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# The Evangelist

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## From the curate — Lent

### What is Lent?

- Lent is the time in the church calendar of saying sorry and, traditionally, giving up something (self-denial) in preparation for Easter.



### When is Lent?

- Lent lasts from Ash Wednesday until Easter Day.



### What is Ash Wednesday?

- At the Ash Wednesday service, ashes from burning last year's palm crosses are used to make a cross on the forehead as a sign of our mortality and the things we do wrong (sin).

### How long is Lent?

- Lent lasts for 40 days, not counting the Sundays.

### Why don't Sundays count in Lent?

- Sunday is a festival marking the resurrection of Jesus, a mini-Easter celebration, so Sundays are not counted.

### Why is it 40 days?

- 40 is a symbolic number in the Bible meaning a long time. Jesus was tested in the wilderness desert for 40 days before he started his teaching.

### What do we do differently in church in Lent?

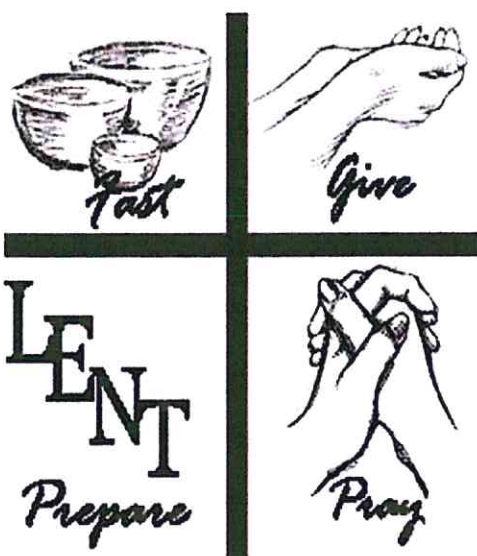
- In Lent, the church hangings are purple. Purple reminds us of a time of preparation, and of reflection and penitence.
- We don't sing the great celebratory hymn, the Gloria, in the Communion Service.
- We don't use the word 'alleluia', which is an expression of thanksgiving, joy and triumph.

### What do Christians do in Lent?

In earlier times, Christians ate very plain food in Lent, and often fasted with just one meal a day.

The day before Ash Wednesday, which we call Shrove Tuesday, became a day to use up all the butter, milk and eggs before Lent started.

That is why we traditionally have pancakes on Shrove Tuesday.



Most people think of Lent as a time to give up something.

Lent is also a time of prayer, and of giving.

*The real purpose of Lent is a time to grow in our relationship with God and with each other (spiritual growth), when we aim to give up something that gets in the way of this growth and/or to take up something that helps us grow.*

*You might choose to do this by joining the lent study group this year, S.H.A.P.E. which looks at our individual gifting and how we might put it to use.*

*It runs for 6 weeks during Lent on Tuesdays @ 7.30pm in the Parish Room*

**3rd March** — *Your Shape for God's service*

**10th March** — *Experience*

**17th March** — *Personality*

**24th March** — *Abilities and heart's desire*

**31st March** — *Spiritual gifts*

**7th April** — *Shaping up*

YOUR  
SPIRITUAL GIFTS  
HEART'S DESIRE  
ABILITIES  
PERSONALITY  
EXPERIENCE  
FOR GOD'S SERVICE

### **Why observe Lent?**

Lent concentrates our minds for a set period of time as we travel with Jesus towards the cross, in anticipation of a celebration of the resurrection on Easter Day.

Eternal God,  
give us insight  
to discern your will for us,  
to give up what harms us,  
and to seek the perfection we are promised  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

*The additional Collect for the third Sunday in Lent*

# Lent, Holy Week & Easter Services & Events 2020

## Lent 2020

### **Ash Wednesday**

26th February 7.30pm

Service of Holy Communion with Ashing

### **Tuesdays throughout Lent 7.30pm**

**The S.H.A.P.E. course** - Parish Room

(Starts 3rd March for 6 weeks)

### **Stations of the cross during Lent**

Wednesdays 2pm in church followed  
by refreshments in the Parish Room.  
4th, 11th, 18th & 25th March.

### **Mothering Sunday 22nd March**

8am & 9.30am services

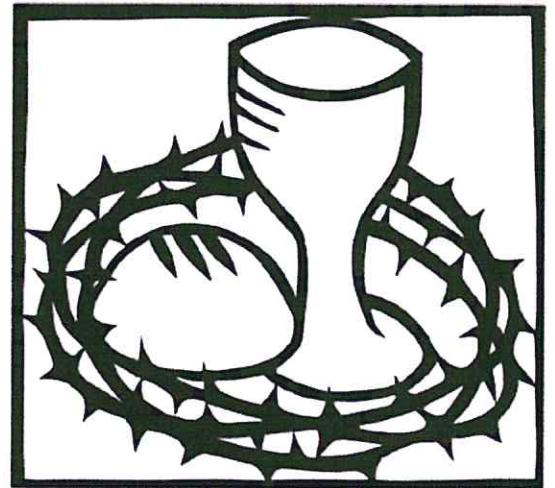
### **Experience Easter**

Cavendish School & Dunston School

(week beginning 23rd March)

Newbold Church School Monday 30th

March to Friday 3rd April 1.15pm-3.15



### **Experience Easter Open Day**

Saturday 28th March 10am - 2pm. All Welcome!!

