

# 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 is a time of new arrivals. On 25th May at 2.30pm Bishop Libby will be installed in the Cathedral. All clergy are invited to robe, and we have been given a few tickets for lay people to have a reserved seat. We are trying to allocate them so that each parish/BMO is represented. Please be in contact with me or Jo Simister if you would like to take up one of these tickets.

Later, during Thy Kingdom Come, Bishop Libby will be spending two days in the Deanery learning about the City and what we are trying to do. Bishop Libby has said that in time she is spending in all the deaneries during Thy Kingdom Come, she wants to meet as many people as possible and pray with as many people as possible. In this spirit, her visit to Derby City Deanery will end with a Deanery Celebration service at St Mark's Derby (Francis Street, DE21 6DE) on Tuesday 4th June at 7.30pm. Bishop Libby will be part of this service. It will be good to welcome our new Bishop. Please come and meet her at this service.

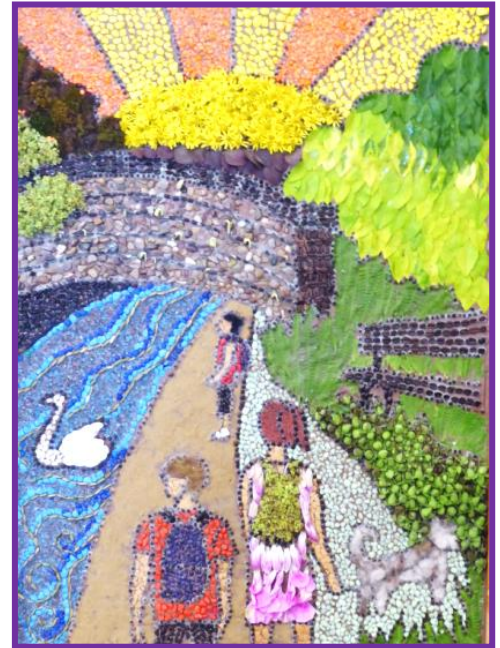
There is also a departure to announce. After seven years in the Diocese of Derby, three as Area Dean of Derby City Deanery, I am moving on. From September I will be the Director of Ministry Development in the Diocese of Bristol. It has been a tremendous privilege to be the first Area Dean of Derby City Deanery. I have enjoyed having contact with so many people, and learned an enormous amount from the role and its challenges. Thank you to everyone that has contributed to the life of the Deanery. The next newsletter will carry news of arrangements for the future.

Please pray for Bishop Libby as she begins her ministry among us. Please also pray for me, as I pray for you.

*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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*See item on p3.*

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### RESULTS FROM ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETINGS:

Just a little reminder to please make sure you inform Church House of the results – not just for your PCC and its officers, but also your Deanery Synod Representatives. This is vital, so that the right people can be kept informed of the meetings and events and so on which are relevant to them.

### STATS FOR MISSION / FINANCE RETURNS:

Revd Jason Kennedy, Diocesan Missioner [Jason.Kennedy@derby.anglican.org](mailto:Jason.Kennedy@derby.anglican.org)

The Parish Returns site has now closed for Statistics for Mission returns for 2018. We have managed to achieve a 91% return rate across the diocese, which is truly excellent. A huge thank you to all of you for commitment, hard work and sheer dogged determination!

The system remains open for Finance returns, which are due in at the end of May. **[Thanks to the 15 Derby parishes who have already submitted their data – don't forget to submit once you have completed your return].**

Meanwhile, the national team are already gearing up for the 2019 returns. As usual, the system will re-open after Easter for both Electoral Roll and Easter figures only, and then at the end of September the system will close briefly completely and re-open fully for the 2019 returns.

**Thank you again for such a sterling effort.**

### SAFEGUARDING: Dates available for our deanery bookings in 2019/20

All dates are listed on [www.DerbySafeguarding.eventbrite.com](http://www.DerbySafeguarding.eventbrite.com). These below are the dates allocated to our deanery, with the trainings confirmed so far. Please let Jo know if you wish to book training in your parish\*, at [jo.simister@derby.anglican.org](mailto:jo.simister@derby.anglican.org) :

Month: JUNE-JULY 2019 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 24/06/2019			Responding to Domestic Violence Church House
Tues 25/06/2019			
Thurs 27/06/2019			C1 Safeguarding in a Church Context Church House
Tues 02/07/2019			C2 Safeguarding for Leaders Church House
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

## NEWS FROM AROUND THE DEANERY:

### WELL DRESSINGS

From Jenny Anthony at Spiral Arts [spiral\\_arts@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:spiral_arts@hotmail.co.uk)

In Derbyshire there is a long tradition, going back hundreds, or even thousands of years, of celebrating the gift of water in wells and springs. The tradition of decorating wells and springs with natural materials, especially flower petals, developed and continues today. This intricate art is unique to Derbyshire. Diocese-wide, you can see a poster showing dates on the Publications page <https://derby.anglican.org/en/publications.html> or it's at <http://bit.ly/2019flowerfestivals>, and p19.

Spiral Arts are a local creative arts organisation who have designed stunning well dressings for Derby over the years. You can:

- Learn the beautiful art and techniques of well dressing at these drop-in sessions at Quad, 10-30-5 on Thurs 27 and 10.30-3 on Fri 28 June..
- Take part in the Launch of the Well Dressing Trail at Derby Cathedral on Saturday 29 June, 11am. There will be schools workshops in the cathedral on Mon 24, Tues 25 and Weds 26 June to prepare.
- Visit the well dressing trail around five venues around the Cathedral Quarter from Saturday 29 June to 7 July:
  - Derby Cathedral
  - The Sanctuary Cathedral Cafe window
  - Derby Quad Window
  - Local Studies Library - Riverside Chambers porch
  - Deda cafe window .



### ACCOMMODATION NEEDED for South Korean Ordinands, 11-15 July

Mrs Philippa Rowen, Chaplain to the Bishop of Derby (Lay) [chaplain@bishopofderby.org](mailto:chaplain@bishopofderby.org)

There will be a group of South Korean Ordinands visiting the UK during July – Derby Diocese will be on their route from 11-15 July. There will be 15 students and 3 supervisors. Bishop Libby has asked me to find possible host families for the students rather than them booking into a hotel. Please let me know if you can help!

