

# Derby City Deanery NEWSLETTER

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Derby City Deanery  
*Rooted in Prayer,  
Serving Derby,  
Sharing the Gospel*

## From the Area Dean, Revd Canon Dr Simon Taylor:

Dear friends,

This newsletter comes in the approach to Advent, and there are details of Advent events and resources inside. Advent is a time of waiting. Waiting can be a joyful longing for something to happen, and it can be an impatient need for things to change. Waiting is rarely an easy thing, if we are truly longing for what is coming.

Earlier in the autumn, all the Area Deans were asked to draft plans for the development and growth of the Deaneries. In Derby City, this needs to be joined to the Resourcing Derby City Bid, that the last Synod heard about. It was this bid that led to St Werburgh's planting a church in the middle of Derby. But the bid was more than this. It also committed the Diocese to a missional community, and to a strategic plan for the growth and sustainability of the church in the City of Derby. Over the coming months, we will need to pray, think, and work together so that we can develop this strategic plan for Derby City. Last January, Bishop Jan came to a 'Synod Plus' meeting to speak with us about the challenges that face the church in our generation. She asked to be invited back, and we did. There will be another 'Synod Plus' on Wednesday 23rd January, at which Bishop Jan will help us to look together at how we are responding to the challenges that face us.

Please pray for this meeting and for all the work that will happen. Please pray for one another in the Deanery, so that together we can hear God's call to us. Please pray, because it is in waiting on God that all our Advent longings are turned into the joy of God's presence with us.

Please pray for me, as I pray for you.

With my prayers and all best wishes for a blessed Advent.

*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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**DEANERY ADMIN NOTICES:** *Jo Simister at [jo.simister@derby.anglican.org](mailto:jo.simister@derby.anglican.org)***DEANERY SYNOD with BISHOP JAN:**

The next deanery synod will be Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January, at St Edmund's Church Allenton, Sinfin Avenue DE24 9JA, gathering at 7 for 7.30pm.

Bishop Jan will be present, so the agenda will be less formal and we hope members of the congregations around the deanery will come along too – please encourage others in your church!

**DIOCESAN 'TOGETHER' MAGAZINE:**

Issue 3 of 'Together' is available. If it has not yet appeared in your parish, there must be a box of magazines waiting for pickup from Church House, or in transit – most were collected at Synod on 7<sup>th</sup> November.

If you'd like to advertise in Together, or have it delivered directly to you, please look at <http://www.derby.anglican.org/en/news/together-magazine.html>

**NEW ADVICE ON CYBER CRIME:**

We live in a digital society. From email to social media, smart phones to wearables we interact with the digital world on a daily basis. The more we interact, the more information that is stored. Today virtually all organisations collect and store personal information about customers, employees, service users and others. Unsurprisingly, the frequency of data breaches – the theft, loss or mistaken release of private information - is on the rise.

In fact, HM Government research shows that 1 in 4 businesses reported a cyber breach or attack in the past 12 months. It's not just big businesses that are at risk, though it tends to be these that hit the headlines. Last year saw numerous high profile attacks, which thrust the threat into the public consciousness, and helped make people more aware of the need to have some form of defence.

Best practice in cyber security stretches across industries and includes key measures such as:

- Backing up data regularly and in more than one place.
- Updating antivirus software and other software programmes regularly.
- Using strong passwords and encryption to protect data.
- Implementing training to ensure staff are able to recognise and respond to threats.



Ecclesiastical Insurance has issued some new advice in a well informed leaflet that is available to download at.

<https://www.ecclesiastical.com/images/cyber-security-guidance-notes.pdf> .

There is also a video to watch (or download a transcript) at

<https://www.ecclesiastical.com/forbrokers/resources/cyber-crime/index.aspx>

**ELECTRIC CHARGING POINTS FOR SCHOOLS:**

Pod Point are running an 'Electric School' campaign, including free chargers at primary schools in areas of higher than usual air pollution, because electric vehicles have a vital role to play in improving air quality in the UK, which has been described as a public health emergency. Air pollution contributes to 40,000 premature deaths per year in the UK, and it disproportionately affects younger children as pollutants concentrate nearer to the ground. Find out more at <https://pod-point.com/landing-pages/electric-schools>

## SAFEGUARDING: Dates in December and onwards

Thank you to all those who participated, arranged, and led the sessions over the summer. We can now look towards booking the batch of dates in December, and in 2019.

If you have a group of 10 minimum needing C1 or C2 training, the Safeguarding Team can provide it in your parish. You will need a venue suitable for a screen for the powerpoint presentation. (Otherwise the session can be arranged at Church House). Once confirmed, the Safeguarding Team will also post the session on Eventbrite so that you can book a place – up to a maximum of 30.

