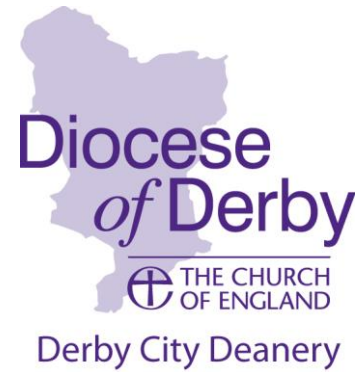


Derby City Deanery NEWSLETTER

October 2017 /#008



From the Area Dean, Revd Canon Dr Simon Taylor:

Dear friends,

Bishop Alastair met with the Clergy of the Deanery in September to begin a conversation about how we might take the development of our Deanery and the mission of the church in Derby forward. He identified four areas that are particularly important as we look to frame our values, our call and our vocation.



First is Finance. Money is the sacrament of seriousness – where we spend our money shows what we truly regard as important. The Diocese will lose funding for ten posts over the coming years, and we need to look at how we spend money on paid posts in the Diocese and Deanery. Bishop Alastair has talked about an 80/40 split in how the total number of diocesan clergy will be funded. That is two thirds of posts being parish ministry, and one third being missional, pioneering and other posts that seek to bring the good news of Jesus to people who the parish system is not reaching.

Second is Discipleship. The number of people with knowledge of Christianity is declining, and as a church we need to move from nourishing disciples to making disciples. That is, we need to move from helping people to put what they know about Christianity into practice to helping people find out about Christianity and putting it into practice. Teaching the faith from scratch and forming people into life-long disciples is an important task for the church in our generation.

The Bishop's third heading was the Changing Nature of Public Space. Local authority money is running out and this is happening at a time when there is a low sense of public responsibility. We need to notice what needs dealing with and look to how we might contribute. Most public services came out of what the church did in the 19th century. What can the church of the 21st century contribute to the public life of our city?

[continued overleaf]

This bi-monthly newsletter comes from Derby City Deanery – the group of Anglican parishes which fall within the city boundary – and is for sharing around churches and communities. Please see the back page for details of future publications, deadlines, etc.

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Finally, Apologetics. How do we speak attractively about the faith to those around us? The contempt with which Christianity can be held, means that it is both more difficult and more urgent that we re-tune how we speak about God and the Gospel to our generation. How can we speak of God in a way that reaches across to what people are finding important in life?

Bishop Alastair was keen to stress that this was just the beginning of a conversation. The clergy will continue to talk about these headings at Chapter meetings. Bishop Jan is going to address a Deanery Synod as part of this ongoing conversation. Do please think and pray about how we together might meet the challenges that are set before us.

With my prayers and best wishes,



DEANERY NOTICES:

NEW HOUSING AND MISSION: DEANERY TRAINING MORNING

Each parish is encouraged to send one or more representatives to the Deanery Training Session, 9.30 for 10am until 12.30pm, Saturday 25th November at St Francis Mackworth DE22 4LR, with guest speaker Jim Currin, a Church Army Captain with 10 years experience working in new housing, currently working for Churches Together England. Please let Deanery Admin Jo know if you plan to come (jo.simister@derby.anglican.org). Also, thanks to those who have completed the pro-forma on new housing in their area. Do please send any further forms as soon as possible to Jo.

PARISH FINANCIAL RETURNS:

The portal is now open, and more information can be found at <http://www.derby.anglican.org/en/our-mission/statistics-for-mission.html>

REARRANGED DATES FOR NEXT DEANERY SYNODS:

The Deanery Synods planned for Wednesday 29th November and Wednesday 28th February have been CANCELLED and the replacement date is Wednesday 24th January. The venue is still to be confirmed.

GRANT ROADSHOWS

Foundation Derbyshire operates grants schemes in the county and has roadshow events coming up:-

Tues 7th Nov Derby

Tues 14th Nov Doe Lea

Wed 29th Nov Long Eaton

Tues 31st Nov New Mills

See <http://www.foundationderbyshire.org/apply-for-a-grant/available-grants/> or <https://www.facebook.com/FoundationDerbyshire/> for full details, to book a place or to see if there is a fund for your initiative. Tel 01773 525860 email: hello@foundationderbyshire.org.

MOTHERS UNION: 16 DAYS OF ACTION AGAINST GENDER VIOLENCE 25 NOV- 10 DEC

Mothers Union have made plans to run public vigil events in partnership with local support agencies – for the dates & venues, a pack of resources you can use, or to find out more contact Stella.Collishaw@derby.anglican.org or Wendy Fitch, Mothers Union, at Church House.