### GET-TOGETHER FOR FAMILIES INVOLVED IN FOSTERING AND ADOPTION

From Andy Ward [rector.walbrook@gmail.com](mailto:rector.walbrook@gmail.com)

If you are based in the Derby area and your family is involved in fostering and adoption, this is an opportunity for the whole family to get together with other families also involved.

The plan is to meet for a bring and share tea on Sunday 19th May, 4 pm to 6 pm. When we meet we'll also talk about whether it would be helpful to establish a regular get-together for those who would like to. If you are interested, please contact Andy Ward on 07860 418915 for more information. If you can't make 19th May but are still interested, please do get in touch to register your interest. (See listing on p20.)

## ST BARNABAS ECO CHURCH AWARD

*From Louise Latham, Administrator at St Barnabas; stbd.org.uk*

It's great to be able to tell you that St Barnabas has been awarded the silver Eco Church award recently. The certificate is on the wall above the solar panel monitor if you would like to have a look at it and we will shortly be receiving a plaque to mark this occasion.

We were given the silver award after completing an online Eco Survey about how we are caring for God's earth in different areas of our life and work at Barneys. The answers we gave then collected points towards an Eco Church Award.

The survey took us through five key areas of church life:

- Worship and teaching
- Management of church buildings
- Management of church land
- Community and global engagement
- Lifestyle

If you would like any further information on Eco Church, go to <https://ecochurch.arocha.org.uk/>

## WIFI UPGRADE FOR ST JOHN'S CHURCH IN MICKLEOVER

*From Ray Lee*

The Church of St John the Evangelist (on Devonshire Drive in Mickleover) has recently installed an upgrade to the Guest WiFi that visitors and churchgoers have now enjoyed for more than six years.

As well as providing Free Guest WiFi throughout the church and Link area of St John's, the new service (provided by BeamBox) has extended the WiFi coverage into the church hall for the benefit of the many different groups that use the hall each week.

The WiFi service was first installed at St John's in 2012 in order to enable members of the church to provide a free help and advice service to people needing guidance on using computers, tablets, mobile phones and the such. The service was an immediate success both with church members and with many other Mickleover people who were out of their depth with the new technology.

The 'Internet Café' (as it is now known) is open nearly every Monday morning from 10:00 to 12:00 and has grown from a simple help-and-advice service into a place where people meet, sometimes simply to use the free WiFi but also to chat and enjoy a drink and a biscuit as well as get help when wanted. As one customer put it, "If I get stuck when I'm at home then I stay stuck – if I get stuck at Internet Café then there's always someone there that can get me unstuck!"

From the beginning of the initiative in 2012 St John's church has treated the Internet Café as one of its community projects and has underwritten the cost of providing the café and WiFi facilities so that they can be offered as a free-to-use service for anybody looking for a safe and friendly place where they can access The Internet and also, if wanted, get a helping hand. The café has helped people through a full range of questions ranging from, "I have never used a computer where do I start?" through, "Can you help me use The Internet to talk to my family in Australia?" to, "I have bought this new phone and I could do with a bit of help getting to know it."

If you know anybody that might enjoy using St John's Internet Café then tell them to just turn up at St John's (Devonshire Drive, Mickleover, DE3 9HD, opposite The Robin pub) any Monday (except Bank Holidays) sometime between 10:00 and 12:00, or on St John's regular café afternoons – Mondays and Fridays from 2:00pm to 4:00pm.



# DERBY CITY DEANERY: ROOTED IN PRAYER

## A HAPPY BAND OF PILGRIMS – WALKING THE PEAK PILGRIMAGE

*From Simon, Jacky, Samuel and Ruth Taylor*

One summer the Taylor family decided to walk the Peak Pilgrimage from Ilam in Staffordshire (just) to Eyam (more firmly in Derbyshire). We walked for four days in August, and then completed the Pilgrimage in October.

The Peak Pilgrimage is a 35 mile walk through the Peak District, taking in the wonderful scenery and navigating between different churches. It was devised by Bob Jackson, who is a retired Archdeacon now living in Eyam. A handy guidebook is published by Eyam Parish Church, containing all the information, instructions and maps that you will need. On the way you are invited to call in at churches. At each one there is a sticker with a Bible verse to collect and a stamp to place on your guidebook. Samuel and Ruth enjoyed collecting these.

The Pilgrimage begins in Ilam, just on the Staffordshire side of Dove Dale. Ilam is where St Bertram is buried, so our pilgrimage began with a prayer by his tomb. Bertram is known for renouncing his royal status after his wife and child were killed by wolves. From there we enjoyed the wonders of Dovedale. Samuel and Ruth paddled by the stepping stones. (Ruth later fell in having climbed along a log into the middle of the river!) At the top of Dovedale the road turns up Milldale, and the long slog is broken by a very charming Methodist Chapel. Day one ended at Alstonefield, back in Staffordshire.

Day two began with a very steep downhill back to the River Dove in Wolfscotedale. This was Ruth's favourite part of the whole walk, partly because she acquired some sheep's wool to add a tail to her rucksack. From there a more gentle path led to Hartington and the youth hostel that was our base for the first four days. This was a short day, just as well given that it rained solidly for the whole day. A good test of whose waterproofs worked – Jacky's coat failed the test and a new one was hurriedly purchased.

The next leg began by getting onto the disused railway that is the Tissington Trail (Hartington station is a long way from Hartington village!) and following this to a nice pub at which ice cream, gin and beer were enjoyed. You can decide for yourselves who had what. Then a shorter path down into Monyash and more ice cream. Samuel holds the record for ice cream eating, having had at least 6 scoops on this day. The final day of our summer walk took us from Monyash, through the delights of Lathkill Dale to Bakewell. En route is a fantastic tea shop in someone's garden overlooking the dale. The cake is superb, and more ice cream can be found as well.

Returning to complete the Pilgrimage in October, we walked from Bakewell, over the hill into Chatsworth park and lunch in Edensor (sadly Dave Perkins was off on a train that day!). Wandering through the park brought us to Baslow, and the end of day five. The final day saw us choose the

a new long distance walk 

The Peak Pilgrimage is a 39 mile spiritual walk designed for people of all walking abilities. It enables the beauty of creation, the atmosphere of the churches along the way, and the heroism of the people of Eyam in the face of the plague in 1665 to touch your soul.



