



Newbold Parish Church

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CHURCH FETE - 4TH JULY

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*Thank you to all who have contributed articles to this edition. Items for the next edition to be with Emma, the editor, or Rhoda, the vicar, by **Sunday 12th July**. Articles received after the deadline will be published in the following month's issue.*

*Please note the **new email address** for Emma below.*

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Public Worship

Sunday 10am Mass

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.

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.

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Wednesday 10am Mid-week Communion

A service of mid-week Holy Communion now taking place in the Lady Chapel. Please enter Church through the main entrance and then enter the Lady Chapel through the choir vestry.

Sunday 5th July	Fifth Sunday after Trinity	10am
Sunday 12th July	Sixth Sunday after Trinity	10am
	Messy Church	4pm
Sunday 19th July	Seventh Sunday after Trinity	10am
	Celtic Service	5pm
Sunday 26th July	Eighth Sunday after Trinity	10am

From the Vicar

Rev'd Rhoda



On 20th June, at Derby Cathedral, we were delighted to witness a significant and joyful moment in the life of our parish family as Reverend Rebecca was ordained priest by Bishop Jackie. Surrounded by family, friends, clergy colleagues, and members of the wider church community, Rebecca took this next step in her ministry, affirming once again her commitment to serve God and His people.



Ordination marks not only a milestone in ministry but also a powerful testimony to God's faithfulness and calling. Rebecca's journey has been one of listening, discerning, and responding to God's voice. Through different seasons of life, she has continued to answer God's call with courage, humility, and trust. We give thanks for the gifts she brings to our parish and for the ministry she continues to share among us.

During the service, the sermon was preached by the Revd Canon Grace Thomas, who offered a message that resonated deeply with many present. She reminded us all that God does not wait for us to become perfect before calling us. Rather, God calls us as we are—bringing with us our strengths, weaknesses, questions, and even our mess. Grace spoke of the temptation to believe that we must first get everything sorted out before stepping forward in faith. Yet, she observed that if we wait until everything is in order, we may never respond at all.

This was a timely reminder that God's call is not dependent upon our perfection but upon His grace. Throughout Scripture, God calls ordinary people, often during uncertainty, and equips them for the work He has prepared for them. Rebecca's ordination is a visible sign of that truth: a faithful response to God's invitation and a willingness to trust Him for the journey ahead.



As a parish, we rejoice with Rebecca on this special day and assure her of our continued prayers and support. We pray that God will bless her ministry, strengthen her in times of challenge, and fill her with joy as she continues to serve Christ and His Church.

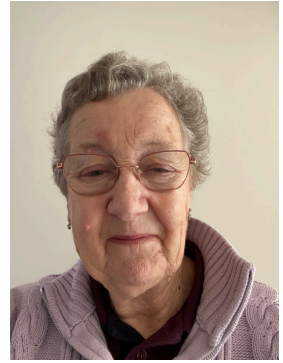
Congratulations, Reverend Rebecca, on your ordination as priest. May God continue to guide and bless you as you follow His call.

Every blessing

Rhoda +

Churchwarden's Corner

Wendy Drake



As we move into the month of July, it seems almost impossible to realise that we are now halfway through yet another year.

Richard and myself were officially installed as Churchwardens to serve the Parish for another year, when last month we met the new Archdeacon of East Derbyshire, Revd Emma Sykes at the Archdeacon's Visitation to St John's Church, Walton.

This was followed a few days later when a number of the congregation were able to be present at the Ordination into the Priesthood of our own Assistant Curate, Revd Rebecca Landers, at Derby Cathedral. It was a wonderful opportunity to be able to support her as she embarks on and enters God's service and, we all wish her every blessing.

We do pray that all preparations for our Summer Fete on Saturday 4 July run smoothly for our new planning team of Revd Rhoda, Cynthia, Rachel and Richard. We pray too that it turns out to be a great occasion not only for the congregation but also for the community to come together and enjoy what is on offer at the Eagle Club from 2-4pm.

