## A timely discovery

It's a little late in the day, but it is still Good Friday so I bring to you this galaxy recently discovered. How is it timely? Well, I could post a picture for you to see, but I would rather you be surprised when you go to the link. Here is part of the story from FoxNews:

An unusual large galaxy with a shape bordering between spiral and elliptical has been spotted by NASA's Hubble Space Telescope.

NGC 7049 sits in the southern constellation Indus, and is the brightest of a <u>cluster of galaxies</u>, a so-called Brightest Cluster Galaxy (BCG). Typical BCGs are some of the oldest and most massive galaxies, which provide excellent opportunities for astronomers to study the elusive globular clusters lurking within.

The halo, a ghostly region of diffuse light surrounding the galaxy, is composed of myriads of individual stars and provides a luminous background to the swirling ring of dust lanes surrounding NGC 7049's core.

What does that mean for today? Well click on the title to go to the news story. If you would like even more suspense first, click this link to space.com instead to see a video leading up to the breathtaking final moment. I only wish I could find a high-resolution version of this picture to use on my desktop.