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Bible Study Fellowship Group

You are invited to come and join us for prayer, bible study, discussion and refreshments, in a relaxed setting in the **Parish Room** on

Tuesday 10 September Ephesians Chapter 2 verses 11-22

Tuesday 8 October Ephesians Chapter 3 verses 1-13

Tuesday 12 November Ephesians Chapter 3 verses 14-21

Tuesday 10 December Ephesians Chapter 4 verses 1-16

The room will be open from just after 7.00 p.m.

We begin at 7.30 p.m. and finish at 9.00 p.m.

No previous experience or knowledge needed. Church bibles are available (NRSV) although you are welcome to bring your own. There is no expectation to be able to commit to attend every session.

Everyone is most welcome.

Further details from Heather Peet, Chris Barnes, Steph Parkes.



Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path

Psalm 119: 105

Dear all,

I write this as we are (supposedly) in the midst of summer. Although the weather has been decidedly changeable, it is a time when many of us go away on holiday or on short breaks. As I write this I am very much looking forward to our summer holiday. By the time the magazine is printed many more people will be heading off on holidays, making the most of the reduced prices once the schools are back. As I reflected on what we might get up to on our holiday, I began to ask the question: what is the best way of using our 'free' time?

For many people a change is indeed as good as a rest, and simply going away is enough to bring a sense of relaxation. For others the time away needs to be crammed full of activity in order to 'make the most' of it, or to 'feel the benefit'. Whatever your approach to being on holiday it is important to remember that we do not leave our faith at home. As much as I am personally grateful for a change of pace and a brief lifting of the weight of responsibility which comes with my 'job', I still aim to pray, to give thanks, to talk about faith with my family while on holiday. Although I may focus on different things for a while, I am still a Christian and I don't stop being one when I'm in my shorts and t-shirt!

The question of what we do differently during our holidays is one that extends to every area of life. We don't stop being a Christian wherever and whatever we are doing. So the question quickly becomes: what is the best way to use all of our time?

In a world with increasing numbers of ways to fill time e.g. social media, TV, internet browsing/shopping/on demand TV etc. the question of how we use our time, and what we focus on during that time, becomes even more acute. Do we take the time to ask God whether we should be doing what we are doing? Do we pray about how we might spend our time? Do we prioritise our activity with reference to our faith? Ultimately, is our faith an add on activity, or is it integral to the way we live?

These are huge questions, but hopefully questions that we are willing to ask.

Later in the magazine Rhoda will be looking at the Lord's Prayer. The Lord's Prayer is a really good way to begin each day and can be used to help us interpret our activity and prioritise our time. The declarations it makes help us to focus on the important things in life.

But, just for fun, here is an alternative Lord's Prayer which, if we're not careful, we can end up paying more attention to than the real one...

*Our Father, who art online,
googled be thy name;
thy Amazon delivery come; thy shopping be done;
on eBay as it is on Etsy.
Give us this day our free delivery.
And forgive us our Facebook, as we forgive those who Twitter
against us.
And lead us not to Netflix; but deliver us from the BBC Sounds app.
For thine is the Instagram, the Snapchat and the WhatsApp,
for ever and ever.*

*#Amen**

**taken from <https://www.pressreader.com/uk/daily-mail/20190529/281883004819769>*

While this might be amusing, it is a reminder of the number of areas, even in just the digital sphere, which can take our focus away from faith.

The following is a prayer which might help us, alongside the Lord's Prayer, to seek God's guidance above other things:

**God, our light and our salvation,
as we seek your light in our everyday faith,
illuminate our lives,
that we may see your goodness in the land of the living,
and, looking on your beauty,
may be changed into the likeness of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen**

Yours in Christ,

Ben

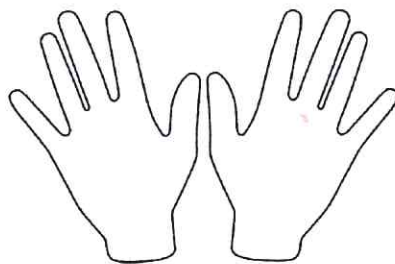


The 11 o'clock service

Join us on Sunday 8th September
Sunday 22nd September 2019
& on Sunday 13th October 2019

All are welcome!

On 28th July our theme was 'The Lord's Prayer'
We had 37 folks attending and sang 'Build Your Kingdom Here', 'Seek Ye First, the Kingdom of God' and 'Shine'.
Rhoda led interactive prayers where we drew around a hand and wrote down someone or something we wished to pray for. During craft we cut these out and took them home to help us pray in the coming week. Children also made mini prayer books.



On 11th August our theme was 'Treasure is where the heart is'
We had 27 folks attending and sang 'Bless the Lord O My Soul' and 'Our God is a Great Big God'.
Following the reading Rhoda led a treasure hunt in church where the children looked for treasure. It was found stashed away in a hessian bag under the pulpit. The treasure was chocolate coins which we shared out during craft as the children coloured in pictures.

Our next service is on Sunday 8 September at 11.00 a.m. Please join us, you will be most welcome.

Teversal Flower Festival

Six years ago my Aunty asked if I would help at Teversal flower festival which I did. Earlier this year she asked if I would help again with the theme Teversal past and present. At the meetings a number of people recognised me as the person who did the pulpit area. Once seen never forgotten!!

I was asked to do the same area again and depict recreation in the village- football, cricket, bowls, and the colliery band.

Anyone who knows me will understand cricket was the easy part. The boundary of the pitch was the top edge of the pulpit, three stumps with a white arrangement for a cricketer in the pulpit. A cricket bat placed in another white arrangement for the second batsman with one red carnation for the cricket ball.



The steps up to the pulpit set the scene for football. The local club lent me a ball and I used red flowers and dark greenery for the black and white strip they play in. At the material shop I found a piece of material with lots of holes in it for the goal net. I spent quite a bit of time working out how to make the goal posts.



On top of the lectern the stage was set for the colliery band, I made a piece of music that had 3 flowers for musical notes placed in specimen pots incorporated into the music. Without asking I was given a clarinet and trumpet to use.

In the trumpet I placed lilies and in the clarinet September flowers and lacy hydrangeas.

Teversal Grange Bowls Club had the dark space at the side of the pulpit under the lectern. A piece of green carpet was my bowling green. Someone who knew someone lent me their bowling ball and jack. To lighten the dark space I used a light green drape behind my white arrangement of my bowler.

There is no longer a colliery band in Teversal but the football and cricket clubs are still active 100 years on.

On the hottest day of the year so far I did my 5 arrangements, how nice to be in a cool (ish) church. If you get the chance to go into Teversal church you will find a 12th and 13th century building that was restored internally in the 17th and 18th century. It has box pews and is Grade I listed.



Julie Franks

THE MONDAY CLUB

We welcome back our members for the month of September after a lovely break during August.

Here is the programme for September

2nd SOCIAL AFTERNOON PARISH ROOM 1.45 pm to plan the programme

9th MEAL OUT 12.00 pm VENUE TO BE ARRANGED
WELL DRESSING IN CHESTERFIELD

16th CHESTERFIELD FOODBANKS - Speaker CAROL DAVIS - PARISH ROOM 1.45 pm

23rd SOCIAL AFTERNOON WITH GAMES PARISH ROOM 1.45 pm

30th TO BE ARRANGED – Ideas welcome such as -

A visit to the Mayor's Parlour

A visit to the Crooked Spire for a talk about the history of the church.