MANAGING A CHURCH BUILDING PROJECT: ONE DAY WORKSHOP

This One-Day Workshop, Church Building Projects: Purpose, Planning, Procurement will be held at – 10am – 4pm on 23rd November at St Peters Church Derby. The cost of the event will be £20.00 per person, to help cover the cost of the hire of the Church and Lunch and refreshments. It is likely to book up quickly so if you would like to attend please email sarah.legg@derby.anglican.org . When Sarah confirms your place, she will give payment details.

This workshop was developed in 2016 by the National Stewardship & Resources Team for churchwardens, PCC members, Treasurers, clergy, Building Committee Members, Project Managers and others involved in starting a building project in your church or church hall.

In a process which involves a lot of money, a lot of time and some changes to your church building, avoiding some of the common pitfalls is not just a question of using your common sense. Attending this workshop will help you to benefit from the collective wisdom of experts and of people who have been involved in successful projects in the past. By focussing on the main questions, it will help you to find and work with professionals effectively to achieve your church's goals.

This workshop complements the Funding Capital Campaign workshops which are facilitated by Eleanor Stead (previously Gill) – see www.parishresources.org.uk/funding-capital-projects . You may wish to consider hosting for your parishes one of these helpful workshops on fundraising.

REFUGEE COMMUNITY SPONSORSHIP

Is your parish looking at the issue of refugees and wondering about community sponsorship? There is a new national refugee welcome coordinator in post who can advise at Church House Westminster: Nadine Daniel.

FIRE SAFETY TRAINING FOR COMMUNITY HALLS, CHURCHES ETC

With the darker nights and colder weather, community buildings are at risk. The Fire & Rescue Service have asked that the training be made available to faith buildings as well as village and community halls. Derbyshire Fire & Rescue Service in conjunction with Rural Action Derbyshire are running a training session at South Darley Village Hall, Cross Green, Darley bridge, Matlock, DE4 2JT on Tuesday 7th November 2017, 10.00 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. The delegate fee - £25 + VAT (£30).

Booking is essential, or if you are interested in knowing of more local sessions, please contact Helena Stubbs Community Buildings Officer for Rural Action Derbyshire on 01629 592973 or at h.stubbs@ruralactionderbyshire.org.uk.

STRATEGIC BUILDINGS REVIEW

Although this is a phrase which is likely to strike terror into some hearts, it's actually just basic housekeeping. We need to know what buildings we have, where they are and what improvements/adaptations they need (if any) to be assets and not burdens.

It's also a marvellous opportunity to gather together lots of historical and anecdotal information about your parish – some of which could be useful for any funding or faculty applications, and so on. Everyone in the parish can help with this!

Each parish has been assigned a temporary password and the link to access the database, and Deanery Admin Jo is in the process of circulating these. Lots of helpful guidance is available at <http://www.derby.anglican.org/en/resources/building/strategic-buildings-review.html> and it is a good idea to sign up for the newsletter. Some basic information follows overleaf.

Strategic Buildings Review (cont):

What is the Strategic Buildings Review?

Simply put, the review will report on what buildings we have, where they are, what state they are in and are they enabling the mission and ministry needs of the church, in the communities in which they sit.

Why are we having one?

In the words of the Chair of the DAC – ‘for our buildings to be an asset and not a burden we need to understand, manage and fully incorporate our property portfolio (Church buildings, halls, centres, etc.) into our Diocesan mission planning’. The Diocese is taking its lead from the nation churches Buildings Review Group; follow this link for Scope & Context

How will parishes be involved?

Almost all the buildings across the Diocese are either owned or managed locally with the Parochial Church Council holding the responsibility for their care. PCCs know their buildings best and understand their significance and their maintenance needs; what facilities they have and the uses to which they are put. The best outcomes for your Parish and community are very much in your gift. There will initially be a lot of information and data that the Review Group will need to pull together – some to complete a partial picture we already have and some that will paint a broader picture.

What kind of information will be included?

Basic Building Information, Building Condition, Building Facilities, Building Usage, Income and Expenditure, Church Building Information (including heritage and local significance) and Churchyard Information

What will it produce?

The Strategic Buildings Review aims to deliver several positive outcomes for Parishes, Deaneries and the Diocese.

- A better understanding of what we have and what we need
- Options for sustainable ways forward in every parish
- Updated heritage and ‘church near you’ records
- Identification of ‘significant churches’ to become resource centres for mission
- Refocused tools and other resources to support parishes in making their buildings fit for mission

So, what next?

