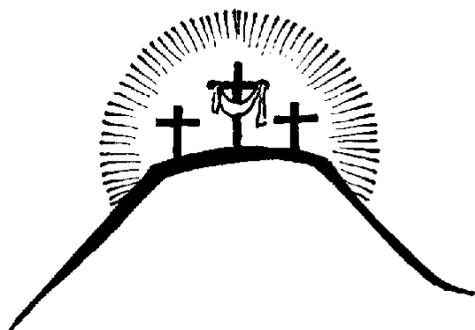


The United Benefice of
Warton and Borwick with Yealand

HOLY WEEK and EASTER 2022



*Rejoice, heavenly
powers!
Sing, choirs of
angels!*

PALM SUNDAY, 10th April

The drama of Holy Week begins as we carry palm crosses to remind ourselves of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem on the back of a donkey. The dramatic reading of one of the Passion Gospel reminds us that this was an entry into suffering and death on the Cross.

8.00am **Blessing of Palms and Eucharist at St Oswald's**

9.15am **Blessing of Palms, Procession and Eucharist at St John's**

11.00am **Blessing of Palms, Procession (from the Old Rectory) and Eucharist at St Oswald's**

(Those who prefer not to process meet in church for the Blessing of Palms)



MAUNDY THURSDAY, 14th April

This evening's service has two very distinct elements to it. One emphasises the institution of the Eucharist as found in the first three Gospels for the evening before the crucifixion, the other builds on St John's Gospel in which there is no account of Jesus celebrating the Passover with his disciples; instead there is the washing of feet with the 'new commandment' (in Latin *Mandatum* - hence Maundy) – 'to love one another'. The joy at the institution of the Eucharist is shown by the use of the Gloria and the white vestments. Jesus' washing of the disciples' feet is the Gospel for the day and is re-enacted in a small way. Immediately after we have received Communion we are invited to join Jesus and the disciples in the garden of Gethsemane as we watch and pray. The altars are stripped bare in preparation for the next day. There will be a watch of prayer at the altar of repose until 10pm. Try to come for some of the time...'could you not watch with me one brief hour?'

7.30pm **Eucharist of the Last Supper and Watch of Prayer at St Oswald's**



GOOD FRIDAY, 15th April

Today we gather in church during the time Jesus hung on the cross. The devotion aims to help us enter more deeply into the mystery of Christ's work for us on the Cross. Whereas on Palm Sunday we took part in the telling of the Passion, today we stand and listen. We honour and proclaim the cross, pray for the world for which Christ died, and receive Communion reserved from last night.

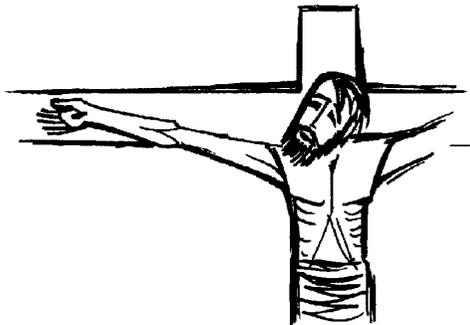
10.00am **Walk of Witness** to Warton Crag *or*

10.30am **Service of Reflection** at *St Oswald's*
for those not walking

...followed by refreshments at St Oswald's

2.00pm **Hour at the Cross** at *St Marys'*

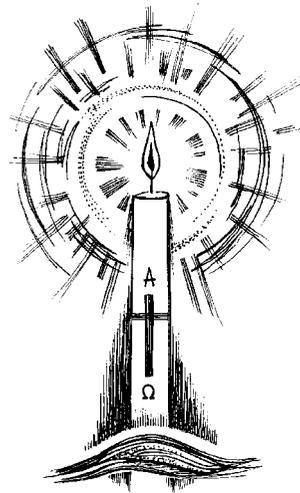
6.30pm **The Liturgy of the Cross** at *St Oswald's*



EASTER EVE, 16th April

This very ancient service is a late-night celebration of the movement from darkness to light, from death to resurrection. The New Fire is kindled and from it the Easter (Paschal) Candle is lit and carried through the church. Scripture readings tell of the history of our salvation, and then in great rejoicing we sing the *Gloria in excelsis*. In the early church this was traditionally the time when baptisms took place. We will renew our own Baptismal vows and celebrate the First Eucharist of Easter

8.30pm **The Easter Liturgy, Renewal of Baptismal Vows and First Eucharist of Easter** at *St John's*



EASTER DAY, 17th April



**Alleluia! Christ is risen!
He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

- 8.00am **Eucharist** at *St Oswald's*
- 9.15am **Family Eucharist with Blessing of the Easter Garden and Renewal of Baptismal Vows** at *St John's*
- 9.15am **Family Eucharist with Renewal of Baptismal Vows** at *St Mary's*
- 11.00am **Family Eucharist with Blessing of the Easter Garden and Renewal of Baptismal Vows** at *St Oswald's*
- 6.00pm **Choral Evensong** at *St Oswald's*