You can take anything from two to seven days over your pilgrimage, with lovely places to stay each night. Or you could cover the route in a series of day trips.

See the website for details and to order your walking guide:

**[www.peakpilgrimage.org.uk](http://www.peakpilgrimage.org.uk)**

Peak Pilgrimage is offered to you by the people of the parish church of Eyam

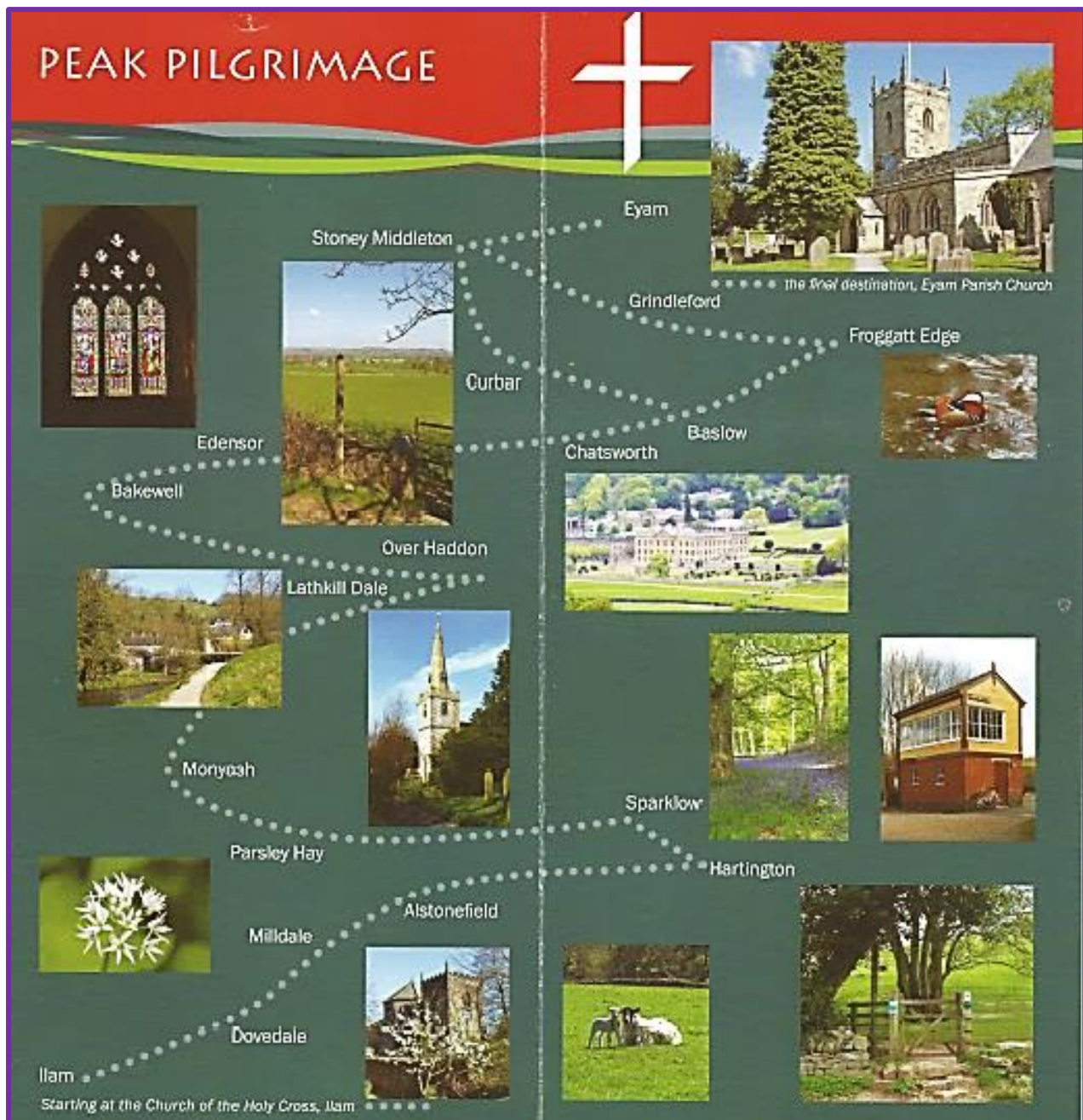
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low, shorter and easier route along the Derwent Valley to Calver and then through Stoney Middleton to Eyam. The heroic story of the village that sacrificed themselves to contain the plague ends the Pilgrimage with a whole village full of saints. We were pleased to be greeted in Eyam by Bob Jackson himself, the author of the route.

We all enjoyed the Pilgrimage and recommend it thoroughly to anyone. We did it over six days, but it can be done over less time depending on how far you wish to walk at any one time. The guidebook is available from Eyam Parish Church or via [www.peakpilgrimage.org.uk](http://www.peakpilgrimage.org.uk). It costs £7.99 plus postage, and contains some really beautiful photography. The instructions in the Guidebook are excellent (our very few wrong turns are mainly attributed to having Simon as our navigator). It also contains Ordnance Survey maps covering the route. Very occasionally we were glad we had brought a larger scale OS map with us as well. Whilst the stickers give a Bible verse for each church stop on the route, the guide only offers prayers for a few of them. Our one suggestion for a second edition would be a prayer for each of the churches! If you are a walker, or a pilgrim, then this is a path that is worth exploring for yourself.





## DERBY CITY VISITS TWIN CITY HEBRON : “Will we get through this checkpoint?”

*The Very Revd Geoffrey Marshall*

Few Derby people seem to know that about five years ago Derby was officially twinned with Hebron. Twenty-two Derby citizens travelled to Israel/Palestine in early March to strengthen that link.

Hebron is in the southern part of the Occupied West Bank, a city not much smaller in population than Derby (rather over 215,000), mostly Muslim but with a small Christian minority and 800 Jewish settlers.



We went as pilgrims, despite only being eight active Christians; there were two lapsed Sikhs and several agnostics and even atheists. Some of us have long been members of the Palestine Solidarity Campaign; some are associated with the Multi-Faith Centre at the University; some are campaigning environmentalists; a few are all three.