Later in the month on 11 July, we have a return visit from Staveley and District Churches United Choir as under the leadership of Julie H. they again present a Concert for us in the church.

Julie F. is organising a Picnic and Quiz on 24 July, to support the Newbold Building Project, which is coming along even with the hiccup of extra work being needed on the bell tower and bell.

Thinking of the new church roof, as I write work is continuing well on the main body of the church. I know this might sound a minor comment but when directing visitors to the church, we can just now mention that it is the building enveloped by scaffolding!

Since before the start of the Football World Cup 26 this month, Dean has been organising a sweepstake, again to raise much needed church funds. I, for one, am certainly not holding out any hopes of winning having drawn Qatar as my team!

We are thankful for the continuing visits of the Payback teams as they are doing a great job in tidying up the churchyard, especially at the present time when everything, plants, trees and flowers put on a growth spurt with the warmer weather. The teams have made a great improvement to the area having almost completed a dug-out path through the churchyard, preventing visitors from sliding on previously muddy patches. Many, who use the pathways when walking through, make positive comments on the improvements they see.

It is encouraging to welcome new faces to the service on a Sunday morning and, praise and thanks must be given to the team of flower ladies who continue to enhance the look of the church each week, which does show that the church is loved and cared for.

Diocesan Monthly Message

The Ven. Emma Sykes writes...

I have been reflecting recently on “transitions”. This is not surprising as in the last few months I have encountered (and still encountering) a lot of changes. These range from being a Parish Priest to becoming an Archdeacon, moving house from Birmingham to East Derbyshire and entering a stage of life where our young adult children are leaving home.



In his book “Transitions: Making sense of life changes”, William Booth points out that every transition has three stages, an ending, a neutral zone and a new beginning. Often we overlook the ‘neutral zone’ we try and rush through it or ignore it, but it is in the transition in and out of these stages and the disorientation that we feel where the growth in understanding and ability to respond well comes.

Emma Inneson’s latest book “Middling” is all about this, learning to live within the tensions, especially in a polarised world and to not see the middle “as a place of accident, mediocrity or stagnation, but as a place of faithfulness, authenticity and hope.”

When Moses led the Israelites out of Egypt, it only took three days before the complex reality of their new situation started to dawn on them. They had escaped Pharaoh’s oppression only to find the water they had to drink was bitter. Moses cries out to the Lord, the Lord intervenes, the water becomes sweet and they are led to Elim, a place that has an abundance of water (Exodus 15:27).

A month and a half later, the Israelites are grumbling again, this time they are hungry, yearning for the 'fleshpots' in Egypt where they ate their fill. The Lord provides manna for them to gather each day. Challenge, hardship, grumbling, desperate cries, God intervenes, reminds them of the covenant he made with them, responds to their needs, and on the cycle goes. Their disorientating middle goes on... for forty years.

I would suggest being a follower of Christ is to be in a permanent state of transition, in a permanent middle place. As a community of believers, the church, the 'Ekklesia' we are called out to proclaim the gospel, a gospel of hope and yet, it is not easy or comfortable. It requires us to live in the now of a future hope that we do not yet see.

Anyone who has made that step to follow Christ into the unknown will know it is both compelling and joyful but also disorientating and bewildering. It's a cross shaped place of tension. To navigate it well, we need the one who knew all about cross shapes, whose life, death, resurrection and ascension gives us not just a pattern to follow, but a deep prayerful relationship that gives wisdom and courage when the challenges arise.

The Ven. Emma Sykes
Archdeacon of East Derbyshire



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This month we pray especially for all those who live or work in the **Upper Sheepbridge** area of the parish:

**Bridge Way; Broombank Road; Carrwood Road, and
Sheepbridge Lane**

We pray that God might bless the green land and rivers in the parish, we pray for:

**Barlow Brook; Brierley Wood; Monk Wood, and the River
Drone**

In the name of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen



Wedding Day Thank you

Natasha and Jack would like to say a huge thank you to everybody who helped to make their special day so brilliant and to everybody who was able to join in with the celebrations.

