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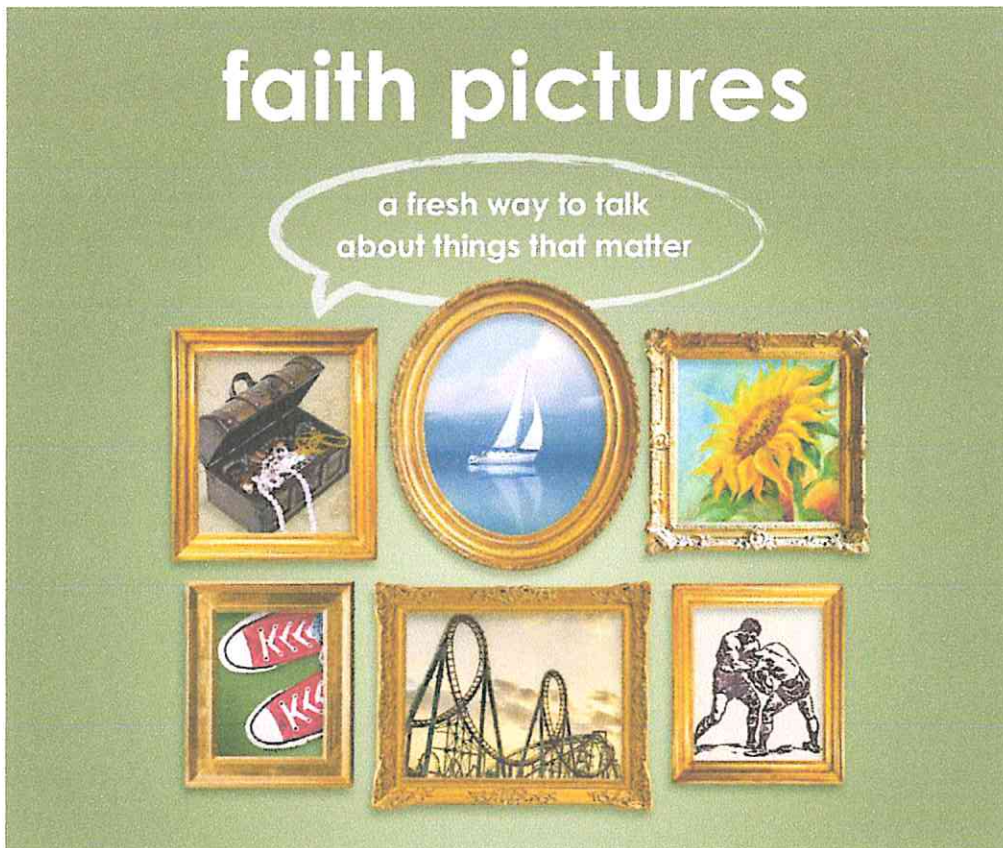


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Newbold Parish Church Lent 2019



The **'Faith Pictures'** course aims to help people to talk about faith in a small group setting, using interactive films & discussion.

Tuesdays @ 7.30pm

in the **Parish Room** - refreshments included

12th March - Opening the Conversation

19th March - The Power of the Ordinary

26th March - Travellers' Tales

2nd April - Talking Pictures

9th April - Companions on the Journey

16th April - Hidden Opportunities

FREE

Dear all

Lent is almost upon us. A time for reflecting on our personal faith. A time to stop, take stock, to strip away things that get in the way of our relationship with God. It is a time when we remember Jesus' journey into the wilderness, the temptations he faced and hopefully take time to reflect on our own journeys and temptations, always seeking to improve our relationship with God.

It is a good time to 'give up' something i.e. certain foods, habits etc. or to 'take up' something i.e. a regular prayer time, a positive action etc. As a church we have opportunities to come together to learn, to reflect on various elements of our faith and to pray. There are multiple activities to consider during this season:

The Faith Pictures course

This year, on Tuesday evenings during Lent, we will be running a six week course called '**Faith Pictures**'. The course is designed to help us think and talk about our faith in a relaxed way, using visual imagery and videos including three main themes:

1. Honesty - talking about the ups & downs of life.
2. Humour - including the fun elements of life.
3. For the whole Church - including people of different traditions and experiences of church.

It is designed to help Christians talk naturally to friends, neighbours and colleagues about what they believe. The heart of the course is about helping people to identify a single picture or image that embodies something of their faith. This is because the kinds of communication which best stick in the mind are concrete and rooted in story. It is designed to be an easy way to open up potentially life-changing conversations with others, and provides a way into faith-sharing that is accessible and light-hearted.

There will be **six sessions during Lent**, starting on **Tuesday 12th March**, in the Parish Room **7.30pm - 9pm**, with refreshments included.

The Stations of the cross

On the first three Wednesday afternoons during Lent there will be the opportunity to walk the stations of the cross including various reflections and prayers. This will be happening at 2pm on 13th, 20th & 27th March.