You can also see some other dates in other deaneries on [www.DerbySafeguarding.eventbrite.com](http://www.DerbySafeguarding.eventbrite.com) which you can also book onto. C3 trainings are offered across the diocese and are listed on Eventbrite.

These are the available sessions, with those we have already arranged – all need to be booked via Eventbrite. Please let Jo know as soon as possible if you wish to book training in your parish, at [jo.simister@derby.anglican.org](mailto:jo.simister@derby.anglican.org) :

Month: DECEMBER 2018 MIN 10/ MAX 30 attendees per session	Session 1 TIME:9.30-12.30 a.m	Session 2 TIME:1.30- 4.30 p.m.	Session 3 TIME:6.15--9.15 p.m.
Mon 03/12/2018			C1 All Saints Breadsall DE21 5LD
Tues 04/12/2018			C2 St Johns Mill St DE1 3HZ <i>NB: 6.45-9.45pm</i>
Thurs 06/12/2018		C1 Church House, Full St DE1 3DR	
Tues 11/12/2018			
ADDITIONAL SESSIONS	Session 1 TIME:9.30-12.30 a.m	Session 2 TIME:1.30- 4.30 p.m.	Session 3 TIME:6.15--9.15 p.m.
Tues 15/01/2019	C1 Church House		
Thurs 17/01/2019	C2 Church House		
Tues 22/01/2019	C3 Church House – all day session		
Month: JUNE-JULY 2019	Session 1 TIME:9.30-12.30 a.m	Session 2 TIME:1.30- 4.30 p.m.	Session 3 TIME:6.15--9.15 p.m.
Mon 24/06/2019	DV&A - tbc	DV&A - tbc	DV&A - tbc
Tues 25/06/2019			
Thurs 27/06/2019			
Tues 02/07/2010			
Thurs 04/07/2019			
Month: DEC 2019 – JAN 2020	Session 1 TIME:9.30-12.30 a.m	Session 2 TIME:1.30- 4.30 p.m.	Session 3 TIME:6.15--9.15 p.m.
Tues 10/12/2019			
Thurs 12/12/2019			
Tues 07/01/2020			
Thurs 09/01/2020			
Tues 14/01/2020	DV&A - tbc	DV&A - tbc	DV&A - tbc

## DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND ABUSE AWARENESS TRAINING:

Following a number of requests, we are very glad that the Safeguarding team have allocated some slots to Domestic Violence and Abuse awareness training. These sessions are limited to 20 people. Please would you let Jo [jo.simister@derby.anglican.org](mailto:jo.simister@derby.anglican.org) know if you can offer one of these sessions in your parish.

## MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS TRAINING:

As per the Breathing Space article in July's newsletter, we arranged three mental health awareness workshops, open to all parishes. We may still be able to squeeze you into the last of these sessions, on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November. 1pm for 1.30-5pm at St Nicholas Allestree DE22 2PF – contact Jo at [jo.simister@derby.anglican.org](mailto:jo.simister@derby.anglican.org) to enquire.

## OTHER TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES:



...can be found at

<http://www.derby.anglican.org/en/school-of-formation/programmes-list-view.html>

## MORE THAN WELCOME

Despite one in six people in the UK experiencing disability, all too often churches don't know how to respond. And those who do, can find themselves stuck in old, unhelpful ways of doing things. Together we will explore what it means to become a church where everyone can belong – one that doesn't just welcome disabled people, but includes them within church life, and encourages them to grow and participate.

We will be discussing questions like:

- What does the Bible really say about disability?
- What are the barriers that prevent disabled people coming to your church?
- How can we develop our prayer, worship and teaching to be more inclusive? What would that look like?
- How can we ensure that disabled people's gifts are recognised and encouraged?



### More than welcome - Church Disability Training St. John's, Long Eaton

22 November 2018, 9.30 am - 3.30 pm

More Than training link <https://livability.org.uk/event/more-than-welcome-training-nottingham/>



## STATS FOR MISSION:

Each year the national church asks parishes to collect a range of information about the number of people coming to church through the year and at special times, about baptisms, weddings and funerals, and about the worshipping community of the church.

Our diocesan team send a huge thank you to all those parishes who collected and submitted their Statistics for Mission returns for 2017, and suggest using some of the resources below to help collect the stats for 2018.

- Statistics for Mission returns for 2018 data are due for completion by January 31st 2019.
- Finance returns for 2018 are due for completion by May 31st 2019.

You can find advice at <http://www.derby.anglican.org/en/our-mission/statistics-for-mission.html> and a helpful form to help you collect the data before you go online at <https://parishreturns.churchofengland.org/UserGuides/2018StatisticsForMission.doc>

If you have queries about access to the system, your admins and their passwords etc, please contact Deanery Admin Jo at [jo.simister@derby.anglican.org](mailto:jo.simister@derby.anglican.org).

