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Public Worship

Sunday 10am Mass

The use of the common cup has been restored, and communicants are free to decide if they wish to receive from this or not.

Please be assured that Communion is received in full with just the wafer (host). Please note that dipping the wafer in the chalice is not permitted.

Please do not attend if you feel unwell.

First Sundays 4pm Messy Church

A time of worship based on craft activities, singing and stories, followed by food. Ideal for families.

Tuesday Morning prayer 10am

A 30min service of prayer on Zoom continues each week gathering at 09.50 for a 10am start. All Welcome.

Contact church office for Link.

Wednesday 10am Mid-week Communion

A service of mid-week Holy Communion

Now taking place in the Parish Room

Ascension Day Service

Thursday 9 May 7.30pm

in church

From the vicar

Revd Rhoda



On Sunday 21st April we had our annual parochial church meeting after the service. It is always a joy to read the reports for all the different activities that are ongoing in the church and to be able to celebrate all that has happened in the previous year.

Having served for three years including the vacancy, Carol Snell stood down as Churchwarden. The church really appreciated Carol coming forward to take up the role of when it became vacant, and would like to express our thanks for all she has done for church, much of which is out of sight.

As vicar, one thing I would like to highlight is her accuracy and efficiency in cashing up, which she does alongside Richard in his role as assistant treasurer—a skill we are really grateful for. And this role isn't actually part of the churchwardens remit!

We are pleased that Carol has offered to continue to be a Deputy church warden and to be a trustee on PCC.

We were very pleased to receive an application from Wendy Drake to serve as Churchwarden alongside Richard Peet, and we are sure they will make a good team. Richard has been Churchwarden for 11 years now (see his report on page 6) and we are thankful for all he does for the church. I especially value his pastoral nature and optimistic outlook.

I am very grateful to all those who have had administrative and trustee roles at the church over the year, who, in addition to the Churchwardens, include the PCC members, the PCC secretary, our Administrator, our Verger, our Parish Safeguarding Officers, and our Electoral Roll Officer. We are indebted to our Administrator, Sue Wheeler, who took on the interim treasurer role from May, and are pleased to have appointed Pete Handford to the

roll going forward. I would also like to say thank you to all those involved in services, including our Reader, Servers, readers, sidespeople, wardens and deputy wardens, those on the after-service refreshments rota, and all those who help with Messy Church. In addition, the church has some great people on the pastoral care team.

Our May coffee morning, on the 4th, is raising funds for the churchyard (see page 25). If you have visited recently, you will have seen the sterling work the community payback team are doing to lay paths in the cremated remains area and to renew the stone chipping around the memorial stones. There is no way we would have been able to do this work ourselves, nor to afford to pay to have it done, so we are incredibly grateful for their ongoing support of our churchyard.

We are currently celebrating the Easter season, the 50 days from Easter Day to Pentecost. During the early Sundays of the Easter season, we were looking at the specific moments when the first followers of Jesus experienced his resurrection and took it to heart. It's clear that Jesus went out of his way to meet them where they were at, and to give them the proof they needed. When have we had an experience of Jesus in our lives?

Ascension Day is 40 days after Easter, when we remember Jesus returning to the realm of God. For the 10 days from Ascension to Pentecost, we are saying special prayers for the church (see page 23) and joining in with the global 'Thy Kingdom Come' (see page 22).

A prayer: Father God, we pray your blessing on our church community, and on our wider community of Newbold with Dunston, that all may come to know your love and experience the peace that you alone can give. Amen.

Rhoda †

Church Warden's Corner

From Richard Peet



Welcome to the May edition of our magazine.

I would like to say thank you to everyone who has supported Carol and I as your churchwardens this year and during our last three years together. It is a privilege and a pleasure to be churchwardens in this parish.

I wish to thank Carol for all her hard work and support during our time as churchwardens together.

I have said I will continue to serve as a churchwarden whilst I am still enjoying the job, and whilst my health is good, and most importantly whilst you still want me to continue. This will be my 11th year as churchwarden, and we have great support from the deputy wardens during the year.

Last month was a very busy time in the church year with the season of Lent, then remembering the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Palm Sunday was a beautiful day as we paraded from the Eagle Club to church.

We marked the crucifixion of Jesus on Good Friday and then the glorious Easter Day celebration and the resurrection of Jesus.

The clocks went forward on the Easter weekend, and the days are now getting longer.

We can hope that we may see less rain, warmer weather and more sunshine in the coming weeks and months.

On Sunday 14th April we had a wonderful service to celebrate the licensing of Malcolm Pyatt as our associate priest. (see p10)

We look forward to working with him and welcome him as part of the team here in Newbold.

He will have the opportunity to meet more members of our congregations, our groups, visiting our nursing and residential homes, take home communion, visit our local schools and our preschool at the Eagle Club, in the coming weeks.

May we wish Malcolm our congratulations and look forward to an exciting future here with us in Newbold.

