



The Villager

The community newsletter for
Mapledurwell, Up Nately,
Newnham, Nately Scures &
Greywell

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Dear All

The good part is the way neighbours are all looking out for each other.

We want to let you know that the Parish Councils are also here to help anyone who is self isolating or needs any help. **Please let us know if you require assistance**, be it shopping, a delivery or collection, or just a phone call.

And please shout if you know of anyone who needs help.

We will all act within the government's guidelines <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

The Terms and Conditions on the .gov website are clear that exemptions from restrictions apply for those...

- Purchasing essential supplies (although this should be minimised)
- Collecting medicines, or attending to any medical need
- Assisting vulnerable members of society.

We wish everyone well at this testing time

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As the UK is now on lockdown to reduce the spread of the Coronavirus, this may allow opportunity for mother nature to show us something positive in these worrying times. With fewer cars on the roads, now would be a great time to start listening for the arrival of the cuckoo in April. In Tylney Lane, Newnham, the earliest recorded date was 10th April in last 25 years. It was heard on 23rd April last year and we had several in the area.



Chiff Chaffs have arrived, they are a visiting warbler, and have a very distinctive call, repetitive "chiff chaff" sound.

At dusk keep an eye out for the barn owls flying over fields.



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Mapledurwell & Up Nately

Information on Coronavirus (COVID-19)

The government is making regular announcements in response to the ongoing outbreak.

Current situation

The latest announcement from the government is:

You should only leave the house for one of four reasons:

- Shopping for basic necessities, for example food and medicine, which must be as infrequent as possible.
- One form of exercise a day, for example a run, walk or cycle - alone or with members of your household.
- Any medical need, or to provide care or to help a vulnerable person.
- Travelling to and from work, but only where this absolutely cannot be done from home.

These four reasons are exceptions - even when doing these activities, you should be minimizing time spent outside of the home and ensuring you are two metres apart from anyone outside of your household.

The latest advice and information is available on the webpages, at www.gov.uk/coronavirus

UP NATELY COFFEE MORNING

Under the present circumstances, we have decided sadly to cancel our coffee mornings for the time being to keep us all safe. Stay well everyone!

MAPLEDURWELL & UP NATELY VILLAGE HALL



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Contact Caretaker Jayne Norman on 474432 or check out the website at www.mapledurwellvillagehall.com

Mapledurwell & Up Nately Parish Planning & Tree applications

20/00705/FUL (validated 11 Mar) Elder House, Holly House, and Aspen House, The Hollies, Mapledurwell. Replacement of existing two-storey and single-storey oriel bay window structures with new oriel bay window structures.

20/00060/HSE (validated 3 Mar) The Farm, Tunworth Road, Mapledurwell. Proposed single storey rear extension.

T/00100/20/TCA (approved) Mapledurwell Allotments Frog Lane. T1, prone Goat Willow: fell.

T/00099/20/TCA (pending) Webbs Barns, Tunworth Road, Mapledurwell. T1 Rowan: fell. T2 multi-stemmed Rowan, fell. T3 Cherry, fell. T4 Cherry, fell.

20/00153/FUL (pending) Elmwood, Heather Lane, Up Nately. Demolition of outbuilding and erection of 1 no. five-bed detached dwelling with associated access and landscaping.

20/00009/PIP (pending) Nunnery House, Tunworth Road, Mapledurwell. Application for Permission in Principle for conversion of an agricultural building to 1 no. dwelling.

Parish Council notices

Local elections

As you will know, all local elections are postponed to May 2021. All Parish and Ward Councillors will remain in post for a further year.

Parish Council meetings

Meetings and the Parish Assembly are postponed until further notice.