Speakers on different topics, visits to places of interest, trips out, films at the Pomegranate Theatre, a cream tea (various cafes in town).

We look forward to meeting again, hopefully refreshed from the summer break. If you are considering joining a club why not give us a try? Please speak to Margaret Beasley or Richard Peet or contact Margaret via the telephone number shown on the back page of this magazine.

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CRAFT GROUP

Our July meeting of the Craft Group was quite a diverse affair. Bev showed us a small drawstring bag she had made from two types of fabric put together in stripes. At least three members joined her in sewing together the fabric for these bags. They are destined for our fundraiser in November as were my efforts during the meeting. I was fraying denim on a bag I had made.

We also have another project for the parish to get involved in. Ben has had a word with me about renewing the bunting used at the Parish Fete. This bunting is quite large (almost like a small pennant). I have made several templates so that we all make bunting that is roughly the same size. Also it was felt that the bunting should be made from two pieces of fabric sewn together as it has to stand what the weather throws at it in the period before the fete. Single pieces of fabric cut by pinking shears would just not be robust enough.

We only want people to make the individual 'flags' as we will sew it all together at a later date. We will source some strong fabric to hang the bunting from and arrange it. We would welcome any help from those of you who feel they can help us make bunting. Colour is not an issue so long as it is colourful. Also any of you who have any fabric they feel would be suitable but are not sewers can let us have it and help that way.

Christine Wieloch

WORD OF THE MONTH

Autodidact

n. a self-taught person (from Greek autodidactos)
autodidactive adj.

Walking down Memory Lane

Iris Gill

Fred and I did a lot of walking in our many years together and the first item I turn to in the magazine is the Walking Group as it brings back so many memories of our time spent in my favourite place – the Peak District.

We married in 1945 and our first home as a married couple in 1951, was on Bowness Road and we would walk into town to catch the bus as it was always full before it got to Newbold. We would alight at Fox House and walk through Longshaw Estate and on to Baslow before catching the bus back again.

Quite often we would meet up with Wesley Stone and his wife Molly and six others, catching the hikers' train from Sheepbridge, get off in the Peak District, walk to our chosen destination and catch the train home from any station.

There were no cafes as such so our group had a selection of "calling places" where we would be welcomed by people in their homes. It didn't matter what type of weather we were having, they would invite us in and make a jug of tea.

In Chatsworth Park, a lady up at the Hunting Tower would bring tea and biscuits and the same happened at White Lodge.

Of course there were no public toilets so at a row of cottages at Baslow, we would find an old lady sitting outside on a chair and she charged us one penny to use hers.

We would walk through Bretton Clough, near Foolow and the Derwent Dam, Carl Wark and Stanage Edge were favourite places for us. I remember sitting on a wall watching the planes go over. One memory I have is when once we walked down Kinder to Edale and the Nag's Head Inn to the tea hut which would be packed with hikers. The ceiling started sparking and everyone had to leave as a fire started and the building burnt down.

There was one café, on the way up to Edale Station which made good sandwiches which Fred particularly liked, so we would be sure to call in there.

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SAVE THE DATE – CHRISTMAS FAYRE

At the July PCC the date for this year's Christmas Fayre was set for **Saturday 16 November** from 11.00 am to 2.00 pm

Heather is organising the raffle and requires the following Raffle Prizes.

£100: This could be donated by one person or several offering a smaller amount.

Christmas Food Hamper.

Bottle Champagne.

Bottle Brandy.

Bottle Whiskey.

Bottle Port.

Bottle Sherry.

Tin Quality Street, already donated.

Panettone in a Tin, already donated.

Tin Chocolate Biscuits.

Christmas Cake.

Letter to Santa Gift Set, already donated.

Please sign up on the Gold coloured sheet on the table at the back of church opposite the Church Wardens' pew. Prizes to be given to Heather or Church Wardens.

THE BIBLE STUDY FELLOWSHIP GROUP

A dozen folks met on Tuesday 13 August and looked at Ephesians Chapter 2 verses 1-10.

People across all four congregations (the Sunday 8.00, 9.30, 11.00 services and the Tuesday morning service) were present. This is an informal, friendly group and we invite you to consider joining.

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 10 September and further details may be found elsewhere in this magazine and on the church and parish room notice boards.

The Lord's prayer. . .

. . .what to make of Pope Francis thoughts on 'lead us not into temptation'?

When I was studying for ordination, I did a module on New Testament Greek. Initially, I was really enthusiastic about the opportunity to study the language that all the stories and letters about Jesus were first written in. However, I found it harder than I was expecting, especially the pronunciation.

Another complicated thing about Greek is that word order is not important in determining meaning. What is important is that words that go together match each other for gender, plural and tense. Therefore, there are 24 words for the single word 'the' and an equal number of possible endings for words. There was just so much to learn.

The passage I studied in depth for my essay was the Lord's prayer, from the gospel according to Matthew (6: 9-13), because I was interested in the discussions around the translation of 'lead us not into temptation'.

The version of the Lord's prayer we say in services dates from the Reformation and was a translation from the Latin Bible (the Vulgate). The Lord's prayer appears in the Bible in Matthew's and Luke's gospels, and the wording varies between different English translations.

What did I discover from my studies? Looking at the original Greek, when Jesus said to his disciples, "when you pray, say", the word *say* is a continuous command (present imperative), so it's a way of saying 'make it your habit to pray like this'.

Interestingly, a first century record of Christianity, the Didache, notes that the Lord's prayer was said three times a day, so from very early on the prayer was regularly used. We need to make it our habit to pray regularly.

The prayer is in the plural not the singular. Our Father, not My Father, our daily bread not my daily bread. So, even when we pray it alone, we are praying it as part of the community of the church. We are part of the body of Christ and we are not isolated individuals.

In the prayer, heaven is actually in the plural, heavens. Our Father in the heavens. 'In the heavens' is a way of saying 'above anything on earth' or 'supremely great'. So, God is both intimate (our Father), and transcendent (in the heavens), more than we can imagine.

The prayer then asks five petitions of God. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, and so on. However, English doesn't really give the sense of the Greek, which is more an impassioned entreaty (aorist imperative), and certainly not a command. We entreat you to bring in your kingdom. . .and so on.

In asking for the kingdom to come, it's a recognition that we live in an in-between time, when we can experience the kingdom, but it's not apparent everywhere. Where the more we understand of God, the more we realise that our lives and world are not conforming to the will of God.

You may have heard on the news recently that Pope Francis has approved altering the last petition of the prayer 'lead us not into temptation' to 'let us not fall into temptation', because he thinks it can be misunderstood as suggesting that God leads us into temptation.

Some people have accused him of altering the words of Jesus, but is this fair?

The New Revised Standard Version (NRSV), which is the most widely used translation in public worship in the Church of England has this translated as 'do not bring us to the time of trial'.

From my study of the original Greek, I would agree 'do not bring us to the time of trial' is a better translation than the form we are used to saying.