In the liturgical calendar during May we continue the season of Eastertide followed by the Ascension of the Lord on Thursday 9th May, and Pentecost on Sunday 19th May.

On Friday 31st May we have the feast of the visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

We are planning and preparing for our Church Fete on Saturday 6th July which is taking place at the Eagle club this year between 2-4pm. It's a great opportunity to bring church and community together to socialise and have fun.

We have our new PCC in place (Parochial Church Council) for the new year as we look forward to serving you in this parish.

So may we look forward to what lies ahead in the coming months.

Let Us Smile



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Welcome to Rev'd Malcolm Pyatt our new Associate Priest!



Revd Malcolm Pyatt was licensed as Associate Priest in the Parish of Newbold with Dunston on Sunday 14 April and joins the vicar, Rev'd Rhoda to serve in the parish.

We had a wonderful service with Bishop Malcolm Macnaughton, Bishop of Repton and Archdeacon Karen Hamblin, with some jokes about how to differentiate the two Malcolms and about trains (our Malcolm was formerly a train driver), mixed in with more serious thoughts about saying yes to God when called to serve in whatever way, even if we don't think we have the ability.

Thank you to everyone involved in organising the service and refreshments, and to everyone from far and wide who came to support our Malcolm.

We are very much looking forward to seeing how his ministry develops in the parish.

(Picture L-R Bishop Malcolm, Rev Malcolm Pyatt, Associate Priest, Rev Rhoda, vicar and Chris Barnes, Reader)

Messy Easter!

Egg Hunts and Easter Gardens

From Chris Barnes



The highlight of our Messy Easter church for the children was undoubtedly the Easter egg hunt after the worship. There were enough chocolate eggs hidden in the Lady Chapel for each child to find at least half a dozen. These they collected in the egg baskets they had made during the craft session.



The craft highlight for me were the wonderful Easter Gardens that Ann had organised. Each child was able to take home an Easter Garden, complete with three crosses, plants, and an empty tomb. Well done Ann; they were

terrific. The other crafts were seed crosses for planting, bamboo crosses and a picture of the resurrected Jesus emerging from a broken egg – not strictly biblical but it did emphasis how Easter is all about new life for all.

During the worship, Rhoda reprised her Easter Sunday sermon complete with three Easter eggs being smashed to smithereens. This was a great way to get across the joyful message of Easter. The kids enjoyed the remains of those eggs as well as their new eggs during the refreshments



afterwards. We also sang two lively songs; “The Lord of the Dance” and “Easter Jubilation”.

Once again, another good turn out from our Messy Church regulars enjoyed the excellent sandwiches and other goodies prepared by Jo.

The next Messy Church is at 4.00pm on Sunday 5th May.
Please do join us.

The Archbishop of Canterbury visits Hope House, Chesterfield.

On Saturday 13 April, Archbishop Justin visited Derbyshire for a day of prayer. His first stop was Chesterfield, where he visited SS Augustine’s Church and the Food Bank which operates there. He then called next door to Hope House, a charity and supported by many in our congregation. This project offers accommodation and support to men who have previously been homeless. Archbishop Justin prayed for and with the residents and they prayed for him too.



Churches Together in Newbold – Year review

From Evelyn Lowe

We meet three times a year, our membership having increased recently, and now consisting of three members of St. John's Church, six members of St. Andrew's UR Church, Reverend Jill Hancock of Holy Trinity Church, and Anne Peacey, originally of St. Hugh's Church, who continues to act as Chairperson.

Revd. Jill was passionate about getting volunteers to become School Pastors for the Outwood Academy School, Newbold and as a result, Revd. Rhoda, Richard and Revd. Jill, and some others, are now trained and visiting the school in their new roles.



A representative of Churches Together in Newbold attends meetings held by Christians Together in Chesterfield, where we are kept up to date with news such as Hope House, Church on the Bus, the Good Friday Walk of Witness and the Refugees who are

living in Chesterfield.

We arrange the service of Christian Unity each January and alternate between hosting this event with St. Andrew's UR Church. The service this year at St. John's Church was well attended by the United Reformed Church, Jim Dickinson and Paul King representing Christians Together for Chesterfield and members of the Roman Catholic Church, with refreshments being served afterwards enabling all denominations to meet and get to know each other.

Christian Aid Week, in May is discussed and an Afternoon Tea was arranged by St. Andrew's Church and Holy Trinity held a Big Breakfast, both events raising funds for the work done overseas.

We arrange the Remembrance Service held at Newbold War Memorial, where crowds continue to grow each year.

At our meetings we exchange dates of services and social events taking place in our churches and advertise where possible on the local notice board and in the shops. Our members regularly support the various activities at each church.

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Volunteers for Magazine production needed!

From Sue Wheeler

As you will have seen in last month's edition, we are keen to return the production of the magazine back to volunteer's and would love to hear from anybody with the relevant skills and time to offer.

