



The Christian festival of Easter celebrates the **resurrection of Jesus Christ**. On **Good Friday**, the Friday before Easter, when Christians commemorate the **death of Jesus Christ**, English people make and eat **HOT CROSS BUNS**. Hot cross buns are believed to have miraculous powers: people hang them from their kitchen ceilings to protect their home from evil.

The **EGG** is one of the symbols associated with Easter and represents **new life**: in the past, eggs were forbidden food during **Lent** so on **Easter Sunday** many people give to their friends **decorated eggs**. Eggs are rolled downhill as a symbol of the **stone** being rolled away from the tomb where Jesus was laid. You have to roll eggs without breaking it. The most famous **EGG ROLLING** is held at the **White House** on Easter Monday.

The **EASTER BUNNY** is another Easter symbol and represents **Spring** and new life. It's a German tradition. On Easter morning children search for eggs that the Easter bunny has hidden while they were asleep.

One of the most popular Easter customs is that of **wearing new clothes** on Easter Sunday. In New York City many people stroll along Fifth Avenue in a famous **EASTER PARADE**, wearing new clothes and new **Easter bonnets**.



Happy
Easter