### **Palm Sunday 5th April**

8.00am, 9.30am (starting at the Eagle Club) & 11am - Services of  
Holy Communion

# Holy Week 2020

## **Monday** 6th April

7.30pm Holy Communion (said)

## **Tuesday** 7th April

9.15am Holy Communion (said) Parish Room 7.30pm Lent Course (S.H.A.P.E. last one)

## **Wednesday** 8th April

7.30pm The stations of the cross

## **Maundy Thursday** 9th April

7.30pm Holy Communion (with foot washing)

8.30pm The Watch (a time of silent reflection & prayer)

## **Good Friday** 10th April

9.30am A service contemplating the events of Good Friday.

11.00am Hot Cross Bun Service.

A walk with Jesus followed by hot cross buns, Easter egg hunt and craft activities.

2.00pm The Last Hour at the Cross. A meditation with readings and hymns.

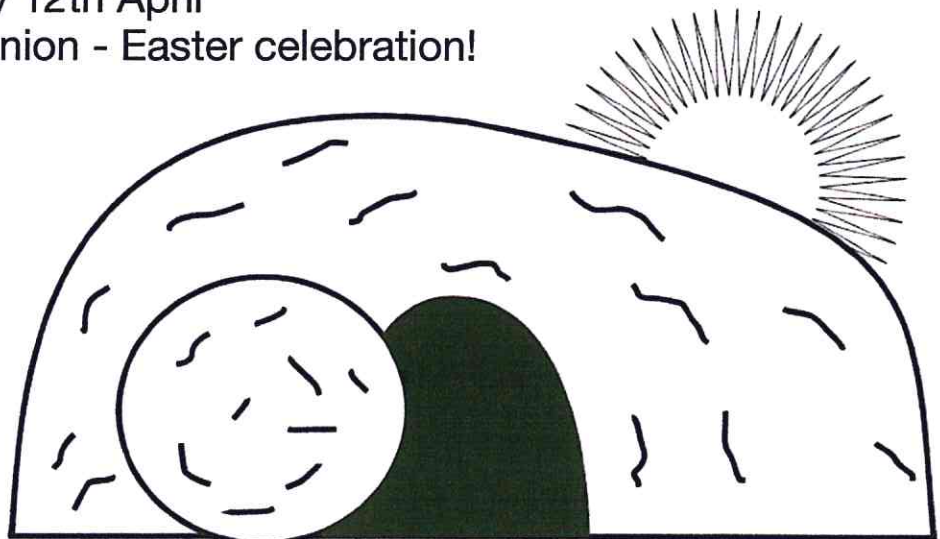
## **Easter Eve** Saturday 11th April

8.00pm Easter Vigil & Service of Light.

This begins in darkness. The Paschal Candle is lit from the new fire of Easter. The Resurrection is proclaimed.

## **Easter Day** Sunday 12th April

10am Holy Communion - Easter celebration!



## THE WALKING GROUP

After a morning of continuous rain, eight of us met at 12pm under cloudy skies to journey to Timber Lane Car Park to walk the paths of the Five Peak Trail, created in 1989.

Trish Law confidently led us towards Williamthorpe Ponds and on towards Wolfie Pond, a popular fishing venue, ringed by bulrushes. Two fishermen were standing patiently on the opposite bank in the sunshine.

Despite walking along man-made footpaths, we couldn't avoid areas of mud and large, murky puddles, but we enjoyed the chat and the exercise on a surprisingly sunny afternoon.



The next walk on Sunday 1st March will leave the church gates at **1.15pm** as a retirement lunch has been arranged at 12pm to say thank you to Heather for 20 years as Lay Reader at our church.

Steve Franks will be the leader for the short walk starting from Calver. As we will be eating in the parish room before we set off, we only need suitable clothing and footwear. Anyone wanting to join our walk will be made very welcome. For more information please ring Steve whose number appears on the back page of this magazine.

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## **NEWBOLD WOMEN'S GROUP**

At our February meeting Steve Franks, our verger, gave a very interesting talk on Barcelona, mainly concentrating on La Sagrada Familia, the spectacular cathedral. After taking us on a short tour of the city, including other examples of Antoni Gaudi's work, we arrived for a comprehensive visit to this building. Construction started in 1882 under the direction of architect Villar, who resigned the following year, when Gaudi became the chief architect. On Gaudi's death in 1926 less than a quarter of the original plans had been completed and work has been interrupted for various reasons over the years, although now it is intended that it will be finished by 2026, the centenary of Gaudi's death. The building was finally consecrated in 2010, with services being held in the impressive crypt. Only the funds from entrance fees are used to pay for the work on this massive project. Advances in technology have enabled building work to proceed more quickly, but there are still a number of spires and the Glory façade to be constructed. We appreciated the detailed pictures of the Nativity and Passion facades, which are on opposite sides of the building and are in totally different styles. The presentation also included a video tour of the building, giving a good impression of the whole building outside and of the interior.

Our meeting at 7pm on Wednesday, 4th March, will be our Annual General Meeting, when there will be elections for the committee and subscriptions for the year will become due. Following the meeting we will be having our usual Cheese and Wine refreshments.