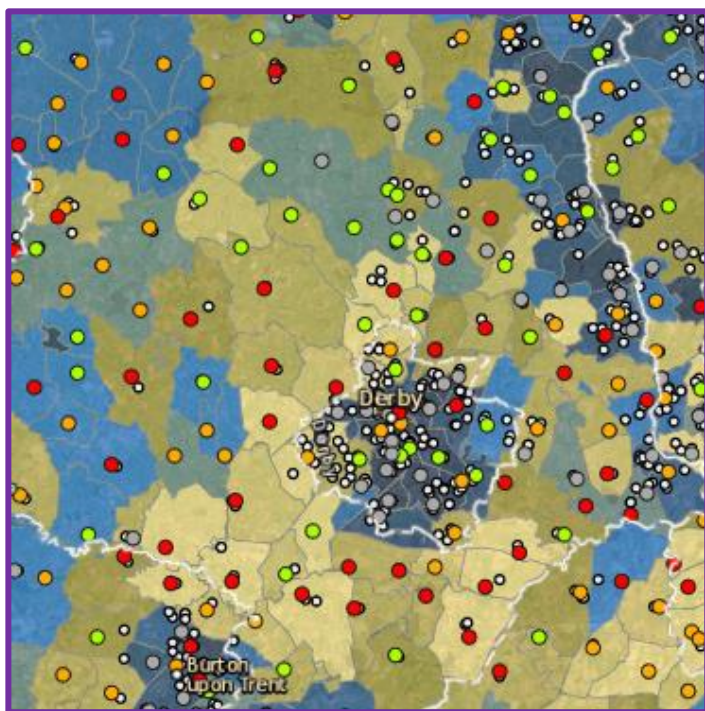
## MAXIMISING YOUR PARISH FINANCE:

We have 315 parishes in the diocese, with savings of just less than £10m. This sounds fairly healthy BUT these savings are mostly earning minimal interest, and may even be GOING BACKWARDS!

You can find advice on more efficient ways to hold your precious reserves at <https://www.parishresources.org.uk/growing-income/> and <https://www.parishresources.org.uk/resources-for-treasurers/> . You can also look at CCLA for advice – find them at <https://www.ccla.co.uk/about-ccla> .

And of course you can contact our own diocesan Parish Resource Officer David Meredith at [pro.david.meredith@derby.anglican.org](mailto:pro.david.meredith@derby.anglican.org) and 01332 388693.

Finally, if you are enthused by stats try looking at <https://www.churchofengland.org/more/policy-and-thinking/research-and-statistics> - yes really! It has an amazing interactive map among other features!



## THE STRATEGIC BUILDINGS REVIEW:

It's good to update this alongside Stats for Mission, ongoing. We really need the information – Area Deans will need it for deployment, we need it for arranging training. It is not just a 'nice to have' it is something we should know about our buildings in order to care for them.

***Remember – be positive about Stats!***

## DERBY CITY DEANERY: ROOTED IN PRAYER

### ADVENT WREATH PRAYERS

#### *Opening Prayer :*

O GOD, BLESS THIS ADVENT WREATH.  
MAY IT HELP US PREPARE TO WELCOME JESUS, YOUR SON,  
INTO OUR LIVES.  
MAY THE LIGHT OF HIS LOVE SHINE THROUGH US. AMEN.

#### **WEEK 1- First Sunday of Advent** (Light candle # 1) – *HOPE*

WE BELIEVE IN YOU, LORD.  
WE KNOW THAT YOU CAN HELP US  
TO LOVE AND RESPECT EACH OTHER MORE.  
YOU ARE OUR LIGHT,  
THE LIGHT THAT OVERCOMES DARKNESS.  
COME, LORD JESUS!

*(Pause for silent prayer. Share your good deeds)*

#### **WEEK 2 – Second Sunday of Advent** (Light candles #1 & # 2) – *LOVE*

COME, LORD JESUS.  
WARM OUR HEARTS WITH YOUR LOVE.  
HELP US TO PREPARE FOR YOUR COMING.  
HELP US TO SEE THE GOOD THINGS WE CAN DO.  
HELP US TO SEE THE GOOD THINGS OTHERS DO.  
COME, LORD JESUS!

*(Pause for silent prayer. Share your good deeds)*

#### **WEEK 3 – Gaudete Sunday** (Light candles #1, #2, #3) – *JOY*

JESUS, WE WANT YOUR COMING TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE  
IN HOW WE LIVE AND LOVE.  
OPEN OUR HEARTS TO HEAR YOUR TELLING US  
HOW WE CAN BRING PEACE AND JOY TO OTHERS.  
COME, LORD JESUS!