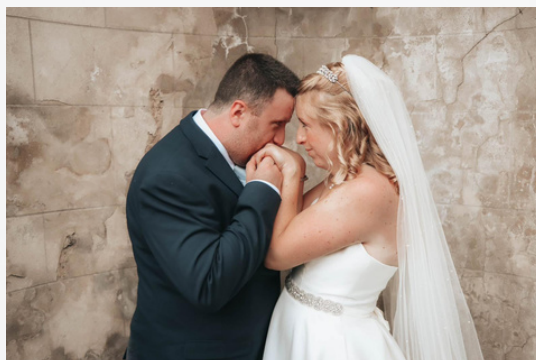
Special thanks to Julie and the flower ladies, I am sure that everyone who saw the flowers inside and outside the church will agree how fantastic they were and how beautiful the church looked.



A mention must be given to Steve, who had the thankless task of trying to keep on top of the dust and dirt caused by the roof repairs and did so brilliantly.



Thanks also to Reverend Rhoda who made the service so clear and put them at ease to enjoy the day.



‘With a Voice of Singing’
Concert by
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United Choir

St John’s Church, St John’s Road
Newbold S40 8PE

Saturday 11th July 7.30pm

Retiring collecting with all proceeds to the
NewBOLD Building Project.



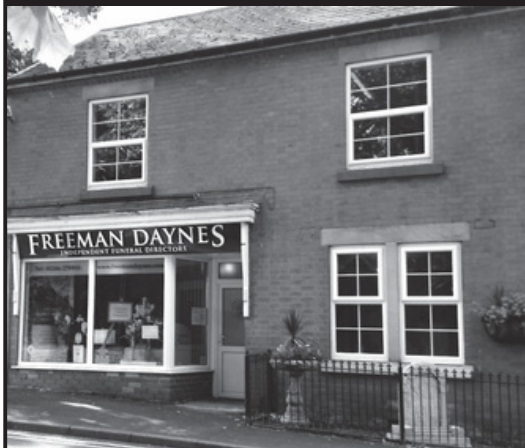
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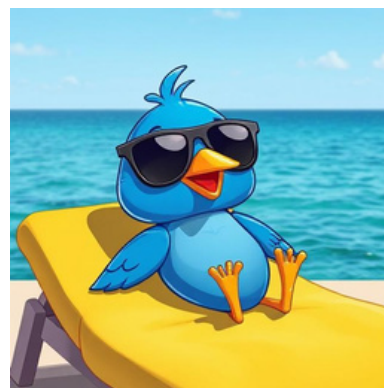
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C HURCHYARD BIRDWATCH

Christine Wieloch



As I promised at the end of my last article, I will bring you up to date with the nestboxes in the churchyard.

Peter and I next went to the churchyard on June 11th. One box had chicks in it, but they were too small to ring, and the other two boxes had nests with eggs in them, so we planned another visit in a week. It was with excitement and trepidation that we visited the churchyard again on June 18th, and we breathed a sigh of relief to find the chicks we had seen the previous week were still in their box. Peter took them out and ringed them -that made six birds.



We were pleased to see the eggs in the other boxes had hatched but again they were too small to ring so we had to go back the next week. First, we checked the box where we had ringed the chicks and as expected it was empty meaning all six chicks had successfully fledged. Then we went to the other two boxes and ringed three in one box and four in the other. A very pleasing result!

This month, we were again unable to do the birdwatch on the first Saturday of the month as it was raining. Trish was unable to come on the second Saturday, so it was just Wendy and me.

The churchyard was very quiet when we got there, but it was dull and coldish. We managed to see a woodpigeon and a pair of Jackdaws inspecting the tower where the bell was hung.

It stayed quiet until we were behind the bungalows on Kendal Road, and there we heard a bird singing, but neither Wendy nor I could identify it. We both agreed this was where John was missed by the group as he would have been able to identify it easily.

