

Ronnie Grandage has given us permission to include his 'Thought For the Week' which will appear in the Courier & Echo for the next four weeks.

Week 2: Hope in Dark times

Easter was a time to celebrate the world's best event ever; the resurrection of Jesus and the promise of new life. But today, we are simultaneously living in dark times. Life is disrupted and serious restrictions are in operation. People are dying when this would not have been expected, carried off by the corona virus. But the death and resurrection of Jesus brings hope in dark times. When we turn to him and receive him, he makes available to us his Holy Spirit. With Jesus we can have inward peace even in the midst of the most severe troubles. We can live with grateful hearts for the blessings we still have in this life and we have a wonderful hope that goes beyond our present lives, stretching far beyond the grave. Don't scoff! Get a Bible and read about Jesus in the Gospels. When you know enough about him, welcome him into your heart and these blessings can then be yours. Just do it!