*(Pause for silent prayer. Share your good deeds)*

#### **WEEK 4- Fourth Sunday of Advent** (Light candles #1, #2, #3, #4) – *PEACE*

LORD JESUS,  
QUIET THE WORRIES AND FEARS IN OUR HEARTS.  
GIVE US YOUR PEACE.  
THANK YOU FOR THE LIFE YOU SHARE WITH US.  
HELP US TO SHARE YOUR LIFE WITH OTHERS.  
COME, LORD JESUS!

*(Pause for silent prayer. Share your good deeds)*



## PLANNING AHEAD FOR LENT: Lent with New Daylight

*Lent with New Daylight* is a new Lent resource from The Bible Reading Fellowship. Combining daily reflections for individual use and stimulating discussion material for weekly Lent groups, this excellent-value resource offers eight weeks of material. It is designed to appeal both to regular readers of *New Daylight* and those new to daily Bible reading. [*New Daylight* is BRF's most popular Bible reading notes series with over 10,000 readers worldwide. Each day offers a short Bible passage (full text included), a thought-provoking comment and a prayer or point for reflection, and aims to give a fresh, devotional approach to Bible reading.] *New Daylight* is published three times a year, starting in January, May and September. Find out more at [www.biblereadingnotes.org.uk](http://www.biblereadingnotes.org.uk).

Canon Michael Mitton, of St Paul's Chester Green, has contributed to the Spring issue and here is a sample:

### Memory in exile

***Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness, you that seek the Lord. Look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug. Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him, but I blessed him and made him many. For the Lord will comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places, and will make her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the Lord...***

The second part of the book of Isaiah is often called 'the book of comfort' and is addressed to exiles. It begins with the famous 'Comfort my people' exhortation in chapter 40, and it includes the references to the servant of God, who not only comforts the people but also suffers with them. In the midst of this section comes the wonderful promise that God will not only comfort broken Zion but will also transform its wilderness, that it might flourish like the garden of Eden. The passage evokes that yearning for Eden again. And how is this hope engaged? The prophet says that the path is found by the act of remembering.

Remembering is a key discipline for exiles. But it is a particular type of remembering. It is not a harking back to the good old days or a wallowing in nostalgia. It is a remembering that empowers for the future. In the case of today's passage, the exiles are invited to remember Abraham and Sarah, to recall their faith and the fact that God worked such wonders through them. If God brought such abundance of generations from a couple who were apparently past their childbearing years, then he can breathe life back into listless exiles. Such remembering kindles energising hope.

When we find ourselves in an exile situation, it is a helpful discipline to look back at the ways God has led us in the past. Lent is an excellent time for looking back and retelling for ourselves and others how God has worked in us. Such remembering can open us to new possibilities of faith.

***Breathe on my memories, Holy Spirit, that my remembering may lead me to discover the gardens of the Lord.***

**"Then the Grinch thought of something he hadn't before!  
What if Christmas, he thought, doesn't come from a store.  
What if Christmas...perhaps...means a little bit more!"**

— Dr. Seuss, *How the Grinch Stole Christmas!*

## DERBY CITY DEANERY: SHARING THE GOSPEL

**FOLLOW THE STAR:** *Archbishops Justin Welby & John Sentamu say:*

"For many of us, Christmas brings up so many emotions, memories and expectations. We have one nativity story, but it can seem like we all have very different Christmases.

"For you it might be a time of joy and togetherness. Or perhaps it's all about planning and to-do lists. Many others can find it a sad and lonely time – nagged by the feeling that your Christmas is not like those 'perfect' ones we see in the media.

"But just like the unexpected assortment of people who were invited to meet the baby Jesus, *#FollowTheStar* doesn't ask you to be perfect. It says: come just as you are to take the life-changing Christmas journey."

**#FollowTheStar** is a journey through the 12 days of Christmas, inviting everyone to travel in the footsteps of the Wise Men to meet Jesus. Offering fourteen daily reflections – beginning on Christmas Eve and finishing on the Epiphany (6 January) – the *#FollowTheStar* booklet is ideal for sharing with those attending Advent and Christmas services and events. **Why not use it in your parish?** Find out more at <https://www.churchofengland.org/christmas> and find resources at <https://www.churchprinthub.org/?cat=1012&p=1>



### 16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM AGAINST GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE:

16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence is an international campaign. It takes place each year from 25 November (International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women) until 10 December (International Human Rights Day).

Throughout the campaign, Mothers' Union joins with many others, globally, to raise awareness of, and call for an end to, gender-based violence in all forms and in all societies. They will hold a vigil at the cathedral on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November from 10.30am – 12.30pm.



