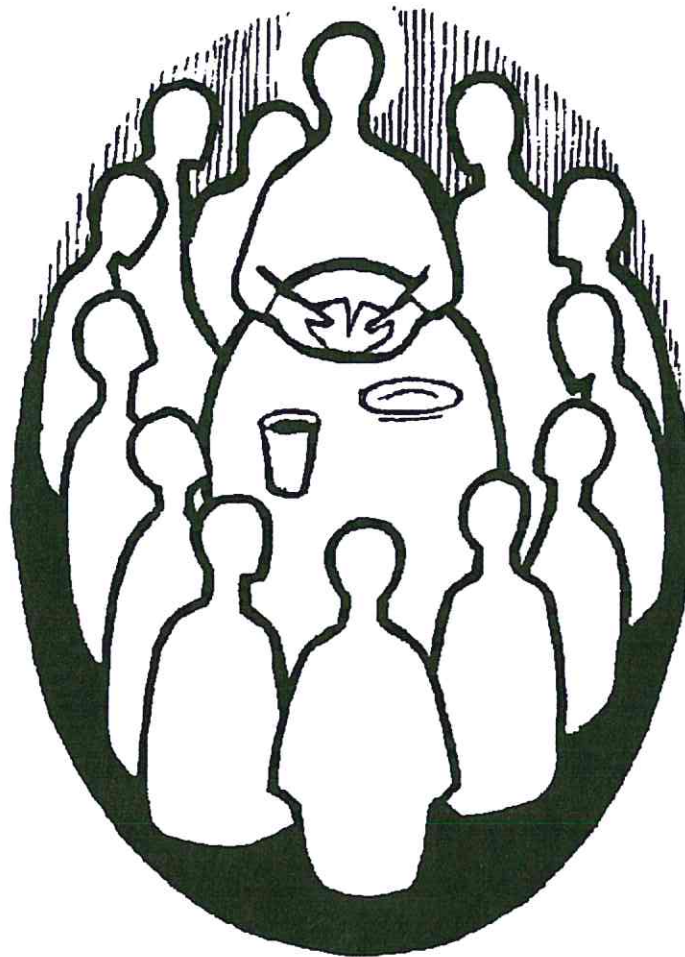


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Congratulations



to Julie our Churchwarden, and Stephen Franks, our Verger, on their Silver Wedding Anniversary. They were married on 30th May by Fr. Raymond Ross at St. John's Church. Best wishes for many more happy and healthy years together.

Dear all,

Easter is a wonderful time of year to think about things being made new. Most importantly, we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ, the transformation of death to life!

Of course as a church we celebrate this fact every week, but over the next few weeks (which we call Eastertide) we give special attention to the transforming power of God in our lives. We see this echoed in the changes of Spring, as trees that appeared dead blossom, borders sprout with bulbs, and lawns need cutting (something I know a lot about!). It is a time to see our potential through God's eyes. As people, who are ordinary and flawed, we are given the opportunity to be made extraordinary and to be blessed by God at work in our lives.

As church we regularly pray for God to change us, to transform the way we live, think, and act. We also pray for God to give us the resources we need to be able to transform the world around us.

With this in mind, this year promises something of a landmark in the way that God is at work in the life of Newbold Parish Church. As a church, we have a desire to give God our best. This includes how we use our buildings.

With this in mind, it is with great excitement that I announce our plans for...

A New Parish

Centre for

Newbold!

After many years of hoping, praying, and tentative planning, we are now in a position to be able to begin work on our new Parish Centre!

How has this come about?

At our PCC meeting in March we agreed a funding package which will enable us to begin the building project. This includes our current fund raising to date, drawing on historic investments, and also includes a generous legacy which the church received from the estate of former Rector, Revd Raymond Ross. Although we will continue to fund raise in order to see the project through to completion, we have agreed a budget which will enable us to finalise the plans and begin the project in earnest.

What next

The proposals include:

- Utilising our existing Parish room (behind the church) as a base to improve and extend out from, including the building of a new kitchen and storage room.
- Demolishing a small section of the 1950s extension, in order to make way for a newly built entrance hall, office space, meeting room, toilet facilities, and further storage facilities.

What will the new Parish Centre look like?

Our architects, Peter Rogan Associates, have produced 3D plans of how the new building will potentially look, and we hope to finalise the interior plan over the next few months. The initial plans were launched at our Annual Parochial Church Council meeting. However, if you would like to view the plans, come and have a look!

They will be displayed at the back of church for all to see!

What is it for?

It is hoped that our new Parish Centre will be a wonderful space for church and community to meet, socialise, worship together, eat together, and enjoy.

As well as enabling our current church activities to flourish, it will provide us with the potential to expand in new and exciting ways...

When will it be finished?

There are a number of unknowns with the project, and a completion date is one of them. However, once the architect has completed the plans to our specification, and these have been agreed by Derby Diocesan Advisory Committee, we can put the project out to tender and get started.

What do we do now?

For now we would ask everyone to continue to support Newbold Parish Church, both through prayer and financially, as we begin this new venture.

An Easter prayer:

*God of glory,
by the raising of your Son
you have broken the chains of death and hell:
fill your Church with faith and hope;
for a new day has dawned
and the way to life stands open
in our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen*

Yours in the love of Christ,
Ben

Revd Ben Griffiths - Rector Newbold Parish Church

EASTER FLORAL WORKSHOP

On Saturday 8th April around a dozen amateur (and not so amateur!) florists met to enjoy a morning of flower design. We began the morning in a relaxed way with tea, coffee and biscuits whilst watching in earnest as Julie created a variety of Easter arrangements. We nervously looked on, knowing that it would soon be our turn to try and create a display just as wonderful as hers!



We then created our own Easter garden arrangements using flowers and greenery from our own and friends' gardens. We each crafted a tomb in the centre of our gardens and surrounded it with daffodils, primroses, grape hyacinths and many more!

It was interesting to see how we all started with the same flowers but our finished arrangements looked so different!

