

our Diocese

A monthly snapshot of Church of England life around Derbyshire

2018 Derbyshire Flower Festivals leaflet

The 2018 Derbyshire Flower Festivals leaflet is out now and available from Church House and Derby Cathedral. A downloadable version is available under the Publications section of the Diocese of Derby website - <http://www.derby.anglican.org/en/publications.html>.

Bishop Alastair's Farewell Service

The farewell service for The Bishop of Derby, The Rt Revd Dr Alastair Redfern, will be held at Derby Cathedral on Saturday 14 July 2018 at 3.30pm. All are warmly welcome and invited to attend this special service of celebration and thanks..

Live Streaming Church Services

We recognise that live streaming has the potential to share church services with a greater audience, however, there are many serious factors to consider before undertaking it including safeguarding, copyright and licensing issues, internet bandwidth/quality, and individuals basic right to privacy. Even 'live' sports and events on television have a delay of a few minutes because of these and other factors. There are also implications around liturgy.

The Parish Support Office is working at issuing some guidance and information but in the meantime the advice is to refrain from livestreaming any services.

Claim your churches Google card

Many churches within the Diocese haven't claimed their Google card yet. Google cards are the boxes that appear when someone searches for your church in Google. It's really important for churches to claim these cards, as they are a great promotional tool and it is free to set up and update.

Churches will need to create a Google "My Business listing" (or get access to one if it already exists). Visit the Google support page using the link below for help with how to do this. Not claiming this card also leaves churches vulnerable to someone else doing it and providing incorrect information.

More details at : <https://bit.ly/1B2cltn>

Bishop Alastair writes... Prayer and Ministry

New Ministry

At the end of this month, Bishop Jan and I will be ordaining deacons and priests for the ministry of the Church. Moments of immense significance for Ordinands, families, friends, and for the Church. Please pray for these new ministers and their ministries.

Structures for Service

Ministry provides leadership and service – for the Church and for communities. The basic framework is the parish – providing centres for worship, mission endeavour and the growing of disciples and all the rich ministries which flow from our churches. Please pray for blessing upon each of our parishes, and for the Deaneries within which their witness unfolds.

Fresh Expressions

An important strand is that of pioneering and Fresh Expressions of Christian mission and ministry – within parishes, within the exercise of individual ministry, and through new forms of gathering for worship, nurture and outreach. Please pray blessing upon all these exciting signs of new opportunity, which are being raised up amongst us.

Spiritual Communities

An increasingly important focus for ministry and discipleship is the formation of small 'intentional' communities, often operating alongside involvement in parishes and Fresh Expressions. Archbishop Justin has established the St. Anselm Community at Lambeth, and we have our own Imagine Community in the Diocese. Spaces for people to be joined together in a common

commitment to particular approaches to prayer and ministry.

In May, I have been involved in two further initiatives. The formal launch of the Community of Oblation, led by Glenn Martin, and a further exploration for those called together to combat Modern Slavery of an appropriate way of organising a common rule of life to earth our endeavours in prayer, bible study and fellowship.

Focus for Mission

As we celebrate and pray for new ministries, new forms of ministry, and all of the established ministries which so enrich our work together, this might be a season to consider the possibility of being called into 'intentional' communities committed to particular forms of witness and mission.

Ministry needs focus as well as feeding. What might be appropriate within your part of the vineyard – not least through Deanery Mission Plans?!!

May each of us be blessed and encouraged in our own ministry at this particular season.



Introducing Revd Canon Matt Barnes



The Revd Canon Matt Barnes, Rector of Brampton and Holymoorside and Chair of the Diocesan Advisory Committee for the Care of Churches (DAC), has undertaken a secondment in the role of Interim Mission and Ministry Team Leader.

Matt will ensure that the work of the Mission and Ministry Team continues uninterrupted until a new Diocesan Bishop is appointed, while seeking to increase our involvement in mission, evangelism and pioneering.

We are grateful to the Revd David Owens, Associate Minister, and the people of St Thomas, Brampton and St Peter's, Holymoorside for their generosity in releasing their Rector for the greater good of the Diocese.

Meet Ella Sonawane, Director of ISPCK

On Wednesday 6 June 2018, there will be an open meeting of Derby Cathedral's JPICC (Justice, Peace and the Integrity of Creation Committee) in the Cathedral Beddoes Room at 2.30pm in conversation with Ella Sonawane, the Director of ISPCK who is visiting the Diocese in the first week of June.

Ella works to prevent human trafficking and labour exploitation, and promotes education for impoverished children and training for Dalit women in India. You are most welcome to come to the meeting. Ella will share the important work she is doing and there will be time for questions and to chat with her.

Refugee Week 2018 - "Different Pasts Shared Futures"



In June 2018, Refugee Week will reach an important milestone - 20 years of celebrating the contributions, creativity and resilience of refugees.

To mark 20 years of Refugee Week, you are invited to do one of 20 Simple Acts. From watching a film to reading a book, Simple Acts are simple things everyone can do to find out more about

refugee experiences, make connections and show support for people seeking sanctuary in the UK and help make sure their voices are heard.

Find out more - www.refugeeweek.org.uk/simple-acts

In Derby, there is an exciting programme of events during Refugee Week including an event at Derby Cathedral on Thursday 21 June 2018. You are warmly invited to any of these events. All are free unless booking tickets are required.

Find out more about Refugee Week in Derby - www.derby.cityofsanctuary.org

Edie - in cinemas now



Sheila Hancock stars in the film **Edie**. This uplifting story is about rediscovering life's joy, and how it's never too late for a new beginning.

Edith Moore is an older woman who, after the death of her controlling husband, decides to fulfil a life-long dream. At the tender age of eighty-three, Edie sets out to recapture a little childhood magic by climbing a mountain. Against her daughter's wishes she heads to Scotland and employs Jonny (Kevin Guthrie) to help her prepare for the adventure ahead - sparking an unusual friendship across the generations.

This moving tale offers a chance to reflect on the themes of regret and renewal which run through all of our lives, and which are at the heart of the Christian message.

Available now from Damaris Media and Mothers' Union: a free companion booklet designed specifically to help Christians engage with this charming film. The booklet is available as a downloadable pdf at www.mothersunion.org/edie

Together Magazine

Send in your photos & competition entries before 18 June 2018

Preparation is already underway for our second issue of Together Magazine, due out on 1 August 2018. If you have held any special events / services recently and would like to share your photos with over 10,000 people across the whole Diocese then please send them in to Together@derby.anglican.org along with some short text about the photo for inclusion in our "Around the Diocese" section.

Don't forget to enter our competitions to win some Fairtrade Chocolate in our caption competition, or a copy of the book "Inspiring Music in Workshop : Guided conversations for churches" in our "Book Club" section. More details of the competitions and how to enter can be found on pages 31 and 33 of our first issue.

Don't miss an issue - subscribe!

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