### DERBY CHURCHES NIGHT SHELTERS:

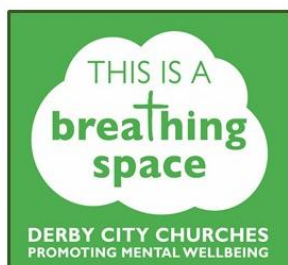
Providing food, shelter and companionship for the homeless during the coldest months of the year.

Please pray for the work of the Night Shelters – find out more at <https://www.derbycitymission.org.uk/homeless>



## DERBY CITY DEANERY: SERVING DERBY

### Breathing Space (Derby) needs your support NOW!



- **Why?** to develop a Breathing Space app to help people find mental wellbeing activities in Derby City, and run Mental Health Awareness courses for volunteers.
- **How?** VOTE on the Aviva link, or GIVE FUNDS via the Crowdfunder link, and besides PLEASE PRAY for all who are involved – training, running activities, participating, benefitting.
- *Breathing Space is an initiative of Derby City Deanery that aims to support positive mental wellbeing in the City of Derby. It focuses on the positive contributions that can be made to support the mental health of everyone, and not just those who have a particular diagnosis.*

<https://www.avivacommunityfund.co.uk/voting/project/view/4-3352>

Voting closes on 20<sup>th</sup> Nov!

<https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/breathing-space-derby-mental-wellbeing-project>

Live until New Years Eve!

### FUND-RAISING FOR BREATHING SPACE:

#### What is a 'Breathing Space'?

A 'Breathing Space' is an activity or opportunity that supports one or more of the recognised features that help to improve our wellbeing, i.e.:

1. Connect
2. Be active
3. Take notice
4. Keep learning
5. Give

#### To be eligible for designation and promotion as a Breathing Space, an activity must:

1. support at least one of the Five Ways to Wellbeing;
2. be open to anybody (for schools, this means anyone within the school);
3. be part of a church or school that is intentionally developing a culture that is aiming to promote positive approaches to Mental Health; and
4. offer signposts to other areas of Mental Health support.

#### Examples:

- **Connect:** Gathering Place at St Augustine's: breakfast, chat, debt advice, signposting to social services, and lots of encouragement.
- **Be Active:** The Daily Mile at Ashgate School: children run and walk around a track in their playground – with amazing benefits to their concentration in class!
- **Take Notice:** Thursday Evensong at Derby Cathedral, which is timed later on Thursdays so that working people can drop in to participate, or just relax and unwind with the music; or Green Space Lunch – city workers picnic in St John's garden, with occasional speaker and music – and the opportunity for reflection, offloading, and prayer in the Quiet Space.
- **Keep Learning:** Godly Play with Elders, at St Edmund's Allenton & Shelton Lock: stories, memories, sharing, playing (why should children have all the fun?) and Faith through Art, creative activities at St Werburgh's, Spondon.
- **Give:** Christmas Lunch on Jesus at St Peter's in the City, sharing meals and food parcels.

#### To register:

Please let us know what your church (or church school of similar organisation) is doing to support mental wellbeing for the people of Derby. Contact Jo at [jo.simister@derby.anglican.org](mailto:jo.simister@derby.anglican.org) for a registration form, and we will list your activity on our website (and eventually our app, if we are able to raise sufficient funds.)

## 'Christmas Lunch on Jesus' Derby and Calcutta

This year Christmas Lunch on Jesus will once again be providing Christmas boxes containing turkey, vegetables, potatoes, gravy, Christmas pudding, crackers, chocolates... everything you need for a really enjoyable Christmas lunch. We'll be distributing them to families and individuals on low income who otherwise would struggle to afford a Christmas meal. Each box will also contain a candle, a booklet about the meaning of Christmas, and an invite to Christmas services in Derby.

To celebrate our link between Derby and Calcutta Cathedral and City Centre churches, we're also partnering with friends there to provide 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'll also be including a celebration candle and a New Testament.

### WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Please consider sponsoring a Christmas meal for a family in Calcutta and Derby for £30, or give whatever you can afford. You can make cheques payable to St. Peter's Church (please write 'Christmas Lunch on Jesus' on the back) and send to Christmas Lunch on Jesus, c/o St. Peter's in the City, St. Peter's Street, Derby DE1 1SN. Or visit [www.stpetersderby.org.uk](http://www.stpetersderby.org.uk) to donate online.