*Trish Law, Committee Member  
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## The 11 o'clock service

### On Candlemas Sunday

Ben presided and led our 11 o'clock communion service which was well attended. We sang 'Light of the World'. The Confession (saying sorry to God) followed. After receiving God's forgiveness, we sang 'The Peruvian Gloria'. Our reading was read in parts with Richard narrating, Daniel as Joseph, Megan as Mary, Chris Barnes as Simeon and Christine as Anna. Following this Hilary gave a meditation as Mary reflecting on the key areas of her life with Jesus; Presentation in the Temple, losing him as a boy and finding him in His Father's House. His death and resurrection and how Father God made his beautiful fingers like Joseph's. We sang 'From Heaven You Came Heavenly Babe'. Ben prayed for the World, including China, the community in which we live and those who were ill and who had died. Next came the Affirmation of Faith (The Creed) then we sang 'How Deep is the Father's Love for Us'. Ben celebrated communion on the altar, brought into church earlier from the Parish Room. He led the Eucharistic Prayer with the congregation joining in with the *holy, holy, holy* and *amen, amen, amen*. Following the Lord's Prayer 25, people received communion. A blessing followed our final song 'Shine' with actions. Refreshments and craft took place in the parish room afterwards.

Our church band, with Hilary on the electric piano, Matt and Aaron on guitar played the music very well, while Mel led the vocals. Our music was very reflective and enriched and enhanced the whole experience. Please join us on Sunday 1st March for our next Communion at Eleven. This is a special service followed by lunch as Heather retires from the role of Reader.

## On 9th February

Despite the bad weather, we had almost thirty folks present. Mel led our Service of the Word with the theme Light and Salt. We sang 'Give me Oil in my Lamp' with the band; Hilary on the piano, Matt and Aaron playing guitar and vocals led by Mel. 'Prayers of Sorrow' followed. Then we learnt and sang a new song, 'God you are good to Me.' Mel said that just a few ordinary ingredients can make something extra-ordinary. We watched a video clip from the film, 'Ratatouille' to illustrate this. The reading was Matthew Chapter 5 verses 13 -16 about being 'Light and Salt.' Rhoda spoke about salt being out of favour. She asked whether we would add a jug or a cup to the ratatouille to bring out the flavour of the vegetables. The congregation decided that perhaps a pinch, a small amount, might work best. Rhoda conducted an experiment asking the congregation to taste plain unsalted crisps, Walkers' Salt and Shake crisps and finally she added extra salt to the salted crisps. People seemed to prefer the Salt and Shake and Gus commented that the communion wafers had more taste than the unsalted crisps. Rhoda then spoke about the usefulness of a 'little' light in a power cut, a torch or candle perhaps. God calls each of us to be a little light and a little salt to others who have yet to learn about Jesus. We can tell them about Jesus, invite them to worship, speak out against injustice and offer help and practical support. Like God, we do not need to be too powerful, as just a little salt or light is needed. We sang 'Shine Jesus Shine' before our prayers, which involved drawing a quick sketch/symbol of what we wanted to pray about. We drew with sharpies on a sheet of acetate, which Mel then fastened round a hurricane lamp and lit the candle inside. She then offered all this to God in prayer. Following our final song 'My Lighthouse' and prayer of blessing, we went through to the parish room for refreshments and craft.

## On 16th February

Over 40 adults and children arrived to hear Rhoda open the service asking everyone to say Sorry to God by using hand gestures. We sang "Sing to the Lord" accompanied by the band. Ben spoke about "worry" and showed a short video before telling the congregation of a certain saying that "whatever you focus on, will increase" so – "Don't Worry Trust GOD". We sang Psalm 23 and then held the baptism service for Alexander Rockey, a sweet, tiny baby who was as good as gold. Rhoda led us in prayer for Alexander's parents, then a prayer for his family and his godparents ending with one for the church and the world. The final song was "Bless the Lord O my Soul" with the final blessing given by Ben. Everyone progressed to the parish room for drinks, cake and biscuits and crafts for the youngsters. This was a very friendly, easy-going service and get-together afterwards. Give it a try?

### March dates:

Please join us for our contemporary worship.



Sunday 1st March - Communion at Eleven followed by Bring & Share Lunch for Heather's Retirement from Reader

Sunday 8th March - Service of the Word followed by craft

Sunday 15th March - Service of the Word followed by craft

All services are informal and suitable for ages 0 – 100  
Everyone is welcome and refreshments follow along with  
crafts/activities for children and the young at heart.

**FUND RAISING CONCERT**  
**HAVE YOU GOT YOUR TICKET?**  
**Saturday 21 MARCH 2020 7-9 p.m.**



A musical evening with the local talented musician/songwriter, Adam McCulloch. Adam does cover versions from all decades in addition to some of his own material.

It promises to be a good evening entertaining all generations. See the poster on the inside front cover of this magazine for further details. Please invite friends, neighbours and family. It would make an ideal present for mum as it is the day before Mothering Sunday.

Tickets are available from our Church Wardens or Heather Peet. If you can take a poster to display please see Heather.

**BUY YOUR TICKET NOW!     £7 including refreshments**

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“Music gives a soul to the universe, wings to the mind, flight to the imagination and life to everything.” — Plato

## THE MONTH OF MARCH IN OUR CHURCH *Richard Peet*

The month of March is very important in the church calendar.

We begin with Ash Wednesday which took place on 26th February and is the beginning of Lent which ends on Easter Saturday also known as Holy Saturday which falls on the 11th April.

Some people give up something for Lent called fastening as a sign of sacrifice, and to test their self-discipline, others do something extra for Lent and some decide to come to more of our services.

Lent is a reflection and preparation in the run up to Easter.

So what is happening during March here in Newbold Church?