We needed to call ourselves ‘pilgrims’ to get into Israel before any of us could get into Palestine. To call both ‘The Holy Land’ saved us being political when that would have been unwise, while recognising that it is an area that is holy to all three Abrahamic faiths. Of course I was delighted that the Christians among us were of the sort who would much join this sort of tour than one which only visits dead stones (however interesting some of the archaeological sites and however beautiful some of the churches).

So for *some* of us this visit was a pilgrimage of faith; for *all* of us it was a pilgrimage of hope and love in solidarity with every Israeli and Palestinian who seeks peace with justice for the other, especially in Derby’s twin city.

We journeyed

in solidarity with those whose freedom is denied  
in solidarity with those who have fled war, torture and despair  
in solidarity with all those who strive for peace, justice and reconciliation  
in solidarity with those who long to return home  
in penance for Britain's broken promises and historic responsibility for injustice  
and in hope that all who call the land home will live as neighbours with equal rights.

We stayed all seven nights in a hotel on the edge of Bethlehem. In addition to our day in Hebron we had full days in Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Ramallah, Jericho and Bethany. And half of us did a sponsored cycle ride along the shore of the Sea of Galilee to raise money for a school and a charity for deaf children we visited in Hebron.



Jews, Christians, and Muslims all venerate the city of Hebron for its association with Abraham – here the Patriarchs are buried in the only building of king Herod still in use for the purpose for which it was built more than 2,000 years ago.

Hebron is a busy hub of West Bank trade, generating roughly a third of the area's gross domestic product, largely due to the sale of limestone from its quarries. It has a reputation for its grapes, figs, pottery workshops and glassblowing factories, and is the location of a major dairy-product manufacturer as well as two universities.

Until 90 years ago Hebron was a model of interfaith coexistence - Jews and Arabs lived side by side in Hebron, sharing shops, hospitals and holy sites. But today there is a very strained and sometimes violent relationship between its Israeli and Palestinian residents. With the increase of Jewish Zionist immigration to Palestine and the growth of Arab nationalism, growing tensions culminated in the massacre of 67 Jews in 1929, effectively ending the Jewish presence in Hebron. When Jews returned to the city in the years following the 1967 Six Day War, the Palestinian population viewed them as hostile occupiers. While succeeding governments did not actively promote Jewish settlement in the city, they acquiesced to the uncompromising settlers, who viewed their mission in messianic terms. In 1994 Jewish resident Baruch Goldstein murdered 29 Palestinian worshipers in the Tomb of the Patriarchs; following riots, the Israeli Occupation forces closed 20% of the city, including the heart of the city's market life, to Palestinians.





What were the highlights for me? Taking my friends to a refugee camp in Bethlehem for a cookery class. Delivering two cases of medical equipment to a refugee camp clinic in Nablus. Delivering two cases of dental equipment from my Derby dentist to a dentist in Bethany. Visiting Yasser Arafat's mausoleum and museum in Ramallah for the first time. Showing my colleagues the Holocaust memorial and museum in Jerusalem. Renewing baptism vows by the River Jordan on Ash Wednesday. Finding running water during a walk in the desert above Jericho. Hearing Vespers sung in the Armenian Cathedral of St James in Jerusalem.

And the lowlights? Being barred from visiting the Temple Area in Jerusalem. Learning not to be anti-Semitic when Israeli soldiers make you take a wheelchair to pieces to get it through a checkpoint - three times in one hour in Hebron. Learning not to be anti-Semitic when visiting refugee camps built in 1948 and wishing their residents could be allowed to travel as freely as we were. Learning not to be anti-Semitic when illegal settlers pour urine and worse on you from their upper storey flats when you are shopping in the Arab (Christian and Muslim) market below.



And a mixture of the two? Talking with the Mayor of Hebron over dinner and hearing about his experiences of living on 'death row' in an Israeli prison; and the love of his wife in her fortnightly visits and daily letter writing.

Two riveting lectures which were half political and half about climate change – one in Bethlehem on Palestine's natural history and one near Jericho about water.

And Banksy's latest paintings on the Security Fence/Apartheid Wall.



## WHAT IS A 'LIVING STONES' APPROACH TO PILGRIMAGE?

*Jo Simister, until recently Vice-Chair of Living Stones of the Holy Land Trust, explains:*

You may have noticed that Geoffrey mentioned the 'dead stones' in his article. In contrast, a 'living stones' pilgrimage would have had a prime focus to:

- Encounter Christian communities
- Understand the context in which they exercise their faith
- Encourage by our presence and interest
- Reflect and pray
- Witness by sharing what we have experienced

***Invitation to join Jo Simister (Leader) and***

***Revd Adam Dickens (University of Derby and Cathedral Chaplain)***

**DERBY CITY DEANERY PILGRIMAGE TO JERUSALEM FOR THE**

**WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY, JANUARY 2020**

***12 DAYS IN JERUSALEM, GALILEE AND THE WEST BANK***

We are very pleased to have been able to arrange a group visit to join in the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity in Jerusalem 2020, which will take place at the end of January 2020.

This will be the seventh such group Jo has taken, and previous pilgrims testify to what a life-changing experience it can be! As a resident of Jerusalem for 10 years, working with Quakers,

Save the Children, and various Palestinian universities, Jo is looking forward to sharing her knowledge of this special place and its wonderful people. Despite the ongoing difficulties which the Christian and other communities are experiencing in Jerusalem and throughout the area, our presence during the Week of Prayer is greatly appreciated and eagerly welcomed.

If you would like to see a bit more about what to expect, please take a look at Jo's slide presentation from one such pilgrimage at <https://www.livingstonesonline.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2014/11/2014-Jo-Pilgrimage-Slideshow-WEB-EDIT.pdf>. You'll see we plan to visit an incredible number of places and encounter a variety of the 14 traditional church denominations\* who have ancient patriarchates and worshipping communities in Jerusalem.

Why not join us in January 2020? The dates of the 12-night pilgrimage will be either Thur 16 Jan – Tues 28 Jan or Thur 23 Jan – Tues 4 Feb, with the central Week of Prayer being either be 19-26 Jan or 26 Jan-2 Feb. [Decision will be made on 23 May 2019]

The price includes half board (bed, breakfast and evening meal) in good quality accommodation and also a light lunch most days; transport and a driver and interpreter; and all tips. For your flight, we recommend EasyJet from Luton, currently less than £200 return.