Come and help pack and deliver boxes at St. Peter's on Saturday 22nd December. For more information, and to volunteer, please contact Revd. Anita Matthews on: 07910 137 229 or [anita@stpetersderby.org.uk](mailto:anita@stpetersderby.org.uk)

Supported by Derby City Centre Churches

**This year we hope to provide 500 Christmas Lunch Boxes.**

## Reverse Advent Calendar

An idea to help your local foodbank this holiday season has been circulating in the form of a "Reverse Advent Calendar". Add an item to a box for each day of advent this year and donate them to us at the end!\*



Milk UHT  
Juice  
Cereal/Porridge  
Tinned Potatoes  
Tinned Meat/  
Meat Meals  
Coffee 100gm  
Biscuits  
Tinned Custard  
Pasta Sauces/  
Curry Sauces  
Jams  
Cuppa Soup  
Instant Mash  
Tinned Vegetables  
Tinned Tomatoes  
Pot Noodles  
Tinned Fruit  
Spreads  
Instant Coffee  
Rice Pudding  
Tinned Soup  
and toiletries and  
small personal items

## DIOCESAN SYNOD REPORT: from Saturday 13 October

*Thanks to South East Derbyshire Deanery for these notes, from their Lay Chair Brian Parker:*

The first meeting of the newly elected synod was preceded by Communion Service during which Bishop Jan gave her presidential address. Bishop Jan reflected on the phrase: *'Tradition is tending the flame, not worshipping the ashes'*. This is attributed to Gustav Mahler but has a resonance with the Malachi passage on the work of the refiner: burning off the dross to find the pure gold. Going around the Diocese Bishop Jan picks up a lot of harking back or saying 'if only' things were like they used to be: 'worshipping the ashes'. Jan and the senior staff had recently met with the area deans and they had agreed three ways in which Derby Diocese could, now, work to 'tend the flame'

- A series of simple discipleship courses across deaneries; encouraging faith-sharing
- Refresher leadership training for clergy
- Improved administrative support

So that the new synod 'tends the flame' Bishop Jan encouraged members to work hard, pray earnestly and make bold decisions.

By dint of being the first meeting of the synod there was quite a bit of procedural business.

- The role of synod within the governance of the Church of England was explained.
- Chairs of the Houses of Laity and Clergy were appointed.
- The latest safeguarding policies were adopted. On that point all the information on safeguarding was likened to a car manual. No driver is expected to read the manual from front to back before setting off on a journey but you know where it is and can access the index when you need to find something out.
- The membership of the new Board of Education was agreed and the work of the Diocesan Communications Team was explained. Communications plan to run a series of workshops around the deaneries on using social media, and there will be a paper based diocesan directory published in November.
- Synod was told that the next stage of the process to appoint the new bishop was a series of interviews in early November. Synod was encouraged to support the process in prayer.

The main topic that enthused the synod concerned the financial situation of the diocese and in particular setting the budget for 2019. As a prologue to the discussion it was reported that the final out-turn for 2018 will show an overspend of about £141k. This is because spending on clergy has been greater than had been budgeted for (despite a number of vacancies) and the Common Fund response had been less than expected so far this year, though this will probably improve by the end of the year.

Initially a neutral budget had been set for 2019 based on a 3% increase in the Common Fund request but in view of the 2018 experience it had been revised to show, if current levels of income and expenditure continue, there will be a deficit of some £300k.

After some discussion the consensus was that at a time of waiting for the new bishop it was not appropriate to propose any reduction in expenditure. A larger increase in the Common Fund request was also inappropriate. It was agreed that we should accept that there will be an overspend in 2019. That can be covered by reserves and officials were left to decide how best to use reserves: sell investments or dispose of a couple of properties that are currently let and unlikely to be required for future deployment.

There are still vacancies for Lay Representatives to the Diocesan Synod, with a commitment of 3 Saturdays a year. Representatives do not already have to be on Deanery Synod.



## Z-A Parishes: "It's behind you... Oh no it isn't!"

*Rev'd Nick Gurney, Vicar of Boulton St Marys, Derby DE24 0GE, writes:*

It's the time of Panto and Christmas movies, events and displays and the time of Creative frenzy, especially for those who work in the art and entertainment industry. Having spent 20 years in the media & entertainment industry, and still having an active interest in how we express our identity, humanity and spirituality through the mediums of art & creativity, in the autumn of last year I became Chaplain to Derby Theatre and earlier this year to the QUAD in Derby.

Having worked in this environment and understanding some of the unique pressures for 'creatives' and having got to meet some of the brilliant and active wider artistic community in the city, my thoughts and prayers soon turned to how best to help and support the volume and diversity of creative people in and around Derby. Furthermore, I thought how many churches will have creative people in, and connecting with them, and how this may be enabled to flourish for the benefit of all.

The infographic opposite shows some of the ideas of the network of support and development currently in the thinking and development but the first step is in creating a team of 'City Arts Chaplains' which may also be of benefit to parishes in serving within your church in a similar way to the parish based chaplaincy at Boulton St Marys. Please take a look at the Art Chaplain Advert, pass the information on, and speak to me, I'd love to hear from you.



