is struggling with their finances. Please take an envelope on your way out of church for someone you know of who is in need – or indeed keep it for yourself if you are struggling.

**St Boswells Foodbank** (operating as part of Jedburgh Foodbank): drop-off points for donations of non-perishable food items - Tony's Newsagents and the Church Hall (Lunch Club and Craft Group days). To make a cash donation or get more information, please email [stboswellsfoodbank@gmail.com](mailto:stboswellsfoodbank@gmail.com).

**Small Boxes: Small change can make a big change (for Church funds!)**. Please help yourself to a box on the way out. The contents may be returned at any time, in any church. Existing box holders may have a new label or a new box!