12 nights based in Galilee, Taybeh, Jerusalem and Bethlehem will cost around £1700 pp in a twin room (£450 single supplement); 8 nights for the Week of Prayer only, based in Taybeh and Jerusalem, will cost around £1250 pp in twin room (£300 single suppl.)

Please email me if you'd like to be kept informed [jo.simister@derby.anglican.org](mailto:jo.simister@derby.anglican.org)

\*See Jo's article on the Eastern Churches in the January 2018 newsletter, pages 11-13, available at <https://derby.anglican.org/en/about-us/deaneries/derby-city.html>

# DERBY CITY DEANERY: SERVING DERBY

## BREATHING SPACE UPDATE

From Jo Simister, Deanery Administrator [jo.simister@derby.anglican.org](mailto:jo.simister@derby.anglican.org)

Before our Area Dean Simon leaves, it would be really good to launch this initiative into the public arena, with a service of blessing in the cathedral and some media attention. We need 25 activities.

I would think that EVERY PARISH has some activity going on which supports mental wellbeing in some way and which could be registered as a **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

### Examples of Breathing Spaces:

- **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.

The criteria for eligibility for designation as a Breathing Space are:

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

You will need:

- A resolution, asking for the designation and affirming the criteria are met;
- A commitment to learning about Mental Health; and
- Sharing in the Breathing Spaces network (a named contact for sharing and receiving information, and sending representatives to an annual gathering).

***Please contact me for a registration form.***

***It would be wonderful to have every parish involved.***



## HOPE CITY FURNITURE

From Fiona Fraser [info@hopecityfurniture.org.uk](mailto:info@hopecityfurniture.org.uk)

Together with my husband Richard we run a Christian charity called Hope City Furniture in Derby.



Our vision is to provide free, good quality furniture to people who have been rehoused due to crisis and who find themselves in the position of having to furnish a new home from scratch without the means to do so. This includes asylum seekers, refugees, the homeless, women and families fleeing from domestic violence, released offenders integrating back into society and those recovered from substance misuse.

We promote and encourage the reuse of furniture and other household goods in order to reduce unnecessary landfill or unsightly fly tipping. Good quality furniture and other items which add to the problem of waste will be upcycled and reused in order to help someone else furnish their home.

We are in desperate need of a building to house our charity in order to facilitate further growth and development. At the moment we are operating from our garage and a shipping container but are in desperate need of further space for furniture storage, to set up a furniture restoration workshop (which would also provide a voluntary opportunity for asylum seekers and refugees) and also a community space where we can invite people who are referred to us to events such as an open cafe, English conversation classes, Bible Studies etc. At the moment we are almost daily

having to turn away furniture donations that are offered to us as we have nowhere to store them as our garage and the container are full.

You can find out more about us at our website <https://www.hopecityfurniture.org.uk/>. We buy and sell mid century vintage teak, antiques: come and visit our new 'Little Shop of Hope' on the top floor of the Derwentside Shopping Mill in Belper.



*Our garage*



*Our container*



*Our van*



## REFUGEE WEEK 2019



*From Revd Maureen Priddin, Derby City of Sanctuary network,  
"proud to welcome and support those seeking sanctuary in Derby/s".*

### ***Theme for Refugee Week 17-23 June 2019: "You, me and those who came before"***

This Refugee Week we are invited to discover the experiences of displacement that are found in our families, neighbourhoods and history. The theme for the week 'You, me and those who came before', is an invitation to explore the lives of refugees – and those who have welcomed them – throughout the generations.

People escaping war and persecution have been welcomed by communities in the UK for hundreds of years, and their stories and contributions are all around us. From the Jewish refugees of the 1930s to people fleeing Vietnam in the 1970s, to people from Bosnia Herzegovina in the 1990s to those arriving today; they are part of who we all are and Derby is no exception with a long history of welcoming those who have come to the city seeking asylum.

As far back as the late eighth century St Alkmund came here as a political refugee fleeing from Northumbria and in 1540 All Saints Derby (now the Cathedral) was one of only eight churches allowed to keep their status as special sanctuaries – it was abolished everywhere else by Henry VIII.

Many communities have made their home in Derby during the last century after two world wars including the Polish and Ukrainian communities. Between 1979 and 1994 about 1,600 refugees from Vietnam and the Hong Kong refugee camps came to the Cedars Derby Reception Centre hostel on Breadsall Hilltop run by Refugee Action under a family reunion scheme. The majority of them left Derby to join existing family in London, Manchester and Birmingham but some have remained here. Between 1994 and 1997, the Reception Centre received around 300 refugees from Bosnia Herzegovina, most of whom have stayed in the city and made their home here with their own flourishing Centre and Community Association. They speak highly of the welcome offered to them by the city of Derby and have contributed greatly to the well-being of Derby. The Cedars Reception Centre provided accommodation, initial support and English language classes for everyone and was leased from the Council rent free. After its closure in 1997 newer communities have come to the city and have been made welcome, including refugees from Kosova, Albania, Iraq, Kurdistan, Iran, Afghanistan, Zimbabwe, Sudan, Sri Lanka, the DRC, Somalia, Eritrea, Ethiopia, China, Pakistan and Syria. Refugee Action continued to have a presence in Derby for a few years until its funding was cut. In response to the increasing need to support those seeking sanctuary in the city, the Derby Refugee Forum / Advice Centre was formed in 2000, Upbeat Communities in 2005 and Red Cross Support in Derby in 2011.

In 2014 the Derby City of Sanctuary network was launched as an umbrella group supporting the refugee organisations across the city and also working with different groups and organisations, including faith communities, businesses, schools, the University, Derby Theatre, the Museum and colleges to create a climate of welcome and support for those seeking sanctuary in Derby and Derbyshire. In December 2014 the Cathedral became the first Cathedral of Sanctuary in England. The Derby City of Sanctuary network also coordinates the programme for Refugee Week for the city.

