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## Parish Newsletter

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# WHAT REALLY HAPPENED AT EASTER?

A high-ranking Roman soldier tries to prove the resurrection was a hoax.

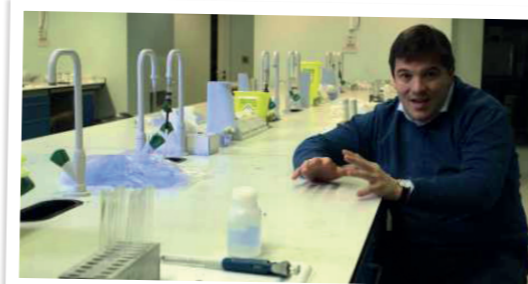
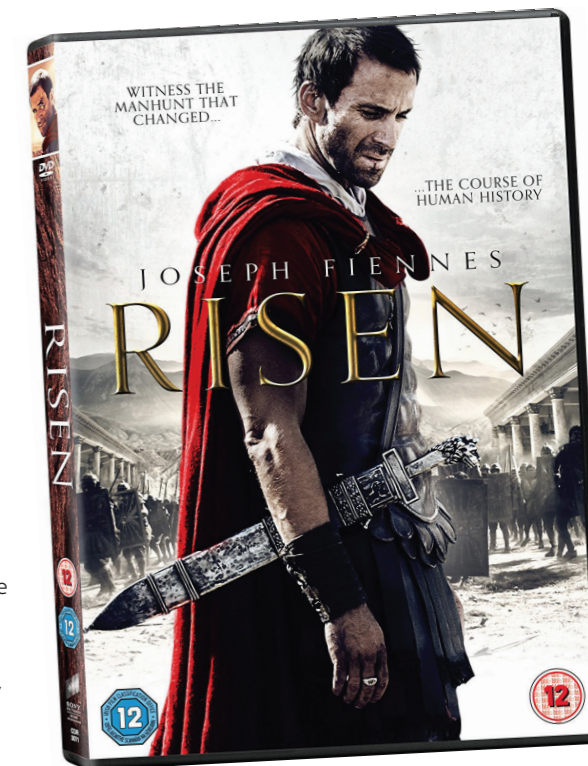
Set in Jerusalem in the 1st Century, the film *Risen* follows a Roman tribune (Joseph Fiennes) who is charged by Pontius Pilate to uncover the missing body of Jesus. The search leads him to the truth behind the missing Messiah, which proves more fantastic than he ever imagined.

It's a fictional account, but the historical details stick closely to the biblical

evidence. It's a fascinating take on the events of the first Easter, seen through the eyes of a sceptic. Released in cinemas last year, I've only just watched it and would highly recommend it.

If you'd like to know more about the evidence for Jesus, the eye-witness testimony of the Apostle John, as recorded in the Gospel of John, is presented in a DVD by Rico Tice, a Vicar in London. He asks, 'Not many things in life are certain - except I suppose, death and taxes! So, what can we be sure of? In what or whom can we place our trust? Christians say it's possible to have faith in Jesus Christ. But is this, as Dawkins says, 'Blind trust in the teeth of all the evidence'?

We have copies of Rico's DVD 'Believable' to give away free at our Easter services.



Rico Tice, in a scene from the DVD

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## Toilet Twinning

On Sunday mornings over 30 3-7 year olds take part in our Super Saints Sunday School.

Each term they raise money to help those in need. In recent years, they've bought chickens, goats and mosquito nets for families in Africa. This term they're collecting to twin toilets through the charity Tearfund and Toilet Twinning.

**toilet twinning.org**



# Cracking up

Almost all the costs of All Saints' Church are met from donations.

This includes the upkeep of our beautiful Grade 1 listed church building. You may have noticed some orange netting around part of the church tower recently. A piece of masonry, loosened over the years by water ingress, had to be removed to prevent it falling.