Experience Easter

All three of our local schools will be 'Experiencing Easter' this year with pupils from Cavendish School & Dunston School joining us on 2nd & 3rd April and Newbold Church School pupils coming up for afternoons Monday 8th - Friday 12th April.

There will then be an opportunity for us to Experience Easter for ourselves, and to invite friends and family along, on **Saturday 6th April 10am - 2pm**, alongside a coffee morning in aid of Bluebell Wood Hospice, and a lunchtime menu including Adrian's famous cheese toasties!

Lent Pilgrim - personal reflection & prayer

Also during Lent, the Church of England are offering a book of meditations on the Beatitudes entitled 'Lent Pilgrim' (as seen on the cover of this magazine). These are 40 days of reflections and prayers for personal use, written by the bishop of Oxford, Steven Croft. There will be copies available in church soon and I would encourage you to purchase one, which as a church we can offer for £2.50 each.

With all of these opportunities on offer it may seem that we are more busy than usual during a time that is often associated with stopping. However, I hope that you will find ways to engage with this season of reflection and find in it opportunities for God to work in your life.

Every blessing

Ben

A prayer for Lent

*Holy God,
our lives are laid open before you:
rescue us from the chaos of sin
and through the death of your Son
bring us healing and make us whole
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen*



Lent 2019

Ash Wednesday 6th March

7.30pm Service of Holy Communion with Ashing

Tuesdays throughout Lent

7.30pm The Faith Pictures course - Parish Room
(beginning on 12th March for 6 weeks)

Stations of the cross during Lent

Wednesdays 2pm in church followed by refreshments in the
Parish Room. 13th, 20th & 27th March.

Experience Easter

Saturday 6th April 10am - 2pm .



CHURCH SCHOOL NEWS

On Friday the 1st February all the children at Newbold Church School celebrated the festival of Candlemas. Candlemas, or the Presentation of Christ in the Temple, is celebrated in church on the nearest Sunday to February 2nd. On this day we remember the occasion when

Mary and Joseph took Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem to 'present him' before God. Simeon and Anna gave testimony to who this child really was. Simeon said that Jesus would be a 'light for the revelation to the gentiles and for glory to your people Israel'. His words make 'light' a predominant theme for worship at Candlemas.



The day began in our classes with a discussion about this little known festival. Teachers centred on the theme of 'A Light for all', leading the children in discussions about the way that we view Jesus as being 'The light of the World' and that Jesus' light not only guides us through our journey of life and that by him we see things differently, but is also a symbol of Jesus in his role mending the relationship between all human beings and God.

The children quickly moved on to lots of active learning. Most of the classes worked with clay to create Tea lights, that could be taken home as a focus for discussion. In EYFS the children designed their own candles, and in Y1 the children created a dramatic retelling of the story. In year 2 the children produced stained glass window collage effects of candles burning brightly.

The year 3 and year 6 classes wrote acrostic poetry all about candles and described the flames that they could see. In year 4 the children enjoyed singing along to 'light' based songs that celebrate God's love, including 'Shine' and 'This little light of mine' – firm favourites in school. The day finished with a whole school Collective Worship based around the theme of Candlemas, where the children shared the day's activities.



Our next whole school theme day is June 7th 2019, when we will be learning all about Pentecost. If you would like to come and take a look please don't hesitate to contact the school and make an appointment.

Kerry Marsh (Headteacher)

THE WOMEN'S GROUP TRY TO IDENTIFY ARTEFACTS FROM THE PAST.

We welcomed three new members, Marilyn, Yvonne and Hilary to our first meeting this year on February 6th and also remembered Iris Moore who died suddenly just before Christmas. Iris had been a member for many years and was always very appreciative and always said how much she enjoyed the meetings whether it was a speaker, a quiz or a social event. We also remembered a former member Barbara Green in our prayers as she is not at all well at the moment.

We had a return visit from the Leader Brothers at our meeting. We were shown in turn ten interesting artefacts for us to handle and were given some clues about them. We then had to write down what we thought. Leo presented each item in an amusing way and he also tried to involve everyone in discussions as well. The objects were as diverse as a strop (used to sharpen barber's razors,) a tinder box, a copper mulled wine holder and a cast iron candle wax maker.

One of our new members, Marilyn managed the highest mark by getting 9 out of 10 answers correct and also won the raffle prize so she had a very successful evening!

Our next meeting, which is the AGM, will be held on Wednesday 7th March at 7.00pm in the Parish Room. Pat Law, our Treasurer, will be collecting annual subscriptions and next year's programme of meetings and events will be given out. We need two new committee members to replace me as Secretary and June Shaw as a committee member as we both indicated at last year's AGM that we wished to stand down.

The meeting will finish with cheese and wine provided by the committee.