After lunch, Stephanie led a short meditation whilst we gazed upon our Easter gardens.

The meditation was based on these words of Julian of Norwich, her three truths about the world:

The first is that God made it
The second is that God loves it
The third is that God looks after it

In our rising to new life we need to look with new eyes on the life around us and let our hearts go out to God's wonderful creation.

This helped us to focus on the meaning of Easter and showed us how we could use our arrangements as a focal point at home throughout Holy Week.

It's clear to see that we all had such a great morning and look forward to our next morning of flower arranging!

Thank-you to Julie for organising such a fun and friendly morning and to Stephanie for providing us with peaceful words of meditation.



I would also like to thank all of the flower ladies at Church who provide us with such beautiful displays each week.

Beth Howard

The Easter Garden in church

SATURDAY MORNING CRAFT SESSION

The first Saturday craft morning was held on the 25th March in the Parish Room, hosted by Bev. Speed and Christine Wieloch. A busy morning of crafting took place including patchwork, knitting and paper flower making. We enjoyed coffee and homemade cake and had a good natter. Our April meeting on the 22nd was spent by one person learning how to crochet while others knitted or made Christmas decorations. There was plenty going on!

The next meeting is on Saturday 27th May, please come along with any craft work of your own or learn to crochet, knit or get started with patchwork. Everyone welcome, just drop in for coffee and a chat.

Carol Snell

Walking Group

Seven walkers gathered outside Church on a warm, sunny, April day, a stark difference to a month earlier when the March walk was postponed due to incessant rain. Steve and Julie led the walk once we had made our way through heavy traffic to our starting point in Carsington.

Walking out of Carsington village we saw signs of lead mining around us, but much more picturesque was Carsington Water over on our left. The reservoir, owned and operated by Severn Trent Water was opened by the Queen in 1992. Water is pumped into the reservoir from the River Derwent at times of high rainfall and then returned to the river when levels are too low to allow extraction further downstream; no water is extracted from the reservoir itself.

Over to our right there were seven huge wind turbines, only one turning in the gentle breeze. As we crossed styles and fields we were nearly joined by an old dog, its owners almost had to drag it away from us! After passing more mine workings we soon started to descend towards the village of Brassington, another old centre of the lead mining industry.

Skirting the village we walked up a couple of roads before turning up a farm track towards Roundlow Farm, pausing to look at some lambs in a field. After crossing more styles and fields we walked down to join the High Peak Trail. Originally the Cromford and High Peak Railway, the trail was opened in 1971 following full closure of the line in 1967 and runs for 17 ½ miles from High Peak Junction near Cromford to Dowlow near Buxton.

We continued on the trail for a mile or so passing Harboro Rocks on our left. The rocks consist of dolomitic limestone and have a number of good quality but short rock climbs which a number of people seemed to be trying out. There were also the ruins of an old lead mine. On our right we walked past a mineral processing factory.

Leaving the trail we crossed Carsington Pasture passing some of the wind turbines seen earlier and the ruins of an older windmill on our left. After passing a rock formation called the 'Kings Chair' we had a splendid view over Carsington Water.

Rather than take the steep route down into Carsington village we crossed further fields before reaching a road, then followed the road downhill with a wooded valley on our right. On reaching a road junction we turned right, through the hamlet of Hopton.

On our left we passed the 'Crinkle Crankle wall' which hides the 18th Century Hopton Hall built by the Gell family. The hall is famous for its show of snowdrops and its gardens are open to visitors during February. We soon entered Carsington village and our cars. We all agreed that the weather and views had made this a most enjoyable walk.

Steve Franks

The 5 mile walk on Sunday 7th May will be led by Eric and Helen from Hathersage. If anyone wishes to join us, we meet at the church gates at 12 noon with a packed lunch and walking boots. Transport is arranged before we set off. New members are most welcome.

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The April meeting of Newbold Mothers Union was held on Wednesday 12th. Five visitors and four members were delighted to listen to Music for Spring, an organ recital from Stuart Watkinson. As always, Stuart brought his enthusiasm and skill to the fore and those who were unable to attend missed a great treat. Stuart and Elizabeth were able to join us in the Parish Room afterwards for tea and cake. We offer our grateful thanks to them for coming.

The next meeting will be on **Wednesday 10th May** and will be a social afternoon as our booked speaker, Revd. William Eardley will be in hospital. However it is important to try to attend as the June outing for afternoon tea at Monsal Head will be discussed. Anne Hartley is organising this for Wednesday 14th June.

Anyone interested in finding out more about the Mothers Union, please speak to myself, Margaret Beasley or Anne Hartley.

Ruth Cable (Committee Member)

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SUDAN

At the end of March the PCC agreed to support appeals for help towards famine relief in South Sudan. It is now May and I am sure you have seen and taken the opportunity to contribute to the retiring collection sent to Oxfam to help the people of South Sudan.

Oxfam have seven humanitarian bases across the country which they have been supporting since 1983.

“The declaration of famine in South Sudan reflects the collective failure to heed the countless warnings of an ever-worsening situation. This is a man-made tragedy, and we are running out of time to avoid it getting worse. In over 30 years working in the affected areas, Oxfam has never witnessed such dire need.”

Source: www.oxfam.org.uk

Oxfam is providing the following:

- Emergency food
- Supporting the most vulnerable to produce food for themselves
- Knowledge of waterborne diseases and how to prevent them
- Helping citizens to claim their right
- Help people flee violence

Thank you to all who have supported the retiring collection. Next month we will publish how much has been sent to Oxfam.

A PRAYER FOR SOUTH SUDAN

God of life,

We join with the ecumenical leaders of South Sudan in their call for peace.

We pray that South Sudan would be a country where justice, liberty and prosperity for all shall truly reign.

We pray it would become a country where people will live long and children will not die young and senselessly.

We pray that the lessons from history will be learned, that issues would be resolved quickly and so avoiding the suffering of many.