It is true that the noun used (πειρασμόν, peirasmon) can be translated both as temptation or as trial. The theological dilemma as to whether to translate as trial or temptation stems from the understanding of where temptation comes from.

For somebody with no understanding of the Christian faith, the wording 'lead us not into temptation' directly infers that it is God who leads us into temptation and we are entreating him not to. However, scripture itself contradicts this view, as elsewhere the writer of the epistle of James states "No one, when tempted, should say, 'I am being tempted by God'; for God cannot be tempted by evil and he himself tempts no one. But one is tempted by one's own desire...(1: 13-15).

Some commentators suggest that "the difference between a test and a temptation is found in the tester's motivations and expectations; the devil tempts that the believer might fail God's standards and so sin. God tests that he might determine and sharpen true character with no focus on making the believer fail."

This theological standpoint suggests the noun should not be translated 'temptation' when it is referring to God as the agent, and this seems to be the approach taken by the translators of the NRSV. Therefore, I think it is preferable to translate the word as trial here and not as temptation--'And do not bring us to the time of trial' rather than the Anglican liturgical form of the prayer 'And lead us not into temptation'.

The change that Pope Francis is suggesting is to keep the word temptation, but to change 'lead us/bring us' to 'let us fall'-- 'do not let us fall into temptation'. This avoids the problem of suggesting that God is tempting us, but 'us fall' is not the

meaning of the verb εἰσενέγκης eisenenkes. However, it could be argued that 'fall' is more natural English when talking about temptation, which highlights the problem for translators when considering word-for-word (literal, formal) or thought-for-thought (idiomatic, functional) translations.

In summary, in a liturgical prayer, I would prefer 'and do not bring us to the time of trial' as in the NRSV, but 'do not let us fall into temptation' (Pope Francis suggested wording) is also preferable to 'lead us not into temptation' (the current Anglican liturgical prayer). However, the Lord's prayer is so well known in its current form that the reality is that it is unlikely to ever be changed.

But, if anybody ever questions you on God tempting us (which, incidentally, happened to me a number of years ago), maybe you will be able to give an informed answer!

To end, here is my paraphrase version of the Lord's prayer based on the original Greek.

Our Father who transcends everything

We entreat you — your name be honoured, your kingdom come, your will be done here on earth as it is in your realm.

We entreat you — give us enough spiritual and physical sustenance for today,

forgive us our failings as we also forgive those who fail us, and do not bring us to the time of trial but deliver us from the evil one.

For everything on earth and in the heavenly realms is yours and we praise your holy name.

Amen.

Revd Rhoda

THE WALKING GROUP

Eight members met at the church gates for our intended walk from Great Hucklow and decided that as thunder storms had been forecast for that area we ought to change our destination to somewhere more local, so Linacre Woods was chosen.

As Great Hucklow is approximately 13 miles from Whaley Bridge we had been made aware of the weather forecast because only days before, the Toddbrook Reservoir had been found to have a partially collapsed wall, and efforts were being made to drain it in order to repair the damage. This event was given major media coverage as the village was in danger of being swept away had the wall burst.

The dam, constructed in the 1830's is 24 metres high (79ft) and built from earth with a puddle clay core. The concrete panels on its spillway were dislodged after heavy rain, putting the dam at risk of collapse and prompting the evacuation of much of the village.

According to Wikipedia, the dam has experienced various problems since 1880, when water was found to be leaking into coal mines. Builders were forced to purchase the block of coal below to ensure mining did not cause structural issues. Since then, leaks and subsidence have necessitated significant repairs in subsequent years. It was fully drained in 2010 with fish stocks being moved to other locations before repairing pitching to the wall of the dam, cleaning silt, repairing and cleaning. Toddbrook Reservoir is a site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) providing habitats for herons, ducks and other animals and fish, while rare mosses and liverworts grow on its shores, particularly short-lived species that grow on seasonally exposed mud.

As I write this, a small number of residents have been allowed to return to their homes and hopefully when you read this article, the potential disaster will have been averted thanks to the tireless efforts of the many organisations involved in its repair.

We had a steady stroll around the middle and the top reservoir at Linacre Woods, the latter having a boardwalk around it, covered with chicken wire to prevent slips. This part is also a conservation area. We paused to inspect the walls for any signs of leakage as we realised that damage to this dam would affect some of us

personally. For the last half an hour of our walk we were accompanied by the sounds of thunder in the distance, gradually moving nearer and nearer to us, before the rain came, as we sought shelter in our cars.

These three reservoirs were built between 1855 and 1904 and between them hold more than 240 million gallons of water. Historically they supplied water to Chesterfield but they became non-operational in 1995 and are now managed for visitors and for wildlife.

Our next 5 mile walk will be in Dronfield, led by Eric and Helen on Sunday 1st September. Any new members will be made most welcome. **We meet at the church gates at 12pm** with a packed lunch and suitable walking gear. Do come.

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REFLECTIONS

Richard Peet

Evenings are drawing in, important examination results have been received, and school holidays have come to an end. These are signs that summer is coming to an end.

Let us not view this as doom and gloom, but as a reminder that the wonder of autumn is upon us, morning dew on the grass, glorious sunsets, turning leaves, and signs of harvest.

We see golden crops, laden fruit trees and farming activity, all which reminds us of God's almighty hand, providing for our needs with the help of Mother Nature.

PRAYER

Dear Father in our busy lives, we need time to slow down, take time to look around, and witness what you provide.

We give thanks for our daily food. Help us to consider the needs of others.

Grant us wisdom, strength, and resolve through this coming autumn, to do whatever we can to make life on Earth a better place.

This we ask in the name of your beloved Son Jesus Christ. Amen.

200 CLUB

The Club winners for July 2019 were as follows:-

First prize	(£33)	Hayley Burrows	(Number 66)
Second prize	(£16)	David Such	(Number 63)
Third prize	(£6)	Ashley	(Number 49)

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

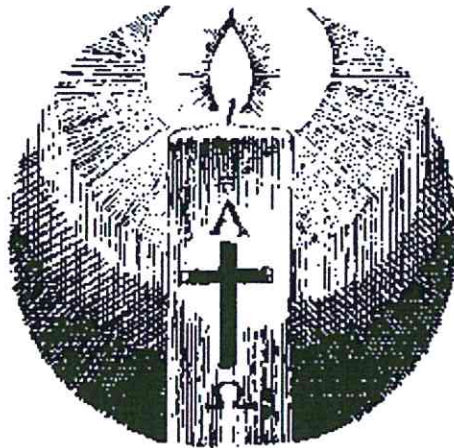
The next draw will be held on Sunday 29th September 2019

From the Registers

Holy Matrimony

24 August Matthew Lee Fanshaw
 Kirsty Lee

May God bless their married life



Back to School Blessing

Dear Heavenly Father,
For all the children returning to school, send your Holy Spirit as their
guide and protector.
Keep them free from danger and unnecessary harm.
Put our sons and daughters in the right place at the right time to
receive your grace.
Let them learn and grow strong.
May the presence of your Spirit fill their hearts.
Help us to mature as parents and caregivers.
Bless every family, O Lord.
We entrust our children to you dear God, since from the beginning
they are yours to keep.
In the name of the greatest Son of all, Jesus Christ. Amen