In total, we saw only 11 species, but this was in part because the trees are in full leaf, and you just can't see the birds. They were jackdaw, woodpigeon, blackbird, magpie, swift, house sparrow, dunnock, crow, robin, herring gull and rook. I did see a 12th species, but this was on my walk home; there were house martins at the flats on Ringwood Avenue. At this time of year, many birdwatchers either look out for butterflies or set up moth traps. I have got bird-watching friends who do both of these.



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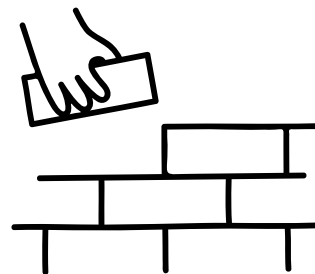


I would just like to thank everyone who came to support Emily with her fundraising for Macmillan on Saturday at the coffee morning. You raised an amazing £150.

Thank you,
Bev Speed

The Building Project Prayers

Chris Barnes



- Pray that the Expression of Interest we have submitted to the Places of Worship Renewal Fund will be considered favourably and that we will be invited to submit an application for a substantial grant.
- Pray that the application we have submitted to the National Churches Trust Large Grant scheme will also be considered favourably.
- Pray that we can find additional resources from the other funds we have identified to complete all the works.
- Pray that we can resolve the unexpected problems with the bell and bell tower quickly and at minimum cost.
- Pray that no water will get into the building during the works.
- Pray that the roofer and his staff always remain safe.

Collect Prayer for the Building Project

Father God,

Guide us as we work to improve our church buildings. Grant us wisdom, that every decision we make may build your Kingdom of love and grace in this place.

We humbly ask for the resources needed to complete this project, knowing that all good gifts come from you and everything we have is yours.

Bless all involved in the process, especially our building committee, our architects, our contractor, and those involved in the approval process.

We ask all this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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Social Diary July 2026

Wednesday 1st July	Wednesday Social Club	1pm-3pm
Wednesday 1st July	Women's Group	7pm
Saturday 4th July	Church Fete	2pm-4pm
Saturday 5th July	Walking group	12noon
Wednesday 8th July	Wednesday Social Club	1pm-3pm
Saturday 11th July	Churchyard Tidy-up	10am-12noon
Wednesday 15th July	Wednesday Social Club	1pm-3pm
Saturday 18th July	Men's Group	10am-12noon
Wednesday 22nd July	Wednesday Social Club	1pm-3pm
Wednesday 29th July	Wednesday Social Club	1pm-3pm

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Readings and Collects

Sunday 5th July - Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Zachariah 9.9-12, Romans 7.15-25a, Matt 11.16-19,25-30

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Sunday 12th July - Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Isaiah 55.10-13, Romans 8.1-11, Matt 13.1-9,18-23

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; 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.

Sunday 19th July - Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Wisdom of Solomon 12.13,16-19, Romans 8.12-25, Matt 13.24-30,36-43

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; 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.

Readings and Collects

Sunday 26th July - Eighth Sunday after Trinity

1 Kings 3.5-12, Romans 8.26-39, Matt 13.31-33, 44-52

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Go Slow in Montenegro

Wendy Drake

Over the years, John and I had visited many countries worldwide, sometimes doing our own thing but also travelling with organised companies, and usually with binoculars to hand as well, even if it wasn't specifically a wildlife holiday.

Deciding I could do with getting away, the first time on my own, I scanned the travel brochures looking for somewhere neither of us had visited before. I also wanted one where I didn't need to worry about anything once I was on the plane. So, I decided on a trip with Naturetrek listed as 'Go Slow in Montenegro'. With John, I had visited 'The Camargue' in Southern France, a couple of years ago on a 'Go Slow' type holiday. As you might imagine, it didn't necessitate getting up at the crack of dawn, even if that is the best time to spot and listen for birds, but the option was there. So, it was with this latest trip, which also tends to cater for the 'older' traveller, and with smaller groups of people.