We pray for healing of division, for hunger to be filled and for hope to flourish in South Sudan.

In Jesus name we pray, Amen.

THE WOMEN'S GROUP LEARN TO TIE SCARVES!

On Wednesday 5th April the Women's Group spent a very enjoyable evening with Tracey Oldfield from Chameleon Wool Shop learning how to make the most of wearing scarves. Using our own scarves we followed Tracey's guidance to tie both rectangular and square scarves and how to finish off the whole effect by "fluffing and faffing"!

All kinds of scarves were used and there was lots of hilarity at our attempts especially when diagonal folds were introduced!

Tracey was a very entertaining tutor and finished off the evening by helping members make the most of "problem" scarves.

We were pleased to welcome three new members and we hope to see them again at future meetings.

Our next meeting promises to be very interesting indeed as Stephanie Parkes is coming to talk to us about her life in the Caribbean. This will be on Wednesday 3rd May at 7pm in the Parish Room and all ladies are welcome to join us.

Jean Lee

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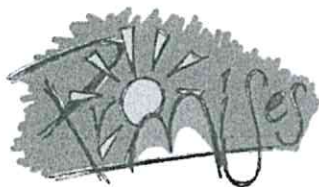


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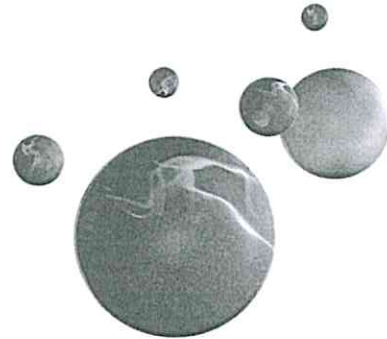
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CHURCH SCHOOL NEWS

It was a busy end to the term as each class put on an exhibition to show case their work to parents.

Year 2 had been learning about the Stone Age, and showed off their models.

In Year 3 each pupil, a Street Detective, with a little help from significant adults, had made a model of their favourite building, and bravely stood up to tell the audience why they had chosen it.

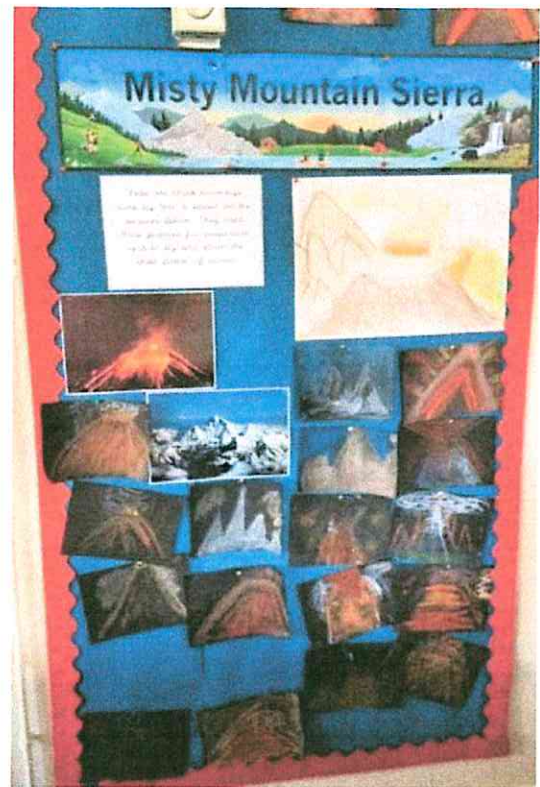
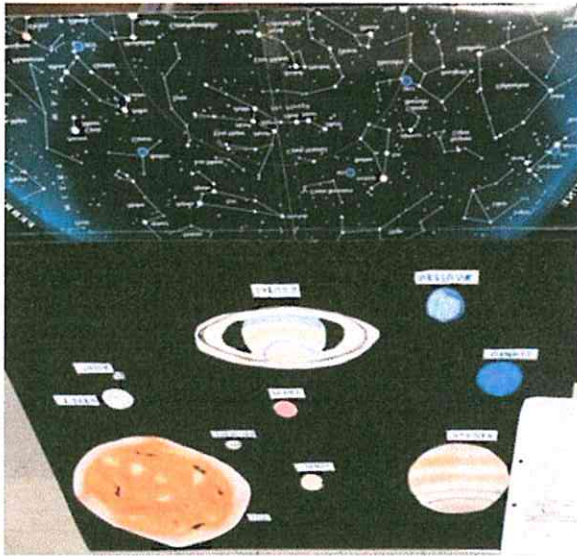
The Crooked Spire and the Casa hotel were popular choices. McDonalds, The Proact Stadium, Queens Park (with the parts being demolished) a fish and chip shop (because it belongs to my Dad) and a model of the entire Littlemoor Centre were also featured.

Reece and his Nan both had close links with the Eagle Club.

Year 4 had been studying mountains and their work included some pastel drawings of misty mountains



Year 5 were Stargazers and had made models of all the planets.



Year 6 had the Second World War as their topic and had been busy producing a variety of work, including interviews with great grandparents, models, written projects, and a knitted scarf - 'make do and mend' in 2017.



Congratulations to all our church school children on their wonderful efforts.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Our final Sunday school took place on Easter Day. The members joined in the celebration parade around church.

All children received a cream egg. Heather had prepared a closed tomb, which lit up and played music. Inside under the folded grave clothes were some small chocolate eggs.

The children heard the story of the first Easter morning and did actions to certain words. They then made butterflies. They decorated the tomb with them in addition to taking one home on a stick.

On **PALM SUNDAY**, the theme for our **11.00 o'clock service** in **APRIL** was Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. Ben and Heather led the worship. Afterwards the children made donkey puppets. Please note this service is not just for children or folks with children. Anyone can come. At April's service, we welcomed Ann Adams. Please consider joining us. Numbers are growing. We need your help. Please see Heather or Ben.