Jean Lee (Secretary)

MEN'S GROUP

The Men's Group met up for our regular brunch on Saturday 16th February, with Ben providing the group with spicy parsnip soup and chicken and mushroom soup with homemade bread. We enjoyed talking about music and cricket, but we were particularly interested in the Baptism pool that was being erected in the Church. This enigma sparked much intrigue as to where it had come from and a debate on the logistics of filling and more importantly of emptying of the pool. Hopefully, the Verger will ignore our solutions on Sunday.

Our next brunch will be on Saturday 16th March at 10:30 a.m. in the Parish Centre. We are looking forward to a St Patrick's themed brunch with Irish Stew. Please let us know if you have any allergies or intolerances ahead of time so we can cater for you.

Chris Burrows

ELECTORAL ROLL REVISION

The Electoral Roll is due for complete revision and a new Roll is to be prepared in 2019. Everyone who would like to have their name entered on the new Roll needs to complete an enrolment form, as no names are carried forward from the old roll and this is needed to ensure that you are included on the new list. Forms will be available and handed out in church during January.

If you have not been on the roll before and would like to be, please take a form from the table at the back of church or see me.

All applications should be made by 13th April in readiness for the APCM on 28th April 2019.

Pat Law - Electoral Roll Officer

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FUNDRAISING FOR THE NEWBOLD BUILDING PROJECT

The 'Adams Family' treated us to an enjoyable evening's entertainment on 4th February, with Stuart the quiz master, asking a range of questions on sport, entertainment, general knowledge and odds & ends. The 'Franks duo' delivered over 30 packs of hot fish, chips and peas to the hungry mob waiting in the parish room. There was plenty of anxious whispering and bursts of laughter during the night with the 'Blazing Bennetts' ending up as the winners with 35 ½ points. £175.30 was raised for the Building Fund, which on 28th January stood at £34,236.40. The Coffee Morning on 2nd February and hosted by Heather, Jamie and Lesley raised £165 and the Flower Ladies will be arranging the next one on Saturday 2nd March. Our next special fundraising event will be on Saturday 23rd March when we will be joining the Craft Class in the Parish Room to decorate a cotton tote bag. Everyone is welcome. If you don't want to be experimental with felt, then come along for a coffee and biscuit and a chat. See the advert elsewhere in this issue for more information.

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COFFEE MORNING

Saturday 2nd March

10am - 12 noon

Hosted by our Church Flower Arrangers

In the Parish Room

Delicious home-made cakes

Raffle of especially made flower arrangements

Everyone is welcome, do come.



**Craft Group Fundraising Day -
Saturday 23rd March**

Come along and join us to decorate a tote bag using felt shapes and motifs. These you will be able to cut and design yourself or use the kits provided. All materials will be included in the price.

Coffee, tea and biscuits will be provided but please bring your own lunch.

The cost for the day will be £10, starting at 10am and finishing around 3pm.

Please book a place by contacting Christine Wieloch 724861 or Evelyn Lowe whose number is on the back of this issue.

All proceeds raised will go to the NewBold Building Project.





The 11 o'clock service

**Join us on Sunday 10th and 24th March 2019.
All are welcome!**

10th February 2019

Heather narrated the story of the calling of Peter while Jamie led the actions rowing the boat, pulling in the nets etc.

Heather led prayers using jelly babies connecting God with ordinary everyday things for us to remember throughout the week.

Children coloured in pictures of the disciples.

Join us for fun interactive worship with or without children as all ages are most welcome.

CHURCH FETE RAFFLE

I have had an offer from one person of £100 as first prize and an offer of a food hamper from another person. I am looking for ten more prizes. If anyone has a prize, which they feel may be suitable, please see Heather by 24 March. A list asking for specific donations will be available from Easter. Tickets will be available in May.



THY KINGDOM COME is a movement of prayer, begun by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York in 2016.

It calls people to a focused time of prayer between the festivals of Ascension and Pentecost (May 31st to June 9th 2019), for people to hear and respond to the Good News of Jesus Christ.

This launch workshop shows you the resources and information for this year's event and describes how you and your church can get involved.

These sessions are open to all, but booking is essential.

We are delighted to say that we are hosting one of these evenings at St John's on Thursday 7th March from 7.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m. However, you still need to book in one of two ways.

Either: book online at

derby.anglican.org/en/training/learning-in-faith/spirituality-and-prayer.html

Or: ask Heather to book you on.

We also urge people to make a note of 'Thy Kingdom Come-tide' (May 31st to June 9th 2019), in their diaries as we will be putting on opportunities to pray collectively during this time.

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PLANTS & FLOWERS OF THE BIBLE

Hyssop

There are various references to this plant in the Bible.

Exodus 12:21-2 'Then Moses summoned all the elders of Israel and said to them, "Go at once and select the animals for your families and slaughter the Passover lamb. Take a bunch of **hyssop**, and dip it into the blood in the basin and put some of the blood on the top and on both sides of the door frame. Not one of you shall go out of the door of his house until morning."