There was a little trepidation on my part, thinking that the rest of the group might be more knowledgeable than I, and whether I would get on ok with them. I didn't have to worry on that score; I felt relaxed in their company since all 8 of us, including a leader, gelled well together.

Montenegro, together with Serbia, Slovenia, Macedonia, Croatia and Bosnia, had become part of the new Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia under Josip Broz Tito in 1945. Following a number of bloody conflicts in Bosnia, especially in the 1990's, Montenegro also voted for independence in 2006, becoming the 192nd member of the United Nations. It is hoping to become the 28th member of the European Union in 2028.

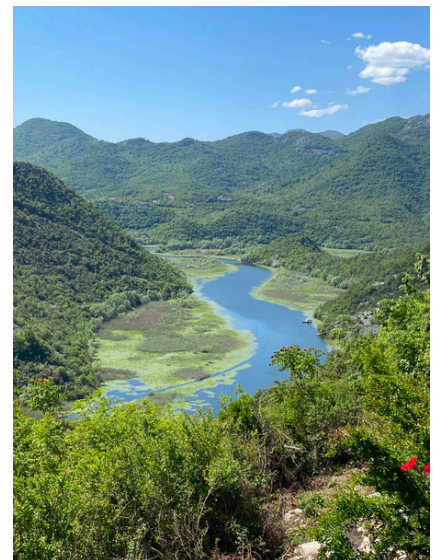
It is a relatively small country with a population of around 650,000 and is pretty safe since if crimes are committed, there is always someone in the know! The country can basically be split into 3 regions: Northern and Eastern Montenegro, Central Montenegro, and the Bay of Kotor. The latter is now designated a UNESCO World Heritage area, which includes much of the Adriatic coastline and entices many holidaymakers during the summer months when temperatures can reach 40 °C.

My holiday was based in the Kotor region in the small, sleepy town of Virpazar, situated on the edge of Lake Skadar, the largest lake in southern Europe, forming the border between Montenegro and Albania. It is a haven of freshwater biodiversity, with 280 types of birds. The timing of the trip was to coincide with the spring migration, focusing primarily on birds.

The lake is home to the rare Dalmatian Pelican, with a wingspan of up to 3.6m (12ft) and a long, curved bill used to scoop up fish. We were fortunate in getting good views of them whilst on a boat trip. Many were in flight, but we also got distant views of them nesting on a specific island. There is a standard code of conduct which states that a distance of at least 300m must be maintained from the pelicans, and boat engines need to be cut off whilst watching them.

Pygmy Cormorants were also seen in good numbers, as were Squacco Herons, Little Egrets, Whiskered Terns and Black-necked Grebes. The weather was great, and we were able to observe the lake colour changing throughout the day depending on the angle of the sun and the amount of cloud cover.

Whilst still on the lake we stopped off at another island to visit a Serbian Orthodox monastery, run by nuns, who as well as giving us a tour of the church and its history also provided us with their homemade sweets and a very welcome drink. They are self-sufficient and all were very friendly and pleased to practice their spoken English on us.



I must admit that the Montenegrin language was a little difficult to get my head around but I did have a go - with just a few words.

Another day was spent at the Ulcinj saltpans on the southern Adriatic coastline, where different varieties of birds are to be found in a disused salt excavation area, where water levels can fluctuate throughout the year. This was followed by a visit to a local fish restaurant, which was a little lost on me, not

being much of a fish eater. Other group members revelled in dishes of octopus and a popular fish stew.

Other days out, in long wheel-based Land Rovers, were made to rural areas along steep-sided, narrow roads with rather sharp bends but amazing scenery, especially when viewed on lovely sunny days. A number of walks were undertaken to spot other birds, but also a good number of orchids now in flower, which were all new to me. We encountered a few amphibians, mostly varieties of frog, but also toads, tortoises, terrapins, and two European Glass Lizards, which we all thought were snakes. The country does have 2 varieties of snake, namely the Balkan Whip Snake and the Nose-horned Viper, which we 'luckily' didn't see. Different butterflies were present in good numbers, too. The dogs we spotted were of a large breed and kept mainly as guard-dogs rather than pets. Other animals seen were donkeys and cows, but these were just for the supply of family milk. There is no bottled milk to be had in the supermarkets.