This year Derby has again a great programme of events, some of which are listed below. There will be a full brochure available nearer the time. All events are free unless indicated. You are warmly invited to join in the week as we bring together young and old, those who have been here for decades and those who have just arrived – and discover what we can learn from those who sought safety in Britain generations ago.

- **Christian Aid exhibition “Uprooted”** 15<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> June in the Cathedral: a moving photographic exhibition featuring stories of displaced people in Nigeria, Iraq and Kenya – with a launch reception following Evensong 6pm 16<sup>th</sup> June.
- **“Refugee Tales”** with Patrick Gale and Marina Lewcyka June 2<sup>nd</sup> 11am at Deda . Event in partnership with Derby Book Festival - tickets from Derby Book Festival.co.uk. True stories of those seeking sanctuary who have been detained which offer a glimpse into the untold suffering of asylum seekers today and the power and prevalence of the human spirit.
- **“Home from home?”** Quaker City of Sanctuary event 14<sup>th</sup> June 7.30pm Friends Meeting House, St Helen’s St DE1 3GY
- **Exhibition of refugee and asylum seeker art** 17<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> June 10am – 4pm at the Derby Refugee Advice Centre/ Bosnian Centre, 99 Curzon St Derby DE1 1LN
- **“Home from home”** Digital art exhibition showcasing works from migrants and refugees exploring their stories through creativity 17<sup>th</sup> June 1pm -4pm and ongoing daily 10am – 4pm until 21<sup>st</sup> June at Artcore, 3 Charnwood St Derby DE1 2GT
- **“Coming to Derby: Stories of migration”** in the new World Cultures Gallery Derby Museum 18<sup>th</sup> June 12 - 3pm. An informal afternoon sharing stories of migration connected to Derby with a TV screen showcasing a University of Derby MA student photography project.
- **Film screening of “The Movement”** 19<sup>th</sup> June at the Multi Faith Centre 6pm – 8pm followed by Q and A with the film director Sharon Walia. Free event but booking with Eventbrite: the-movement-film-screening-social-event-tickets
- **Multi-Faith tour for Refugee Week** 20<sup>th</sup> June 10am – 2pm. Arrive from 9.30am at the Open Centre, 152 Pear tree Rd DE23 6QD – booking with Eventbrite
- **“Journeys of Destiny”** at Derby Theatre (studio) 20<sup>th</sup> June 7pm - true story of Syrian refugee Saad Alkassab with young people from Derby Theatre youth groups and young refugees in the city. Tickets £8 from the Box Office tel. 593939
- **WEA drop in** and refreshments 20<sup>th</sup> June 1-3pm at The Mill, Lodge Lane, Derby DE1 3HB As part of this a volunteer will be explaining his journey and how to volunteer, what WEA can offer refugees and others.
- **"Early Muslim refugees"** 21<sup>st</sup> June MFC 12.30pm. A talk on “You, me, and those who came before” –with Ali Akbar, university chaplain
- **DRS Open Day** 22<sup>nd</sup> June 10am – 3pm at St Anne’s Church Hall Whitecross St DE1 3NE . Come and see the work of Derbyshire Refugee Solidarity , buy some jumble and join them for refreshments, tombola and games.

## ORDINATIONS

Please pray for those being ordained at the end of June, especially those who will serve in our parishes. A notice will be sent around as soon as arrangements are finalised.



## SILENT LIBRARY

From Rachael Tew, Community Liaison Coordinator at Migrant Help 01332 321032 / 07483040748

Migrant Help and Artcore are running a 'Derby's Silent Library' fundraising campaign to raise £1,500 for the delivery of art therapy to asylum seekers in Derby, which will feature artwork from participants giving them an opportunity to narrate their journeys of migration.

With your help, they can provide a safe space for participants who have fled war, persecution, torture and fear in their home countries to begin to process their experience through artistic activity and support an increase in their wellbeing. If they reach their target it will enable the project to be delivered over 12 weeks with around 15 asylum seekers attending each session.



Please share their posts:

**Twitter:** We are supporting @MigrantHelp and @ArtcoreEngland to crowdfund for the delivery of art therapy for #asylumseekers in #Derby. Donate or sign up to fundraise for 'Derby's Silent Library' project on their website. <https://www.migranthelpuk.org/appeal/derbys-silent-library>

**Facebook/LinkedIn:** We are supporting Migrant Help (tag) and Artcore (tag) in crowdfunding for the delivery of art therapy for asylum seekers in Derby. Donate or sign up to fundraise for 'Derby's Silent Library' project on the Migrant Help website: <https://www.migranthelpuk.org/appeal/derbys-silent-library>. Support Migrant Help (tag) and Artcore (tag) fundraise for the delivery of art therapy to asylum seekers in Derby.

Find out more or donate: <https://www.migranthelpuk.org/appeal/derbys-silent-library>

Find us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/migranthelpuk/>

Find us on Twitter: @MigrantHelp

Find us on LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/company/migranthelp/>

**26,940**

migrants assisted last  
year

**370**

potential victims of  
slavery supported last  
year

**24,732**

applications for asylum  
support completed last  
year

## CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

From Jane Foster [jane.foster@childrenssociety.org.uk](mailto:jane.foster@childrenssociety.org.uk)

Jesus spent his life and ministry breaking down barriers and speaking out against all that made people less than human. As an organisation the Children's Society is committed to doing the same, currently working with some of the countries most marginalised children. Last

year, we worked with over 34,000 vulnerable children through our direct services, while the policy changes we influenced will bring life-changing support to more than 1.8 million children and young people across the UK. <http://www.childrenssociety.org.uk/what-we-do/resources-and-publications/impact-report-201415>

We would like to offer a speaker for your sermon slots who would be happy to fit their talk to the reading of the day and links to our free worship resources. All you need to do is complete our online form at <http://www.childrenssociety.org.uk/what-you-can-do/fundraising-and-events/request-a-speaker>

We also have printable Worship Resources: materials to help you and your church to pray, worship and reflect <http://www.childrenssociety.org.uk/what-you-can-do/pray>

Behind our work with the most disadvantaged children lies a vision that sees vulnerable children as central to God's love. This vision calls us to be part of a process of realising the Kingdom of God where all children can both flourish now and fulfil their God-given potential. Our Bible studies and collections of theology essays explore this vision. <http://www.childrenssociety.org.uk/what-you-can-do/your-church/study>

### Volunteer Speaker Ambassadors urgently needed in your area

Our volunteer speaker ambassadors raise awareness and support for our work through their incredible efforts speaking in their local churches about the issues faced by disadvantaged young people, and what our charity does to help.

