THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: Monday 8th April 2024

Happy Easter in Pictures! By Revd Kit Gunasekera



He is Risen! Jesus was crucified, He died, He rose again, and He was seen by many people afterwards who became His witnesses, and they spread the word, and that is why churches exist today and that is why I am writing this enews and you are reading it!



Thank you Monica for the lovely Easter Garden!



This is the Easter banner that was created at the Clapham Park Cube on Good Friday. The flowers, eggs, rabbits, sheep and butterflies, all speak of the new life of Easter. Jesus said, that He came to bring life and life in all its fullness - John 10:10



The message of Easter brings hope to our broken world. These candles are from Bethlehem, made of Beeswax. These were broken and so could not be sold, however, we felt they should participate in the Easter celebration! We think of Palestinians in the land that Jesus walked, for whom, there is no joy this Easter. For them, Easter is very much about Good Friday, with its brokenness, pain, and injustice. Let us pray for them, and for all who call the holy land their home, that they will live in peace, freedom and security.



Our Easter cross in our church garden. Jesus calls us to witness to the power of his death and resurrection. On the cross; our sin, our death and all the associates of death, our shame, anxiety and unhealthy fear was placed upon Jesus. And He overcame those, when He rose from the dead. Although in this lifetime we are not totally free of them, in Christ, those things do not have any control over us anymore and cannot alter our identity as beloved children of God. "It was for freedom Christ set us free" - Galatians 5:1



Jesus, <u>Hope of the Nations</u>. He is the Light of the world, in him is our hope, for our selves, for the nations and for those we remember and miss.