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It seems the number of Covid cases is rising quickly again. I suppose that's just the way it is: the virus seems to almost go away and then, all of a sudden, it's back again.

Lent can be a bit like that. Some of us plan what we're going to do to prepare for Easter. We choose some fault in ourselves and make up our minds to use Lent to correct it once and for all. Others decide to give something not inherently bad during Lent, as an acknowledgement of Jesus' privations in the desert, though we don't intend to live without it permanently.

Whichever we choose it's usually difficult. We make a big effort at the start and we usually meet with some success. As time goes on it often seems a bit easier and we start to relax, but then the longings or habits come back with a vengeance. The six weeks of Lent seem such a long time, and we start making excuses and exemptionsjust a little bit of chocolate won't hurt this once- or, perhaps for the hot-tempered-well, who wouldn't have got angry with the way he was carrying on. Some of us even change our resolution as a bit time goes on, and allow some latitude- well, I'll just have dark chocolate when I prefer milk (that's my favourite!)

Of course, God forgives us, but by making excuses or giving ourselves too much latitude we reduce the good that Lent can do us, and even reduce our ability to celebrate Easter is a joyful way. It's a bit like Covid, isn't it: we're in it for the long haul, and we just have to keep trying.

Rev Sue



Easter Egg Hunt at St Andrew's, Paull
Monday 18th April 2022 at 11am
Best Easter hat and best Easter drawing competition

All welcome

Service Schedule April 2022.

Sunday 3rd April

Hedon- Holy Communion, 9-30am Sproatley- Morning Prayer, 9-30am Paull- Holy Communion, 11-15am Preston- Holy Communion, 6-00pmpm.

Wednesday 6th April

Hedon- Celtic Communion, 10-00pm

<u>Friday 8th April - Hedon- Evening Prayer, 6-00pm</u>

Sunday 10th April (Palm Sunday)

Hedon- Holy Communion, 9-30am Preston- Morning Prayer, 11-00am Sproatley- Holy Communion, 11-15am

Holy Week.

Monday 11th April- Evening Prayer, Preston, 7-30pm Tuesday 12th April- Evening Prayer, Sproatley, 7-30pm Wednesday 13th April- Evening Prayer Preston, 7-30pm Thursday 14th April- Holy Communion, Paull, 7-30 Friday 15th April- Service of Meditation, Hedon, 2-00pm

Sunday17th April (Easter Sunday)

Hedon, Holy Communion, 9-30am Preston- Holy Communion (joint service with Sproatley), 11-30am.

Wednesday 20th April

Hedon, Celtic Communion, 10-00am

Friday 22nd April - Hedon, Evening Prayer, 6-00pm

Sunday 24th April

Sproately- Holy Communion (joint service with Preston), 9-30am Hedon- Holy Communion, 11-15am

Wednesday 27th April

Hedon, Celtic Communion, 10-00am

<u>Friday 29th April - Hedon, Evening Prayer, 6-00pm</u>