As I produced this list, I am quite surprised at the number of roles involved in the production of the magazine! The jobs could be shared or amalgamated depending on what you are able to offer. For instance, previously the editing and production were done together by two people.

Roles include:

Editor – responsible for collating articles and generating content. Seeking sponsorship/Advertising. Skills needed include - good communication skills and enthusiasm. Some IT skills would be helpful.

Producer – Responsible for formatting the articles to create a digital document ready for printing. Skills needed – Good IT skills. The document is currently formatted in Word, but Publisher or other software could be used. (Approx 6hrs a month).

Printing – responsible for making copies of the magazine, from the digital product. Skills needed include – using the photocopier. Training can be given. (approx. 3hrs to print of magazine).

This role currently also includes the collating of magazines in piles ready for each distributor to deliver and the posting out copies for those who have paid to receive them by post.

Administration/Subscription manager – Responsible for keeping a record of subscriptions and liaising with distributors. Also responsible for liaising with advertisers and invoicing.

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Readings and Collects

Sunday 5 May Sixth of Easter

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; 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.

(or)

Risen Christ, by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples: help your Church to obey your command and draw the nations to the fire of your love, to the glory of God the Father.

Thursday 9 May Ascension Day

Grant, we pray, almighty God, that as we believe your only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ to have ascended into the heavens, so we in heart and mind may also ascend and with him continually dwell; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

(or)

Risen Christ, you have raised our human nature to the throne of heaven: help us to seek and serve you, that we may join you at the Father's side, where you reign with the Spirit in glory, now and for ever.

Sunday 12 May Seventh of Easter

Grant, we pray, almighty God, that as we believe your only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ to have ascended into the heavens, so we in heart and mind may also ascend and with him

continually dwell; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

(or)

Risen Christ, you have raised our human nature to the throne of heaven: help us to seek and serve you, that we may join you at the Father's side, where you reign with the Spirit in glory, now and for ever.

Sunday 19 May Pentecost

God, who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

(or)

Holy Spirit, sent by the Father, ignite in us your holy fire; strengthen your children with the gift of faith, revive your Church with the breath of love, and renew the face of the earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Sunday 26 May Trinity Sunday

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith, that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; 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.

(or)

Holy God, faithful and unchanging: enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love, that we may truly worship you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

From the Registers

Funerals

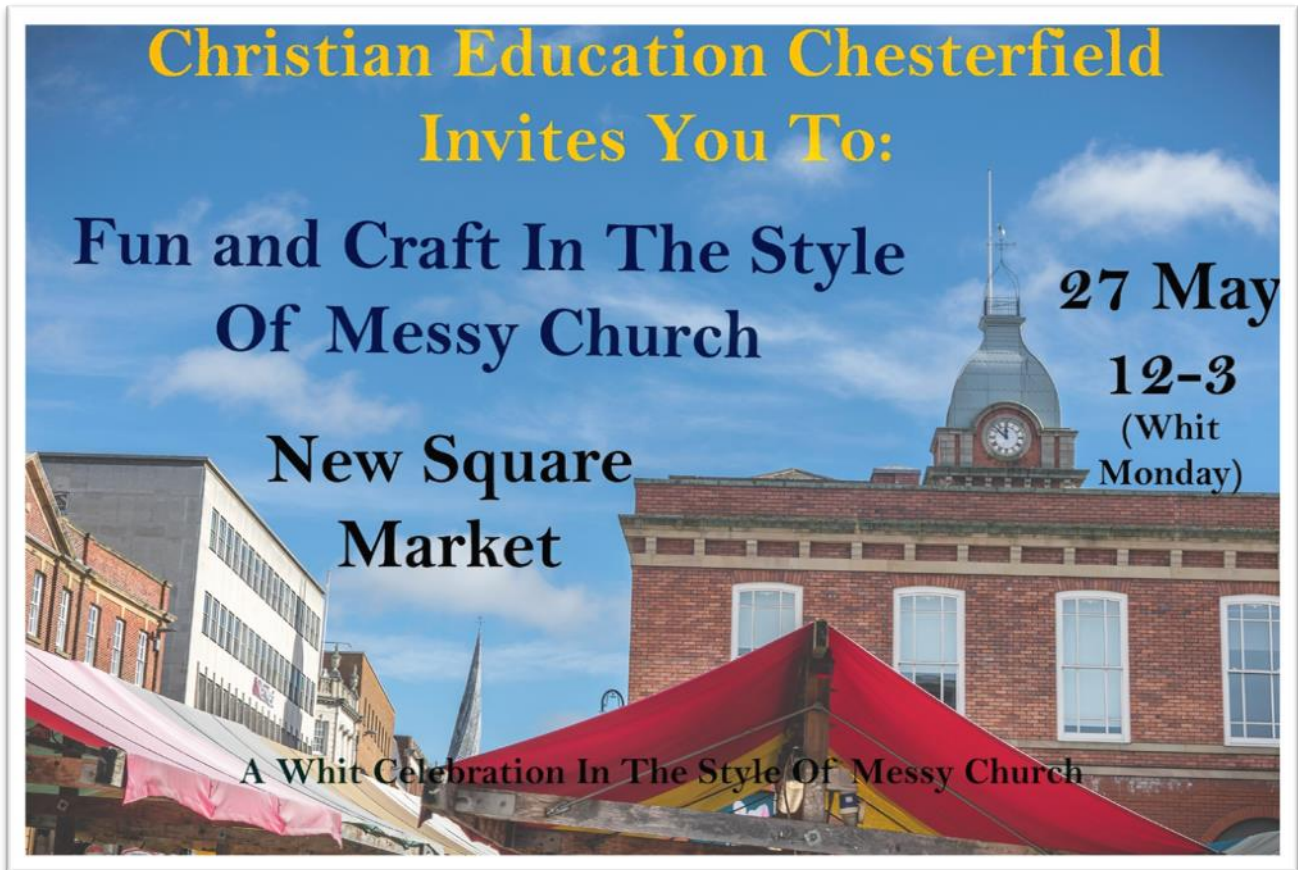
5 April	Christopher Alfred Olley	aged 87
9 April	Peter George Gadsby	aged 82

