



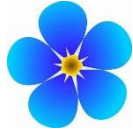
Date	Tea/coffee
7 <sup>th</sup>	Beryl & Jean
14 <sup>th</sup>	Major Barbara & Jayne
21 <sup>st</sup>	Gary & Jean
28 <sup>th</sup>	Avril & Hazel

# The Salvation Army Leeds West Hunslet



## 2024 newsletter

If your name is not on the tea/coffee list and you would like to join in providing refreshments throughout the year, please speak to Jayne and she will add you to the list.



Date	Flowers
7 <sup>th</sup>	
14 <sup>th</sup>	
21 <sup>st</sup>	Jayne Griffin
28 <sup>th</sup>	Majors Allchin

There are still a few gaps on the flower list. If you could provide flowers for the table one Sunday, please add your name to the new list on the noticeboard. Thank you.

### Quote of the month:

If we take care of the moments, the years will take care of themselves.

(Maria Edgeworth)



Avril Humes      Joel Griffin  
Lyndon Moorby      Kay Moorby

*Hope you have a good day!*

A short 'clip' of something I read this week...

The film *The Passion of The Christ*: Mel Gibson warned actor Jim Caviezel that playing the character of Christ was going to be very difficult and that if he accepted, he most likely would be marginalised by Hollywood.

Caviezel asked for a day to think about it and his response to Mel who was funding and directing the film was: "I think we have to make it, even if it is difficult. And something else, my initials are J.C. and I am 33 years old. I didn't realise that until now".

Today, Jim Caviezel simply and boldly proclaims his faith in Christ, and the miracle it was for him to represent Christ as an actor and a great believer of Christ because of this experience.

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*Major's musings...*

Here we are again at the beginning of another month.

What comes to mind when you think of April? For some it might be a birthday, a wedding anniversary or time to holiday. I tend to think of April Fool's Day. That might be because in the past Cliff has often played tricks on that day, so just wonder what he will get up to.

April showers also come to mind, and we have had plenty of those already. According to the old saying, April showers bring May flowers. This originated from a short poem by Thomas Tusser in 1557. The meaning behind is that even the most unpleasant circumstances can bring enjoyable things. And because of the jet stream April does have more showers than other months.

I also think of a song that was my Mum's favourite piece of music.

*'All in the April evening  
April airs are abroad  
The sheep with their little lambs  
Passed me by on the road.  
All in the April evening I thought on the lamb of God.  
The lambs were weary and crying  
With a weak human cry  
I thought on the lamb of God going meekly to die.  
Up in the blue blue mountains  
Dewy pastures are sweet  
Rest for the little bodies, rest for the little feet.  
But for the Lamb, the Lamb of God  
Upon the hilltop green,  
Only a cross, a cross of shame,*

*Two stark crosses between.  
All in the April evening, April airs were abroad;  
I saw the sheep with their lambs and thought on the Lamb of God.'*

We have just celebrated Easter and given thanks for the Lamb of God; may He be a reality in our lives every day.

Major Joy Allchin

**Coming events:**

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April** - lunch club resumes - £3.50 for a three-course meal. Doors open at 11.30am.

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> April** – Major Cliff, with the band, is leading the meeting at Clowne at 4.00pm

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April** - Prayer and Bible Fellowship – at 10,45am.

**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April** – Afternoon tea – see below

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April** – *Friendship lunch* – 11.00am – 1.00pm. Pop in for a chat, do a jigsaw, have a game of chess! Enjoy a light lunch and a catch up with friends. No charge, just a donation.



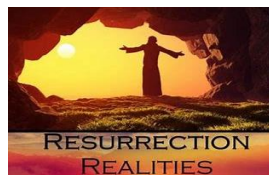
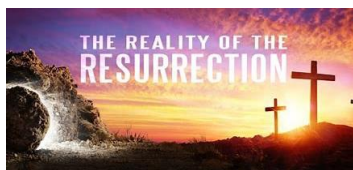
**Spring Afternoon Tea**  
**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April**  
1.00– 3.00pm  
All proceeds to  
The Salvation Army



Tickets are available from Major Joy or me, at a cost of £5 each. Bring your friends!

Major Cliff's planned preaching:

7 <sup>th</sup> April	14 <sup>th</sup> April	21 <sup>st</sup> April	28 <sup>th</sup> April
Resurrection Realities	Resurrection Realities	Resurrection Realities	Resurrection Realities
More than a Rabbi	Recognising Risen Jesus	Something fishy	Facing doubt
John 20: 11-18	Luke 24:13-35	Luke 24: 36-43	Matthew 28:16-20



A full solar eclipse will be happening on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April, where the moon will completely block the sun's light and cast the skies into darkness. It will last four and a half minutes. A solar eclipse is when the moon travels between the sun and earth. This eclipse's totality path runs through 15 states of the USA, as well as some of Mexico and Canada so,

although we won't be able to see the total eclipse, there is still an opportunity to witness a partial eclipse from certain spots in the north and west of the UK between 7.52pm and 8.51pm., depending on your location. However, NASA is also live-streaming the total solar eclipse from 6pm on 8 April, so you can watch the action safely from the comfort of your own home.

**Were you an April fool?**



Some historians speculate that April Fools' Day dates back to 1582, when France switched from the Julian calendar to the Gregorian calendar, as called for by the Council of Trent in 1563. In the Julian Calendar, as in the Hindu calendar, the new year began with the spring equinox around April 1. People who were slow to get the news or failed to recognize that the start of the new year had moved to January 1 and continued to celebrate it during the last week of March into April 1 became the butt of jokes and hoaxes and were called "April fools." These pranks included having paper fish placed on their backs and being referred to as "Poisson d'Avril" (April fish), said to symbolize a young, easily caught fish and a gullible person.

BBC Overseas Service (now known as BBC World Service) played an April Fools' day prank with its listeners around the world in 1980 when the broadcaster announced that the historic Big Ben was to undergo a face-lift and will be converted to a digital installation. To top it all, BBC said that the hands of the old clock will be given away to the first persons who called in. The broadcaster soon came clean on the story, revealing it to be a prank. One of the most popular pranks ever, it was also one of those which gave the prankster some trouble. As Associated Press reported at the time and BBC itself admitted that the broadcaster had to apologise for weeks to many of its foreign subscribers who got in touch to claim Big Ben's hands.