We begin with a retirement lunch for Heather who has retired as a licensed reader after over 20 years of service. This takes place on Sunday 1st March after the 11 am Holy Communion service which you are welcome to come to before the lunch.

On Friday 6th March the World Day of Prayer 2020 takes place called, Praying with Zimbabwe. There are services at St. Bartholomew, Old Whittington and St. Andrew's U.R.C, Newbold Road, both taking place at 2 pm.

During Lent we are having a Lent Course called S.H.A.P.E which aims to help people discover more about their God-given gifts and skills. These discussions take place in the Parish Room at 7.30pm and include refreshments on Tuesday 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th March with the final one on 7th April.

During March we have the Stations of the Cross which take place in church during Lent with different people leading the service each week. These will be held on Wednesday 4th, 11th 18th and 25th at 2pm, followed by refreshments in the Parish Room.

As you can see there is a lot happening in your church during MARCH, so please join us when you can.

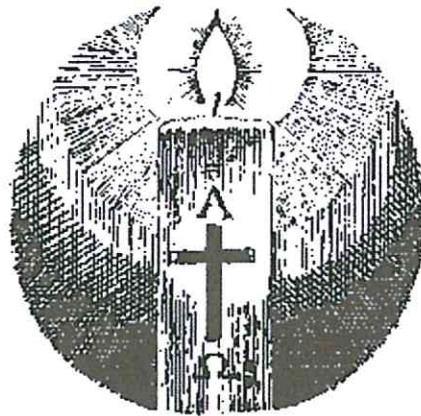
# From the Registers

## Holy Baptism

16 Feb            Alexander Edward George Rockey

23 Feb            Aubrie Louise Pearson

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



## A PRAYER FOR THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Almighty God,  
whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness,  
and was tempted as we are, yet without sin;  
give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit;  
and, as you know our weakness,  
so may we know your power to save;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen

*(from Common Worship)*

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# DIARY FOR MARCH 2020

<b>1</b>	<b>S</b>		<b>First Sunday of Lent (S1)</b>
		08.00	Mass
		09.30	Parish Mass
		11.00	11 O'Clock Service with Holy Communion
		12.00	Heather Peet Retirement Lunch
		13.15	Walking Group meets outside Church
		18.00	Youth Group [PR]
<b>2</b>	<b>M</b>	11.00	Funeral – Betty Platts
		13.45	Monday Club [PR]
<b>3</b>	<b>T</b>	09.15	Mass [PR]
		19.30	Lent Course [PR]
<b>4</b>	<b>W</b>	09.30	Morning Prayer
		14.00	Stations of the Cross
		19.00	Newbold Women's Group AGM [PR]
<b>7</b>	<b>Sa</b>	10.00	Coffee Morning [PR] (till 12.00)
<b>8</b>	<b>S</b>		<b>Second Sunday of Lent (S2)</b>
		08.00	Mass
		09.30	Parish Mass
		11.00	11 O'Clock Service
<b>9</b>	<b>M</b>	13.45	Monday Club [PR]
<b>10</b>	<b>T</b>	09.15	Mass [PR]
		19.30	Lent Course [PR]
<b>11</b>	<b>W</b>	09.30	Morning Prayer
		14.00	Stations of the Cross
<b>15</b>	<b>S</b>		<b>Third Sunday of Lent (S3)</b>
		08.00	Mass
		09.30	Parish Mass
		11.00	11 O'Clock Service
<b>16</b>	<b>M</b>	13.45	Monday Club [PR]
<b>17</b>	<b>T</b>	09.15	Mass [PR]
		19.30	Lent Course [PR]

18	W	09.30	Morning Prayer
		14.00	Stations of the Cross
21	Sa	09.00	Churchyard Group till 12.00
		10.30	Men's Group [PR]
		19.00	Musical Evening with Adam McCullough
<b>22</b>	<b>S</b>		<b>Fourth Sunday of Lent – Mothering Sunday (S4)</b>
		08.00	Mass
		09.30	Parish Mass
		11.30	Baptism
23	M	13.45	Monday Club [PR]
		19.30	P.C.C. Meeting [PR]
24	T	09.15	Mass [PR]
		19.30	Lent Course [PR]
25	W	09.30	Morning Prayer
		14.00	Stations of the Cross
28	Sa	10.00	Coffee & Craft Morning (until 12.00)
<b>29</b>	<b>S</b>		<b>Fifth Sunday of Lent (S5)</b>
		08.00	Mass
		09.30	Parish Mass
30	M	13.45	Monday Club [PR]
31	T	09.15	Mass [PR]
		19.30	Lent Course [PR]

***COFFEE MORNING***

***This month's Coffee Morning is on Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup> 2020***

***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, 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2020, please.*

## **ST PATRICK, PATRON SAINT OF IRELAND**

St Patrick, whose feast day falls on March 17th, died in AD471, one hundred years before the 'Northern Saints', but his life and spiritual heritage are very much part of the roots of the Celtic faith of Great Britain.

Although patron saint of Ireland, Patrick was born and grew up in the north-west of England. His father was a deacon and his grandfather a priest of the British Church. At sixteen, he was kidnapped by pirates from Ireland and sold as a slave. His work was to care for animals in the Irish hills, and there he found his own special relationship with God. Having many mystical dreams and visions of God he became a man of deep prayer.