## City Arts & Entertainment Chaplaincy



# ARTS CHAPLAINS *required*

**Do you have an active interest in the Arts?**

**Have you been involved in the Art & Entertainment industry?**

**Are you an Artist?**

**Derby City Centre Chaplaincy is looking to recruit  
a team of City Arts Chaplains to support various Art Venues &  
'Creatives' in the City involved in all areas of Artistic expression.**

**If you feel your calling, and would like to be involved,  
then please contact City Arts Chaplain**

**Rev'd Nick Gurney - Chaplain to Derby Theatre & the QUAD - at**

**[RevNickCofE@live.com](mailto:RevNickCofE@live.com) or call 07841842540**



**Candlelit Carols at the Cathedral on Sunday 2nd December 2018, 6.00 pm**

*Begin your journey to Christmas with music and readings for Advent. This service features a spectacular transformation as the Cathedral interior begins in darkness and ends in light.*

**There's plenty more at the Cathedral – see**

<http://derbycathedral.org/about-us/what-s-on.html>



## NOTICEBOARD

### MEDIA OPPORTUNITY

## Refugee Journalism Project

is looking for individuals who are interested in taking part in an initiative that supports journalists who seek to rebuild their professional careers in the UK.

### The benefits of taking part

You will take part in bespoke workshops delivered either by universities or by media organisations.

You will get internships or work experience at media organisations.

All participants will be mentored by an experienced UK journalist.

You will get the opportunity to publish your work.

You will receive career's guidance and workshops.

You will have the opportunity to apply for postgraduate degree funding at London College of Communication.

You will become part of an established network of journalists.

### In order to meet the eligibility criteria, applications must:

Have refugee status, or the right to work in the UK.

Have an average IELTS of 5.5 (or comparable experience)

Must be able to attend workshops between October 2018 and September 2019

(the exact workshop sessions will be supplied later stage)

Have experience or qualifications in Journalism, communications or media-related areas. We will consider applications from those who have no prior journalistic experience, but who can demonstrate a strong interest in working in the field.

The majority of workshops will take place in London (for those living in the South East) or Derby (for those in North or Midlands).

To read more about the project, please visit the project's blog: <http://migrantjournalism.org>

Also, the following articles offer more background information:

[OpenCanada: Professionals again: How a UK project is giving refugee journalists experience, belonging](#)

[UNHCR: Voices in exile: refugee journalists retreat in UK](#)

**For more information or to apply**, please contact Vivienne Francis [v.francis@lcc.ac.uk](mailto:v.francis@lcc.ac.uk). In order to be considered for the project, please send a Curriculum Vitae, AND 400 word written piece explaining why you are applying for this opportunity.



**ual:** london college  
of communication

## J26 AUTUMN CONCERT

Conductor - Mat Davis

24th November 2018

Leader - Nicola Jackson

7.30pm

### J26 Sinfonietta presents:

- Haydn Armida Overture
- Caplet Suite Persane
- Holst Country Song
- Mozart Symphony No.31
- Mozart Mauerische Trauermusik KV477

Saint Luke's Church  
128 Parliament Street  
Derby  
DE22 3RT

£6 adults  
Children under 16 free



## St Anne's Service of Nine Lessons and Carols



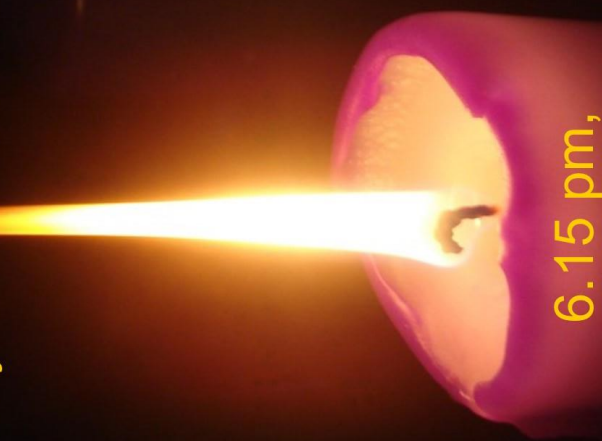
Come and join us at St Anne's Church, Whitecross St, Derby DE1 3NB on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2018 at 3.00 p.m. for a service to mark Christmas led by the Archdeacon of Derby and followed by Festive Fare.