Speakers use their skills and passion to reach out to different audiences in their communities, inspiring them about our work with children facing poverty, neglect or family crisis.

Volunteering as a speaker is the perfect opportunity to share your experiences, encourage public awareness of the serious issues faced by children and young people in the UK, and improve and strengthen your speaking skills.

What are the benefits of becoming a speaker?

Benefits include:

- comprehensive training, resources and ongoing support
- opportunities to meet new people in your community,
- the chance to gain new skills and self-confidence
- the satisfaction of knowing you will be making a difference to the lives of vulnerable children

What's more, the role is flexible to suit your commitments and interests. All we ask is that you aim to carry out at least four talks a year.

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO ARRANGE AN INFORMAL CHAT PLEASE CONTACT JANE FOSTER ON 07975597471 OR EMAIL [jane.foster@childrenssociety.org.uk](mailto:jane.foster@childrenssociety.org.uk)



# DERBY CITY DEANERY: SHARING THE GOSPEL

## THY KINGDOM COME 2019

Revd Jason Kennedy, Diocesan Missioner [Jason.Kennedy@derby.anglican.org](mailto:Jason.Kennedy@derby.anglican.org)

Thy Kingdom Come is a global prayer movement that invites Christians around the world to pray for more people to come to know Jesus. During the 11 days of Thy Kingdom Come, it is hoped that everyone who takes part will

- Deepen their relationship with Jesus Christ
- Pray for God's spirit to work in the lives of those they know
- Come to realise that every aspect of their life is the stuff of prayer



After the very first Ascension Day the disciples gathered with Mary, constantly devoting themselves to prayer while they waited for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. Like them, our reliance on the gift of the Holy Spirit is total – on our own we can do nothing.

Through the centuries Christians have gathered at that time to pray for the coming of the Holy Spirit. 'Thy Kingdom Come' picks up this tradition. Over the past three years more and more worshipping communities have dedicated the days between Ascension and Pentecost to pray 'Come Holy Spirit'.

We are praying that the Spirit would inspire and equip us to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with our friends and families, our communities and networks. It has been amazing how many varied ways there have been in which people from every tradition have taken up this challenge. The effects have been remarkable.

In 2019 we again invite each and every Christian across the country to pray that God's Spirit might work in the lives of 5 friends who have not responded with their 'Yes' to God's call.

Whether you have joined in 'Thy Kingdom Come' before or not, we invite you to take part this year – along with churches from over 65 different denominations in 114 countries around the world.

*"You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses ...to the ends of the earth. When he had said this...he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight...Then they returned to Jerusalem ... and were constantly devoting themselves to prayer... When the day of Pentecost had come they were all together in one place... All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit... and that day about three thousand persons were added." (Acts 1, 2)*

**Join the global wave of prayer calling all Christians to pray between Ascension and Pentecost for more people to come to know Jesus Christ**

**May 30th - June 9th 2019**

**Light Up The World In Prayer**



## NOTICEBOARD

**Mothers' UNION**  
Christian care for families  
Diocese of Derby

### Derby City and Mercia Deaneries Deanery Festival



Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at 2.30pm  
**All Saints, Aston-on-Trent**

Eucharist Service led by Revd Tony Luke  
Guest Preacher Revd Canon Simon Taylor

Mothers' Union is a Registered Charity

Convent of the Holy Name, Morley Road, Oakwood, DERBY  
DE21 4TB



### Downsizing Sale

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2019 : 2.00 – 4.00 pm



Various stalls – bric-a-brac, plants, books etc

Tea and biscuits

*Everything needs to go!!*

Free admission / Free parking

Convent of the Holy Name, Morley Road,  
Oakwood, DERBY DE21 4TB

### A POETRY QUIET DAY

*"Poems of Doubt and Faith"*

led by Sister Rosemary CHN  
Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2019  
10.30am to 4pm



A day of silent prayer and reflection with 2 addresses  
and worship with the Sisters

Suggested donation for the day is £15 (payable on booking). Hot  
drinks and biscuits provided – please bring a packed lunch.  
For more information/ booking please contact Sister Diana (Assistant  
Provincial)  
Tel 01332 671716 (ext 6)  
Email [assistantprovincialchn@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:assistantprovincialchn@yahoo.co.uk)



Free Wi-Fi

**St John's  
Internet Café**



Tea, coffee, Biscuits. Helpful Friendly  
Friendly Advice People  
Questions answered \*

If you need help with your laptop, tablet or  
phone, or just fancy a drink, a biscuit and  
some company while you browse the web or  
check your emails, you are welcome to join  
us in The Link at St John's Church on  
Devonshire Drive. We're there most Mondays  
(not bank holidays) from 10:00am to 12:00  
and would be delighted to see you.  
We usually have at least one laptop available  
for folk to use and are happy to get you  
started if you've never used a computer  
before.

Our postcode is DE3 9HD – you'll find us  
opposite The Robin pub. We look forward to  
welcoming you.

\* We promise to try to answer your questions and help to sort out any  
difficulties that you are having, but occasionally we come up against a problem  
that we cannot help with even though we've given it our best shot.

St John's Internet Café is an initiative created, sponsored and supported by St John's Church PCC as a  
service to the people of Mickleover and its surrounding area. It is financed by the church and offered  
without charge although donations in support of the church's work are, of course, always welcome.