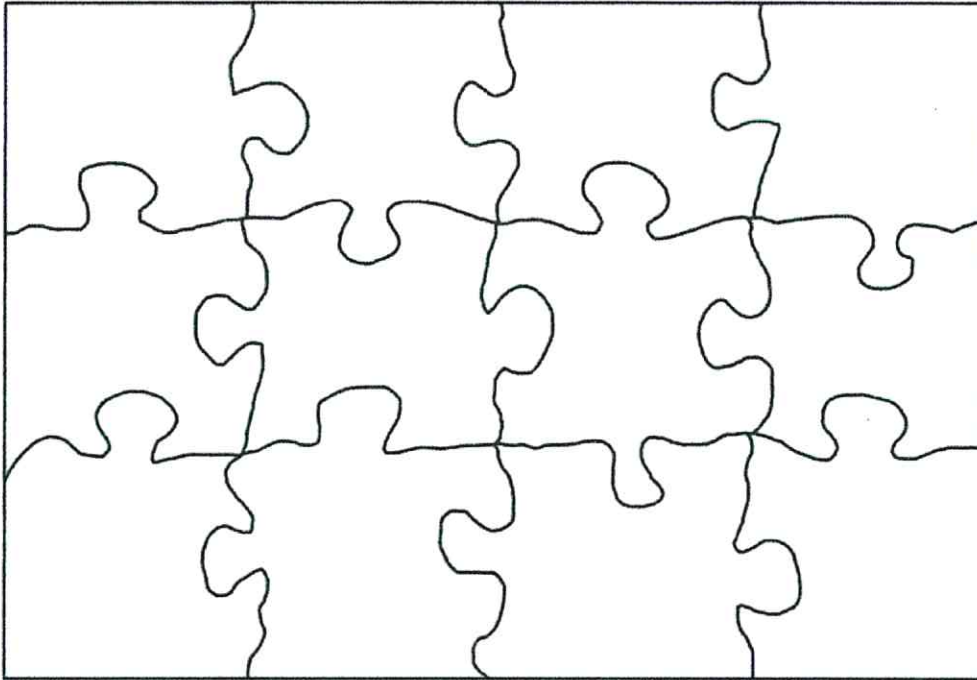
**May's 11.00 o'clock Service is on Sunday 14th May.
All are welcome.**

HOT CROSS BUN SERVICE

The Cross was our focus for this service. Ben talked about the Cross and Hot Cross buns. Young and old alike enjoyed these afterwards in the parish room. The children made a stained 'glass' cross to take home. The highlight of the day was an Easter egg hunt in church. The children collected lollipop sticks hidden by one of our churchwardens and these equated to eggs of various sizes.

Spread the word ...

JiGSaW Club (for children over 3)



Sundays @ 9.15 a.m. in the Parish Room

30th April

7th May & 21st May

18th June & 25th June

2nd July & 16th July

Jesus is Great Super and Wonderful

From the Registers

Holy Baptism

2 Apr Charlie Mark Thomas Gayles
Lewie Ernest George Ryan

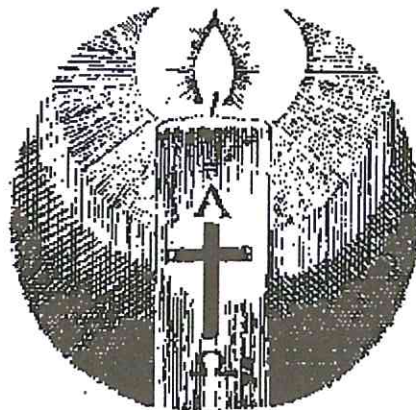
23 Apr Emma Louise Burnett
Chloé Ann Burnett
Sophie Amanda Burnett

*May all things belonging to the Spirit
live and grow in them*

Funerals

11 Apr Margaret Turner aged 79
11 Apr Constance "Connie" Wood aged 95

May they rest in peace and rise in glory



DIARY FOR MAY 2017

| | | | |
|----|----|-------|--|
| 1 | M | | Bank Holiday |
| 2 | T | 09.15 | Mass [PR] |
| | | 14.00 | Churches Together in Newbold Committee [St Hugh's] |
| 3 | W | 11.00 | Burial of Ashes [Churchyard] |
| | | 19.00 | Newbold Women's Group [PR] |
| 6 | Sa | 10.00 | Coffee Morning [PR] to 12.00 |
| 7 | S | | Fourth Sunday of Easter (S1) |
| | | 08.00 | Mass |
| | | 09.30 | Parish Mass & JiGSaW |
| | | 11.30 | Baptism |
| | | 12.00 | Walking Group |
| 9 | T | 09.15 | Mass [PR] |
| 10 | W | 14.00 | Mothers' Union Meeting [PR] |
| 13 | Sa | 10.15 | Church Open (till 11.45) |
| 14 | S | | Fifth Sunday of Easter (S2) |
| | | 08.00 | Mass |
| | | 09.30 | Parish Mass |
| | | 11.00 | Service |
| 15 | M | 13.45 | Monday Club [PR] |
| | | 19.30 | CNC Meeting [PR] |
| 16 | T | 09.15 | Mass [PR] |
| | | 14.00 | Pastoral Group Meeting [PR] |
| 20 | Sa | 09.00 | Churchyard Care Group till 12.00 |
| | | 10.15 | Church Open (till 11.45) |
| 21 | S | | Sixth Sunday of Easter (S3) |
| | | 08.00 | Mass |
| | | 09.30 | Parish Mass & JiGSaW |
| | | 11.30 | Baptism |
| 22 | M | 13.45 | Monday Club [PR] |

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|----|----|-------|--------------------------------------|
| 23 | T | 09.15 | Mass [PR] |
| 25 | Th | 19.30 | Ascension Day |
| 26 | F | 09.30 | Church School Assembly |
| | | | Last Day of Term |
| | | 13.30 | Wedding |
| 27 | Sa | 10.00 | Coffee & Craft morning (till 12pm) |
| | | 10.15 | Church Open (till 11.45) |
| 28 | S | | Seventh Sunday of Easter (S4) |
| | | 09.30 | Parish Mass |
| 29 | M | | Bank Holiday |
| 30 | T | 09.15 | Mass [PR] |

Please check the weekly Pewslip for a more detailed diary.