DIARY FOR SEPTEMBER 2019

1	S		Trinity 11 (S1)
		08.00	Mass
		09.30	Parish Mass
		12.00	Walking Group
2	M	13.45	Monday Club [PR]
3	T		First Day of Church School Term
		09.15	Mass [PR]
4	W	19.00	Newbold Women's Group [PR]
7	Sa	10.00	Coffee Morning [PR]
8	S		Trinity 12 (S2)
		08.00	Mass
		09.30	Parish Mass
		11.00	11 O'Clock Service
9	M	13.45	Monday Club [PR]
10	T	09.15	Mass [PR]
		14.30	Churches Together in Newbold Meeting [PR]
		19.30	Fellowship Group [PR]
11	W	19.00	Murder Mystery Evening [PR]
15	S		Trinity 13 (S3)
		08.00	Mass
		09.30	Parish Mass
16	M	13.45	Monday Club [PR]
		19.30	P.C.C. Meeting [PR]
17	T	09.15	Mass [PR]
21	Sa	09.00	Churchyard Morning (till 12.00)
		10.30	Men's Group [PR]

22	S		Trinity 14 (S4)
		08.00	Mass
		09.30	Parish Mass
		11.00	11 O'Clock Service
23	M	13.45	Monday Club [PR]
24	T	09.15	Mass [PR]
28	Sa	10.00	Coffee & Craft Morning (until 12.00)
29	S		Trinity 15 (S5)
		08.00	Mass
		09.30	Parish Mass
		18.00	CNC Service [St Bartholemews Old Whitt]
30	M	13.45	Monday Club [PR]

COFFEE MORNING

This month's Coffee Morning is on Saturday, September 7th 2019

10.00 until 12.00

in the Parish Room

Please invite folks to come!

Everyone welcome

***Items for the October Magazine
to the editors by Sunday, 22nd September 2019,
please.***

A PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Thank the Lord for His wonders, for His mighty deeds, His marvellous works, His healing power, His mercy and compassion, His loving kindness, His protection and His provision, His goodness and faithfulness, His blessings and breakthrough, victory and deliverance, and salvation of souls. Amen

GREEK IN A WEEK.

'Learn to read the New Testament in its original language this summer.'

It is fair to say that some of my friends were not entirely supportive when I mentioned that I had signed up to a one week course in Greek at Sheffield Cathedral. 'Are you crazy' was the first question, another simply asked 'why' and a third said that if I had that much time on my hands I should do more maths!

I had simply thought that it would be an interesting challenge to see if I could cope with the different alphabet and learn something new. However things became serious rather quickly with the arrival of preliminary worksheets to familiarise me with the alphabet, both lower and upper case letters, and a friend from my student days who had actually studied classics, got very excited and announced herself as my long distance learning mentor. No chance of backing out!

On the first morning I was up bright and early (well, early at least) and joined the group who turned out to be very friendly. Three admitted to having some prior knowledge of Greek, for some this was part of their annual holiday, whilst a few others like me were nervously questioning why they were there! The course was led by The Very Revd Peter Bradley DL, The Dean of Sheffield, who soon put everyone at their ease and assured us that we were going to have fun!

On day one the aim was to get used to Greek letters and sounds, learn some sentence structure and read and translate a New Testament Verse. Peter Bradley was passionate about his subject and explained that a language could not be learned in isolation from its culture so he interspersed the language sessions with background information about the history of Greek and the culture of the times.

My introduction to New Testament Greek was therefore far more user friendly than the one that Rhoda describes earlier. Rather like young children learning language we dived in without considering any formal rules to begin with.

When we began to read out loud together we started off like infants, with large print. It helped enormously. The text was the first few verses of St John's Gospel. Real progress!

Our first words were 'Greek you already know' such as apostle, which is apostolos when the Greek letters are replaced by the equivalent English ones. Rather more Greek seems to feature in the English language than I had realised.

We moved on to translating some simple phrases, and learned to count in Greek. With the benefit of prior knowledge we spotted sentences such as 'In the beginning was the word' since λογος (logos) is obviously, we thought, word. Not exactly. We were soon to realise that there are numerous other translations of logos in the New Testament as in Greek the meaning of a word often depends upon the context. Things were not so simple after all. To add to the complications, early manuscripts were written in capital letters with no punctuation. These early writers unwittingly provided future Greek scholars and New Testament scholars with plenty of material for doctoral theses!

Peter Bradley was an excellent communicator and raconteur with a vast knowledge and great enthusiasm for the language and the manuscripts. We looked at many illustrated books from his collection and learned about the influence of Hebrew and Aramaic on early manuscripts.

We considered many questions in relation to manuscripts and translation. Are the earliest known manuscripts the best to use? There is no 'original' complete manuscript, indeed the first known complete manuscript dates from around 400AD.

We had an interesting presentation on the types of mistakes made in manuscripts as they are copied and miscopied, and looked at all the issues around producing a 'corrected' text which is not that of any actual manuscript. It's not always true that an earlier manuscript is better than a later one. Every translation involves many decisions involving culture and whether or not to make it culturally relevant. Lamb of God would be culturally strange in Papua New Guinea, apparently, and imagine how different the experience of night would be in New Testament Times.

As an added bonus, our first session was held in the Chapter House with its magnificent heritage stained glass depicting the story of Sheffield, and only occasionally open to the public.

Finally we had a graduation ceremony! (The Dean has a gentle sense of humour,) We enjoyed a 'meal' which in this case was a box of Greek delicacies he handed round, and we received 'prizes' in the shape of Cathedral notebooks in which to record our increasing vocabulary, souvenir pens for the purpose, and a bookmark to use in the textbook. I found it a really interesting course which I would thoroughly recommend. It was oversubscribed so there is an intention to run it again.

So what next? Each day of the course was packed with information which left us with much to think about. It will take a while to process it all. First I have to write up all the notes I made, do some serious revision and practise writing Greek words without using English letters here and there. It is hoped that there will be a follow up course and before that I have to work my way through a few more chapters of the text book.

I am unlikely to become fluent in New Testament Greek but the course certainly made me want to take it a bit further.

Ena Johnson

A prayer at the lighting of the Paschal Candle at Easter.

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“Christ yesterday and today,
the beginning and the end,
Alpha and Omega,
all time belongs to him,
and all ages;

Ω

to him be glory and power,
through every age and for ever. Amen”.

CHESTERFIELD FOOD BANKS

Richard Peet

The Trussell Trust support over 1,200 foodbank centres across the United Kingdom, and their vision is to end hunger and poverty in this country.

The Chesterfield foodbanks help local people in crisis by use of a voucher referral system. As a church we collect food items which are taken to the Loundsley Green Community Centre.

The foodbank in Chesterfield was opened in 2013 and last year 3119 three day emergency food supplies were given to adults in crisis, and 1261 three day emergency food supplies were given to children in crisis.

Everyday people in the United Kingdom go hungry for many reasons ranging from redundancy, to receiving an unexpected bill when on a low income. A simple box of food makes a big difference for many families.

At the back of church we have a container where items of food are collected and then taken to the Community Centre by a member of our congregation.