The data collection phase is the foundation of the review and will happen over the next 6 months. After that we envisage the following stages, culminating in a report for consideration by Diocesan Synod in Spring 2019

The statistics: their accessibility and use

1. Identifying the role and status of churches – categories
2. Developing options and models for change – case studies
3. Developing practical tools and other resources to support maintenance, insurance, faculties, fund raising and clergy training – developing resource
4. Action Planning including Deanery Development Plans

Consultation will enable each stage to progress, but don’t wait to be asked – if you want information or clarification on where the review is up to or would like to make a positive suggestion or other contribution, then you can contact the core group on the following email:

DDSBReview@gmail.com

Transforming Faith

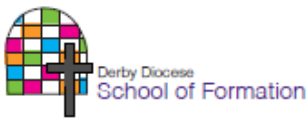
The new course to help you explore your faith, discipleship and vocation open to everyone in the Diocese.

'Transforming faith' brings together small groups of people to think, learn and reflect on their faith in relation to a set topic.

Groups meet weekly over a nine week period with a different topic being covered each term.

More information can be found at derby.anglican.org/transformingfaith

Derby Group – Meets on Wednesday evenings at the Cathedral Centre – opposite Derby Cathedral, 18-19 Irongate, DE1 3GP



Transforming Faith

[From Fiona Bennett, Secretary to Esther Elliott, Learning and Formation Officer & Warden of Readers; fiona.bennett@derby.anglican.org 01332 388670]

What is Transforming Faith?

Transforming Faith does what it says on the tin:

- It transforms a person's faith
- It takes seriously where people are in their journey of faith
- It is delivered where people are, through deanery learning hubs
- It is a learning programme designed for all disciples from different backgrounds

What are the benefits of Transforming Faith?

- It helps you explore your faith
- It helps you explore your discipleship and vocation
- It helps you grow in confidence

How does Transforming Faith work?

- Transforming Faith brings together a group of about 8 to 12 people in deanery learning hubs.
- The deanery learning hub is a place of learning and for worship together
- The discussions in the group are based on your experience, your understanding and what you're learning as a disciple
- Transforming Faith allows you the flexibility to learn together, to further your understanding through written work and to gain a certificate from the Bishop or from a University.

Transforming Faith can be followed at a number of levels by a variety of people. You can begin your journey on Transforming Faith by opting to follow the course for one module, two modules or three modules. Three modules take a year, or you can just keep going and opt out whenever you wish.

After two years of study the Bishop will award you a Bishop's certificate, but remember you can keep going and get the Bishop's diploma!

How do the groups work?

The groups meet weekly over a nine week term. Each participant is encouraged to read a chapter from a book and bring to the group their reflections on what they have read in the light of their

own experience. There is the opportunity to meet together one Saturday per module and look at the topic more deeply. There are assessment tasks relevant to the subject and to the person's journey in faith and discipleship

The programme consists of the following:

Year one

- Beginning the New Testament
- Doing Theology
- Call and Vocation

Year two

- Beginning the Old Testament
- Mission and Service
- Using the Bible

Year three

- Exploring the Gospels
- God as Trinity
- Pastoral Practice

Year Four

- Exploring Paul
- Worship and Liturgy
- Christian Ethics

Want to know more?

If you have any questions or would like more information about the nearest course near you please contact Fiona Bennett on 01332 388650 or by email: fiona.bennett@derby.anglican.org or visit our website: www.derby.anglican.org

90th Anniversary of Derby Diocese

On 28th October our Diocese will celebrate its 90th birthday. At its birth in 1927 there was a special occasion called 'The Hallowing', with "a celebration of the Holy Communion in the Churches of the Diocese" – and a further rubric "so far as may be possible, in all parishes the flag of St George shall be flown upon the churches, and a joyous peal of bells shall be rung". The Service of Hallowing involved the Bishop of Southwell and the Bishop of Lichfield – the two dioceses from which Derby was formed.

To celebrate, the Diocesan Worship Advisory Group has produced special worship material for use by parishes on Sunday 29 October. The Diocesan Education Team have also produced collective worship resources for schools. All resources are attached, at <http://www.derby.anglican.org/en/news/events-and-training/diocesan/90th-anniversary-of-derby-diocese.html>

Cathedral Tower Tours



To celebrate the 90th birthday, why not climb the 189 steps and see Derby like never before from the top of Derby Cathedral's 212-foot high Tudor tower? See the Smith of Derby carillon play its midday tune on the oldest working set of ten bells in the world and explore the history of the second highest bell tower in the UK!