COFFEE MORNING

This month's Coffee Morning is on Saturday, May 6th 2017

10.00 till 12.00

in the Parish Room

Please invite folks to come!

Everyone welcome

*Items for the June Magazine
to the editors by Sunday, 21st May 2017, please.*

Sing to the Lord, who ascended above the heaven of heavens,
our Christ, our Joy, our King, crowned in glory.

Alleluia!

A global wave of prayer



PRAYERS FOR ADULTS

We pray for ourselves, to be w

Ascension Day **25 May** to Pentecost **4 June 2017**

THESE PRAYERS ARE FOR ADULTS TO PRAY with God's worldwide family for more people to come to know Jesus Christ, and for themselves to be empowered by the Holy Spirit, to find new confidence to be witnesses for Jesus Christ. Each box represents a gift from God. Use them to plan your own prayer journey: say a prayer for yourself from page 1 and the corresponding prayer for others from page 2.

Belonging

Thank you, Lord, for welcoming me into your family and blessing me with the confidence and joy of knowing that nothing can separate me from your love. May I share that joy with others and may your kingdom come. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Wisdom

Find a picture or object that represents the most pressing thing on your mind. Hold it and pray: God of my head and my heart, bless me with clarity and discernment in the decisions I must make. Bless me with trust and humility in my journey of faith. Amen.

Joy

Walk around or visualise your local area and pray joy into every home and office, every farm, school and shop. Pray joy into your own heart too, and treat yourself to something on your way home.

Healing

Are there any relationships in your life that need healing? Friendships where trust has been lost? Faith where prayer has become dry? Family situations where tension makes life difficult? Entrust them to God and pray for healing in Jesus' name.

Hope

Lord Jesus, as you have brought hope to my heart and life, may I be a bringer of hope to others: the suffering, the anxious, the weary, and the rejected, that they may find faith in you and be blessed. Amen.



Grace

Draw a heart and write on it words that reflect how you feel in your own heart, and the names of people to whom you would like to be more generous.

God of truth, empty my heart of all that hurts me and you and others, and fill it with your grace. Amen.

Courage

Do you need courage to share your faith? Or to do something in your life right now? Write the answers in small letters on a piece of paper and then in huge letters, write: JESUS GIVES ME COURAGE AND GOD IS MY STRENGTH, TODAY AND ALWAYS. AMEN.

Compassion

God of the cross,
may my heart break when others cry;
may I sit with those who call out 'Why?';
may I hold the hands of those in pain;
may I comfort those alone again.
May I join each day in the Lord's Prayer
and may your kingdom come. Amen.

Forgiveness

Take a piece of string and tie a knot in it for anything that weighs heavily on your heart and for what you would like to feel forgiven. Name each thing and untie a knot as you say sorry, trusting in God's mercy.

Peace

Lord God, sometimes it seems as if the world is in turmoil and there is little hope for world peace. Help me to stay strong in prayer and bold in action. I pray that peace may begin with me: in my heart, my life, my community. In Christ's name. Amen.

Love

Light a candle and remember those you have loved who have died. Thank God for their lives, look at photos of them or think of special moments. Pray that everyone would have love in their life and would be comforted when loss comes.

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Belonging

Gracious God, we pray for those
longing to be accepted...
longing to be acknowledged...
longing to be given a second chance...
longing to be loved...
May your kingdom come
and transform their longing into joy.
Amen.

Wisdom

God of our universe,
as we journey further in space,
bless us with knowledge and wisdom,
as we pioneer new treatments,
develop social media,
and live side by side.
Bless us that your kingdom may come
and your will be done. Amen.

Joy

To those whose faith has grown stale,
we pray the joy of freshness. To those
separated from family and friends,
we pray the joy of reunion. To those
who are unemployed, we pray the joy
of work. To all people in all places,
we pray the joy of knowing Jesus
as Lord and Saviour. Amen.

Healing

Gracious God,
we entrust to your love
those longing to be healed:
those in hospital, those at home,
those whose addictions plague their life,
those whose past still haunts them.
Be with them in their pain,
their frustration and their fear. Amen.

Hope

Light a candle after every bidding.
Eternal God, where war has destroyed
and divided, kindle the flame of hope;
where poverty has diminished and
demoralised, kindle the flame of hope;
where confidence has been drained and
damaged, kindle the flame of hope.
In Jesus' name. Amen.



Grace

Generous God, by your grace transform our hearts. Turn bigotry into tolerance, closed doors into open ones and inspire unity where there has been division. Make your Church a home for all who long for love and acceptance. May your kingdom come. Amen.

Courage

Lord of Gethsemane, we pray courage for people afraid of those who govern them; for people afraid of those they work with; for people afraid of those they live with. We pray for courage for every fearful heart. Amen.

Compassion

Cut out stories from a newspaper or magazine about compassion. Give thanks where it has been shown and pray for those situations where it is needed.

Forgiveness

God of justice and of mercy, we pray for those whose crimes seem beyond forgiveness: for those who kill, abuse, torture and exploit. Forgive them and us, whenever we hurt others. We ask this in Jesus' name who called out, 'Father, forgive them', even as he died. Amen.

Peace

Light a candle and on pieces of paper write all the places in the world that lie heavily on your heart; the names of those you know who have no peace of mind; families where there is division. Place them around the candle and imagine each one being brought to Jesus and blessed.

Love

On the cross you suffered, Lord.
We pray for those suffering today.
On the cross you forgave, Lord.
We pray for those needing forgiveness today.
On the cross you showed us
God's great love for the world.
We pray for that world today. Amen.

APRIL COFFEE MORNING

Our April coffee morning was brightened up with an array of Easter bonnets in all shapes and sizes and worn by all ages with over a 90 year age gap between our youngest and oldest contestants.