Carol Davies from foodbanks is coming to speak to the Monday Club on MONDAY 16th SEPTEMBER at 2.00pm in the Parish Room, where everyone is welcome to join us. Refreshments will be available. A box will be available on the day for food items. At the moment the foodbanks urgently require the following items:

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If you are interested in learning more about the foodbanks in Chesterfield, please join us on MONDAY 16th SEPTEMBER.

India Journal

In March this year we embarked on a tour of India. This is the final part of our journal of the holiday.

Day 10: An even earlier start, this time at 5:00am. The canters took us to the local train station, our luggage had gone in the coach the previous night and we would catch up with it later. At the station we saw people sleeping on the floor outside and also on the platforms. Wild pigs wandered across the lines as did families, crossing from one platform to another even though there was a footbridge, no wonder we heard train horns blasting out for minutes as they approached the station. A cow had wandered onto the platform, a man was hitting it with a stick to get it off. Trains consisted of many carriages, with signs on the platform with the number of each carriage. We had reserved seats so we waited at the sign for the appropriate carriage. There were three different tour groups and only two minutes to board the train so it was a bit of a rush. Once onboard it was a smooth journey, staff continually walked up and down the carriages selling chai and different foods and collecting rubbish. Through the windows we could see more rural scenes with crops being tendered and potatoes being harvested.

We arrived at Bharatpur station and disembarked. Waiting at another platform was a local train packed with people. No air conditioning for them, there was no glass in the windows, only bars. We could hear the voices of the women as they sang happily, snacks were also being sold to them. Outside the station it was busy with tuk-tuks picking up passengers, and lively with people and cars milling about.

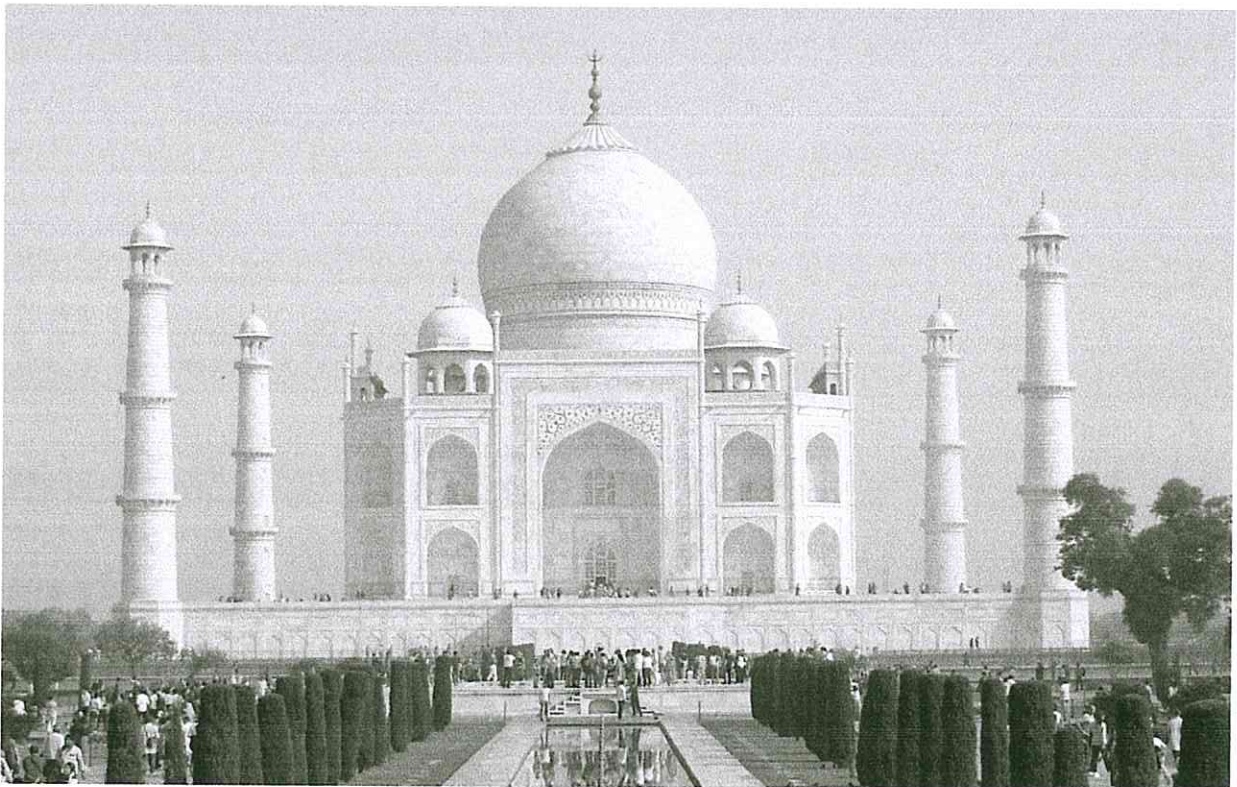
We travelled by coach from the station to the abandoned city of Fatehpur Sikri. The city was founded by the Mughal Emperor Akbar in 1571 and built of red sandstone. It was only the capital for fourteen years before being abandoned, possibly because of the lack of water on the site. Restored by Lord Curzon in the early 20th century it is now surrounded by beautiful gardens. Many of the impressive buildings have beautiful carvings but their functions are unknown.

From here it was onto our hotel in Agra. In the afternoon Julie had a swim in the rooftop pool with the nearby Taj Mahal visible in the background.

Day 11: First stop was one of the highlights of the holiday – the Taj Mahal. After parking the coach a buggy took us to the entrance. No bags, sharp objects or sweets were allowed in for fear of damage to the marble. Shoe

covers, water and our tickets were handed out before we went through security. As we went through a sandstone entrance we got our first glimpse of the Taj, framed in the gateway. We could see lots of people taking pictures and selfies.

The Taj Mahal was built by the Mughal emperor Shah Jahan to commemorate his favorite wife Mumtaz Mahal. 20,000 workers spent 22 years on its construction before it was completed in 1653. Either side of the Taj is a sandstone building, one a mosque, the other a guesthouse to complete the symmetry. In front of the Taj are symmetrical gardens. We walked through these gardens before going up the steps onto the plinth. At each corner were the 40m high minarets and in the middle the mausoleum itself, each side covered in calligraphic panels of Koranic verse. Inside the tomb chamber we walked around Mumtaz Mahal's cenotaph in the central position and Shah Jahan's next to her, their actual graves are in the crypt below. Many thousands of gem stones were inlaid in the marble here.



Our next stop was a marble factory to see a demonstration of how to inlay marble before travelling on to Agra Fort where we marvelled at the carved sandstone arches and walls and views of the Taj Mahal from its windows. The afternoon was spent by the pool before the evening visit to the Mohabbat Taj Show. Here the story of Shah Jahan and Mumtaz Mahal was told in Bollywood style with beautiful dances and costumes topped by a 10 ton scale model of the Taj Mahal which took 10 years to complete.

Day 12: Julie did not feel too well today; perhaps the early starts are getting to her. We were taken to Agra Station to catch the Shatabdi Express to Jhansi. Whilst waiting for the train I got my shoes shined for 100 rupees (About £1). There were monkeys in the roof spars swinging from beam to beam and occasionally dropping to the floor to pick up a discarded sweet.