Advance tickets (£5 adults, £4 8-16 years) on sale from the Cathedral Bookshop; capacity limited to 15 each session.

Tickets include a free drink in Derby Cathedral Café. Tours are led by the cathedral's knowledgeable and enthusiastic Tower historians.

Children's Ministry Training Opportunities



Aurora Certificate:

The Church in the UK is seeing a wonderful rise in numbers of children and families joining local churches through initiatives like Messy Church and Godly Play. These often stand alongside long-running Sunday school groups and midweek activities.

Aurora and Derby Diocese have joined forces to offer a training certificate course, which aims to equip and resource those called to children's ministry in whatever shape it comes. See more at <https://www.auroratraining.org.uk/derby/children>. There is funding help available – please contact Children's Adviser Sarah Brown at Sarah.Brown@derby.anglican.org or Mobile 07425 132717/ Office 01332 388660 for more.

“We recognise that many children's workers and leaders are volunteers and live busy lives, often with families to care for. We know that many have a real love for God and the children they work with, but no formal qualification in children's ministry. Aurora Children seeks to give these workers and volunteers some basic skills, understanding, confidence and the boldness they need to break new ground and see growth in their ministry.

Aurora children is for anyone aged 16+ working with children in church, community or school. A child-centred course, suitable for those just beginning to work with children and for those who have done so for many years. Through input, guided reading, sharing, activities and reflection on your own practice, you will be empowered to find a fresh focus.

It is designed for people who could commit to eight Tuesday evening sessions plus three Saturdays with time for private study. Students can choose to work towards the Cliff College Certificate in Children's Ministry by submitting six assignments throughout the year, or by simply compiling a portfolio of evidence and receive the Aurora Certificate in Children's Ministry.”



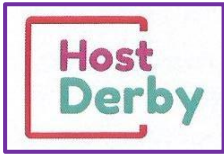
Journey-Makers

Another initiative which might be useful to some parishes, Journey Makers is a programme that helps churches connect with children and families not coming through church doors on a Sunday morning.

“We do training, resourcing and support the running of faith based after school clubs and home visiting. We have found with some churches that the inspiration and desire to do Journey Makers is high, but the practicalities of getting it up and running in schools can take time. To cut a long story short we want to remove as many barriers as possible so churches can just enjoy running the Journey Makers programme. Therefore we've come up with an idea that will hopefully give churches more freedom to try this programme in a way that works for them. Have a look at the offer and see what you think, it would mean that churches in your area could try a bespoke Journey Makers model that really suited each situation, and they could come and get the training and resources for free. I only have limited spaces so if you can think of any churches that would be interested in pioneering this with us in your area then I would love to speak with them, more details on the website.”

Contact Rachel Dawson, Head of Journey Makers, 01274909016, for more information, or register interest on the website <https://www.tlg.org.uk/our-programmes/journey-makers>

Host Derby



“Open your heart and your home to those seeking sanctuary”

Exciting hosting scheme launched in Derby/ Derbyshire for destitute sanctuary seekers

What is hosting?

Hosting is the term used when volunteer hosts offer a spare room for free to someone seeking asylum who would otherwise be homeless. There are now voluntary hosting schemes in many of our cities in the UK and Derby and Derbyshire want to join them! It is one of the major ways that such destitution is being tackled. Beneficiaries of hosting schemes are generally people who have become destitute by having their asylum support suspended or stopped but who are unable to leave the country and so are left homeless, penniless and without the right to work or support themselves in the UK. Other examples of people who access this support include those who have been granted refugee status but face homelessness due to delays with accessing state support, housing and employment. Hosting can create a stable environment where people, who have experienced untold horrors in their home countries and travelled with great difficulty across the world to find safety here, can concentrate on their asylum claims, find friendship, hope and encouragement and feel human again.

What is Host Derby?

In Derby all the refugee organisations supporting those seeking asylum are seeing a real need for such a scheme because such destitution is becoming an increasing problem. Host Derby aims to provide temporary free accommodation with volunteer hosts in their own homes in Derby and Derbyshire, offering a lifeline to vulnerable individuals. Hosts will be supported to welcome an individual into their own home, from a few days to a few months. Guests will be referred and then supported to access the right help and re-engage with the asylum system and move on with their lives.

The scheme was launched on September 5th and we hope to take our first guests in November.

Who runs Host Derby?

Host Derby will be run by Upbeat Communities, a local refugee charity, in partnership with City of Sanctuary Derby, the British Red Cross, Derby Refugee Advice Centre and Derby City Mission. In order to establish the project we need £10,000 start up funding to build a firm foundation for the work.