The children's bonnets were all very colourful with lots of clever decorations. Harriet won first prize and Chloe was the runner-up.

The winner of the adult's first prize was Pauline Thurgood with runner-up Gwyn Eyre. Everyone else received a crème egg for their brilliant creations!



Special mention should be made of Ben (our rector). His hat was a bowler with a lit light bulb on top!

Ben took lots of photographs and posted them on our Facebook page. Please take a look.

Thank you to everyone who came and helped make it a special morning. £156.50 was raised for the NewBold building project i.e. our new Parish Room.

Carol Snell

INTERVIEW WITH A COMIC RELIEF FUND-RAISER

Interviewer: So, what made you want to do your sponsored silence?

Jamie: Well I have always enjoyed raising money for charity, and actually saw the comic relief link on 'pinterest' and the more I read the more I wanted to do something to help raise money.

Interviewer: It must have been hard work to not say anything ALL day.

Jamie: It was due to the fact that I talk a LOT, and people were trying to get me to talk, but I kept quiet.

Interviewer: So what will the money do?

Jamie: Well £10 can vaccinate 5 children in Africa against 5 deadly diseases, £30 can help with care for a person with dementia, so the money I raised can help enormously. The £200 raised can help 4 people and their families cope with dementia and 40 children could be vaccinated.

Jamie: I would like to thank all the people who donated and especially as more than half the money came from people from the congregation of St. John's Church.

CHURCH ON THE BUS

The Orange Bag for your donations will be on the red table at the back of church on the last Sunday of each month in 2017.

Thank you to all who have made donations so far.

ITEMS REQUIRED

Clean clothing, new socks, toiletries, scarves, mittens, hats; sleep mats (preferably thermal) vacuum flasks, biscuits, ladies sanitary products and men's trainers.

THE MONDAY CLUB

Members of the Club met three times during April.

On the 3rd we held a social afternoon in the Parish Room and Carol Kitchener brought some photographs, some of which related to the Eyre Chapel and she gave a talk about them which was both interesting and informative.

Lunch was enjoyed at the Rutland Arms, on 10th April, with some of the group having coffee at Marks & Spencer afterwards.

There was no meeting on 17th as it was a Bank Holiday.

On 24th we held a photograph afternoon with photos of church life, our families and of Edale Champion House, now called The Peak Centre, where we took a group of children from local churches for a weekend of activities in the 1990's.

The programme for May is as follows:-

There is no meeting on 1st, 8th and 29th.

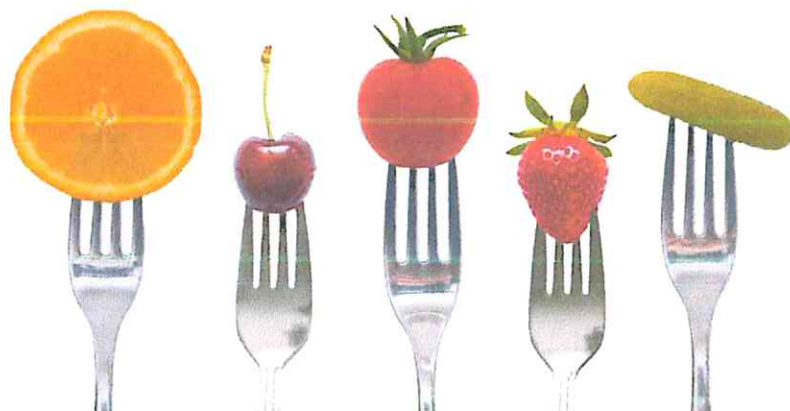
15th May Lunch at the Spires Café followed by a visit to the Museum.

22nd May Social Afternoon with dominoes, cards, Boggle and Beetle Drive.

During the coming months we aim to have a meal out once per month. Visits include Derby and the Cathedral, a canal cruise from Tapton Lock Centre, a trip to Matlock and we hope to have a couple of speakers also.

New members are always welcome to join this friendly group.

For more information please contact Margaret Beasley (the telephone number appears on the back page of this edition).



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FAMOUS PEOPLE FROM WHITTINGTON MOOR



After the article about Sir Harry Lauder appeared in the Evangelist last month I learned that his name appeared on a commemorative board in the Peter Webster Centre, the former boys' school,

along with that of our own John Madin, organist of Newbold Church from 1957 to 1989.

I was allowed in to take the photograph, and also discovered the name Fred Davis who as a snooker player made his last appearance at the Crucible in 1978 as a semi-finalist at the age of 64. He and his brother Joe gave an exhibition of billiards and snooker with trick shots at the Ashgate Drill Hall in 1961 in aid of the Newbold Church Extension fund.

John Madin was born in Whittington Moor on May Day, and often played his own composition 'May Morning'. His signature tune was 'A wand'ring Minstrel'. John was a lifelong churchman. As a choirboy at Newbold Church he was encouraged to learn the piano and the organ and became deputy organist at Chesterfield Parish Church. He began his career as a cinema pianist in Sheffield and went on to become one of the best known theatre organists of his time. He played for Cunard aboard the Queen Mary on voyages to New York and was in great demand by cinema organ societies. His first broadcast was in 1934 and the final one in 1982 but his name is still remembered by organ enthusiasts and his recordings are still played. Many can be found on YouTube.

200 CLUB

The club has been running in its present form since 1995 and both Stephen and I have been involved with the administration and making sure the draw takes place each month on the last Sunday since that year.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who is currently a member, many of which have been with us since its inception.

This year the draw took place on 2nd April as March was the time to renew membership and we were not in a position to hold the draw on the set date as we were waiting for some renewals to be completed. We also wish to thank the new members who have joined this year which has resulted in the prize money being increased. If you have not joined yet or are new members of the congregation, please see Richard and he will explain what the club is all about. Half of the money received goes to church funds and half is paid out to members, so we are all winners.

So, a big thank you for being members; it is greatly appreciated.

You have to be in it to win it – please join today.

