

# News Letter

Brigstock with Stanion, Lowick and Sudborough  
Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March to Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2026

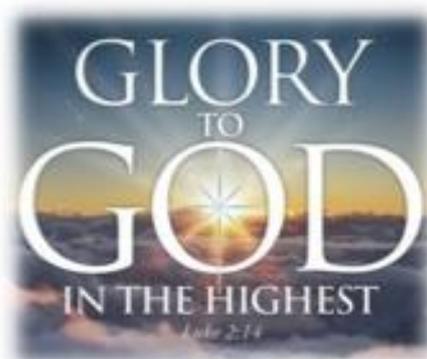
## The Gloria through Lent. Week 5: The Trinity

You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.

We round off our walk through the Gloria with an expression of The Trinity.  
'Jesus Christ with The Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father'.

Having worked around a variety of Churches, in thirty years of ministry, it has been my pleasure to work with a number of different faith expressions. Each place has its own particular emphasis on the character of God. There was no right and wrong, necessarily, but expressing the fullness of The Trinity I have rarely seen. Some have shown the glory and majesty of God The Almighty Father really well, through Liturgy and tradition, but struggled to express the work of The Holy Spirit. Others have lived out the faith, in the footsteps of Jesus. Faithfully proclaiming the Gospel, in both word and practical action, but struggled to grapple with the mystery of it all. I have witnessed some amazing incidents at Churches which focus on the Holy Spirit. Expectation is high, and people believe that God can do new things in the here and now. Sometimes, however, expectations can sometimes be unrealistic and faith becomes transactional i.e. God blesses if we have enough faith, which is over simplifying things a lot, to say the least!

The Trinity as a concept took many years to become a formal Church belief. It came from grappling with the scriptures and forming a rounded picture of God. A God of love who is creator and judge yet saviour and friend, being alive and active in the here and now. Father, Son and Holy Spirit. May we aspire to be in awe of God's greatness, follow the way of Christ and still expect God to be active among us for the common good.



### For this week's pondering

- Which aspects of The Trinity does my Church best show, and which might it express more fully?
- What aspect of God's love do I need to focus on to nurture my own faith?

## **Sunday and Easter Services**



**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 10.00 a.m.** St Peters Lowick

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March 10.00 a.m.** St Andrews Brigstock – Palm Sunday service.

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April - 2.30 p.m.** Good Friday service St Peters Stanion

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> April 7.30 p.m.** Easter Service of Light All Saints Sudborough

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April 10.00 a.m.** – Easter Day service St Peters Lowick

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April 10.00 a.m.** St Andrews Brigstock

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### **Collect Prayer for Fifth Sunday of Lent**

Most merciful God,  
who by death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ  
delivered and saved the world:  
grant that by the faith in him who suffered on the cross  
we may triumph in the power of his victory;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever.

### **Post Communion Prayer**

Lord Jesus Christ,  
you have taught us  
that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters  
we do also for you:  
give us the will to be the servant of others  
as ypu were the servant of all,  
and gave up your life and died for us,  
but are alive and reign, now and forever.

### **Mid-Week Services**

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March 10.00 a.m.** St Andrews Brigstock Holy Communion

- **This week's Mind** – David Adderley 2016, Fredrick Short 1988, Richard (Dick) Webster 2010, Jim Ketchell 2013, Tom Bernat 1990, Maisie Viner 2009, Judith Freeman 2013, Hilda Hammersley 2016

## *Notes*

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**Benefice website: <https://www.harpersbrookanglicans.org.uk>**



### **SUNDAY LUNCH CLUB – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the Month.**

Sunday Lunch group meets monthly for good food and company for folk who would otherwise be eating dinner on their own. If you are interested, please contact Carol on the following number and leave your contact details 07894261164. If a lift is required it may be possible for people from the same locality to liaise with each other.



**Little Treasures Baby and Toddler Group** meet at Stanion

Village Hall on a Friday in school term time from 10.00 a.m. - 11.30 a.m. For Parents and Carers with their children.

Craft, sensory play, toys, jigsaws, drinks and snacks. £3.00 for first child and siblings over 6 months £1.00 each.

Concessions for those on Universal Credit.

## **Bell Ringing News**

There is a requirement for learner ringers for Stanion, if you are interested, please contact the Tower Captain Tom Birkett [Trb1961@googlemail.com](mailto:Trb1961@googlemail.com) or phone number 07866 331692



## **Church News and Dates for Your Diaries**

### **St Peters Lowick**

The next Coffee Morning will take place on Tuesday 24th March in the Village Hall, Lowick between 10 and midday. £2 each, as ever, all welcome.

Recent visitors to the churchyard may have noticed more clearance work to the south east of the church. Years of ivy growth have been removed to reduce the weight on aged gravestones and improve access around the building. Several memorials have been revealed including a large chest tomb! Another area of ivy has been trimmed but intentionally left as part of our wildlife project, to provide important habitat. Thanks to Ian and Dave for their efforts.

We have also received confirmation from the Commonwealth War Graves Commission that our application for inclusion in their scheme has been approved. They will put up signs soon and will also undertake maintenance of the graves. We are very pleased to be included in their scheme, if anyone would like more information please contact Jo Boyers, Churchwarden.

## St Andrews Brigstock



4<sup>th</sup> April 10.00 a.m. until 12 noon  
Coffee morning with Easter Egg  
hunt for the children at 11.00  
a.m.



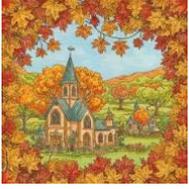
The Spring Fair will be on the 16<sup>th</sup> May in church between 10.00 a.m. and 1.00 p.m. There will be stalls selling home-made crafts, plants, cakes and refreshments along with a tombola and raffle. Watch this space for further information



Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June there will be a summer garden party hosted by Penelope Escombe. Further details to follow



Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October in church guitar and ukelele recital by Paul Mansell. Further details to follow.



**Autumn Fair Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> November 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.** There will be crafts, Tombola, raffle and much more including delicious refreshments.

## **St Peters Stanion**

# WHAT'S ON

Make a note of these event dates in your diary. There is sure to be lots of fun to be had at them all!

**9<sup>th</sup> May** – Stanion Community Garage Sale

**4<sup>th</sup> July** – Stanion School, Church and Community Centre Fete.

**28<sup>th</sup> November** – St Peters Christmas Tree Festival.