You can find out more on line: www.upbeatcommunities.org/hostderby

Can you help and be part of Host Derby?

- Register your interest as a volunteer host
- Donate towards setting up the project
- Organise a fund raising event

To donate or fund raise : **JustGiving**

www.justgiving.com/campaigns/charity/upbeat-communities/host-derby

Contacts : email: hosting@upbeatcommunities.org

tel: 01332 916150

*Revd Maureen Priddin
Host Derby steering group/City of Sanctuary Derby*

City of Sanctuary in Parliament

Delegates from Derby will again represent the City of Sanctuary Derby group at the fourth annual "Sanctuary in Parliament" to be held in Westminster at the end of November 2017. Representatives from local City of Sanctuary groups from all over the UK will gather to discuss issues around asylum rights, destitution, poverty and homelessness. The event is also an opportunity for MPs to hear powerful first-hand accounts of the experiences of refugees and asylum seekers, and to meet their constituents who have sought or are seeking sanctuary, and those involved in initiatives to support them. Last year over fifty MPs came in to listen including the Home Secretary, Amber Rudd and the former Deputy Prime Minister, Nick Clegg. One of our Derby delegates said "It was the most amazing day of my life. In my country you could not get near a politician let alone speak to them for fear of losing your life"

From Colleen Molloy, City of Sanctuary National Development Officer:
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Our theme this year will narrow our focus to the issue of destitution - poverty and homelessness created by the asylum process. Our asks will include permission to work and an extension of the move on period. We are still developing detailed plans and a briefing for MPs and our specific asks and will keep you informed when we have confirmed. Our plan will include wholly refugee testimony for the first hour and then the rest of the session will be meeting our MPs in small groups. We are planning activities for those who may have to wait for their MPs.

If you know any asylum seekers or refugees who wish to speak on the theme of destitution; permission to work, the move on period etc. please contact us. Speakers don't have to tell their personal story, but can speak on behalf of a community. However, we won't be able to have space for everyone to tell their stories in the main session so please don't make any commitments until you have talked to us. Hopefully everyone will have an opportunity to speak to their MP at the event. We will be seeking to offer a balance of speakers, especially gender and countries of origin.

Please contact me for a template letter to MPs as an adaptable guide for groups and supporters to invite their MPs to the event. Please try to engage as many supporters as you can in this process - even those who are not able to join us on the day. Supporters can ask their MPs to attend to meet their City of Sanctuary reps or if no-one from the constituency is available then MPs can be asked to hear refugee testimony to inform follow up discussions.

We are relying on the network to invite their local MPs, especially newly elected MPs even if they cannot attend themselves and also to let us know how their MP replies.

Here is a very brief message you can send to your MP:

Dear [add in the name of your MP]

I am writing to you on behalf of [local group] and would like to welcome you to attend this year's Sanctuary in Parliament event, where you can hear from refugees and their supporters from across the UK. The event 'Dignity not Destitution: Ending poverty and homelessness in the asylum system' will take place on Tuesday 28th November in the Palace of Westminster. It will be chaired by Thangam Debbonaire MP and hosted by The APPG for Refugees, City of Sanctuary, Asylum Matters and others.

This is the fourth time we've brought the voices of refugees to Westminster. If you have attended before, you will know that this is a great opportunity for you to meet with and to hear from asylum seekers and refugees themselves as well as their supporters in your constituency. This year, Sanctuary in Parliament will focus on the poverty and homelessness experienced by people seeking protection in the UK.

(Add your postal address)



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19th September 2017

CHRISTMAS LUNCH ON JESUS 2017: DERBY AND CALCUTTA

Dear Friend,

We are writing to ask you to support an exciting project in Derby and Calcutta called 'Christmas Lunch on Jesus', organised by Serve the City Derby.

The founders of Serve the City describe it as "A movement of volunteers serving cities in practical ways and inspiring people to be givers in this world. We believe that many people doing small things together can make a big difference in our world." It is an international ecumenical organisation, started by Christians as a way of engaging more meaningfully with cities and blessing people in need with God's love. There are many Christians involved in the organisation, but it is open to people of all faiths and none – a great opportunity to invite non-Christian friends to serve and make a difference in our city and to meet Christians in the process!

'Christmas Lunch on Jesus' has happened every year since 2010 – providing Christmas boxes containing turkey, vegetables, potatoes, gravy, Christmas pudding, crackers, chocolates, cranberry sauce, mince pies... everything needed for a really enjoyable and healthy Christmas lunch. Last year we distributed 350 boxes to families and individuals on low income, who otherwise would struggle to afford a Christmas meal – feeding 1500 people. Nominations for boxes were received from Social Services, GPs, Women's Refuge, Housing Associations, Churches, and Derby City Mission Basics Bank. Each box also contained an invite to Christmas services throughout Derby City Centre.