John 19:29 'A jar of wine vinegar was there, so they soaked a sponge in it, put the sponge on a stalk of the **hyssop** plant, and lifted it to Jesus' lips.'

Mark 15:36 'One man ran, filled a sponge with wine vinegar, put it on a **stick**, and offered it to Jesus to drink'.

1Kings 4:33 ' He (Solomon) described plant life, from the cedars of Lebanon to the **hyssop** that grows out of walls.'

Hyssop was a bushy plant and probably different from the herb we know as hyssop today. It is unknown as to what this plant was. One suggestion is that it was a type of marjoram; six species are found in Palestine. Another probability is that it was the caper plant, which grew in the Sinai desert, in Egypt and in Palestine. It could produce a long stem, up to 4 feet in length. (see Mark 15:33 above). The plant was used in purification sprinkling rites by the ancient Hebrews and according to Leviticus 14:4-6 used for the cleansing of a diseased person and in Hebrews 9:19-22 for the purification of the law.

Flax

This is one of the oldest cultivated plants in human history and used to make **linen** cloth.

Joshua 2:6 'But she had taken them (two spies) up to the roof and hidden them under the stalks of **flax** she had laid out on the roof'.

Ezekiel 27:7 'Fine embroidered **linen** from Egypt was your sail and served as your banner; your awnings were of blue and purple from the coasts of Elishah'.

Mark 15:46 'So Joseph bought some **linen** cloth, took down the body, wrapped it in the **linen** and placed it in a tomb cut out of rock'.

Linen cloth was made from the cellulose fibres that grow inside the stalks of the **flax** plant which grow to about 18" high and was harvested in March and April. In Palestine, flax only grew on the southern coastal plain, near Jericho, and in Galilee. The plant was cut at ground level and the seeds removed, before the stem fibres were separated and then combed, spun and woven like threads. Linen was used to make sails and in Egypt to make clothes for the upper classes. The fibres could also be used for making nets and lamp wicks. Lamp light was important in ancient times as homes were dark places. Original lamps were simply pottery bowls with a lip, oil was placed in the bowl and a wick put inside. Eventually potters learned how to make lamps from moulds, complete with a spout for the wick and a small hole for the oil. Strips of flax or rags would be used as a wick and olive oil or animal fat or even oil from seeds or vegetables would be used.

There are various regulations concerning linen/woollen clothing in the book of Leviticus.

Zixin's Pool Baptism

On Sunday, 17 February the Church was full of excitement and anticipation for the baptism of Zixin. At the far end of the Church there stood a large pool full of warm water.

After the baptism promises and the sermon, Fr Ben, Zixin and her father walked towards the pool and climbed inside. The congregation was invited to stand around the pool to watch. Zixin closed her eyes and was immersed into the water and was baptised.

A round of applause echoed around the church as we welcomed Zixin into our Christian family.

At the end of the service Fr Ben lit a candle "light of Christ" and presented it to Zixin.

After the service everyone was invited into the Parish Room for refreshments to celebrate with Zixin and her family. A beautiful cake was shared around the congregation along with extra sweet treats and wine.

Millie Burrows

Lord Jesus,

when you came to the temple you were recognised as a special gift, full of potential and God's blessing.

We pray for children and young people everywhere that they may be valued and treasured, nurtured and encouraged.

We give thanks for the work of The Children's Society in helping children and young people fulfil their potential and to shine as lights in the world.

In Jesus' name.

Amen

From the Registers

Holy Baptism

17 Feb Zixin Wang

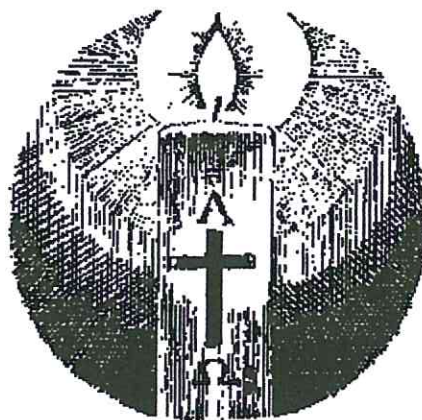
*May all things belonging to the Spirit
live and grow in her*

Churchyard

[burial or interment of ashes]

1 Feb John Frederick Wills
8 Feb Christine Anne Blenkinsop
15 Feb Paul Arthur Roper
16 Feb David Eyre

May they rest in peace and rise in glory



DIARY FOR MARCH 2019

1	F	19.00	Women's World Day of Prayer Service
2	Sa	10.00	Coffee Morning [PR] (till 12.00)
3	S		Sunday Next Before Lent (S1)
		08.00	Mass
		09.30	Parish Mass
		11.30	Baptism
		12.00	Walking Group
4	M	13.45	Monday Club [PR]
		19.00	'Getting Ready for Marriage' [PR]
5	T	09.15	Mass [PR] <i>Shrove Tuesday</i>
6	W	19.00	Newbold Women's Group AGM [PR]
		19.30	Sung Mass & Imposition of Ashes <i>Ash Wednesday</i>
7	Th	19.00	Thy Kingdom Come workshop [PR]
10	S		First Sunday of Lent (S2)
		08.00	Mass
		09.30	Parish Mass
		11.00	11 O'Clock Service
11	M	13.45	Monday Club [PR]
12	T	09.15	Mass [PR]
		19.30	Lent Course [PR]
13	W	14.00	Stations of the Cross
16	Sa	09.00	Churchyard Group till 12.00
		10.30	Men's Group [PR]
17	S		Second Sunday of Lent (S3)
		08.00	Mass
		09.30	Parish Mass
		11.30	Baptism
18	M	13.45	Monday Club [PR]