Date change starting	Service	Status	More information
27 March	Garden waste	Service stopping until further notice from 27 March No new garden waste subscriptions or renewals will be accepted until the service is up and running again.	www.basingstoke.gov.uk/gardenwaste
24 March	Play areas	Closed until further notice	www.basingstoke.gov.uk/playareas
24 March	Household waste recycling centre (HWRC)	Closed until further notice	www.basingstoke.gov.uk/hwrc



10 ways you can protect yourself, your loved ones and your community:

1. Discuss with household members, other relatives, friends and neighbours to discuss what to do if a COVID-19 outbreak occurs in your community and what the needs of each person will be.
2. If your neighbourhood has a website or social media page, consider joining it to maintain access to neighbours, information, and resources. Alternatively, share phone numbers and email addresses particularly with those who are isolated or vulnerable.
3. Consider establishing a 'buddy' system within your community to ensure everyone stays connected to COVID-19 related news, services and can receive support safely, such as essentials deliveries.
4. Plan ways to care for those who might be at greater risk for serious complications.
5. Choose a room in your home that can be used to separate sick household members from those who are healthy.
6. Learn how to self-isolate. Guidance can be found on the NHS website: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/self-isolation-advice/>
7. Create a list of local organisations that you and your neighbours can contact in the event that one of you need access to information, healthcare services, support, or resources. Consider including organisations that provide mental health or counselling services, food, and other supplies.
8. Create an emergency contact list of family, friends, neighbours, healthcare providers, teachers, employers, the local public health department, and other community resources.
9. Learn about the emergency operations plan at your child's school or childcare facility, and your employer's emergency operations plan.
10. Practice everyday preventive actions including regular hand washing.
 - The NHS provides guidance on how to wash hands: <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-body/best-way-to-wash-your-hands/>.
 - The World Health Organisation provides guidance on basic protective measures: <https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/advice-for-public>
 - The Centre for Disease Control and Prevention provides guidance on handwashing for families <https://www.cdc.gov/handwashing/handwashing-family.html>
 - The Centre for Disease Control and Prevention also published (14th February 2020) Interim Guidance for Preventing the Spread of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) in Homes and Residential Communities which you may find useful: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/guidance-prevent-spread.html>.

Mapledurwell Tree Planters in action planting the WW1 Commemorative Woodland on Mother's Day 2020.



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Newnham & Nately Scures

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Please contact us if you need any help or if you know of anyone in need of help. Please follow government guidance to look after yourselves and others by keeping your distance.

Thank you to everyone for help to neighbours and for offers of help.

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NEWNHAM CLUBROOM

The Clubroom will be closed until further notice for groups, classes and social events. Any other enquiries please contact 07435 782 122. Future bookings are still being taken, understanding this will be subject to Government guidance as it unfolds.



Thanking everyone for their support over the past few weeks.

Our Landlords have requested complete closure until further notice.

Until then stay safe and we will see you on the other side

Donna & Chris

HART LOCAL PLAN ADOPTED

Decisions of Hart Cabinet meeting of 5th March 2020

- 1 That the Hart Local Plan (Strategy & Sites) 2032 (Proposed Submission Version incorporating the Inspector's recommended Main Modifications) be adopted.
- 2 That the content of the Sustainability Appraisal Adoption Statement be agreed.
- 3 That a new Policies Map for Hart be adopted, that incorporates the Policies Map changes associated with adoption of the Hart Local Plan 2032;
- 4 That the Head of Place in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Place be authorised to make minor alterations and corrections to the Local Plan and the updated Policies Map.

Parish Planning Applications

T/00123/20/TCA (Validated 18 Mar) New House, Church Path, Newnham. T1 Hornbeam: crown reduce by a third.

20/00457/HSE (Validated 28 Feb) Painters Pightle, Blackstocks Lane, Nately Scures. Erection of a single storey side extension and front porch

20/00046/HSE (Granted 28th February) St Bernards, Scures Hill. A single storey rear extension with glass balustrade above.

19/02070/ROC (Pending) Land to Rear of Nately Place, Scures Hill. Variation of condition 1 of 17/00619/FUL to amend plans.

T/00089/20/TCA (Pending) New House, Church Path, Newnham Green. 1 x Beech, crown reduce by a third leaving a finished height of 11m: 1 x Yew: remove crossing branches and deadwood.

20/00405/HSE (Pending) Newnham Corner. Conversion of existing garage to guest accommodation and single storey extension [to garage] to provide home office and shed.

20/00283/FUL (Pending) Land Adjacent to Newnham Lodge, Tylney Lane. Erection of a detached dwelling with double garage and store room over, associated site access, car parking and landscaping.