3 hours later we arrived at Jhansi and boarded our coach for the next part of the holiday. Railway porters loaded our cases, one with two on his head and pulling a third. The coach drive was 'exciting', the roads only about 1 ½ car/lorry widths and when the driver met a slow lorry it was a blast on the horn and an overtake maneuver no matter what was coming in the opposite direction. Add to this, bikes, motor bikes, tuk-tuks, cows and people on the road it was a bit hairy. Many people were not happy with the ride, and it did not help that road works meant driving off-road as well.

Before checking into the hotel we visited the Chandela Dynasty Temples at Khajuraho. We had to walk along a street with many street sellers but once we were in the archeological park it was restful and calm. The Hindu temples here were built between 950 and 1050 and consist of beautifully carved blocks of sandstone. The builders didn't use mortar: the stones were put together with mortise and tenon joints and are held in place by gravity. There were once 85 temples, 25 of which have survived. They are covered with statues and friezes showing life at the time. Many of the friezes show happy smiling people, some are of an erotic nature but most seem to depict a society where men and women were equals – remember this was a time before the Muslim influence came to bear on India.

Day 13: Before our holiday started we were told that one of the original internal flights had been cancelled by the airline and no other carrier was available – this was the day of the long replacement coach journey from Khajuraho to Varanasi. Julie was still feeling rough but she had slept well overnight and would sleep through most of the morning coach journey. The journey was again through rural India but a route which was not often taken by tourist coaches so finding toilet and lunch stops was more difficult. Lunch was at a roadside restaurant with a concrete floor and a gecko on the wall, a bit primitive but the curries were tasty and nobody was ill afterwards.

Along the roads we saw many small houses built of mud with roofs made of tile or corrugated iron. Many had fences at the front to keep their animals in. There were water pumps by the side of the road, serving the surrounding homes and everywhere cows and buffalo wandering as they please. Goats

were herded along. We saw many games of cricket being played by children, using sticks as bats. Women sat in front of their houses making round cow pats with dung and straw then stacking them to dry – they would later be used for fuel.

A lot of the route was flat but at some points we climbed over hill ranges and then had views looking down onto the plains. In the afternoon we had a quiz to pass the time – forty questions on India and we won!

We travelled on, it started to get dark as we approached Varanasi. Everywhere around us was lively with lots of stalls and shops open selling coloured powder for the festival of Holi which would take place the following day. We saw chickens being chosen and slaughtered, men grouping together and chatting, and bonfires being built, many appearing too close to electricity poles! A dog helped itself to an item of cooked food on a stall, ignored by the owner. After a slow drive through the outskirts we finally got to our hotel after 12 hours on the road – a long, tiring but never boring day.

Day 14: We had a lie in until 8:00am! before our sightseeing in Varanasi. First stop, the Buddhist city of Sarnath. Here we visited a temple built one hundred years ago. The wall paintings in the building told us the story of Buddha. We were surrounded by groups of Buddhists, one answered his mobile phone even though there were signs everywhere saying to switch them off. Outside there is a prayer area with prayer drums to turn. Whilst walking around the gardens we were annoyed by hawkers trying to sell a ringing bowl, even though Julie wanted one. Back on the coach she bought one at less than half of the price of the ones outside. A visit to the local museum followed to see Buddhist sculptures. Then on to a silk weaving factory where we saw two methods of weaving, one a very old method which required two people of the same family to work together. Nothing was written down, they worked from memory to produce a design only they could re-produce using over 100 different colours. They could only work for 4 hours a day and this produced 4cm of work. The other method used a pre-punched card system but could not use as many colours. In the showroom the staff were pushy, trying to make sales.

After lunch back at the hotel, Julie and I had a wander outside. We walked to a small roundabout, on which a bonfire had been built. I had some yellow powder put on my forehead. Out of the corner of my eye I saw a butcher grab a chicken at the request of a customer, hold it with his feet, behead it with a

sharp knife, then pluck it. Everywhere people were preparing for the night's festivities at the start of the Holi festival.

Later that afternoon we boarded the coach for the short trip down to the River Ganges. On the way we struggled to get by one of the bonfires which had encroached onto the road. At the river, we boarded an open wooden boat with a noisy petrol engine. We sailed down the Ganges, colourful buildings rising from the stepped riverside banks. These were the ghats of Varanasi, 88 in total, most of them used for bathing. We stopped just off the cremation ghat of Manikarnika. Stacks of wood were piled up everywhere, ready for the making of funeral pyres. We watched as the male members of a family carried a wrapped body, covered in orange marigold flowers, down to the river to wash it in the water. Once washed, the body was placed on one of the pyres. The oldest male dressed in white then walked around the pyre seven times before lighting the fire. There were seven pyres built, some lit, some waiting. Cows wandered between, eating the marigold flowers. To add to the surreal experience there was a film crew filming a small boy lighting a pyre. There were problems getting the fire to light so there were many 'takes'.

It was now dark; each one of us had a small candle surrounded by marigolds on a plate. We lit the candles and lowered them onto the Ganges so that they floated and sailed away on the current. We sailed further down river to where Aarti ceremonies were taking place – the ritual performed as the sun is setting. On one set of steps 4 men were performing the ceremony, on the ghat next door 7 men were performing the same rituals but slightly behind. The ceremony was performed with bells, and brass lamps with a mantra chant. We were surrounded by other boats, all jostling for positions to watch the ceremony.

Soon we headed back, Varanasi now in darkness with some of the buildings floodlit with changing coloured lights. The cremation ghat was still busy, the pyres burning away, the ashes would be later scattered on the Ganges. That night the bonfires would be lit as Holi got into full swing.

Day 15: Up early at 5:00am to see the sunrise over the Ganges. It was still dark as we boarded the same boat we had used yesterday. Already people were up and about, walking down the ghats to wash and perform rituals. Women were putting on a cream shroud so that they could remove their saris and bathe. The sun rises over the opposite bank of the Ganges and as dawn broke we got off the boat onto the ghats to mingle with the locals. We were on the same

ghat as where the Aarti ceremony took place last night, and some people seemed to be living here in makeshift tents. Children were around trying to sell the floating candles. Packs of dogs ran up and down the ghats, barking at each other, the only time in the whole holiday that we had seen so much canine activity. Passing the cremation ghat there was some activity but not as much as last night.

After breakfast at the hotel we tried to walk out again but as it was Holi we were warned not to, as we would probably get coloured powder thrown over us. Holi is the Hindu festival of colours and is held on the first full moon in March depicting the transition from Winter into Spring. At the hotel our tour guide Sanjay put colours on a number of us, I had pink all over my face and hair and Julie had green and pink on her hair and face.

Soon it was time to leave Varanasi for our internal flight back to Delhi. On arrival we were taken to a posh airport hotel, it had a huge bed and doors around the bathroom that folded back so that when in the bath you can see the bedroom.

Day 16: Our last day in India. After a leisurely breakfast we were taken to the airport. The flight back to the UK took longer than expected due to having to go round Pakistan airspace. We arrived home at 11pm GMT very tired having been travelling for 22 hours.

