

East Loveden Churches And Parish News

APRIL 2026

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FROM THE RECTORY

April Reflection: Hope Through the Cross

April invites us into the most sacred journey of the Christian year, Holy Week and the joy of Easter. It is a time when we walk closely with Jesus, from the shouts of "Hosanna" on Palm Sunday, through the sorrow and silence of the cross, to the glorious hope of the resurrection.

Holy Week reminds us that God's love is not distant or abstract. It is personal, sacrificial, and present in our deepest struggles.

On Good Friday, we see the depth of that love displayed:

**"Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends."
(John 15:13)**

Yet the story does not end in darkness. Easter morning breaks through with light, declaring that death does not have the final word. Christ is risen, and with Him comes new life, new hope, and new beginnings:

"He is not here; He has risen, just as He said." (Matthew 28:6)

In a world that can often feel uncertain, Easter reassures us that God is always at work, bringing life out of death and hope out of despair. Whatever burdens we carry, we are invited to lay them at the foot of the cross and rise with Christ into renewed faith.

As we move through April, may we live as Easter people, full of hope, grace, and joy. Let us carry the message of the resurrection into our daily lives, reflecting Christ's love to those around us.

May this holy season renew your faith and fill you with lasting peace.

A Prayer for April

Lord Jesus,

Thank You for Your sacrifice and the gift of new life.

Help us to walk with You through every season, trusting in Your promises.

Fill our hearts with Easter hope and guide us to share Your love with the world.

Amen.

Rev Georgie

Prayer for APRIL

Lord Jesus

Once again we celebrate the great Christian Festival of Easter.

May we always remember that it begins with Good Friday; the day You willingly endured the agony of death upon a cross to offer salvation to all.

As we rejoice in Your glorious resurrection we pray that, by Your grace, You will plant the longing in our souls to respond with open hearts to Your everlasting love and mercy, which reaches out to each one of us. Amen

BENEFICE PRAYER

Heavenly Father

As we put our trust in you, send Your Holy Spirit to bring vision to our planning, and guidance and direction for the future of our churches.

May we be the salt and light to this place as we embrace our diversity and work together in unity to make disciples of all people, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

AROUND THE PARISHES

ANCASTER

The church is open most days.

The foodbank box is available in the church for donations, also available is an Ink Jet recycle box.

Ancaster Coffee Morning:

1st Friday every month. 10:00 am till 12:00 noon.

In Ancaster Village Hall.

MAUNDY *Thursday*

APRIL 2ND 2026

On this Maundy Thursday, let's begin with fasting and prayers for God's mercy and forgiveness for all mankind. Let's pray together.