19	T	09.15	Mass [PR]
		19.30	Lent Course [PR]
20	W	14.00	Stations of the Cross
23	Sa	10.00	Craft Workshop
24	S		Third Sunday of Lent (S4)
		08.00	Mass
		09.30	Parish Mass
		11.00	11 O'Clock Service
25	M	13.45	Monday Club [PR]
26	T	09.15	Mass [PR]
		19.30	Lent Course [PR]
27	W	14.00	Stations of the Cross
31	S		Fourth Sunday of Lent – Mothering Sunday (S5)
		08.00	Mass
		09.30	Parish Mass
		11.30	Baptism

COFFEE MORNING

This month's Coffee Morning is on Saturday, March 2nd 2019

10.00 until 12.00

in the Parish Room

Please invite folks to come!

Everyone welcome

***Items for the April Magazine
to the editors by Sunday, 24th March
2019, please.***

The Monday Club

The programme for March is as follows:

- 4th A SOCIAL in the PARISH ROOM 1.45PM.
- 11th A MEAL OUT TO BE ARRANGED.
- 18th A SOCIAL in the PARISH ROOM 1.45 PM
- 25th OUR ORGANIST STUART WATKINSON WILL BE PLAYING in CHURCH at 1.45pm FOLLOWED BY REFRESHMENTS in the PARISH ROOM.

We have arranged for the following speakers to come to our meetings this year and we would welcome any members of the congregation, or friends and neighbours to join us.

Reminders will be made at the appropriate times.

MONDAY 20th MAY JOHN WHITTAKER EAST MIDLANDS
AMBULANCE SERVICE

MONDAY 8th JULY JACKY of CHESTERFIELD STREET
PASTORS.

MONDAY 16th SEPTEMBER CAROL DAVIS of
CHESTERFIELD FOODBANKS.

We welcome new members to this friendly club who enjoy each other's company.

For information about the Monday Club please contact Margaret Beasley whose telephone number is on the back cover of this magazine.

And finally, here is the Monday Club prayer devised by us

Monday Club Prayer

As we meet here today, we give thanks for fellowship.

We give thanks for the time to socialise together.

Build in us all a deep respect for one another.

May goodness and love be present amongst us today,

May we enjoy our time together as we have fun and laughter.

When we leave this place may our journey home be a safe one.

Amen

Congratulations to Emma Lawrence on her 21st
Birthday, 1st March.

A message from her mum,

It seems only yesterday she was attending Sunday School, a Server at the altar, then helping Heather in Sunday School. She has just celebrated her mid point at Medical school. Five years seemed a long time away when she started, but thinks it's quite amusing she is already half a doctor! I am sure the next 2 and a half years will go even faster. Elaine

Editors' note: We look forward to hearing of Emma's progress in securing her degree in medicine and her eventual success in her chosen career.

Walking Group

Nine walkers gathered outside Church on the 3rd February before leaving in our cars for our starting point at Rowsley.

After eating lunch we started our walk. On a sunny afternoon we could see our destination clearly, Stanton Moor, covered by a dusting of snow. We walked down a private drive, flat at first then steadily uphill. We passed through Stanton Woodhouse, first the Hall on our left dating from the 16th Century, then its outlying buildings. Leaving the drive we walked up a grassy path, calling back a couple of our colleagues who had taken the wrong path!

We could now see clearly the tower on Stanton Moor, but we still had more uphill to come. After crossing a minor road we walked through a wooded area, passing a ruin associated with the quarrying industry. More evidence of quarrying appeared as we passed unfinished mill stones on our right and a large quarry on our left. We were now high enough for the path and surrounds to be covered by snow, adding to the scenery. Finally after about an hour we reached the top of the moor.

After a quick discussion we decided we had time for a walk around the moor. On our right we saw the Reform or Earl Grey Tower, built by William Pole Thornhill and dedicated to the Reform Act 1832. Following the edge we had wonderful views over Darley Dale towards Riber Castle on the horizon.

Turning away from the edge we walked across the moor, past the Cork Stone, a natural rock feature with hand holds to aid climbing onto its top. We soon reached the highest point on the moor, marked by a trig point. At a height of 323m above sea level this concrete pillar, actually a triangulation station, was used to accurately map the country. Some 6,500 were built from 1935 onwards by the Ordnance Survey; they are now largely redundant, superseded by aerial photography and digital mapping using lasers and GPS.