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



## Advent Sunday Sunday 2 December 2018



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

**Deadline for the next issue: 11 January 2019. Items to: [jo.simister@derby.anglican.org](mailto:jo.simister@derby.anglican.org).**

Tues 20 Nov	<b>AVIVA COMMUNITY FUND VOTING FOR BREATHING SPACE CLOSSES – see p 9</b>	
Sat 24 Nov 1.30-5pm	<b>Mental Health Awareness training session</b>	St Nicholas Allestree DE22 2PF. Book via <a href="mailto:jo.simister@derby.anglican.org">jo.simister@derby.anglican.org</a>
Sat 24 Nov 7.30pm	<b>J26 Autumn Concert</b>	St Luke's Church, Parliament St DE22 3RL. See display notice on p14.
Fri 30 Nov 10.30-12.30	<b>Mothers Union Vigil – part of the 16 Days of Activism</b>	Cathedral, Iron Gate DE1 3DY. See item on p 8.
Sun 2 Dec 4.30pm	<b>Advent Carol Service</b>	St John's Mill St DE1 3HZ.
Sun 2 Dec 6.15pm	<b>Advent Walk and Service</b>	St Matthew's Darley Abbey, Church Lane DE22 1EF. See display notice on page 15.
Mon 3 Dec 6.15-9.15	<b>C1 Safeguarding Training</b>	All Saints Breadsall, Moor Rd DE21 5LD. Book at <a href="http://www.DerbySafeguarding.eventbrite.com">www.DerbySafeguarding.eventbrite.com</a>
Tues 4 Dec 6.45-9.45	<b>C2 Safeguarding Training</b>	St John's Mill St DE1 3HZ. Book at <a href="http://www.DerbySafeguarding.eventbrite.com">www.DerbySafeguarding.eventbrite.com</a>
Thurs 6 Dec 1.30-4.40pm	<b>C1 Safeguarding Training</b>	Church House, Full St DE1 3DR. Book at <a href="http://www.DerbySafeguarding.eventbrite.com">www.DerbySafeguarding.eventbrite.com</a>
Sat 8 – Mon 10 Dec	<b>Christmas Tree Festival</b>	Sat 10-4pm, Sun 12-4pm, Mon 10-2pm at St John Mill St DE1 3HZ.
Sun 9 Dec 7.30pm	<b>A Christmas Tree Festival Concert by Derventio Choir</b>	St John's Mill St DE1 3HZ. Tickets £6 at the door.
Tues 11 Dec 7pm	<b>Coop Funeral Memorial Carol Service</b>	St John's Mill St DE1 3HZ.
Sat 15 Dec 7.30pm	<b>Derby Bach Choir Concert</b>	St John's Mill St DE1 3HZ. Tickets available at door.
Sun 16 Dec 3pm	<b>Service of Lessons and Carols</b>	St Anne's, Whitecross Sr DE1 3NB. See display notice on page 15.
Sun 16 Dec 4pm	<b>Voices Meditation</b>	St John's Mill St DE1 3HZ.
Mon 17 Dec 7.30pm	<b>Sitwell Singers Christmas Concert</b>	St John's Mill St DE1 3HZ. Tickets available at door.
Weds 19 Dec 12 noon	<b>Mince pies, Carols &amp; Coffee at St John's Mill St DE1 3HZ</b>	All welcome and local business people particularly welcome to spend their lunchtime with us
Sat 22 Dec All day	<b>Christmas Lunch on Jesus hamper packing</b>	St Peter's in the City. See display notice on page 11.
Mon 31 Dec	<b>CROWDFUNDING FOR BREATHING SPACE CLOSSES - see p 9</b>	
Sun 6 Jan 10am	<b>Epiphany: celebrate with Walbrook Epiphany parish</b>	St Thomas', Pear Tree Rd DE23 8NQ. Welcome to experience the progress of improvement works.
Tues 15 Jan 9.30-12.30	<b>C1 Safeguarding Training</b>	Church House, Full St DE1 3DR. Book at <a href="http://www.DerbySafeguarding.eventbrite.com">www.DerbySafeguarding.eventbrite.com</a>
Thurs 17 Jan 9.30-12.30	<b>C2 Safeguarding Training</b>	Church House, Full St DE1 3DR. Book at <a href="http://www.DerbySafeguarding.eventbrite.com">www.DerbySafeguarding.eventbrite.com</a>
Tues 22 Jan 9.30-12.30	<b>C3 Safeguarding Training</b>	Church House, Full St DE1 3DR. Book at <a href="http://www.DerbySafeguarding.eventbrite.com">www.DerbySafeguarding.eventbrite.com</a>
Weds 23 Jan 7.30-9.30pm	<b>Deanery Synod with Bishop Jan</b>	St Edmund's Allenton: Sinfin Ave DE24 9JA
Thurs 31 Jan	<b>STATS FOR MISSION SHOULD BE COMPLETED BY TODAY – see p 5</b>	