In 2012, to celebrate our link between Derby Diocese and Calcutta Cathedral, we provided Christmas boxes for some of the poorest people in Calcutta's slums, containing rice, lentils, dahl, biscuits, sweets... a Christmas feast for those who live in poverty on a daily basis. We included a celebration candle and New Testament. They also distributed 380 hampers and served lunch for 1400 people in the Cathedral!

In light of the migrant crisis, we have worked closely with the British Red Cross to provide hampers for migrant families new to our city.

Can you partner with us this year? Nearer the time we can go into more detail, but all we need to say at this stage is that we will be looking for volunteers to help **pack vegetables on Thursday, December 21st**, and **pack and deliver the hampers on Friday, December 22nd** (both dates for any amount of time between 9.00-4.00). Also, if you know of families who would benefit from receiving a box, we can provide them, and if you and members of your congregation can sponsor a box for £30 (or half a box) that would be great. Please drop us an email and we will be in touch next month.

Publicity will be available to collect from St. Peter's, and at the October Clergy Chapter.

With every blessing,

Paul

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Anita

Revd. Anita Matthews
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PROFILES Z-A: CONVENT OF THE HOLY NAME



Morley Road, Oakwood, Derby DE21 4TB.

Website - www.comholyname.org

Facebook page – Community of the Holy Name

Registered charity no 250256

The Community of the Holy Name had its beginnings in the latter half of the 19th century and the first sisters made their vows in 1865. We had a celebration here in Derby in August 2015 for the 150th anniversary of our foundation. This had been planned to take place in the Cathedral but delayed building works intervened and St Mary's RC church came to our rescue at the 11th hour – so the service took place there and it was good to renew ecumenical links.

Our story started in the parish of St Peter's, Vauxhall, in London where the early sisters helped the parish priest in an area of great social deprivation. We began as 'the St Peter's Sisters' but in 1876 the community took on the dedication to the Holy Name of Jesus, reflecting its vocation to reach out to others in the name of Jesus, Saviour.

Our founders drew inspiration from both the catholic and evangelical wings of the church and the sisters' vocation to draw others into a personal relationship with Jesus as Saviour was – and still is – rooted in the sacramental life of the Church.

In 1887 the 'mother house' (the Convent of the Holy Name) was established in Malvern Link, Worcestershire and a Mother and Baby Home and a 'Penitentiary' began as 'social outreach' in nearby buildings – these were run by the sisters until the late 1960's/ early 70's. 'Mission houses' remained in London and in various other parts of the country.



The community relocated to Derby in 1990 – we had been looking for smaller premises (the Malvern convent had over 100 bedrooms and various other buildings) so we needed to 'downsize'! We were tipped off that there was a Roman Catholic convent in Derby which was about to go on the market – so we came to look and liked what we saw – and especially the chapel. The Presentation Sisters



(some of whom now live in Matlock) were delighted when we decided to buy their property – on the edge of the new Oakwood estate which was still being developed – the land to the north up Morley Road was still open fields marked on the map as Chaddesden Common. The Church on Oakwood began in the curate's house on Appledore Drive but soon outgrew that space so we were asked if we could accommodate them for worship on Sunday mornings – which we did until their church was built. There are quite a few folk around in their mid-late 20's now who were baptised in the convent chapel.

Sisters today are involved with several local churches in the deanery – and beyond (St Mary's Chaddesden, St Peter's in the City Centre, St. John's, Walbrook Epiphany, Breadsall, Morley and Smalley) and there have been links with other churches in the past (Oakwood, St Philip's, St Luke's, St Anne's, St Osmund's, St. Werburgh's, Spondon and the Cathedral). We currently have 2 branch houses – one on a 70's housing estate in Peterborough and the other a redundant vicarage in Longsight, Manchester (next door to the redundant church which is now a mosque).



We have 2 African provinces – Lesotho and Zululand – and the sisters there have many ministries, including supporting people with HIV /AIDS. There are about 55 sisters in Africa and 23 in this country (including 1 novice and a postulant).

The structure of our day keeps worship and prayer at the heart of our life - the daily Eucharist and 5-fold office and our times of prayer and silence overflow into various forms of

ministry according to the needs of the places where we happen to be. We hope that all our houses are centres of stillness and an important ministry is that of hospitality, as well as outreach from the local churches and involvement with schools, foodbanks, hostels for the homeless, night shelters, refugees and asylum seekers.