Best Wishes

Stephen & Richard (co-organisers)

The Club winners for March 2017 were as follows:-

First prize (£35) Marie Witham (Number 121)

Second prize (£17) Tony Cox (Number 29)

Third prize (£6) Carol Snell (Number 4)

New members are always welcome. Please contact either Richard Peet (Tel. 520697) or Stephen Hewitt (Tel. 275225) for more information.

The next draw will be held on Sunday 28th May 2017

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 14th – 20th MAY

Once again the red envelopes will be evident in church during this week and once again you are asked to donate whatever you can to support this worthy cause. Individuals, churches and communities all help to bring about change in some of the poorest parts of our world by volunteering, encouraging and donating. Chesterfield lies in the East Midland area in Derbyshire, together with Lincolnshire, Leicestershire, Nottinghamshire, Northamptonshire and Rutland, with the Christian Aid office located in Loughborough. David, our church treasurer is responsible for banking the proceeds of the envelopes into the Christian Aid bank account.

This year marks the 60th Anniversary of Christian Aid Week. In 1945, British churches founded Christian Aid to support refugees who had lost their homes and possessions in the Second World War. Twelve years later Christian Aid Week was launched to help fund this on-going work. Sixty years ago Christians refused to stand by while people suffered. Can we rise to the challenge again?

When you see the red envelope, please give what you can. I am sure that, like me, you wouldn't want to walk in a refugee's shoes.

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FUNDRAISING

The Parish Room was packed for the Quiz Night arranged by Brian and Bev Speed to raise funds for the **Sheffield Children's Hospital**. Participants enjoyed a meaty cob with chips followed by a mug of tea or coffee before putting the little grey cells to the task of answering the questions in a 'Bingo' format. This was a different way of presenting a quiz and proved highly enjoyable. The event raised £274 for the hospital where Georgia had corrective surgery to straighten a curvature of the spine (which involved breaking her spine in 14 places!). Georgia is now on the mend and, due to the surgery, has grown another 2 inches!

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our Diocese

A monthly snapshot of Church of England life around Derbyshire

Bishop Jan writes...

Our Father....

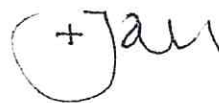
The Lord's Prayer is so familiar to us (or at least it should be!) that sometimes we can find ourselves reciting it without paying attention to too many of the words. Perhaps in some ways that's a defence mechanism. It's a pretty challenging prayer.

The Archbishop of Canterbury is asking us to concentrate on one particular line of the Lord's Prayer in the nine days between Pentecost and Ascension Day (25 May - 04 June). He is asking us to join with Christians across the world, and of all denominations, to pray specifically "Thy Kingdom Come". And he's inviting us to pray during that period for up to five people to come to know God's presence in their lives, in imitation of the first disciples who gathered together after they had watched Jesus ascend into heaven, and, we're told in the Acts of the Apostles, who "...all joined together constantly in prayer, along with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus..."

When, I wonder, was the last time you prayed that someone would come to faith? Specifically prayed for someone by name, that they would come to know what the Christian faith is all about, and would want to become a disciple of Jesus? It's quite a challenging question, I know, and one which may make a fair number of us shuffle uncomfortably in our seats! Why not do just that this Pentecost?

Do take a look at the Diocesan website (www.derby.anglican.org) where you'll see a section devoted to Thy Kingdom Come, with resources and encouragement, and with a link to a brilliant video of the Archbishop talking about how he came to know Jesus. Special diocesan bookmarks have been produced to encourage us to pray, and with space on the back to add up to five names of those we'd like to see come to faith, and these are available to order on-line.

Imagine if for every person in every pew, our prayers were answered and that at least one of those people we have are praying for comes to faith. We often worry that congregations are falling in number. Sometimes we feel helpless to do much about it. But each of us can pray. And each of us could resolve to invite someone to a service. The very worst that could happen is that they may say no! But if we pray for them and find the right moment to invite them, they may well just say yes.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "+Jan". The plus sign is inside a circle, and the name "Jan" is written in a cursive style.

The Rt Revd Jan McFarlane, Bishop of Repton

Derbyshire woman elected Assistant Bishop of Wellington, NZ

The Rev Canon Dr Eleanor Sanderson will become assistant bishop for the Diocese of Wellington. Ellie says her job will be “enlivening the vision to which we’ve already committed.”

Eleanor's mum, Jane Chapman, still lives in the UK and said: “Eleanor was born in North Yorkshire before the family returned to their roots in the Peak District of Derbyshire when she was very young. She spent her childhood in Bradwell and Litton and went to Hope Valley College and Lady Manners School, where she was deputy Head Girl. She graduated with 1st class honours in geography at Bristol University and won a Rotary ambassadorial scholarship for further study at Victoria University, Wellington. She has 2 masters degrees and a PhD and has written and travelled extensively. She worked in Eyam Church as a youth worker before going to New Zealand. She is married to Tim, a Kiwi and has 2 boys, Zachary and Joseph, aged 9 and 7. Generations of her ancestors lived

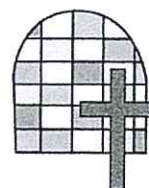


in Tideswell and there are still strong family connections. She has preached in Tideswell Church on visits home and loves to come back to her home village.”

Eleanor will be consecrated in Wellington Cathedral of St Paul on June 2nd. You can read more about her at www.anglicantaonga.org.nz

School of Formation online

Have you looked at the School of Formation page of the Diocesan website? It contains the latest information about learning opportunities taking place around the Diocese. Courses to help you discover more about your faith formal study for ministry, practical training for those in church roles, conferences, seminars and more.



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How green is your church?