Churchyard [burial or interment of ashes]

6 April	Brenda Shepherd
17 April	Sheila Marie Hall

May they rest in peace and rise in glory





MONDAY CLUB MAY 2024

The Monday Club programme for May is as follows:

Monday 6 May - NO MEETING Bank Holiday

Monday 13 May – 1- 3pm PARISH ROOM

Monday 20 May - Outing to be arranged

Monday 27 May - NO MEETING Bank Holiday

Diary MAY 2024

Sunday 5 May Sixth of Easter	10am Mass
Messy Church	4pm
Thursday 9 May Ascension Day	7.30pm Mass
Sunday 12 May Seventh of Easter	10am Mass
Sunday 19 May Pentecost	10am Mass
Sunday 26 May Trinity Sunday	10am Mass

Every Tuesday	9.50am Morning Prayer via Zoom
Every Wednesday	10am Mid-week Communion , Parish Room

Wednesday 1 May	Women's Group 7pm Parish Room
Saturday 4 May	Community Coffee Morning 10am-12pm Raising funds for the Churchyard, Parish Room
Saturday 11 May	Churchyard Tidy-up 10am-12pm
Monday 13 May	Monday Club 1-3pm Parish Room
Saturday 18 May	Men's Group 10am-12pm Parish Room
Monday 20 May	Monday Club – Outing to be arranged.



Thy Kingdom Come 2024 - 9th-19th May

Thy Kingdom Come (TKC) is a global ecumenical prayer movement that invites Christians around the world to pray from Ascension to Pentecost for more people to come to know Jesus.

Every person, household and church are encouraged to pray during the 11 days in their own way.

It is our hope & prayer, that those who have not yet heard the Good News of Jesus Christ and His love for the world, will hear it for themselves and respond and follow Him.

Specifically, we again invite each and every Christian across the globe to pray that God's Spirit might work in the lives of 5 people who have not responded with their 'Yes' to God's call.

For more information see

<https://www.thykingdomcome.global>

See also our own call to prayer on the following page.

Pentecost

Sunday 19th May

Following the success at Easter raising important funds for the church with the smartie tubes we have an idea for Pentecost.

Everyone attending Ascension Day service on 9th May will receive a bookmark designed and made by Ann Bennett. Don't worry we will have spares available on the following Sunday 12th May. We hope you will use it in the days between Ascension Day and Pentecost on 19th May. We hope the bookmark will encourage you to read your bible at this important point in the church calendar. Red is the colour associated with Pentecost as a symbol of the flames in which the Holy Spirit came to earth.

We hope you can wear something red to celebrate the good news of the gospels. Look out for a red flower arrangement to keep the Pentecost theme present in our thoughts on the day.

There will be a red dish at the back of church for donations on the 19th to celebrate the day which is regarded as the birthday of the Christian Church.

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.

Galatians 5:22-23



Church Fete 6th July

We are getting closer to the church fete which this year will be held in and around The Eagle Club.

There are a number of stalls in need of someone or a team to run them, if you could help, please let me know as soon as possible.

- Bric a brac
- Animal auction
- Jumble jars
- Children's games
- Plants
- Water and wine

In next month's magazine you will find a list of items we need for the fete.