The Vows are our way of responding to God's love and to Christ's call on our lives.

- **POVERTY** – living with generosity and in simplicity, trusting in God.
- **CELIBACY** – seeking to love all in Christ and daring to believe that God can fulfil all our longings.
- **OBEDIENCE** – learning to listen attentively to God, trusting Christ in one another.



Through the vows we seek to open our hearts and minds to the Cross of Christ and to the freedom of the Resurrection life.

***Please pray for us as
we pray for you.***





CONVENT OF THE HOLY NAME

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Website - www.comholyname.org

Facebook page – Community of the Holy Name

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Not all the parishes/clergy in the new(ish) Derby City Deanery may be aware of the existence of an Anglican Convent in Oakwood and of the facilities that we can offer.

We have 3 rooms available for Quiet Days for individuals or groups (24 maximum). Our guests are welcome to use the chapel, the library and the garden. We provide tea, coffee, milk and biscuits. A sister might be available to give a 'listening ear' if requested when booking. Day bookings are usually from 10 am to 4 pm.

The 'suggested donation' for individual day guests is £10 and £8 if part of a group. A £20 deposit is required for a group booking.

For more information or to make a booking please contact Sister Diana on 01332 671716 (ext 6); email - assistantprovincialchn@yahoo.co.uk

The Cottage Guest House can accommodate up to 7 resident guests. For more info please contact the Guest Sister (Sister Pauline) on 01332 670 483; email – guestsisterchn@gmail.com

Forthcoming events:

18th October	
(6.45 to 7.45 pm)	Meditation for Freedom Week Sister Julie Elizabeth
4th November	
(10.30am to 4 pm)	Study day on Genesis 1** Sister Clara
18th November	
11.30 am to 2 pm	Super Soup Day
2nd December	
10.30 am to 4 pm	Quiet Day for Advent** Sister Rosemary
8th December	
7.30 pm	Healing Service

More information on the website – or from Sister Diana

Booking essential for events with **. Other events – just turn up!!


Enquiries/ bookings via the Assistant Superior at the address above.

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DATES FOR THE DIARY

Freedom Week

Join hands in solidarity against modern slavery at a special ecumenical evening prayer, with the Bishop of Derby and the new Dean of Derby.



Derby Cathedral
October 18th, 5.15pm



Freedom Week is a global week of worship, prayer and action on modern slavery.

Modern slavery is the world's fastest growing crime, involving over 40 million men, women and children around the world.

All faiths are invited to Evening Prayer at Derby Cathedral on October 18th, 5.15pm; together we stand against the oppression of modern slavery.



All are invited to Listening Derby

an Inclusive Church response to the Archbishops' invitation for the whole Church to explore 'radical Christian inclusion.'

**Saturday 2nd December at
St Werburgh's Church, Spondon from 2:00pm**

The afternoon will begin with a time for LGBTQIA+ people to share experiences and be listened to in a safe space, with the understanding that all are affirmed and included in the Body of Christ.

5:00pm Open Table Eucharist celebrated by the Venerable Cherry Vann, Archdeacon of Rochdale and Prolocutor of the Convocation of York

Followed by supper at 6pm.

Come for all or part of the afternoon. All are welcome.

To register for this event and receive material for the day, please email derbylistening@gmail.com

For more information, please contact the following Derby General Synod members:

Mrs Kat Alldread, Revd Mark Broomhead, Mrs Hannah Grivell,
Revd Julian Hollywell, Revd Canon Dr Simon Taylor

Wednesday 6th December.



A day for all church leaders, lay or ordained, who are concerned to be inclusive and help those who experience same-sex attraction to stay faithful to Biblical teaching on sexual ethics and flourish at the same time. On the LOCAL (Living Out Churches And Leaders) Course we will show you why many churches fail – but how the Bible wonderfully meets the challenges we all face.

More details of the day at St Giles' and how to book here:
<http://www.livingout.org/local-derby>

Dates for the Diary (continued):

The Parish of St Matthew
Darley Abbey



Remembrance Sunday

12 November 2017, 6.15 pm
in St Matthew's Church, Darley Abbey

The choirs of St Matthew's, St Edmund's
Allestree, and other friends sing

The Requiem
by Gabriel Fauré



at a Requiem Service

All welcome

German Christmas Market

St Edmund's, Allestree

Sat 18 Nov, 10.30am to 3.30pm, in the Church
Hall, Kings Croft, DE22 2FN

There will be a variety of stalls to peruse, a
Bartwurst BBQ, Gluhwein (alcoholic and non-
alcoholic), a range of other refreshments, live
German music, a quiz and raffle, and an
exhibition of cribs in the church.