There wasn't a lot of snow around but someone had managed to build this snowman high up on the moor, using twigs of dried bracken and small stones. We see all sorts of interesting things on our walks; this was delightful.



Continuing along snowy paths we arrived at the Nine Ladies Stone Circle, an early Bronze Age circle of nine standing stones. Tradition has it that the circle got its name because nine ladies were turned to stone for dancing on the Sabbath. None of our party wanted to dance today so we continued on our way.

When we came to the edge of the moor, a low metal barrier blocked our way. Whilst most people clambered over the stile, one person stooped under the barrier, only to get stuck!—much laughter from the rest of us.

We continued down the road towards Stanton in Peak, passed the cricket ground then downhill through woods before reaching another lane.

After looking at the steep field path covered in snow we decided to take the easier route by continuing down the lane. Shortly we came to a roadside property with shetland ponies in a field on our right and alpacas in a field on our left – quite a menagerie.

Soon we returned to our cars after a 5 ½ mile walk before driving back to Chesterfield. *Stephen Franks*

The walk on Sunday 3rd March will be led by Trish Law and Evelyn Lowe through fields and woodland, starting and ending at the Ashover Rock. It is 4 to 5 miles in length and open to anyone who would like to join us. Meet at the church gates at 12 noon with a packed lunch when transport will be arranged.

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PRAYER

We give you thanks, most gracious God
For the beauty of the earth and sky and sea;
For the richness of mountains, plains and rivers;
For the songs of birds and the loveliness of flowers.
We praise you for these good gifts
And pray that we may safeguard them for our posterity.
Grant that we may continue to grow
In our grateful enjoyment of your abundant creation
To the honour and glory of your name
Now and forever, Amen

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CHURCHES TOGETHER IN NEWBOLD

A SERVICE FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

The above service took place on Sunday 20th January 2019 at St Andrews UR Church and was well attended with a number of people from our church and also quite a few from St. Hugh's RC Church which was a delightful surprise.

Our Rector led the service which began with a call to worship.

Representatives from St Andrews, Newbold Parish Church, and our Catholic friends read prayers of repentance and later during the service, prayers to commitment to justice, mercy, and unity.

Ben delivered the sermon, and we also had a reading from Deuteronomy, responsorial psalm and a gospel reading from Luke, and the service was interspersed with hymns.

We were given two different coloured cards and were asked to write a commitment to justice which we pledged to carry out.

We wrote the same commitment on each card, and they were collected in two baskets, one for each colour, and then one basket was offered to God and one to the Churches Together group. The service continued with the offering, the Nicene Creed, prayers of intercession and the Lord's Prayer. We shared the peace with each other, and the service concluded with a blessing.

There was time to gather together after the service during refreshments with biscuits.

This was a wonderful service brought together by members of Churches Together in Newbold.

I would recommend members of our congregation to attend future services and don't be afraid to ask for a lift. *Richard Peet*

BIBLE SUDOKU

First you answer the scripture-based questions to determine the numbers for each puzzle and place them in the squares mentioned. Then proceed as normal, placing numbers 1 to 9 in each row, each column and each of nine 3 x3 shaded areas within the larger puzzle.

For I3, B8, E4

How many prophets crossed the Jordan River on dry ground before Elijah was taken to heaven? (2 Kings 2:8)

For B4, D1, I5, C2, E7

In the list of the Gadites who joined David, what number was Eliel? (1 Chronicles 12:11)

For F8, A1

How many months was Esther beautified with oil of myrrh? (Esther 2:12)

For G9, B7, C5

How many talents were given to the first man in this parable of Jesus? (Matthew 25:15)

For G7, F5, D9, C1, A8

How many days was Lazarus in the grave? (John 11:17)

For A6, H1, E5

How many sons did Esau have with his wife Adah? (Genesis 36:4)

For H6, C3, E2

Which seal's opening in the book of Revelation resulted in someone being given balances? (Revelation 6:5)

For E9, A5, I2, D4

How many years did Abdon judge Israel? (Judges 12:13-14)

For C7, A4, G8, B2, E1

".....More than over ninety and ----- just persons." (Luke 15:7)

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CRAFT GROUP

The Craft group held their January meeting on the usual fourth Saturday of the month, the 26th. After a short 'show and tell' of things made recently we began to discuss and prepare for our fund raising day, 'Decorate a Tote Bag' on Saturday 23rd March. Bags and materials will be provided all you have to do is come along with a packed lunch between 10.00am and 3.00pm. The cost for the day is £10.00.

We decided to have a range of ready cut out shapes to make things easier for participants and to have some packs of shapes with photos of what could be done with them to help people who might find the task of designing a little daunting for them.