19/03245/RET (Pending) Land West of Hunters, Newnham Lane. Erection of a detached dwelling (amended scheme to that approved under 17/03705/FUL).

19/03224/LDEU (Pending) Manor Farm, Crown Lane, Newnham. Certificate of lawfulness for the continued siting of a caravan used as a farm workers' dwelling.

19/02613/HSE (Pending) Chapel House, Newnham Road. Erection of two storey side extension and single storey rear extension following demolition of existing garage and side extensions.

19/02070/ROC (Pending) Land to the Rear of Nately Place, Scures Hill. Variation of condition 1 of 17/00619/FUL to amend plans.

19/01977/FUL (Pending) Land Adjacent to Nately Towers, Scures Hill. Erection of one 5-bed dwelling with double garage and creation of a new access. To be referred to Development Control meeting of 1st April, recommended for approval.

16/03282/RET (Pending) Manor Farm, Blackstocks Lane. 'Change of use from solely agricultural to mixed agricultural use to include the diversification of farm open days for no more than 100 days in a year with ancillary tea room and associated car parking.' To be decided by Development Control Committee, date tba.

Hook Planning Applications

20/00199/PREAPP (Awaiting officer report, validated 29 Jan) Owens Farm, Newnham Road, Hook. Retirement village comprising 160 units and ancillary buildings.

Please note that this is a pre-application enquiry only and not open for public consultation.

BDBC Waste collection services

News release 9666, published on 21 Mar 2020

Basingstoke and Deane and Hart have suspended garden waste and bulky waste collections. Contractors Serco are facing and anticipating staffing shortages and are 'working hard to complete the 156,000 bin collections a week across Basingstoke and Deane and Hart with a reducing workforce'.

No new garden waste subscriptions or renewals will be accepted until the service is up and running again.

New bulky waste collection bookings in Basingstoke and Deane and Hart will be stopped until further notice, with the councils aiming to honour their existing bookings scheduled into April. Any changes or updates to the planned collections will be provided on the councils' websites and social media.





SITES OF IMPORTANCE FOR NATURE CONSERVATION

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/landplanningandenvironment/environment/biodiversity/informationcentre/sincs>

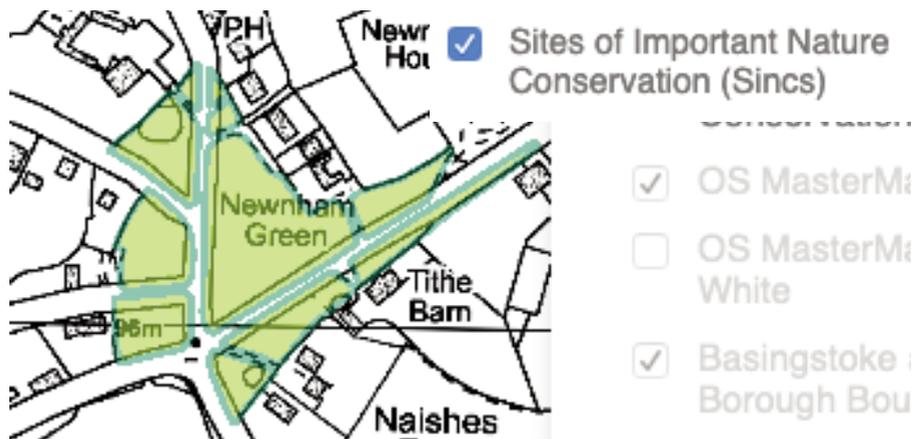
'Hampshire has a wealth of wildlife habitats, some of the most important protected by national or international designations such as Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSIs).

'But many other sites are also important for wildlife. Many contain habitats or features that cannot be recreated. It is important to ensure that they are not lost and that they continue to be managed for their wildlife interest.

'To help safeguard these sites for the future, they are identified and recorded as Sites of Importance for Nature Conservation (SINCs).

'SINCs rely upon continued stewardship by landowners and managers. Together with designated sites such as SSSIs, SINCs form a vital component of the biodiversity of Hampshire.'

Source: The Hampshire Biodiversity Information Centre information leaflet: *Sites of Importance for Nature Conservation In Hampshire*



Newnham Green, as map above, is a designated SINC (all shaded areas). The Parish Council is looking to achieve a maintenance programme which is compatible with its SINC and its Village Green status, with mown paths and an area for games.