In one of his dreams he saw a boat which would allow him to escape from Ireland and slavery. After escaping he eventually boarded a boat to Northern France. During the voyage there was a terrible storm and all feared they would drown, until Patrick spoke about Christ calming the sea, and after praying, the sea became calm.

Eventually Patrick returned to his family, who never wanted him to leave again. It was in another dream that a man came from Ireland, imploring him to tell them about Christ. So once again Patrick set out, but this time a servant of God and there followed one of the most famous Christian missions in Irish and British history.

There are many accounts of the amazing happenings in Patrick's life and mission: of deer helping him to escape soldiers; snakes being driven out of Ireland; and confrontations with druids. But more than any of these was the deep faith that Patrick established in the Irish people: Ireland became a beating heart in Christ's Church. Irish missionaries have taken the Gospel into all of the world, from the time of Patrick to the present day.

It was from Ireland, about one hundred years after Patrick, that Columba set sail, landing on Iona on the west coast of Scotland and there began another part of the fruit of his mission.

*(Courtesy of Bishop Bill Godfrey)*

# CHURCHES TOGETHER IN NEWBOLD

## A SERVICE FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

The above service took place on Sunday 19th January 2020 at St Andrew's United Reformed Church.

The service was well attended with a good number from our congregation. Our curate Rhoda led the service which began with the gathering, welcome, and introductory words followed by prayers of pardon and reconciliation.

The next part of the service was listening to the living word of God.

The reading was based on Paul who, as a prisoner, was on a ship bound for Rome when it hit a storm. Representatives from Newbold Parish Church, St Andrew's and our catholic friends then read the script taking on the characters of Paul, and the sailors and their experiences on the ship which eventually ran aground off the coast of Malta. (See Acts 27:18-28).

We had a responsorial psalm, followed by a gospel reading (Mark 16: 14-20) before Rhoda delivered a sermon, and then we said The Nicene Creed. The final part of the service was the instruction to go out together to proclaim the good news.

After the service we gathered together for tea and biscuits

This was a wonderful service arranged by members of Churches Together in Newbold and I pray that more and more people will join us in worship next year.

If getting to the service is a problem please don't be afraid to ask for a lift.

*Richard Peet.*

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So powerful is the light of unity that it can illuminate the whole earth.

## **CRAFT GROUP**

At our January meeting we were missing two members but we didn't let that dismay the rest of us too much and we worked as hard as usual. However before we began our tasks we chatted about future meetings. There are to be three special ones during the course of the year. There will be two demonstration meetings. The first one is on March 28th where Carol will show us the card making technique of iris folding. She will have enough materials for others to have a go too. All are welcome and we would be delighted to see you. Our meetings are in the Parish Room from 10.00am until 12.00noon.

Beryl will show us lace making later in the year, the date has to be fixed as yet. All are invited to these meetings to watch and perhaps learn a new skill. There will be no charge for anyone attending.

In October there will be a workshop to make a Christmas decoration. There is a charge of £10 for this as it is a fund raiser for the Building Fund. All equipment will be provided, all you need to do is to bring yourselves and anyone else who may be interested. Places will be limited to twenty.

As for the meeting itself, making new bunting was the main task in hand. We now have one string of bunting but are very close to having two others completed. All being well we should have five strings by the time of the Parish Fete. Beryl was finishing off a card using the prick and stitch method. It was a very pretty Christmas card, it is a pity she will have to wait almost a year to use it! Bev was busy crocheting, making squares she will sew together.

*Christine Wieloch*

## **THE MONDAY CLUB**

The Monday club continues to meet each week, except when a bank holiday occurs or during the month of August.

Members are welcome to meet for coffee during August or just socialise together if they wish.

The programme for March is as follows:

2nd Meal out 12pm venue to be arranged

9th Social in the Parish Room at 1.45pm

16th Visit to the Pomegranate – Film ‘Emma’ showing at 2pm

23rd Speaker, Paula Scaife of the British Heart Foundation in the Parish Room 1.45pm

30th Members choice

So join us if you think this is the club for you. You will be made very welcome by the members. Please speak to Margaret Beasley for further information or ring her on 453787

### **The 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

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## GENERAL KNOWLEDGE QUIZ

- 1 What does B&Q stand for?
- 2 Which muscle in the body is only attached from one end?
- 3 What time is it free to use the Dartford Tunnel?
- 4 What is the name of the first company that produced the world's first mobile phone?
- 5 In which country would you find the most pyramids in the world?
- 6 How do herring fish communicate?
- 7 What is the name of the dog featured in the Famous Five Books, written by Enid Blyton?
- 8 What is a single strand of spaghetti called?
- 9 Can you name the 3 tiny particles that make up an atom?
- 10 How many seconds are there in 24 hours?  
a) 86.400 b) 86.800 c) 87.200
- 11 There are 2 ferry companies that run between Portsmouth and the Isle of Wight. What are their names?
- 12 What is the name of Tesco's fashion range of clothing?
- 13 Apart from a side of bacon, what else is a flitch?
- 14 What is 'laughing gas'?
- 15 Where is the largest Anglican Cathedral in the world?
- 16 How many words are in the King James Bible?  
over a) 800,000 b) 900,000 c) 700,000
- 17 What was the title of the Rolling Stones first number one single?
- 18 Which is the world's tallest waterfall?
- 19 I stand 13.5 inches high, weigh 8.5lbs and stand on a reel of film with 5 spokes representing the 5 branches of the Academy. What am I?
- 20 Where in the world is the oldest bookstore, still in operation?
- 21 In March, who will succeed Mark Carney as the Governor of The Bank of England?
- 22 Which singer, actress and animal rights activist died last year aged 97?
- 23 Who died when travelling in a light aircraft which disappeared near the Channel Islands on route to Wales in January 2019?