We spent the rest of our time cutting out felt shapes for use on the day. We have also spent evenings since cutting out shapes we did not get round to on the day.

The craft group welcomes all; if they want to come and craft with like-minded people or just want to drop in for a cup of tea and a chat.

Christine Wieloch

200 CLUB

The Club winners for January 2019 were as follows:-

First prize	(£36)	Steve Howard	(Number 23)
Second prize	(£18)	J Lowe	(Number 6)
Third prize	(£6)	Maureen Holmes	(Number 89)

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 31st March 2019

Gardening Group

The gardening group meet every 3rd Saturday in the month. We were encouraged this month with warm sunshine.

The jobs we do are to clear away any branches, sweep the paths, remove leaves, weed the ashes area, prune bushes and tidy the cremated remains area. A number of small holly shoots were transplanted to develop the hedge at the front of church this month.

While we work it is the opportunity to chat to each other and those coming into the churchyard of which there are quite a few.

It is a good way to exercise while doing something useful. This month we admired the snowdrops in the churchyard. I wonder what we will be admiring next month – daffodils starting to come out or blossom on the trees.

Why not come and join us for an hour or two. You never know you might be invited to eat the left over's from the men's group; this month's soup was delicious.

Julie Franks



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Revd Canon Matt Barnes writes...



You may have heard the story about the granddaughter who found herself in difficulty when visiting her grandparents; her hand became trapped inside a beloved vase. Despite copious amounts of

pulling and soaping and more pulling the hand refused to be released. It became clear to the grandfather that the only way to release the child from the vase was for it to be broken. A hammer was fetched and the vase gently tapped until it broke in two. The hand was set free only for the grandfather to be amazed to see his granddaughter's tightly clenched fist. When questioned as to why she didn't straighten out her hand and allow it to easily pass through the neck of the vase the young child sheepishly opened out her palm and revealed an old golden sovereign that had fallen into the vase years ago and had long been given up as lost.

There are many lessons we can draw from this simple story. The application that springs to mind as we each embark on our Lenten

journey is that very often we have to give up something valuable in order to lay hold of something of greater worth. I'm not talking about abstaining from chocolate or coffee or TV, what will lead us to deep personal (and ecclesial) renewal is a willingness to shed the comfort of the past and an openness to embrace the future trusting in God's presence and goodness.

In my role of leader of the mission and ministry team, I am almost daily surprised at exciting stories of growth and new life from our diocese ... these come about very often as congregations and individuals find the courage and strength to let go of something that has been valuable to them in the past in order to lay hold of something new.

Moses wrote "Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified, for the Lord your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you." (Deut 31:6) let us hold this promise as we embrace an uncertain but exciting future.

Revd Canon Matt Barnes
Interim Director of Mission and Ministry

Bishop Libby legally Bishop of Derby

On Monday 11 February 2019, at St Mary-le-Bow, London, the Rt Revd Libby Lane legally became the Bishop of Derby. We congratulate Bishop Libby and look forward to working together with her in the Diocese of Derby.

Before Bishop Libby takes up her duties in Derbyshire, she will pay homage to Her Majesty the Queen next month and she will be installed at Derby Cathedral in May. The date for Bishop Libby's installation will be announced after she has paid homage to the Queen.

As Bishop Libby won't be joining us until the end of May, the Archbishop of Canterbury has requested that Bishop Jan remains Acting Bishop of Derby until Bishop Libby is installed.

From Our Deaneries

Derby City

Derby City Strategic Plan

As part of the Resourcing Derby City bid, we are committed to a strategy to bring growth and sustainability to the church in the City of Derby. This is a major piece of work, and needs to involve and hear voices from all parts of the city, all traditions of the church and all those with a care for the good of the church and Derby.

A consultation document was circulated before Christmas. This is not the strategy, but the first contribution to arriving at a strategy.

Please pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit for us all, so that we can hear God's call for ourselves and for Derby.

Breathing Space

Breathing Space is an initiative of Derby City Churches to promote mental wellbeing. It focuses on the positive contributions that can be made to support the mental health of everyone, and not just those who have a particular diagnosis.

Churches are encouraged to participate in this initiative and register activities as a Breathing Space.

For more details, please contact:
Jo Simister, Deanery Administrator
jo.simister@derby.anglican.org

Learn more about your deanery and view deanery newsletters at: bit.ly/deanerynews

Mercia

Mercia Deanery Prayer Afternoon

As we look forward to Lent, Mercia Deanery is holding a Deanery Prayer afternoon on Saturday 9 March from 2pm-4pm at St Michael & St Mary Church, Melbourne.

Providing times and opportunities for prayer is one of Mercia Deanery's priorities, and this is a perfect opportunity to pray at the beginning of Lent. There will be prayer stations available to help you to pray and will finish with a reflective service at 3.30pm. Cake and drinks will be served all afternoon.