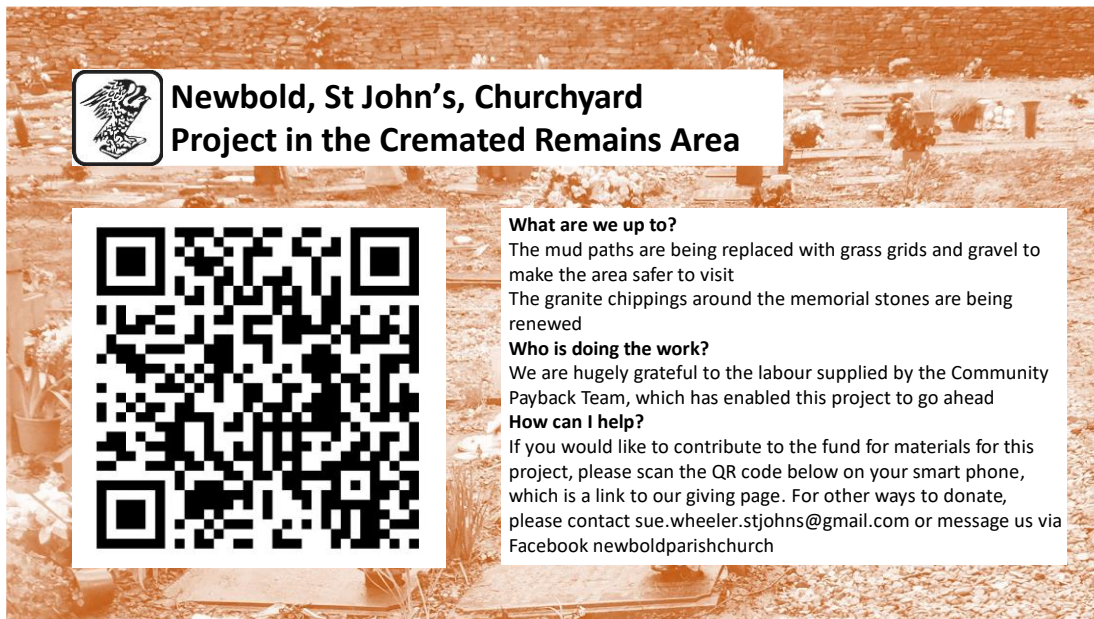
Look out for the raffle tickets which should be available at the end of the month. If anyone has any brand-new items suitable as raffle prizes please let me know. We will have a list at the back of church from mid-May for items to put into one or two hampers.


Julie Franks


Churchyard Fund

We have recently launched a new campaign to raise funds for the upkeep of our churchyard and in particular the memorial area.

You will see the following posters around the churchyard.



 **Newbold, St John's, Churchyard
Project in the Cremated Remains Area**



What are we up to?
The mud paths are being replaced with grass grids and gravel to make the area safer to visit
The granite chippings around the memorial stones are being renewed

Who is doing the work?
We are hugely grateful to the labour supplied by the Community Payback Team, which has enabled this project to go ahead

How can I help?
If you would like to contribute to the fund for materials for this project, please scan the QR code below on your smart phone, which is a link to our giving page. For other ways to donate, please contact sue.wheeler.stjohns@gmail.com or message us via Facebook [newboldparishchurch](https://www.facebook.com/newboldparishchurch)

Work is already getting underway, and we are very grateful for the hard work put in by the Community Pay Back team.



Fundraising Report

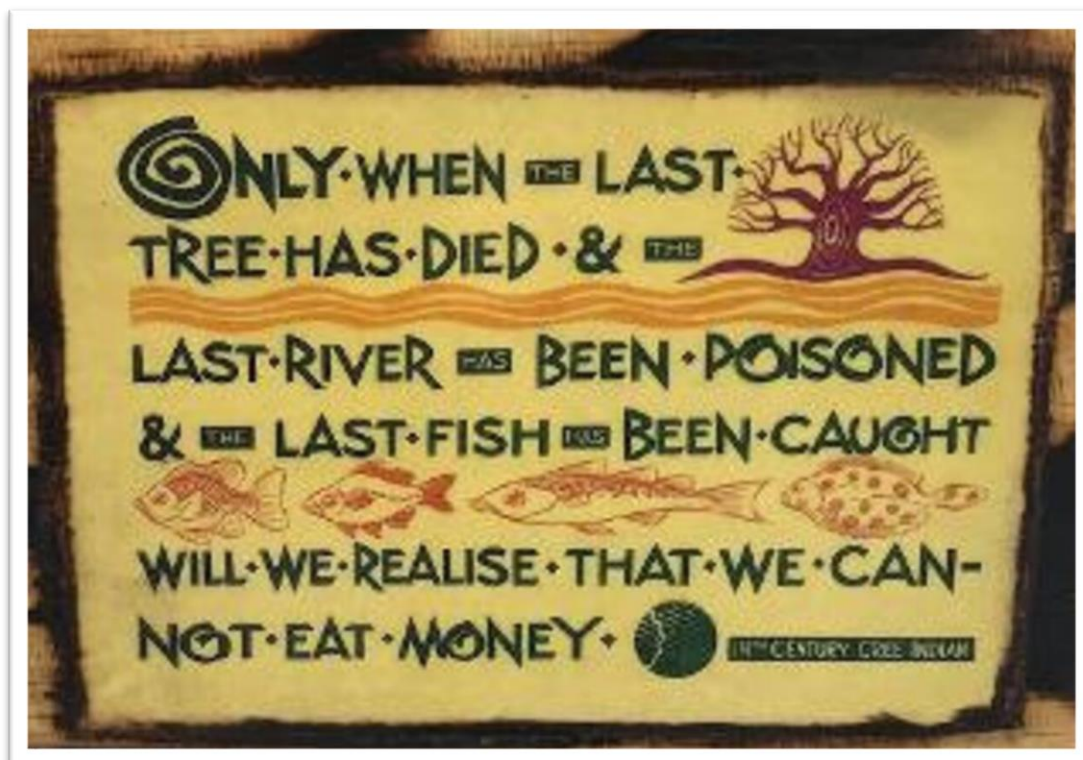
£155!