We have a limited number of **BIBLE STORY SACKS** for use during worship

There are five story sacks currently available.

- Baby –for children 0 to 36 months
- Early Years for children 3 - 5 years
- Key Stage 1 for children 5 - 7 years
- Key Stage 1-2 for children 6 - 9 years
- Key Stage 2 for children 7 -11 years

The welcoming team will allocate these on a first come first served basis.

Please return to the welcoming team/sides people after use so they can check the contents before the sacks are returned to the stand.

These story sacks have been put together using a Mission Grant from North East Derbyshire Deanery. Thank you to Christine for the sewing.

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God is so good that he will hear  
Whenever children humbly pray;  
He always lends a gracious ear  
To what the youngest child can say.  
His own most holy Book declares  
He loves good little children still  
And that he listens to their prayers  
Just as a tender father will.

## **THE WAY OF THE CROSS.**

As Lent approaches one of the ways we can deepen our time with God is to attend the service of Stations of the Cross each week.

The Stations of the Cross is an ancient way of walking and meditating on the last few days of Jesus' life and his death. We can read in the last couple of chapters of St. Mark's Gospel specific places where each part of the passion story is played out- the upstairs room where the Last Supper takes place; the garden on the Mount of Olives; the High Priest's house; the Roman Governor's residence; the path to Golgotha; the place of the skull, where executions were performed; and the tomb.

It has been suggested that from this a sort of liturgy developed in Jerusalem. We can imagine the early Christians walking reflectively in the footsteps of Jesus, stopping at each point or 'station' with perhaps some Old Testament quotations to show these events were foreseen - including with the announcement, 'He is not here, he is risen!'

Down the centuries it became impossible for Christians to make a pilgrimage to Jerusalem. The Stations of the Cross evolved so that anyone could make that journey without leaving home. Anywhere in the world from Tokyo to Chicago, Edinburgh to Newbold, we can walk with Jesus, see him take up his cross, meet his mother, be crucified and buried. We remember how Jesus is with us in our journey through life, he walks with us, stumbles with us and helps us to rise to our feet again. We may be halted by illness or failure, by grief or despair, but Jesus carries on, making his slow way to the cross and to resurrection and he brings us with himself in hope.

Stations of the Cross take place on Wednesdays during Lent.

## **Electoral Roll Revision**

The Electoral Roll was completely rewritten in 2019. If you have moved home during the last year or if any other details have changed please let me know, so that I can make the necessary amendments.

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

All applications and amendments should be made in readiness for the annual meeting in April.

Trish Law - Electoral Roll Officer

## **200 CLUB**

The Club winners for January 2020 were as follows:-

First Prize	£33	Margaret Hobson	Number	36
Second Prize	£16	Stephen Hewitt	Number	33
Third Prize	£6	The Cable Family	Number	50

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 March.

## **WORD OF THE MONTH**

### **HALFPACE**

It is a landing. It refers to that small landing at the top of a flight of stairs where you have to turn and take another flight of stairs whether going up or down.

# LINE DANCING

This caricature of a member of our congregation has been drawn by Rodger Wheatcroft. Can you guess who it is?



**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER  
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**FRIDAY 6th MARCH  
2pm**

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**CRAFT WORKSHOP**

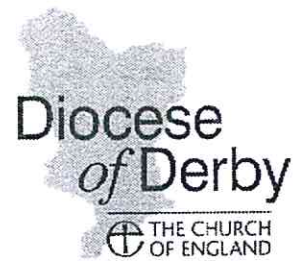
The craft group will be having a Workshop at their meeting in the Parish Room on Saturday the 28th March. There will be an opportunity to make an "Iris Folding" birthday card. The session will be from 10am to 12noon, coffee and cake provided. New faces welcome.

**ANSWERS TO THE QUIZ**

1 Block & Quayle ( named after the founders Richard & David) 2  
The tongue 3 between 10pm – 6am 4 Motorola 5 Sudan  
has 220 extant pyramids 6 using flatulence 7 Timmy  
8 spaghetti 9 protons, neurons, electrons 10 86.400  
11 Wightlink & Red Funnel 12 Florence & Fred 13 a slab of  
outer timber from a tree trunk(Old English) 14 nitrous oxide 15 St.  
John the Divine, New York 16 (c) 783,137 17 It's All Over Now  
18 Angel Falls, Venezuela 19 An Oscar 20 Bertrand Chiado,  
Lisbon dating back to 1732, officialised by the Guinness Book of  
Records 21 Andrew Bailey 22 Doris Day 23 footballer,  
Emiliano Sala

# Our Diocese

March 2020



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## Bishop Jan writes...



"So long, farewell, auf wiedersehen, adieu," so sing the children in *The Sound of Music*.

Surely one of the toughest aspects of being a priest or bishop is that from time to time you have to uproot, leave behind the people and places you have grown to love so much, and move to pastures new. As you say your farewells you're reminded of the privilege of having been a part of so many people's lives, often sharing the sorrows as well as the joys, and knowing the stories behind the smiles.