AT: ST MARTIN, ANCASTER CHURCH

TIME: 18:00



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YOUR PRESENTS

GOOD
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Friday
MEDITATIONS



ST MARTIN, ANCASTER

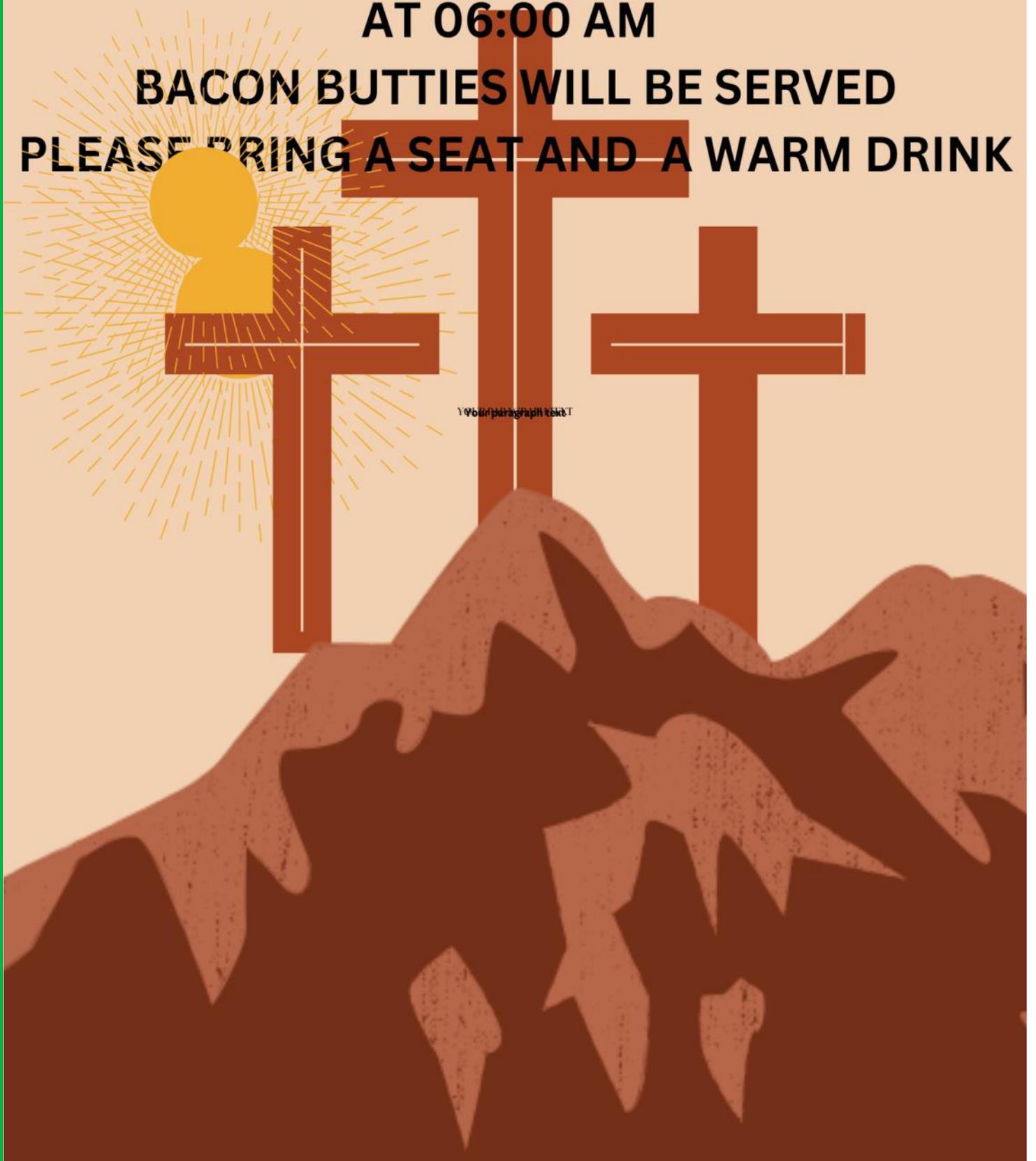
FRIDAY 3RD APRIL

2:00PM

**SUNDAY 5TH APRIL
SUNRISE EASTER SERVICE**

**SLATE HOUSE FARM
HEATH LANE, WILSFORD, NG32 3PG
AT 06:00 AM**

**BACON BUTTIES WILL BE SERVED
PLEASE BRING A SEAT AND A WARM DRINK**



HE IS RISEN

LUKE 24:6-7

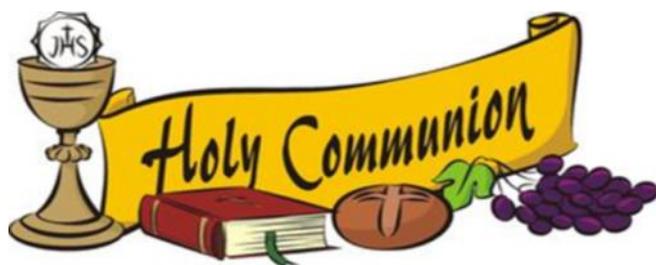
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*EASTER DAY
HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE*

EAST LOVEDEN GROUP



2nd APRIL- MAUNDY THURSDAY

18:00 ANCASTER HOLY COMMUNION

3rd APRIL- GOOD FRIDAY

14:00 ANCASTER GOOD FRIDAY MEDITATIONS

5th APRIL- EASTER DAY

06:00 SLATE FARM EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

10:00 ANCASTER HOLY COMMUNION

12th APRIL

9:00 SYSTON BCP SERVICE

11:00 ANCASTER HOLY COMMUNION

19th APRIL

10:00 ANCASTER HOLY COMMUNION

17:00 WILSFORD VILLAGE HALL COMMUNITY PRAISE

26nd APRIL

10:00 WILSFORD HOLY COMMUNION

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