The **Coffee Morning** for April was hosted by husband-and-wife team, Brian and Bev Speed, who provided plenty of home-made cakes for us and numerous raffle prizes. Their hard work raised **£155**.

The **“Colour Me Yellow”** Sunday was a great success. Many people arrived in church wearing a yellow item and placed their generous donations in the yellow jug provided. We made over **£342!!** Well done everyone. Thank you, thank you, thank you.

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Earth Day and Scapa Joe

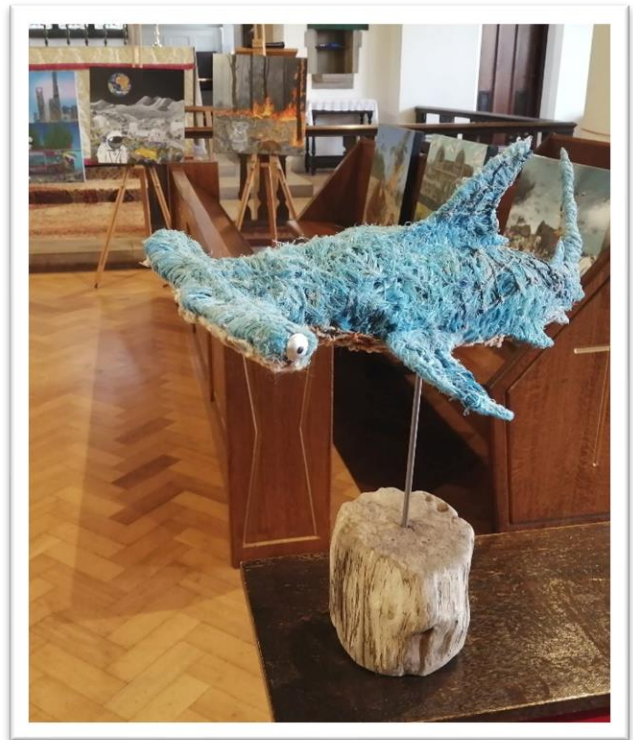
Revd Rhoda

On Saturday 20 April, we had our second Earth Day event here at St John's Newbold, raising funds towards our building project to future proof our church, reducing our carbon footprint.

Every year on April 22, Earth Day marks the anniversary of the birth of the modern environmental movement in 1970. Today, when almost every week some climate related record is broken somewhere in the world, the need for an Earth Day is as important as ever. Joining with thousands of partners around the world, the Earth Day movement continues to call for the creativity, innovation, ambition, and bravery that we need to meet our climate crisis and seize the enormous opportunities of a zero-carbon future.

This year, we were really pleased to welcome Caroline Appleyard, whose is using her skills as an artist, and her work as a diver, to highlight the problems our planet earth is facing.

Caroline used to paint in a naïve style, which was bright and fun (and she has painted us a picture of the church in this style that we are going to fundraise from). However, in the last seven years her work has taken a different more serious direction as she has seen firsthand the amount of rubbish in the ocean and the endless news on the effects of climate change.