On reflection we both agreed that India is a country of contrasts and that it would take us a long time for what we had seen and done to sink in.


Steve & Julie Franks

LET US SMILE

A man went into a church and asked the minister to pray for his hearing. "Ah, certainly," said the minister, somewhat taken aback. The man knelt, and the minister placed a hand carefully on each ear. In a loud voice he asked God to help the man with his hearing. "I hope that will help," he shouted to the man. "Well we won't know for a while" the man replied softly, "I am not in court until next month".

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SIGNIFICANT EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER.

5th 1997 Mother Teresa died in Calcutta, aged 87.

6th 1991 Leningrad was renamed St. Petersburg by Russian legislators following the collapse of the Soviet Union. Russia's second largest city had been known as Leningrad for 67 years in honour of Vladimir Lenin, founder of the Soviet Union.

11th 2001 The worst terrorist attack in US history occurred as four passenger jets were hijacked, then crashed, killing nearly 3000 people. Two jets were diverted by the hijackers to New York City where they were piloted into the twin towers of the World Trade Centre. The other two planes were diverted to Washington, one into the Pentagon building, the other crashed into a field in Pennsylvania after passengers attempted to overpower the terrorists on board.

2nd 1666 The Great Fire of London began in a bakery in Pudding Lane, near the Tower. Over the next three days more than 13,000 houses were burnt down although only six lives were believed lost.

2nd 1752 The British ended their use of the Julian calendar by switching to the Gregorian calendar, resulting in a major adjustment as Wednesday 2nd September was followed by Thursday 14th. The correction resulted in rioting by people who felt cheated and demanded the missing eleven days back.

3rd 1939 Great Britain and France declared war on Nazi Germany after its invasion of Poland two days earlier.

5th – 6th 1972 Eleven members of the Israeli Olympic Team were killed during an attack on the Olympian Village in Munich by members of the Black September faction of the Palestinian Liberation Army. Israeli jets then bombed Palestinian positions in Lebanon and Syria in retaliation on September 8th.

14th 1982 Princess Grace of Monaco died following an accident in which her car plunged off a mountain road in Monte Carl.

Princess Grace (Grace Kelly) was a Hollywood actress who met Prince Rainier 111 of Monaco during the filming of the Hitchcock film 'To Catch a Thief'. They married in 1956.

16th 1620 The Mayflower left England, bound for America with 102 passengers, searching for a new life, and reached Provincetown, Massachusetts on 21st November. The Pilgrims disembarked at Plymouth on 26th December.

26th 1984 Britain agreed to allow Hong Kong to revert to Chinese sovereignty in 1997.

28th 1066 The Norman conquest of England began as Duke William of Normandy landed at Pevensey, Sussex.

28th 1978 Pope John Paul 1 died after only 33 days in office. He was succeeded by John Paul 11.

29th 1829 British 'bobbies' made their first public appearance. The Greater London Metropolitan Police Force was established by Act of Parliament at the request of the Home Secretary, Robert Peel, after whom they were nicknamed. The force later became known as Scotland Yard, the site of their first headquarters.

Thank you ...

... to all those who stepped forward to provide contributions for the September Evangelist. (Readers may have noticed that the Evangelist is not thinner than usual despite the fact that due to the holiday season we do not have all our regular reports.)

The editors hope that these efforts will continue! If you have something of interest but do not wish to write it up yourself our roving reporters will be happy to help.

Please speak to Evelyn or Ena.

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Bishop Jan writes...



I always love the 'new term' feeling of September and still have that urge in August to be out there buying a new pencil case and polishing my shoes ready for all that the new academic year might bring. Do our

school days ever really leave us?

But this year is proving different as I haven't yet had a summer break in anticipation of my autumn sabbatical. Clergy are encouraged to have an extended time away from their ministry from time to time following the pattern of 'sabbath' set out in the book of Genesis, where God worked hard for six days and rested on the seventh, setting an example for God's people which has been heavily eroded in our 24 hours a day, seven days a week society. (And then we wonder why cases of stress and exhaustion are heavily on the increase...).

I have been ordained 26 years this year and somehow have never had a sabbatical, usually because just as I've started to plan one I've ended up moving post, and any time off has been swallowed up in a deluge of packing boxes. But it's not unusual for the suffragan bishop who has been holding a diocese during a vacancy-in-see to take a sabbatical once the new diocesan bishop has settled in.

It's a wise way of allowing the new bishop to get established and the suffragan to let go of the 'acting bishop' role. So, from September to the end of November I'll be hanging up my mitre and making the most of some extended sabbath time.

A sabbatical is neither a holiday nor work in the usual sense, but is a time to dance to a different tune - in this case the hope being for the slow movement of a ballet rather than the foxtrot! It's an opportunity to slow down; to ponder and reflect; to read the books which have been piling up, unread, for many years; to catch up with precious friends who live too far away for a visit, or who are at work themselves during the week when clergy have their one 'day off'; to explore in depth something which will feed our future ministry.

Ultimately it's a time to let go, to re-connect in a deeper way with God and the heart of our calling; to re-set the compass and to return re-energised for all that lies ahead.

See you on the other side...

*The Rt Revd Jan McFarlane
Bishop of Repton*

Learning in Faith

About our Mission and Evangelism sessions and workshops



Revd Jason Kennedy, Diocesan Missioner, explains more about the Mission and Evangelism sessions and workshops offered as part of the Diocese of Derby Learning in Faith training and development scheme.

Sometimes its all too easy to get caught up in 'running the church' – filling the rotas, managing the finances, maintaining the building, adhering to the right policies and procedures. All these things are important and necessary, but they are only there to help us do what the church is actually for; to worship God in Jesus Christ, to make disciples and to engage in God's mission in the world.

The sessions and workshops under Mission & Evangelism in Learning in Faith are designed to help individuals and churches refocus on reaching out into their communities to show the love of God and share the Good News of Jesus Christ in ways that are practical and possible.

You don't have to be another Billy Graham or belong to a big church with lots of resources – here are ideas for real people and every church:

1. What will help my church to grow and thrive?
2. What sort of church is God asking us to be?
3. How can we fulfil the purpose God has for us as a church?
4. How can we be a church that is reaching out into its community?
5. What might a church that is shaped for those in our community look like?
6. How can we listen better to the needs of our community?
7. How can we share God's love with our community in the best way possible?
8. How can our church invite people to explore faith and discipleship in Jesus Christ?
9. How can I be a Christian witness among my friends, family, neighbours and colleagues?
10. If people asked me a question about God or the church, how would I respond?
11. How can we welcome and build relationships with newcomers and visitors to our church?
12. How can we be more effective in how we do weddings, baptisms and funerals?

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From our Deaneries

Mercia

Mercia Deanery Day - Saturday, 19 October 2019

The Mercia Deanery Day on Saturday, 19 October 2019 will run from 10 am - 3 pm at Emmanuel Church Hall in Swadlincote.

There will be workshops, stalls and a lunch break. Please bring a packed lunch with you, hot drinks will be available.

More details about the day will follow. In the meantime, please contact Debbie Patrick, Mercia Deanery Administrator via email: debbie.patrick@derby.anglican.org.