If you would like to know how to contribute to the preservation of this precious building, do please contact the church Treasurer, Keith Vigurs, via the church office. One way to make a donation, amongst several, is through online banking. The details you need are

**ACCOUNT NAME** All Saints Laleham PCC  
**SORT CODE** 40 52 40  
**ACCOUNT NO.** 00024933

As a charity, all donations to All Saints' from tax payers can be Gift Aided.

You might also like to consider leaving a gift to the church in your will. It is easy to do and can make a huge difference. There is a website that gives you the information you need, called [www.churchlegacy.org.uk](http://www.churchlegacy.org.uk). The opening page says:

'Once you have made provision for your loved ones, you have the opportunity to make a lasting gift to God, by leaving a legacy to His church. A gift in your Will to your local church is one of the most valuable and lasting ways you can continue to support its mission and ministry within your community.'

A gift can be an expression of your gratitude and thanksgiving towards God, and can help keep your local church alive, and help transform its future.'



*giftaid it* CHURCH LEGACY  
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## PRAYER CORNER

One way Laleham Primary School expresses its Christian ethos is by every classroom having a prayer corner.

Amanda Askwith, the new head of Religious Education, has come up with some imaginative ways of highlighting

these areas. Each classroom now has a hand painted wooden cross, chosen from a wide range of designs.

Through a generous gift from the Friends of Laleham School, a superb range of new RE books have also been purchased for each classroom.



## Confirmation

Would you like to consider being Confirmed, as an adult or a teenager?



We have a Confirmation Service on Sunday 21st May at 6.30pm. The Church of England website says: 'Confirmation marks the point in the Christian journey at which you affirm for yourself the faith into which you have been baptized and your intention to live a life of committed discipleship. This affirmation is confirmed through prayer and the laying on of hands by the confirming bishop. The Church also asks God to give you

power through the Holy Spirit to enable you to live in the way of Jesus.' Confirmation is usually the point at which you start to receive Holy Communion.

This year we welcome Bishop Ric Thorpe, Bishop of Islington in the London Diocese. Bishop Ric's role is to support London's Church growth strategy as part of Capital Vision 2020, which sets a target of creating 100 new worshipping communities within the Diocese by 2020.

I would encourage everyone who is baptised to consider confirmation. Please speak to the Church Office or one of the clergy if you'd like more details.



## CHURCH ON FRIDAY

Most services are on a Sunday, but an exception is Good Friday, this year on the 14th April.

We have two very different services that day, both of which are annual highlights as we remember Jesus' death. In the morning we have an All Age service at 9.30am in Laleham

School hall. Last year we touched a crown made of real thorns from Israel, and each took home a nail to remind us of all that Jesus experienced out of love for us.

At 2pm in church we spend 'An Hour at the Cross', with reflection on the biblical account of the crucifixion and some of the rich hymnody from across the centuries.

## Dates for your diary

### APR 2017

**SUN 2** 10:00. Holy Communion  
 10:30. Morning Service  
 18:30. Evening Service

**SUN 9** 10:00. Morning Service  
 10:30. Holy Communion  
 18:30. Evening Service

**MAUNDY THURSDAY** **THU 13** 19:30. Holy Communion

**GOOD FRIDAY** **FRI 14** 09:30. All Age Service (School)  
 11:00. Walk of witness (meet at Staines Methodist at 10.45am)  
 14:00. Hour at Cross

**EASTER DAY** **SUN 16** 10:00. no service  
 10:30. All Age Service with Holy Communion (Church)  
 18:30. Evening Service

### MAY 2017

**SUN 7** 10:00. Holy Communion  
 10:30. All Age Service  
 18:30. Holy Communion

**SUN 14** 10:00. Morning Service  
 10:30. Holy Communion  
 18:30. Evening Service

**SUN 21** 10:00. Holy Communion  
 10:30. Morning Service  
 18:30. Evening Service

**SUN 28** 10:00. Morning Service  
 10:30. Morning Service  
 18:30. Holy Communion

### JUNE 2017

**SUN 4** 10:00. Morning Service  
 10:30. All Age Service  
 18:30. Holy Communion

*Services at 10.30am in Laleham School Hall. Other services in All Saints' Laleham unless specified.*