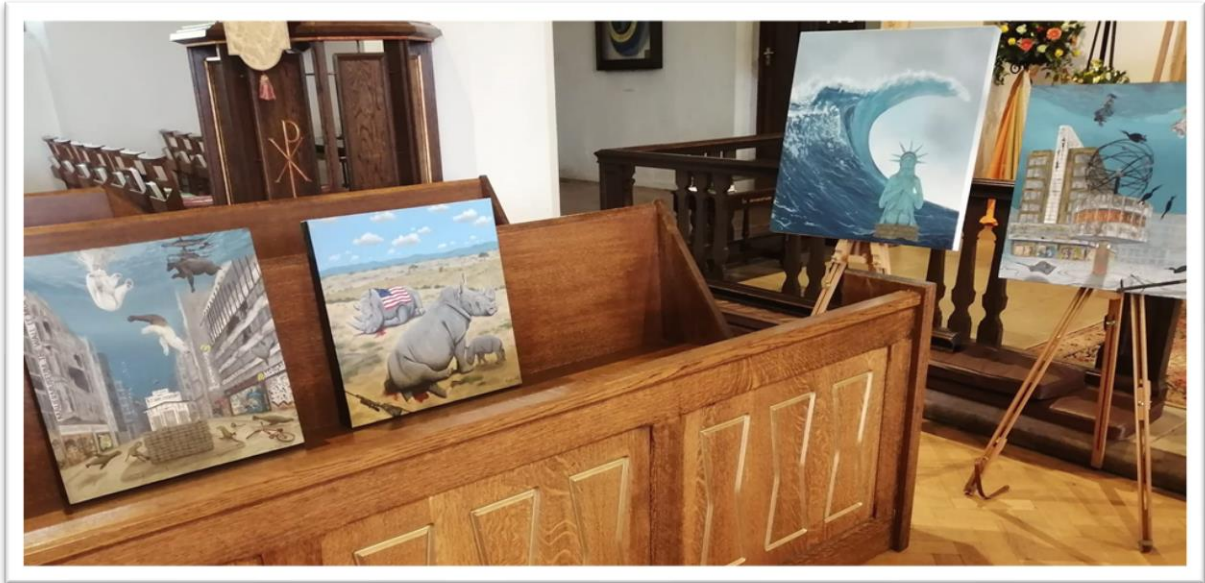
She has been working collaboratively with photographer/designer Dean Hodson as Scapa Joe. Themes for Caroline's work with Scapa Joe have been rising sea levels, deforestation, habitat loss, and extinction.

Caroline brought along and displayed lots of her paintings and sculptures and told us the background to each one—what had inspired her and how she goes about making them. Many of them are quite hard hitting, for example, imagining what cities such as London will be like with the predicted sea level rises.



The sculptures are more 'friendly' and she makes them almost entirely from items collected from beach combing. She doesn't use any dyes, just working with the colours available, sewing and weaving them onto a wire structure. Nylon fishing rope takes hundreds of years to degrade, and the sculptures serve to highlight this. She said that tablet blister packs are particularly good for eyes. Each sculpture can take many hours to produce. Caroline's favourite so far is her hammerhead shark.

There was opportunity to look in detail at the artwork and to ask Caroline questions, and we were very appreciative of her coming.



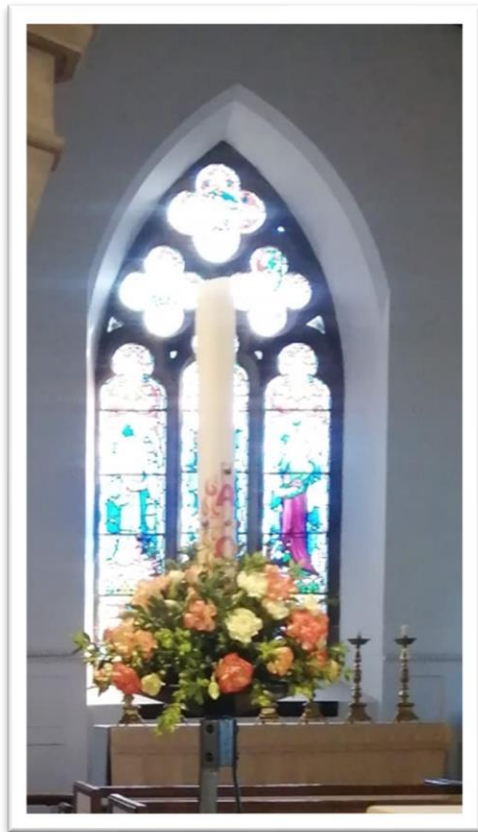
The evening finished with a pie and pea supper, with the pies supplied by Alan from the Royal Oak Pub in Hollins.

In total, the evening raised £261 for the building project.



Easter Flower Preparations

Thank you to you all!



Caption Competition!



This picture was taken at the Walk of Witness.

What is Richard thinking?

Answers can be emailed to sue.wheeler.stjohns@gmail.com

Newbold Women's Group

Meeting on 3 April 2024

From Wendy Drake – Committee Member

The Group met for a very lively and interesting evening when Jackie Morgan spoke to us on the subject of 'Besant, Bradlaugh and Butler,' all portrayed as Victorian reformers.

With the advent of improved agriculture and a growing population in the early 1800's, the development of textiles and the iron industry came to the fore. The rivers became linked through the canal system, supplying the mill towns where the greater populations were to be found. So, the maintenance of law and order was very much needed.

A number of Acts of Parliament came into being, starting with the Great Reform Act of 1832, introducing major changes to the electoral system of England and Wales, followed by the Anatomy Act in the same year, which dealt mainly with the situation found in the workhouses. The Factory and Education Acts followed in 1833, to improve the conditions for children, especially those working in the factories. The New Poor Law introduced the next year focussed again on workhouses, where older women, on the whole, were to be found picking oakum for use in the shipbuilding industry.