We did have one wet morning when visiting Stari (lower) Bar, a lost-in-time, partially ruined, ancient settlement. A cobbled lane leads up to a citadel on top, where we had hoped to catch a glimpse of a local bird of prey, but the path was a little dodgy, so that was abandoned. Instead, we firstly opted for a coffee followed by a delicious meal in one of the local Turkish restaurants, a nod to the region's Turkish past.

We did have another and very exhilarating (we were late getting back so it was a quicker ride) boat trip on a different part of Lake Skadar and, a very short return ferry crossing by canoe, when one of us (not me) managed to find a very muddy spot when alighting the canoe!



We tried out a lot of the local cuisine as well as having a few picnics at lunch time, and were well fed at our villa, where a local English lady prepared breakfasts and evening meals. Although we didn't need to buy food, it was interesting to note the prices for meals out which were very cheap compared to this country.

Four of us did note the price of wine though when we were able to stop off at the local supermarket. So, we duly sampled and enjoyed the local Vranec wine, a rich red native to Montenegro and known for its bold flavour and deep aroma. and were well fed at our villa, where a local English lady prepared breakfasts and evening meals. Although we didn't need to buy food, it was interesting to note the prices for meals out which were very cheap compared to this country. Four of us did note the price of wine though when we were able to stop off at the local supermarket. So, we duly sampled and enjoyed the local Vranec wine, a rich red native to Montenegro and known for its bold flavour and deep aroma.

All in all, the group enjoyed a wonderful time together, and I, for one, felt very satisfied with all we had seen and done.

I learnt a lot more too on my journey back to Tivat airport. My flight to Manchester was due to take off before other members of the group were due to leave, so I had sole use of the taxi. My friendly driver obviously wanted to practice his spoken English when he told me all about his family, and gave me a potted history of the country, as well as pointing out local places of interest, including the church where Novak Djokovic was married. That was an added extra to end an all-round pleasurable holiday.



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From the Registers

Holy Matrimony

6 June Jack Andrew Kearsley
 Natasha Grace Hague

May God bless their married life

Holy Baptism

14 June Athena-May Ellis

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

Funerals

10 June	Elaine Anne Taylor,	aged 64
16 June	Maurice Gallagher,	aged 72

Churchyard

[burial or interment of ashes]

26 May	Mary Hewitt
29 May	Mary Holmes
12 June	Raymond Goodwin

May they rest in peace and rise in glory



DADS, GRANDADS AND STEP-DADS



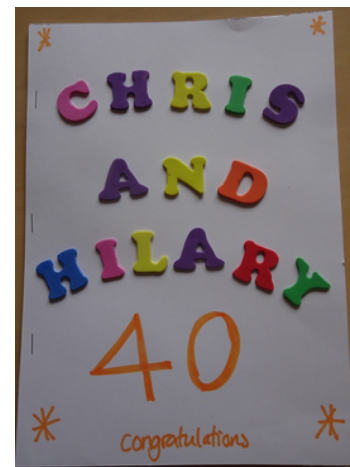
Chris Barnes

With Father's Day in the offing, we celebrated Dad, Grandads and Stepdads. The children were encouraged to make a range of things, some of which could be used as gifts for the most important adult man in their lives.

The gifts were super Dad Hero rosettes, a picture frame, a paper toolbox on which the children could write about what their Dad or Grandad did for them and a tie-shaped picture on which they were encouraged to write a prayer, which we offered to God during the worship.

One activity the children really enjoyed was painting their hands to create a print of them on a card.

Once again, Rebecca demonstrated her special skills of keeping the mess to a minimum. These handprint cards were not a gift for their dads but for Hilary and me. The cards were bound together to form a larger card, which was given to us to congratulate us on our 40th Wedding Anniversary. Hilary and I were very surprised and very touched.



