



These daily readings leading up to Easter will reflect on conversations Jesus had during his ministry. As you read God’s word, keep a note of what God says to you and what your response is to him.

The daily readings tie in with the Sunday teaching series and with studies in small groups. Alongside this are a series of questions as prompts for reflection in 2s or 3s.

“May God the Creator bless us. May God the Son walk with us. May God the Spirit lead our lives with love.

May the blessing of the One who was, and who is and who is to come be upon us all - redeeming our past, filling our present and lighting up our future.”

A Celtic blessing

<p>Day 39 Sat Apr 8th</p>	<p>Roman soldiers guard the tomb Read Matthew 27:62-66 The Pharisees wanted to guard against rumours of resurrection. They knew the claims that Jesus had made. A rock, a seal & a Roman guard would never stop the “incomparably great” power of God (Ephesians 1:18-21), but that is for tomorrow. We can only guess at the devastation & despair experienced by the disciples as the reality of Jesus’ torture, anguish & barbaric execution sunk in – the loss of their Master. Their hope had died along with him. Blinded by their grief, it appeared they failed to remember Jesus’ words- see Matthew 20:17-19. How easily we, too, can relegate God’s promise-rich words to the back of our minds. If you have specific areas of need, bring these to God and rest in the assurance that he’s working in our waiting.</p>
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