Last year the event attracted over 500 visitors.

This year we are aiming to do even better.

Please come and support us.

The Cribs will remain in St Edmund's church
for the Sunday (19th), and the church will be
open all afternoon.

In the evening the choirs of St Edmund's and
St Matthew's Darley Abbey will sing a Joint
Choral Evensong on the Eve of the Feast of St
Edmund, king and martyr,
at 6.30pm, and all are welcome.



Christmas Tree Festival Weekend

Saturday 2nd -
Monday 4th
December.

Visitors can admire over 40 decorated trees.

Sat 10.00am-4.00pm,

Sun 12.00 noon-4.00pm,

Mon 10.00am-2.00pm.

Free admission; donations to Derby Kids Camp

Also:

Sat 2nd Dec: 7.30pm:

Festival Concert with Derventio Choir.

Sun 3rd Dec: Advent Sunday: 9.45am:

Family Eucharist, 4.30pm Advent Service

St John the Evangelist, Mill/Bridge Street, Derby.

DE1 1DY

www.stjohnsmillstreet.org



The Parishes of St Edmund, Allestree
and St Matthew, Darley Abbey



Advent Sunday

Sunday 3 December 2017

8 am, Holy
Communion
St Edmund's,
Allestree

10 am, Holy
Communion
St Matthew's,
Darley Abbey

10 am, All Age
Worship -
Christingle
St Edmund's,
Allestree

11.15 am, BCP
Communion
St Edmund's,
Allestree

6.15 pm,

Advent Procession

St Matthew's, Darley Abbey

*This service is led by the choirs of St Matthew's
and St Edmund's. We start in darkness and walk
towards the light of Christmas.*

Dates for the Diary (continued):**Christmas Tree Festival****at St Paul's, Quarndon**

in the church from 1.30pm on Fri 8th to 6pm on Sun 10th December.

Various musical items during the weekend, a competition for the best dressed tree and a children's competition.

Admission free, donations to church renovation appeal welcome.

Refreshments served throughout.

For further details see

www.stpaulsquarndon.org.uk

To sponsor a tree (minimum donation £25) please contact Mary Connell 01335 360422

**CHRISTMAS CAROL CONCERT
TO SUPPORT THE ALZHEIMER'S SOCIETY**

The Derby Carol Concert will be at Broadway Baptist Church, 186 Broadway, Derby DE22 1BP on

FRIDAY 15th DECEMBER.

The concert starts at 7.00pm with doors opening at 6.30pm.

Tickets are £8.00 per person (or £12.00 for a combined ticket for a person with dementia and their carer), £5 for children under 9.

Tickets can be booked at 0330 333 0804 or through the website: www.alzheimers.org.uk typing Derby Carols in the search box. Tickets will also be available on the door.

**Food Safety Training
& Test Day**

October 21, 2017

9:00 to 18:00

Informative lecture by a qualified trainer, which will prepare you for the test, held on the day.

£30.00 per person includes lecture, lunch, tea breaks and test as well as test results on the day.

Successful participants will receive the new standard certificate of

"Foundation of Food Safety" recognized by the Chartered Institute of Environmental Health

This is the new government requirement for those preparing food for groups or public functions.

For more information or to register for the course Please contact Kristy Haines

At: kristyh@ywamderby.org
Or call: 01332-362814

NEW HOUSING AND MISSION

Deanery Training Session

9.30 for 10am until 12.30pm

Saturday 25th November

St Francis Mackworth DE22 4LR

Next **City of Sanctuary** meeting on Wednesday 8th November at 10am at the Derby Refugee advice Centre/ Bosnia Herzegovina Centre 99 Curzon St Derby DE1 1LN.

'FAITH IN SCIENCE' EXHIBITION

Throughout October, the Cathedral commemorates three Enlightenment pioneers – John Whitehurst, Joseph Wright and Erasmus Darwin – whose advancements in industry, art and science were inspired by their faith and their time in what is now Derby Cathedral. See original works by Joseph Wright, early editions of Darwin's writings and John Whitehurst clock mechanisms in the building that motivated their faith and their innovation.

Deadline for the next issue, 009: 17 November 2017, to be available late November. The issue will cover Christmas and Epiphany, and into the new year.

Issue 010: deadline 5 January 2018, available mid January, for all Lent events.

Items to: jo.simister@derby.anglican.org