For me, the most important symbol of my ministry is my pastoral staff. Not a beautifully decorated, bejewelled work of art in precious metal, but a real wooden shepherd's crook. It's a reminder that Jesus calls himself the Good Shepherd and calls his priests and bishops to tend his flock. When I arrived in Derbyshire as a shiny new bishop in 2016, I carried a shiny new shepherd's staff. Recently I said to my husband that I ought to give it a good polish as its beginning to look very scratched and battered. Andrew wisely said no, and reminded me that every scratch and imperfection is a reminder of a pastoral encounter.

Baptisms, confirmations, licensings; sermons preached from lofty pulpits and lowly steps; the Lord's Supper celebrated in cathedral and front room; joys and sorrows, confidences shared; stories received of the very many ways in which God is working in people's lives; I have loved it all.

Thank you for the cards and heartfelt messages received following the announcement of our departure. We will miss you all very much indeed. So many expressions of farewell invoke God's blessing; from goodbye (Godbwye - God be with you) to adieu (short for 'I commend you to God'). May God bless you all in all that lies ahead.

And pray for us, as we will surely pray for you.

*The Rt Revd Jan McFarlane  
Bishop of Repton*

*Read more about Bishop Jan's new role over the page.*

## Bishop Jan to move to a new role in Lichfield

The Bishop of Repton is moving on from the Diocese of Derby to become Residentiary Canon (House for Duty) at Lichfield Cathedral and Honorary Assistant Bishop in the Diocese of Lichfield.

The Rt Revd Jan McFarlane will move to Lichfield with her husband Andrew and take on her new role in April, after almost four years as Bishop of Repton.

It will be a return to Diocese of Lichfield for Bishop Jan who was born in Stoke-on-Trent and began parish ministry in Stafford following her ordination as a priest in 1994. From there she served in Ely and Norwich dioceses before becoming the Bishop of Repton in 2016.

Bishop Jan said: "Andrew and I will be very sorry to leave the beautiful county of Derbyshire where we have been so happy. I feel blessed to have worked with some excellent colleagues and wonderful congregations. I came to the diocese knowing there would be a vacancy-in-see to cover. The completion of that task has coincided with the silver anniversary of my ordination to the priesthood, and much reflection during my recent sabbatical on the past 26 years since I was ordained at Lichfield Cathedral.

"In addition, following five years of hospital visits I have been formally declared in remission from cancer. All of this together has led to a desire to live life at a different pace. I look forward to being able to carve out time for writing and to return to the rhythm of preaching, praying, presiding and pastoring for which I was first ordained. I'm much looking forward to returning to my home county and diocese, journeying from Repton to Lichfield quite literally in the footsteps of St Chad."

Bishop Jan will have a formal farewell at the meeting of the Derby Diocesan Synod on Saturday 7 March. She will preach at Evensong at Derby Cathedral on Sunday 8 March at 6pm and hopes to be able to say a less formal farewell after that service, to which everyone is welcome.

The Bishop of Derby, the Rt Revd Libby Lane, said: "Bishop Jan has been a rich blessing for the Diocese of Derby. With compassion and courage she has offered both care and challenge in a time of transition. She is a good friend, and has been a generous colleague - especially for me as I



arrived in the diocese. She is greatly valued and appreciated, and her ministry has been a gift to us: we thank God for her. We recognise the cost of the past few years, and honour her integrity as she moves to this new ministry in Lichfield. She will be greatly missed, but travels in the steps of St Chad with our love and prayers for her and Andrew."

Bishop Jan will be installed as Residentiary Canon (House for Duty) at Lichfield Cathedral on Friday 3 April during Choral Evensong. She will be welcomed as Honorary Assistant Bishop in the Diocese of Lichfield at Chrim Eucharist at the cathedral on Maundy Thursday, 9 April.

The Bishop of Lichfield, the Rt Revd Dr Michael Ipgrave, said: "It is a joy to welcome Bishop Jan back to the Diocese of Lichfield, where she was born, baptised, and ordained as a deacon and a priest. I am very pleased that she has agreed to assist in an honorary capacity with episcopal ministry, and I know that we will be greatly enriched by her wisdom, teaching and pastoral gifts. It is fitting that she will be commissioned during the Chrim Eucharist on Maundy Thursday, an occasion on which we pray for all who exercise ordained and licensed ministries."

The Very Revd Adrian Dorber, Dean of Lichfield Cathedral, said: "Lichfield Cathedral is honoured and delighted to receive Bishop Jan as our new Canon Custos. Her role will be primarily pastoral helping develop our links and concern for all associated with the Cathedral. We look forward to benefitting from her wisdom and experience and having her as a valued colleague. Her arrival will be a bit of a homecoming and we hope she and Andrew will enjoy this return to Jan's roots."

## St Mary's Church, Wirksworth secures National Lottery grant

St Mary's Church, Wirksworth will be making essential roof repairs this Spring, thanks to a National Lottery Heritage Fund grant of £120,000. Alongside the repairs, people will be given the chance to find out about the work, tour the tower and try their hand at heritage crafts found in the church.

The Grade I listed church was put on Historic England's 'Heritage at Risk' register in 2019, because of the 'poor' condition of the roof.

St Mary's sits at the heart of the historic market town and is an important part of its identity. It's also the first point of call for many visitors, so a new exhibition will help people understand more about St Mary's unique heritage and connections to the town's lead mining history.

With the town's main annual celebrations stemming from the church traditions of Well Dressing and Clypping, the project will encourage the wider

community to connect with the church's heritage.