The Management Proposal drawn up by Marion Stainton in 2005 in association with Hampshire Biodiversity Information Centre (HBIC) was at the time thought to be too labour intensive to be practical. It has been neglected to date, but as an example of good practice can be well used to help inform a plan in so far as practicable.

Proposal for the management of Newnham Green

Marion Stainton and the Hampshire Biodiversity Information Centre 2005

BRIEF BACKGROUND

Two surveys were undertaken in 2005; one by botanist Ian Ralphs from the Hampshire Biodiversity Information Centre and one by John Buckley of the Amphibians Society.

Plant species growing on the Green support its unimproved grassland designation.

The two main ponds on the Green were found to contain breeding populations of all three species of newt resident in the UK and a particularly healthy population of Great Crested Newts.

*Unfortunately the pond nearest Newnham Green Farm was also found to contain *Crassula helmsii*, an invasive weed which if left would take over the pond and create such a blanket over the surface that little pond life would remain.*

Ongoing efforts to remove the weed will be needed.

Proposals have been drawn up for the management of the Green and the pond(s), as these are linked.

VILLAGE GREEN

The main areas of focus are the central and largest part of the Green and the area around the pond in front of Newnham Green Farm.

March - Year 1 only (or if not this year then the following year)

Chain harrow both areas

Purpose Removal of large amount of thatch build-up from previous years to release the seed bank and increase the diversity of species.

April - ongoing

Mowing recreation area and paths across and around the Green - if possible every two to three weeks. Ideally the mowings should be removed.

Purpose To provide an area for social activity on the Green. More regular mowing will make it a pleasanter place for children to play and the surrounding long grass will help keep children and balls off the roads.

July - Fete years only

Mow and remove mowings from a larger area of the Green.

As large an area as is practical should be kept long to maintain seed release. The area either side of the ponds should remain long to provide habitat and safety for amphibians entering and leaving ponds.

August

Late in the month, organise a group to go round the long grass areas of the green removing seed still on plants and scattering it.

Purpose Unless it is practical for the mowings to be left to dry on the green for 1 - 2 weeks, this method (recommended by Ian Ralphs) at least improves the seed release.

September - ongoing

Mow and remove all long grass

Purpose This will provide seed rich stubble important to some birds and the removal of grass will also reduce the fertility of the area, which in the long run (three to five years) should produce an increasingly attractive meadow effect on the Green.

NOTE Regular surveying will be needed in the early years to identify the best time for this major mow. Depending on the species mix in may be better to mow earlier. Hampshire and IOW Wildlife Trust to assist.

November - ongoing

Mow and remove all long grass
Stop mowing recreation areas and paths

Purpose This will leave the area tidier for the winter period and ready for next spring's new growth.





Greywell

VILLAGE HALL



To hire the Village Hall please contact Mike O'Neill
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Dear residents,
We have had several crimes reported during the past month, most at the Fosters Business Park in Newnham along with a non-dwelling burglary at a farm just outside Newnham.

GREYWELL CAFE
Unfortunately the Greywell Café will not be opening for the foreseeable future because of the coronavirus situation.
If anyone feels isolated and would like a chat we are available.
Jackie (702859) and Libbie (702978)

None of these crimes will effect general residents within the area, however please be mindful that during these interesting times the criminals will take full advantage if they can and such national emergencies will bring out both the very best and sadly worst of human behaviour, however I ask residents not to be worried about becoming a victim of crime, reported crime is low and with vigilance the chances of becoming a victim are even less likely especially in relation to fraud scams.

Cyber criminals are exploiting people's interest in COVID-19 to spread Ransomware by locking people out of their accounts or stealing information unless a ransom is paid. Ransomware is a type of malware that prevents you from accessing your computer (or the data that is stored on it). The computer itself may become locked, or the data on it might be stolen, deleted or encrypted.

Kindly read and follow the current advice from the National Cyber Security Centre to avoid becoming a victim of Ransomware.