For more details, please contact:
Debbie Patrick, Deanery Administrator
debbie.patrick@derby.anglican.org

North East Derbyshire

North East Derbyshire Deanery Day

A great day is planned for 2 March 2019 from 10am - 4.30pm at Newbold CofE School, Chesterfield. A great opportunity to network, discuss, share and learn alongside members of other churches in the NE Deanery. The day includes workshops, displays and exhibitions.

For more details, please contact:
Kathy Crawshaw-Moore,
Deanery Administrator,
kathy.crawshaw-moore@derby.anglican.org

Clergy Conference 2019 update

Following consultation with Bishop Jan, the Area Deans and Hayes Conference Centre, the Conference will now be held on Wednesday 20 - Friday 22 November 2019, instead of 11 - 13 November as previously advertised. The change is in response to concern over clashes with Remembrance services and events.

Details of the Clergy Conference will be available in the coming months, however now is the perfect time to put the dates in your diary as it will be Bishop Libby's first conference and it would be great to give her a good reception!

Parish Resource Office Roadshow

New for 2019, the Diocese of Derby is excited to announce the Parish Resource Office Roadshow which will be touring our Deaneries sharing news and highlighting the services and opportunities available to parishes.

Representatives from the Parish Resource Office will be available to meet you and talk about a range of topics from Safeguarding, Mission and Ministry, Vocations, Property, Finance, Communications and more.

This is a great opportunity to meet the diocesan officers and find out how they can best support you.

More details will be available soon on the Diocese of Derby website including links to book your place at the events:

Sat, 23 March 2019 - Mercia Deanery:
Pingle Academy, Swadlincote, DE11 0QA.

Sat, 8 June 2019 - Derby City Deanery:
St Nicholas, Allestree, Derby, DE22 2PE.

Sat, 21 September 2019 - Hardwick Deanery:
St Barnabas, Danesmoor, S45 9BU.

Sat, 26 October 2019 - Peak Deanery:
St Lawrence, Eyam, Hope Valley, S32 5QH.

Refreshments will be service from 9.30am, and the roadshows will start at 10am, finishing around 1pm. The events are free of charge. Booking is essential.

The egg that shares the Easter story

The Real Easter Egg was launched in 2010, and remains the only chocolate egg available with a copy of the Easter story in the box. It is made of Fairtrade chocolate and supports charitable projects.

The Original contains a prize competition and a super thick milk chocolate egg and a large 24-page Easter story activity book. The Dark egg contains the story book, plus a simple Easter guide, three dark chocolate Mini Squares (3x5g) and a luxury smooth dark chocolate egg (165g).

The Special Edition egg comes with a bookmark/keepsake made by disabled craft artisans in India, a simple guide to Easter, an orange milk chocolate bar (80g) and a luxury milk chocolate egg (200g).

Supermarkets turned down the idea of The Real Easter Egg at first. It was left to churches and church schools to place orders to fund The Meaningful Chocolate Company to make The Real Easter Egg.

The success of The Real Easter Egg has meant that the production of Fairtrade chocolate has moved to the UK. Over £275,000 has been raised from sales for charitable causes.

The whole range can be ordered on line at www.realeasteregg.co.uk or you can buy the milk chocolate egg from the Derby Cathedral Bookshop, Tesco, Waitrose, Morrison's and Asda.

WIN A REAL EASTER EGG

Email Together@derby.anglican.org with your name and address, using the subject "Our Diocese - Egg Competition" before 31 March 2019. Good Luck!



Learning in Faith

7 Mar	Thy Kingdom Come - Praying for Mission	St John, Newbold
9 Mar	Prayer Course Saturdays (each week until 6 April)	St Helen, Darley Dale
12 Mar	"I'm not a Project Manager - get me out of here!"	Derby Church House
15 Mar	Eco Church	St Barnabas, Derby
18 Mar	Positive Promotion	St Thomas, Brampton
20 Mar	Positive Promotion	St Francis, Mackworth
21 Mar	Thy Kingdom Come - Praying for Mission	St Peter, Littleover
25 Mar	Registers and Churchyards	All Saints, Kirk Hallam

For details of these and all other 2019 Learning in Faith opportunities, please visit www.derby.anglican.org/training or look for the brochure in your church.

Reminder - New Electoral Roll

All churches must prepare a new Electoral Role in 2019. Full details and resources are available on the Diocese of Derby website under "Church Admin" and then selecting "Church Information".

The Church of England Parish Resources website has guidance information and all of the forms you will need:

parishresources.org.uk/pccs/apcms

Ashes To Go

Ash Wednesday, 6 March 2019, marks the beginning of Lent.



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WEDNESDAY

In Derby, teams will offer "Ashes to Go" to the people of Derby along Iron Gate from 12.00pm to 2.00pm.

Ashing may also take place in other towns around Derbyshire. Please let us know if you are planning to organise a similar event.

2019 Flower Festivals

Please let us know your flower festival dates before 31 March 2019 to be included in our 2019 Flower Festival leaflet.

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