



An Easter Message from Rev. Mandy Elmes

**May I wish you all a very happy and
joyous Easter!**

Easter is the greatest mystery of the Christian Faith! It is the time when Jesus, who had definitely died, on a cross, three days earlier, came back to life! The tomb in which he had been buried was definitely empty, and he definitely spoke with Mary Magdalene and his followers. In the subsequent days he definitely ate and drank with them.

A mystery is a truth given to us by God in a way which can't be explained by logic or doctrine. It is a truth accepted through faith.

How Jesus came back to life is the mystery. But, we believe that it was through God's power that it happened, and this single event shows that God's power of life is greater than the power of death, his power of love is greater than the power of hatred, and his power of light is greater than the powers of darkness. These three things give us the confidence that in the end, God's life, love and light will be what survives eternally, and this makes all the difference in our day to day lives. It means we can live our lives in a spirit of positive expectation and hope. And this truly is a message of good news for all of us, here and now!

On Easter Day please do come and be part of the celebrations of Jesus resurrection in St. Mary's, West Bergholt, at 9.30 am. It will be a service of happiness, joy and hope, and I invite you all to be part of the celebrations. 😊 😊

Happy Easter, Mandy