When we moved to our time of worship, Rhoda used the Lord's Prayer to show that we can all approach God as our Heavenly Father. This message really built on the crafts the children had already done.

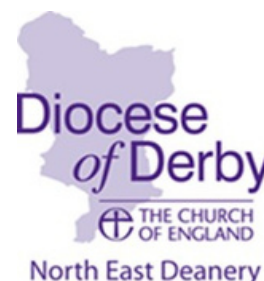
We then retired to our usual yummy refreshments in the Parish Room.

Our next Messy Church is a week later than usual because of the church fete. It's now on **Sunday 12th July at 4.00pm** and will focus on teamwork and the World Cup. We are calling it "Messi" Church, even though we are really thinking "Come on England!"



Diocese Vision Prayer for 2027

Our Diocese celebrates its centenary in 2027 and as part of the preparation for this they are encouraging us all to pray this prayer:



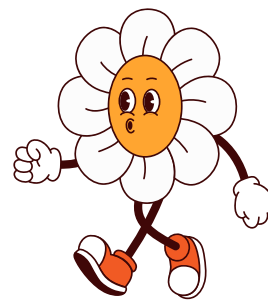
*Gracious God,
in your mercy and for your glory,
renew us, reshape us, revive us –
with generous faith, courageous hope and life-giving love –
that, in transformed lives
through growing church and building community,
we may see your Kingdom come and be good news for all.
Amen.*



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Walking Group Winster

Evelyn Lowe



The village of Winster lies within the Peak District National Park and was formerly a centre for the lead mining industry. Winster Market House is a prominent, listed building jutting into the main road of the village and acquired by the National Trust in 1906. Winster was mentioned in the Domesday Book in 1086 when it was owned by Henry de Ferrers.

The parish church of St. John the Baptist, holds a week-long carnival, Winster Wakes, which starts on the first Sunday on or after 24 th June (the patronal day of St. John the Baptist).

Reader, you may be interested in the following.....

As reported in The Times (London) on 2nd June 1821, a local surgeon, William Cuddie, was courting Mary, the daughter of the wealthy Brittlebank family of Oddo House in Winster. In May 1821, one of her brothers, William, tried to end their association. On the evening of 21st May, Cuddie and Brittlebank quarrelled. The doctor later received a note.

“Sir, I expect satisfaction for the insult you dared to offer me at a time when you knew that my situation with a helpless Woman prevented my chastising you. Name your time and place, the bearer will wait for an answer. Yours William Brittlebank, Junior. I shall be attended by a friend and prepared with pistols, and if you don’t meet I shall post you as a coward.”

Cuddie refused to reply to the letter. The following afternoon three of the Brittlebank brothers and a mutual friend,

two loaded pistols. Cuddie reluctantly accepted one of the weapons. Two shots were heard but only Cuddie was hit. He died a few hours later.

Two of the brothers were tried in Derby in August 1821, but found not guilty of murder. Their brother, William, fled with a £100 reward on his head. It is thought that he fled to Australia, but there is no evidence for that.

Obtained from Wikipedia

To return to the walk....

We began by walking on a grassy path – the Limestone Way – with fields on each side of us, sheep and lambs bleating in one field, and the other was a meadow of yellow buttercups stretching into the distance. In the hedgerows were many wild flowers, cow parsley, birds' foot trefoil, ferns and clover reaching up to the top of the dry stone wall. To the left, we had wonderful panoramic views of a patchwork of fields in

different shades of green, neatly divided by darker coloured hedges. We noted the village of Winster way below us, and at the skyline, a hazy sun was trying to burn its way out of the cloud. It didn't manage to do this, and soon it started to rain.



The recent blossom of the hawthorn was completely dried up and hanging in brown clumps and a bank of blackberry bushes nearby were coming into flower, with the promise of plenty of fruit later on in the year.

