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Dear Friends

Do you have any Easter traditions? I expect most of us will give or receive an Easter Egg or two and well as enjoying the odd hot cross bun. Lots of us will have lamb on Easter day. Then there is the Easter Egg hunt – children rushing around their homes and gardens searching for chocolate eggs. For many it just isn't Easter without an egg hunt. Easter Eggs are a symbol of the new life of the resurrection; the empty shell a metaphor for Jesus' empty tomb.

This Easter we have a new sort of hunt for you. You may remember that shortly before the pandemic, in the run up to Christmas, we ran *Baby Jesus Rocks*, where stones decorated with a picture of the Baby Jesus were placed around the village for people to take home and keep. This Easter, we bring you its successor: *Rolled Away Rocks*.

In the run up to Easter people will be placing stones decorated with a picture of the empty tomb and the rock rolled away (like the one on the front cover of this month's magazine) around the village. They are there for you to take home and keep. A little reminder of the message at the heart of our Easter celebrations: the tomb is empty, Jesus has risen and has conquered death. And if you bring a *Rolled Away Rock* to the All Age service on Good Friday, you will receive a creme egg.

If you are struggling to find *Rolled Away Rocks* around the village, check [#rolledawayrocks](#) on social media for some clues and if you find one, why not share it on social media? (and don't forget to tag [@rudgwickchurch!](#))

I wish you a very happy Easter!  
Every blessing

Martin King

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