Derby City

Festival of Life - Saturday, 12 October 2019

Breathing Space and Derby City Deanery will hold their Festival of Life in Chellaston on Saturday, 12 October 2019.

There will be information about Breathing Space activities along with exhibitions supporting Derby City Deanery and Breathing Space.

More details in the October edition of Our Diocese and the September Derby City Deanery newsletter. Contact Jo Simister, Deanery Administrator via email: jo.simister@derby.anglican.org.

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Revd Canon Geraldine Pond to retire



The Revd Canon Geraldine Pond, Diocesan Director of Vocations with additional responsibility for clergy wellbeing and Warden of Readers, Diocese of Derby, will retire in October 2019. Canon Pond's last day in post will be Sunday, 6 October 2019, with her retirement taking effect from Monday, 7 October 2019.

Canon Pond will be appointed Canon Emeritus of Derby Cathedral in retirement and will move away from Diocese.

From Stranger to Friend: First encounters on faith journeys



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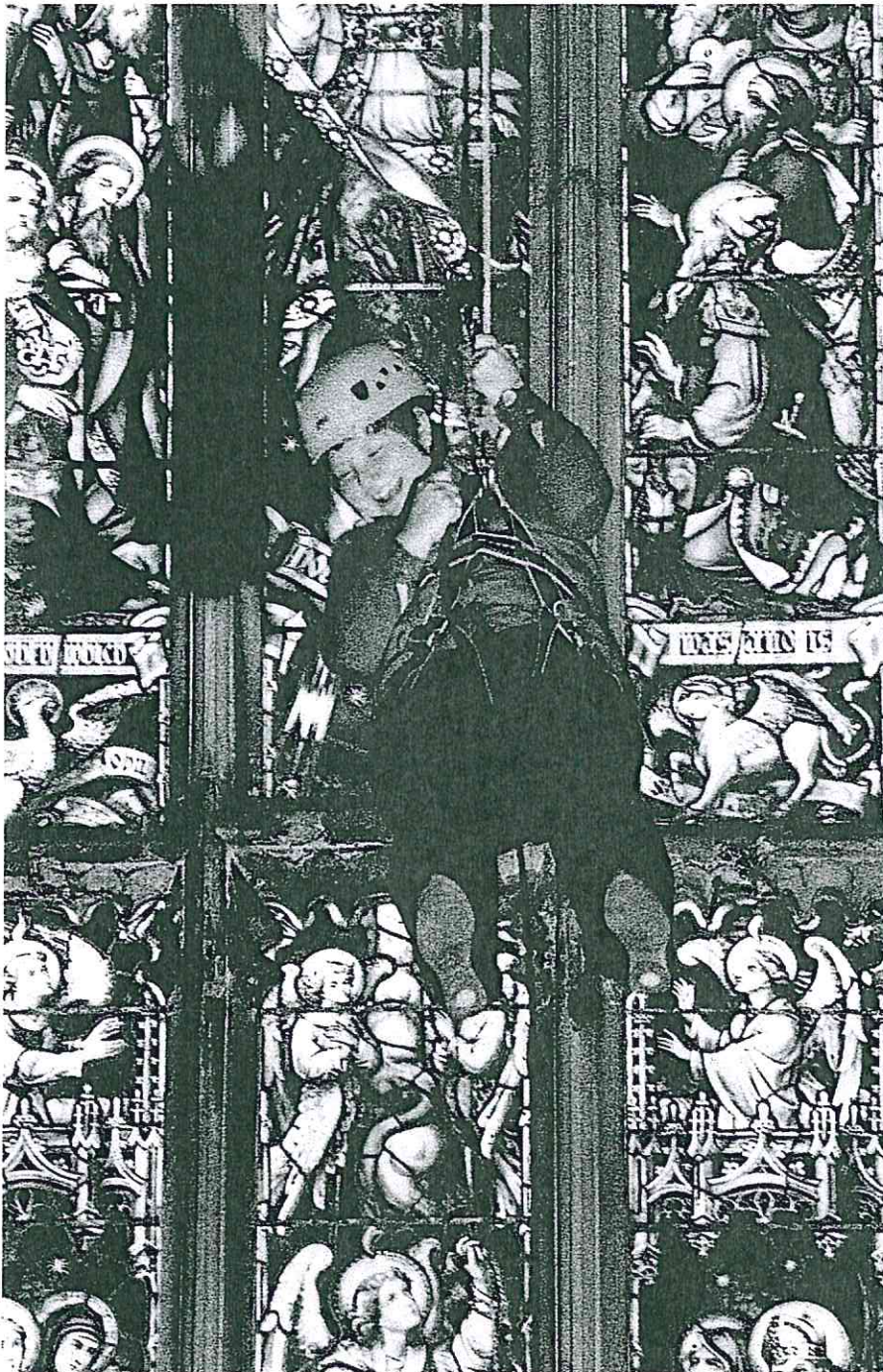
Over the past decade, extensive Life Events research with those on the edge of church has shown us that welcome and initial contact is crucial to how people continue on a faith journey. Following on from this research, Welcome is now one of the 6 priorities in the Church of England Evangelism and Discipleship Team's strategy for the next few years.

Drawing on this innovative research, plus wider work around faith journeys, this 24 hour conference will explore how we can help people discover that they have a place with God and God's people as they take the first steps on their faith journeys.

The conference is open to all who want to discover more about encounters on faith journeys. Workshops/speakers include experts on volunteering, hospitality, bereavement, weddings, families, fresh expressions and creative arts.

Bookings made before 30 September 2019 cost £120 for the whole conference. Day delegate rates are also available. Please go to www.strangertofriend.org for full details.

Tideswell dressed the Tower and dropped Bishop Jan!



The Friends of St John's Tideswell launch day on 14 July 2019, proved a great success.

More than 100 donated shirts and assorted tops were turned into bunting clothes lines to dress the Tower, making an unusual 'pop-up' community art work.

Bishop Jan led and preached at the Sunday service, and spoke movingly of the way the Notre Dame de Paris fire had highlighted the deep meaning and spiritual value of church buildings, in a way which surprised secularized Europe.

Bishop Jan then threw herself into the tower indoor abseil, pioneering where another 22 people followed, including the Vicar and Pioneer Priest. Abseilers, supporters and visitors were refreshed with drinks, sandwiches and cakes, the whole event stewarded and hosted by Friends activists working alongside familiar St John's volunteers.

Professional abseiling leadership was provided by Pete and Beth Knight (of Peak Instruction) who both really inspired confidence.

At the time of writing, proceeds from the day stand at around £2,000. Friends' funds are to assist with St John's fabric upkeep and special projects, such as the works included in the recently announced £1m appeal.

Image courtesy of Bernard O'Sullivan

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The next issue of our quarterly "Together Magazine" will be published and distributed on Thursday, 5 and Friday, 6 September 2019 so look out for your FREE copy in your church and share it with friends and family too.

This issue looks into "Feeding Derbyshire", especially the food poverty across our diocese. You can also view photos from Bishop Libby's recent tour of the Diocese, share Pride in Belper, meet Jean Redfern who has sold poppies for the British Legion for 75 years and take a few minutes' break with our ever-popular "5 in a row" quiz and wordsearch.

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Engage with Gypsy Rose Lee
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