A flock of sheep ran away from us as we entered their field before we turned into a meadow completely covered in buttercups, clover, white ox-eye daisies, and red-tipped

grasses. To top it all, a singing skylark rose in front of us, soaring into the sky.

On a tarmacked road, we turned right at a public footpath sign stating Bonsall 1 ¼ miles ahead. We were surrounded by more wildflower meadows before walking onto a stony path, Blakelow Lane, when the cool wind met us. We needed to watch where we were walking as the ground changed to gravel and big boulders.

We found some big rocks to sit on as we ate our snacks in the rain. There was a cold wind as we continued our walk on a steadily rising path towards the skyline, passing Bonsall Nature Reserve and with rain splattering into a



large puddle, we turned right onto a footpath, still confronted by wonderful views.

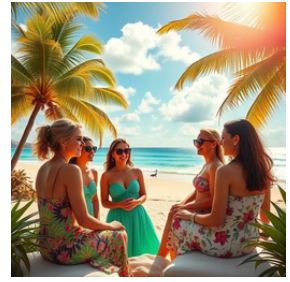
At some point on this walk, we passed Bank House, not knowing the history of the place, if indeed it was the correct spot where the duel took place.

Silence was broken by a helicopter above us, and suddenly we spotted a hare chasing across the field. Another hare was seen as we approached the last stile and stepped onto a tarmacked road, and the rain stopped at last. We turned right onto the Bakewell B5056 road, and Steve pointed out a Lead Ore House, a secure storage facility used by miners to “bank” and store their freshly mined lead ore before it was officially weighed, taxed or sold. Moments later, we were back in the village and into the cars.

The July walk will take place on Sunday, 5th, when we will meet at the church gates at 4pm. Anyone is welcome to join us.

Women's Group

Wendy Drake



The topic for the evening was 'Life Story Writing' when speaker Chrissie Hall encouraged and inspired us to 'dig deep' to capture memories, and to revisit and record our own life stories. She is an experienced specialist Life Writing Facilitator, Tutor and Mentor who leads creative projects, relaxed courses and retreats for groups. So, she delivered a very lively, interactive talk to the group.

As she suggested, we all have had our own experiences of people, places and events in our lives which have helped to make us the people we are today. She mentioned memories of best friends, of riding a bike, parties, school dinners and being sick as good examples to draw on. Creative writing can be very therapeutic, even if it drags up uncomfortable periods of our lives, the bad times and difficulties too, which we might have attempted to forget and bury deep in our minds. As Chrissie spoke about these familiar experiences, many of the group could relate to the same or similar thoughts. Above all, though, in creative writing we should be ourselves, and when we write it down, it need not be an essay.

Have we considered why we were each named as we are? Did these names relate to family members, to film stars of the day or for other reasons?

As an example, she went into schools during Covid to help out with the children of keyworkers whose parents were not around to care for them.

Some wrote that the most exciting memory of that period was being able to make a lot of noise when, on a Thursday evening at 7pm, all were encouraged to open their front doors and make a din using cutlery, wooden spoons, etc. to bang on saucepans. This gesture was a thank you to the NHS and other care services for all they were doing to save lives. Another memory of theirs was hearing the familiar sound of ambulance sirens, especially with the absence of traffic on the roads.

We were told that there is an ongoing project called the 'Mass Observation Project'. Anyone can contribute items from their diaries as a means of recording events for social history purposes, maybe about homes, village life and families.

All in all, it proved to be a very thought-provoking and enjoyable evening.

The next event for the group is to be a day out at Cromford Mills on Wednesday, 24 June. This will enable us to do our own thing on arrival, followed by a 2-hour boat trip on the canal. With not meeting during the month of August, our next get-together will be on Wednesday, 2 September, when we will have a return visit from Anna-Louise Pickering, this time speaking about 'The Art of Saving Lions'.

As ever, if anyone is interested in coming along to our meetings, do please have a word with Trish, Marilyn J., or me. It would be good to see new folk joining us in the Parish Room on the first Wednesday of the month at 7pm.

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