So, enter Josephine Butler (1828 – 1906), an educated lady living in Liverpool with 3 children. Josephine visited the ladies in the workhouses for 24 years and campaigned against the situations found there. Many suffered from contagious diseases like syphilis acquired when 'working' as prostitutes. At that time women were examined by the Metropolitan Police and any found to be diseased were placed in Lock Hospitals. The men were never examined since they would have objected, so the Women's Suffrage movement came to the

fore, as did better education for women. The abolition of child prostitution and the trafficking of young girls to Europe, where the age of consent was 13 years old, also came into being.

Annie Besant (1847 – 1933), had married a clergyman at the age of 18 but on becoming an atheist, separated from her husband. She was a British Socialist, 'Women's Rights,' and educational activist, also a campaigner for Home Rule, her mother being an Irish Catholic, and father English, but having completed a medical degree from Trinity College, Dublin. She later became a theosophist and then the leader, in 1914, of the Indian National Congress, with a vision to getting India independence. Her funeral in 1933 had been in the Indian tradition.

Earlier in her life she had met up with Charles Bradlaugh, another political activist and atheist and the founder of the Secular Society and Chronicle, whose followers were also freethinkers. Together in 1877, they succeeded in establishing the right to republish the pamphlet 'Fruits of Philosophy', which dealt with contraception. At the time, the book was banned, and prison sentences were in the offing but were quashed. The pair of them were as well involved in the Bryant and May Match Factory dispute in 1888, when the match girls went on strike over working a 14-hour day with poor pay and excessive fines. 'Phossy jaw' was also an issue, acquired from working with white phosphorus used in the match production.

Charles Bradlaugh was the MP for Northampton, who although voted in following 6 by-elections was unable to take his seat in Parliament with his being an atheist. However, he took the oath in 1886 when Gladstone, the Liberal politician was Prime Minister of the UK. Bradlaugh died in 1891 and in his Will, he had specified wishing his funeral to be a cheap and low-key affair. However, attendees came from far and

wide such was his popularity. Throughout his life, he had fought for the underdog, under-privileged and downtrodden.

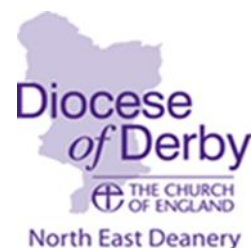
So ended a bit of a history lesson for me and I am sure many others too.

Our next meeting is to be on **Wednesday 1 May**, when we will look forward to a second visit from Sue Pacey, local author, beekeeper, and former midwife. It would be good to see some 'new' faces in the Parish Room when we meet at 7pm. Do speak to Trish, Marilyn J., or myself if you wish to know more.

The Walking Group

The Walking Group was unable to meet in April, but the May walk will take place on **Sunday 5th May**, when we will meet outside the church gates at our Summertime of 4pm. Anyone wishing to join us will be made very welcome.

Diocese Vision Prayer for 2027



*Gracious God, in your mercy and for your glory,
renew us, reshape us, revive us –with generous faith,
courageous hope and life-giving love –
that, in transformed lives through growing church
and building community, we may see your Kingdom come
and be good news for all. Amen*

Churchyard Birdwatch

From Christine Wieloch

This month we were able to go to the churchyard on the first Saturday as it was dry, cloudy and cool. The sun made an appearance later on and the sky cleared which made us all feel more cheerful after all the rain we've had recently. However, the rain had left the ground very wet and we had to tread carefully in parts of the churchyard.

There was a lot of activity in the churchyard, but the noise of the rooks and crows dominated. We were pleased to see that there was at least one feeder in the rectory garden. Also, we saw several species collecting twigs and nesting material. We were pleased to hear a chiffchaff on the walk down from Kendal Road to church. Those of you who use that path could listen out for it as its call is its own name. They are usually at the tops of trees in among the leaves so are not always easy to see but their call makes their presence known.

All in all, we saw 18 species of bird but there was some debate over whether one bird we heard was a blackbird or a song thrush. We are still not sure, but Rhoda emailed to say she has definitely heard song thrush in the churchyard. Our 18 species were blackbird, blue tit, crow, chaffinch, chiffchaff, coal tit, collared dove, dunnoek, great tit, herring gull, house sparrow, jackdaw, long tailed tit, magpie, robin, rook, song thrush, sparrow hawk, and wood pigeon.

Our next trip up the churchyard will be on May 4th so long as the weather is fine. We will meet at 8.30 am in front of church and all are welcome.

The “100 +” draw for April 2024

First Prize	£ 30	Phil Lowe	Number	26
Second Prize	£ 15	Ann Tagg	Number	61
Third Prize	£ 5	Ann Adams	Number	62

We are willing to add new members to the Club which is open to all readers of this magazine and their families.

The next draw will take place on Sunday 12th May in the parish room.

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