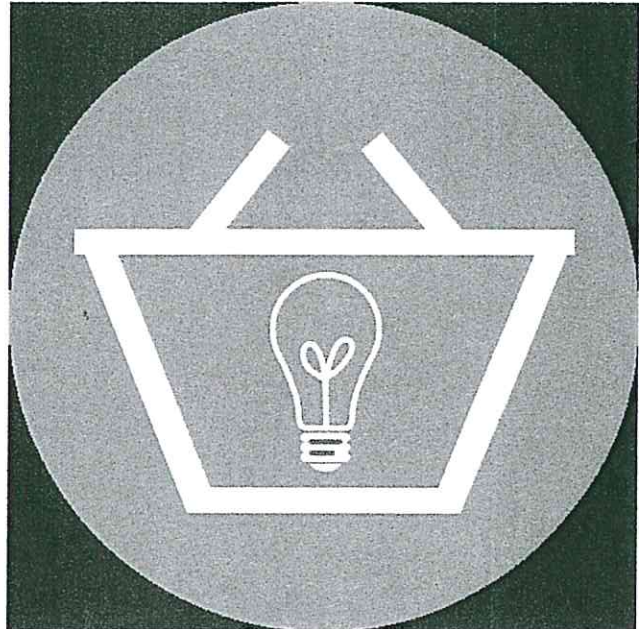
The Parish Buying Service was set up five years ago by the Church of England, with the aim of saving churches money, time and to provide protection in the form of good contracts.

But how can Parish Buying help your church be better stewards of the environment?

Let's briefly explore two of Parish Buying most popular products. Firstly, the Energy Basket pools the bulk buying power of the Church to obtain competitive prices for gas and electricity. Last year's basket had over 4,000 meters registered.

Currently, energy for the basket is purchased through the company 'Total Gas & Power', but where do this company source the energy? The energy mix will be diverse, but the company have a firm commitment to renewable energy, which means substantial amounts are from biomass, solar, wind and wave power. In fact, in the 2017/18 basket over 50% of the electricity will be obtained from renewable sources. This is considerably higher than most UK energy suppliers, including Npower 20%, Gazprom 44%, British Gas 33%, EDF Energy 12.3%, and E-On 40%. Total Gas & Power state that they are committed to supporting local development, securing the future of energy, environmental stewardship, and combating climate change, so for eco-conscious churches it's thumbs up for the Energy Basket.

After energy, the second most popular Parish Buying service is Office Depot, whose products range from stationary and office supplies to cleaning equipment and ladders. Parish Buying customers have access to a huge variety of products at reduced rates. How eco-friendly are Office Depot? They stock recycled printer paper, bin bags made from 100% recycled plastic,



toilet roll made from 100% recycled paper, and most recently have added Ecover cleaning products to their range. Ecover soaps, all purpose cleaners and dishwashing liquids are made from plant-based ingredients, made for the lowest possible toxicity and the fastest biodegradability. In other words they leave nothing harmful behind. You have to agree that's good stewardship, saving money and the planet at the same time.

We are all stewards of the resources, abilities and opportunities that God has entrusted to our care. If you are a church treasurer or a PCC member, engaging with Parish Buying is a good choice. It was set up by the Church, for the Church, with an emphasis is on quality products at competitive rates. All the contracts are written from scratch, with parishes in mind, so there is no danger of hidden costs or clauses. You can register your church for free with Parish Buying.

Visit parishbuying.org.uk or phone 0800 368 0887.

Tansley Messy Church celebrates Easter

On a sunny Tuesday 28th March the Anglican and Methodist Churches in Tansley held their latest Messy Church event with 30 Children and their Parents and Carers coming along.

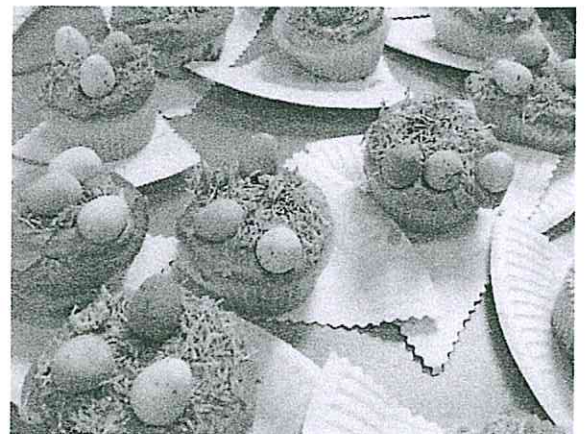
It was easy to find a theme for the event with Easter fast approaching. After Coffee, Squash and Biscuits everyone made their way into the Chapel where Rev Richard Reade lead everyone with some warm up songs and then he told the Children about Holy week between Palm Sunday when Jesus entered Jerusalem from the Mount of Olives to shouts of Hosanna from people wanting a King to lead them. By Good Friday He was crucified, suffered and died for all our sins and then on to Easter Sunday when Jesus overcame death and was truly shown to be a Saviour for everyone who trusts and follows Him!

Afterwards the older Children made a Easter scene with pebbles, moss and foliage. Other crafts included making palm branches, colouring and making Easter Crosses, making and decorating Chalice and making Nest Cakes with mini egg decoration which proved very popular. During Worship time Rev Keith Bamford read the account of the Resurrection taken from Matthew 28:1 to 10 while the Children acted out the story. Afterwards Zania asked the Children where they thought Jesus was? It was during this when one young lad said boldly that " He lives in peoples Hearts " , Hallelujah, no true a word can be said.

After messy grace was said everyone sat down to a meal of Pasta in a Cheese and Tomato Sauce followed by Hot Cross Buns, expertly prepared by Lyn.

Looking and reading about the Events of Easter week we see that Jesus' story does not end there nor does it end with the Ascension because "He Lives" the story goes on, Because He lives we can have Hope for tomorrow and His Strength and Faithfulness can lift us forever and ever.

With Blessings
Tansley Messy Church Team.





St John's Fete – Rectory Gardens and Eagle Club

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Children's clothing to LESLEY HAGUE

Bottles of wine and spirits, beer and bottles (anything from champagne to shampoo) to RICHARD PEET

Nearer the day, we require plants so start sowing and taking cuttings and rooting now if you are able

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