<https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/blog-post/updating-malware-ransomware-guidance>

Covid19Ransomware.JPG - 321.2 KB

There has been increased warning over the rise of fraud scams exploiting the coronavirus outbreak as UK losses near £1m. There have been warnings over emails claiming to be from World Health Organisation and other official bodies with many people reporting scams which have seen people pay for protective equipment that never arrived, as fraudsters use the global pandemic to target members of the public. The National Fraud Intelligence Bureau said reports related to the outbreak have rocketed 400 per cent in recent weeks.

The majority of reports were of online shopping scams where people ordered protective face masks, hand sanitiser, and other products that have never arrived. Action Fraud, which has a reporting hotline, has received more than 200 reports of coronavirus-themed phishing emails, which trick recipients into opening malicious attachments allowing the theft of their personal information or financial details. Some of the emails claim to be from a research group that mimicking the World Health Organisation (WHO) or US Centres for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). They claim to provide the victim with a list of active infections in their area if they click on a link to a credential-stealing page, or make a bitcoin donation.

Others offering fake medical support and targeting people who may be vulnerable or increasingly isolated at home. Fraudsters try to lure you in with offers that look too good to be true, such as high return investments and 'healthcare opportunities', or appeals for you to support those who are ill or bogus charities, the advice is simple, think very carefully before you hand over your money, and don't give out your personal details unless you are sure who you are dealing with. Other fraudsters are tricking people into clicking on a malicious link to a newsletter with coronavirus updates, sending investment and trading advice on how to take financial advantage of the economic downturn or directing people to a fake HMRC website offering tax refunds.

If you think you have been a victim please report to Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040. I would also recommend a visit to the Action Fraud website which has some really useful anti-fraud information.

The Metropolitan Police in London are also reporting that thieves are offering to shop for the elderly and then stealing their money and not returning with the goods. Also that burglars have been 'posing as NHS workers carrying out coronavirus testing for the illness in order to gain entry in to homes.

Please do not worry, just be vigilant and if you need any advice please call.

Many thanks, stay safe and please observe the new restrictions from HMG on social gatherings and the restrictions of going out from home

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For more information about any of the churches in the United Parish
please contact Rev Helen O'Sullivan on helen@moretolife.church
or have a look at our new website moretolife.church

United Parish Churches and Coronavirus

As you will be aware the Church of England have, in line with government guidance, suspended all Sunday services and mid-week gatherings for the foreseeable future. In a joint letter the Archbishops of Canterbury and York have shared that:

'Being a part of the Church of England is going to look very different in the days ahead. Our life is going to be less characterised by attendance at church on Sunday, and more characterised by the prayer and service we offer each day...This is a defining moment for the Church of England. Are we truly a church for all, or just the church for ourselves? We urge you sisters and brothers to become a different sort of church in these coming months: hopeful and rooted in the offering of prayer and praise and overflowing in service to the world.'

Worshipping Together

We are committed to provide opportunities for people to join together in worship either online or through resources that can be emailed or posted out. We will be live streaming a service every Sunday morning on our new Facebook page which can be found by searching for 'North Hampshire Downs Churches' and we will also be live streaming morning prayer at 8.30am three mornings a week. If you are not on Facebook a link will be available on our church website, moretolife.church which will also include a range of other prayer and worship resources for you to access. If you have no access to online resources, from next week there will be prayer resources in all our churches for you to collect and take home or deliver to those who are self-isolating. We can still continue to worship together, even if it has to look a little different for a while.

Supporting our Communities

In these challenging times it is important we seek to be Good Samaritans to each other. We are encouraging all those who are safely able to do so, to offer support to their neighbours. Even if you are self isolating we encourage you to commit to pray daily for your neighbours and community. Let us be those who take care of others and share God's love with our neighbours.

Sharing Good News

Finally, as churches we are called to be light in the darkness and we would love to encourage you to share good news stories with each other. Whether that is a particularly helpful neighbour, a surprise phone call or a beautiful picture you have taken in your garden. You could share these on our Facebook page @moretolifechurches or email it to one of the clergy so we can share it in our weekly 'good news' update. Let us be people who spread light and hope.

Holy Week and Easter

We will be finalising our plans for Holy Week and Easter over the coming weeks. Please keep an eye on the website for up to date information.