More repair work will be needed in future to make sure St Mary's is no longer 'at risk', so building the support of the whole town will be vital.

Commenting on the award, the rector, Canon David Truby said: "We are delighted to have received support from National Lottery players for this important project, which will restore the nave roof for generations to come. We also want to make the wonderful heritage of St Mary's more accessible to the wider community and visitors alike."

Anne Jenkins, Director, England, Midlands & East at The National Lottery Heritage Fund, added: "Thanks to National Lottery Players, we are delighted to award St Mary's Church, Wirksworth with a grant that not only carries out urgent repairs, but will also welcome new visitors, meaning this important heritage will resonate with the community for years to come."



## Bishop Jan consecrates cemetery

"What have you been doing at school today?"  
"We've been resurrecting dead bodies."

Actually the children of Crich Church of England Infants School had been helping Bishop Jan consecrate the new graveyard below the church. On a perfect February afternoon with a pure blue sky and low winter sunlight pouring down the hill, the gathering of children and adults had witnessed an ancient rite which none had seen before nor were likely to see again.

Bishop Jan in her full regalia complete with Doc Martens first fielded such questions as 'Why are you dressed like that?' and 'Why are your eyes orange?' Once such matters had been cleared up she explained the nature of the ritual, held her crook aloft and announced she was chief shepherd. The children were encouraged to answer with a few bleats but from then on they were drawn into the beauty and the sacredness of the proceedings. Bishop Jan led the procession along the hedgerows reciting psalms and pausing at each corner to mark a solemn cross in the wet grass. Where the gas



main bisected the burial ground the gathering was informed that this stretch could not be consecrated, because it might be necessary one day to disturb the pipeline. The children, silent and respectful, carefully picked their way around the unhallowed plot. At the conclusion the Registrar in her wig and gown read the declaration and Bishop Jan told the children that this was now a place where the villagers could lie safe and at rest in Jesus. And for a few minutes the children and all the gathering stood quietly in that glorious winter sunlight and thought about the past and the present and the future and the eternal rest that Jesus gives.

Then Bishop Jan led her flock up the lane and into the church for drinks and cake.

## Coronavirus (COVID-19) guidance for parishes

Whilst we are all mindful of the risk of COVID-19 (and the flu) at the moment, the latest guidance from Public Health England (17 Feb) suggests we should not be alarmed:

Whilst in places of worship there is no need to avoid other people who are well. Take usual infection prevention precautions including washing your hands (with soap and water for at least 20 seconds) or using hand sanitiser (containing at least 60% alcohol) after using the toilet facilities; before eating food or snacks or if you are in close contact with someone who is unwell. This is particularly important after taking public transport.

Churches should already be following best-hygiene practices that include advising parishioners with coughs and sneezes to refrain from handshaking during The Peace and to receive Communion in one kind only. At present, there is no Government advice that suggests the use of the Common Cup should be suspended. It is also best practice for churches to have hand-sanitisers available for parishioners to use.

In addition, priests presiding at the Eucharist, communion administrators and servers should wash their hands, preferably with an alcohol-based (minimum 60%) hand-sanitiser. Intinction (practice of partly dipping the consecrated bread into the consecrated wine before consumption by the communicant) is not recommended (even by celebrants or communion administrators) as this represents an infection transmission route.

Best hygiene practice should continue to be observed in all pastoral contacts.

## Learning in Faith

Would you like to learn more about Instagram or Twitter? Or how to encourage families and children into your church? Have you ever thought about your vocation and what God is calling you to do?

Learning in Faith is The Diocese of Derby's programme of FREE courses to help you develop your faith, learn new skills and support your church to pray, learn, tell and serve together.

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to be included in our  
2020 Flower Festival  
guide

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## Dates for your diary

### March

- Wed 4: Together Magazine issue 8 published
- Sat 7: Diocesan Synod
- Mon 9: Diocesan Advisory Committee (DAC)
- Wed 25: Peak Deanery Synod

### April

- Sun 5: Palm Sunday
- Thu 9: Maundy Thursday
- Fri 10: Good Friday
- Sat 11: Holy Saturday
- Sun 12: Easter Sunday
- Mon 27: Diocesan Advisory Committee (DAC)

## 2020 Diary of Event for the NewBold Building Project

21 <sup>st</sup> March 7 to 9 pm	Adam McCulloch concert in Church Tickets £7
12 <sup>th</sup> April	Colour Me Sunday-Yellow for Easter You are invited to wear yellow and donate a £1 to the project
12 <sup>th</sup> May	Quiz night – Adrian Blanksby
31 <sup>st</sup> May	Colour Me Sunday-Red for Pentecost You are invited to wear red and donate a £1 to the project
July	Walking group invite walkers to participate in a sponsored walk for adults and treasure hunt children's walk
8 <sup>th</sup> August 3 to 5 pm	Summer Sensation-Afternoon Tea with music from Dream a Little Dream
September	Quiz night – Joe Howard
24 <sup>th</sup> October	Craft Group-make a Christmas decoration
28 <sup>th</sup> November	Christmas concert-with Aurora
December	Film night-date to be arranged

Don't forget Saturday coffee morning on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday in the month.

We are also planning:-

Songs of Praise with the opportunity to write a verse for a popular hymn.

Scrabble and beetle drive events.

Look out for events on the notice sheet and in the magazine.

If you would like to help or have ideas please see Julie.