Finally, please be assured that as a clergy team we are praying for all in our communities. If you have a specific prayer request please email it to 'prayer-requests@moretolife.church' All the clergy team have access to these emails and will be praying for requests daily. If you would like we can also include your request in our intercessions during our live streamed services. If you would like us to do this, please indicate in your email.

With Prayers and Blessings for you and your families at this time.

Rev Helen O'Sullivan helen@moretolife.church



Catherine Ogle
@CatherineOgle

Great joy to install three new splendid Hon Canons @WinCathedral Dodie, Mike and Linda with @bishoptimdakin #ministry #parishes #unity



We're delighted to announce that Rev Linda Scard has been appointed as an honorary Canon of Winchester Cathedral. Linda was installed during Choral Evensong at the Cathedral in February.



I once met Arnold Schwarzenegger at a film premier. It was at the height of his fame when Terminator 2 was released. He was eating a chocolate egg at the after party and I asked him a question. I said “Arnold, what’s your favourite Christian Festival?” He replied “you have to love Easter, baby”

I’m sorry. I tried so hard not to. If the joke doesn’t make sense you’ll have to watch Terminator 2.

But it’s an interesting question. What is your favourite Christian Festival?

I guess many would say Christmas. It’s the ultimate feel good Festival, full of hope and joy, and for most a time of family and friends. But maybe you like Harvest too? There’s something reassuringly earthy and solid about it. It helps us to connect with creation and encourages us to be thankful while reminding us that God is the one who provides. What about Mothering Sunday? Perfect if you’ve forgotten to buy mum a gift because daffodils are given out free at church...

Easter is more tricky though isn’t it? Sure there’s the easy and more palatable bits of tradition that have grown up around it, but ultimately Easter is quite difficult. After-all In the run up to Easter we have Lent. A time for some serious self reflection and a time in which Christians have traditionally sought to take to heart our own brokenness and sinfulness and our need of salvation. Then we get to Holy Week and ultimately the sorrow of Maundy Thursday and the horror of Good Friday when we recall Christ’s betrayal, crucifixion and death. It’s only after this that we come to Easter day itself when the darkness lifts and the church celebrates the victory of Christ over sin and death.

It’s always tempting to skip the tricky stuff and go straight to the easy and happy bits. But for Easter to make sense we have to go through it all. Through Lent in which we acknowledge our need of forgiveness and salvation, through Holy Week when we are prepared to face the cost of securing forgiveness and salvation, through Good Friday when we see in the starkest possible terms the lengths to which God was prepared to go to win us back.

Then and only then can we see Easter Day for what it really is. The central Festival of the Christian year. The high point in Gods plan of salvation. The moment in which sin and death were defeated and new life was proclaimed and offered by the one who was raised. Truly worth celebrating.

Simon Butler

Kidzone

Easter is almost here, and most of us will be looking forward to eating eggs (of the chocolate variety!) on Easter day. Not so in Dunstable, just North of London, where they will be grabbing their oranges and going to nearby Dunstable Hills! There they all stand in a line and roll them down a hill... This tradition helps them remember the story of Easter. The orange reminds them of the stone that sealed Jesus’ tomb when He was buried. When they roll it down the hill, it represents when the stone was rolled away on Easter morning, the grave was empty and Jesus was not there. The sadness the disciples had felt on Good Friday, when Jesus had died on the cross, had miraculously changed to the joy of Easter Sunday, when He had risen from the dead.

The Dunstable oranges got me thinking... Who remembers Christingles? We make them at Christmas each year to remind us of Jesus coming into our world as a baby. So, I got to wondering if we could make Easter Christingles to remember Him dying and rising back again. Let’s give it a go!

- Find an orange – this represents the stone which was rolled away on Easter morning.
- Inside the top of the apple, wrapped up in foil at the base, is a white candle. It represents the light of Christ, white and pure, come into the world (just like at Christmas).
- Four pieces of garden dowelling are tied together to make two crosses, either side of the candle, representing the two thieves.
- Cocktail sticks, stuck around the top of the apple, represent the crown of thorns.
- Three pieces of wool are plaited together, red for blood, black for death, purple for Jesus’ robe. They are fixed around the apple, with a drawing pin, representing the nails.

I’d love to see pictures of how it turns out! Please email pictures to helen@moretolife.church.