# at the heart on the edge

**Thursday 27 June 2019**  
**St Thomas', Derby,**  
**Pear Tree Road, DE23 8NQ**

**A practical one-day introduction to HeartEdge, with Sam Wells, Simon Cartwright and guests.**

Explore mission, theology, ideas and community via:

**Congregation:** Liturgy, worship & new congregations  
**Commerce:** Being entrepreneurial, rethinking church buildings, growing income via enterprise  
**Compassion:** Grow participation to address social need  
**Culture:** Art, music connecting with communities

**HeartEdge Day at St Thomas', Derby.**

- Refreshments 10am. Programme 10.30am. Finish 3.30pm.
  - Panel discussion, theology and practical 'how to'.
  - Networking. Connecting. Lunch & refreshments.
- Book in here > <https://bit.ly/2WMOwWm>**

**HeartEdge is a growing ecumenical network of churches and other organisations, initiated by St Martin-in-the-Fields.**



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## 2019 Derbyshire Flower Festivals & Well Dressings

<b>11 - 12 May</b> Flower Festival St James, Codnor	<b>21 - 24 June</b> 'God's Creation' St Bartholomew, Old Whittington	<b>13 - 17 July</b> 'Fondly Remembered Festivals' St Michael, Pleasley
<b>11 - 18 May</b> Flower Festival St Giles, Great Longstone	<b>22 - 30 June</b> Well Dressing Festival St John the Baptist, Tideswell	<b>20 - 28 July</b> 'Books & Poems' St Leonard, Monyash
<b>25 - 27 May</b> Flower Festival Holy Trinity, Brackenfield	<b>29 - 30 June</b> 'The Church Year' St Luke, Heage	<b>21 - 26 July</b> Well Dressings St John the Baptist, Aut Hucknall
<b>25 - 27 May</b> Well Dressings St Mary, Wirksworth	<b>29 - 30 June</b> Open Gardens Great Longstone	<b>3 August</b> Open Gardens Calver, Curbar & Froggatt
<b>25 May - 2 June</b> Flower Festival The Good Shepherd, Wardlow	<b>30 June</b> Well Dressing St Anne, Miller's Dale	<b>14 - 20 August</b> Flower Festival & Well Dressings St Lawrence, Great Barlow
<b>8 June</b> Annual Church Garden Party St Matthew, Morley	<b>6 - 8 July</b> Well Dressing Weekend Christ Church, Wessington	<b>17 - 23 August</b> 'Festal Symphony' St Michael & All Saints, Taddington
<b>9 - 15 June</b> Well Dressing Festival St John the Evangelist, Cressbrook	<b>7 July</b> Open Gardens Barlow Church & Village	<b>24 - 26 August</b> 'Tales & Tributes' All Saints, Ashover
<b>15 - 16 June</b> Repton Open Gardens St Wystan, Repton	<b>10 - 13 July</b> 'Hobbies and Pastimes' St Anne, Buxton	<b>24 - 26 August</b> 'Our Emergency Services' Christ Church, Hulfand
<b>15 - 23 June</b> 'Out & About in the Peak District' Holy Trinity, Ashford in the Water	<b>11 - 14 July</b> Flower Festival Holy Cross, Upper Langwith	<b>24 - 31 August</b> Well Dressing Festival St Margaret, Wormhill
<b>21 - 23 June</b> 'Customs & Celebrations of GB' St James, Riddings	<b>13 - 16 July</b> 'Celebrations' St Mary & St Laurence, Bolsover	

More information about each festival including opening hours can be found at [www.derbyshirechurches.org](http://www.derbyshirechurches.org)



## DATES FOR THE DIARY

**Deadline for the next issue:** Friday 5 July, to be available mid July (covering summer activities, into autumn). **Items to:** [jo.simister@derby.anglican.org](mailto:jo.simister@derby.anglican.org).

### **Sponsorship:**

Would you like to sponsor a newsletter? It's an excellent opportunity for promotion to all Church of England congregations in Derby City and beyond. Contact Deanery Admin Jo Simister at [jo.simister@derby.anglican.org](mailto:jo.simister@derby.anglican.org) for more information.

Sun 19 May, 4 pm to 6 pm	<b>Bring and Share tea for Families involved in Fostering and Adopting</b>	Contact Revd Andy Ward on 07860 418915. See also item on p3.
Tues 21 May 1-3pm	<b>All Age Worship</b> Learning in Faith workshop	St Pauls Chester Green, Seale Street, DE1 3RT <a href="https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/all-age-worship-tickets-52932663020">https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/all-age-worship-tickets-52932663020</a>
Sat 25 May, 2.30pm	<b>Bishop Libby's Installation</b> Bishop Libby will be anointed with oil, garlanded with flowers, presented with the Pastoral Staff, vested in the Diocesan cope and mitre, and seated in the cathedra (Bishop's seat).	Cathedral. Before the service, Bishop Libby will be walking through the city, meeting people of all faiths and none, accompanied by schoolchildren and celebratory flag bearers.
Tues 28 May, 7pm	<b>Film Night in the Social Room. Free admission.</b>	St John's Mill St DE1 3HZ .
Sat 1 June 11am	<b>Sausage Sizzle! Proceeds to local charity. All welcome!</b>	St John's Mill St DE1 3HZ .
Tues 4 June 7.30pm	<b>Deanery Celebration Service to welcome Bishop Libby</b>	St Mark's, Francis St, Derby DE21 6DE
Thurs 6 June 2.30pm	<b>Mother's Union Deaneries Festival (Derby City and Mercia)</b>	Area Dean Simon Taylor preaching . Ashton-on Trent – see p18.
Sat 8 June 4pm	<b>Confirmation</b>	Cathedral
Sat 15 June, 7.30pm	<b>Derby Bach Choir Concert.</b> Tickets available at the door.	St John's Mill St DE1 3HZ .
Sat 15 June 7.30pm	<b>New Opera Co, Derby:</b> 'Because its June' including selections from popular operas.	St John the Evangelist, Mickleover – tickets £8.00, <a href="mailto:jannice@read55.plus.com">jannice@read55.plus.com</a> , as below
Tues 18 June 7pm	<b>Archdeacon's Visitation</b>	All Saints, Moor Rd, Breadsall DE21 5LA
Fri 21 June 7.30pm	<b>New Opera Co, Derby:</b> 'Because its June' including selections from 'West side Story', 'Merrie England' and other popular operas.	St Philips Church, Taddington Road, Derby - tickets, at £8.00, available on the door or in advance <a href="mailto:jannice@read55.plus.com">jannice@read55.plus.com</a> .
Mon 24 June 6.15-9.15pm	<b>Responding to Domestic Violence</b>	Church House. Book at <a href="http://www.DerbySafeguarding.eventbrite.com">www.DerbySafeguarding.eventbrite.com</a> .
Tues 25 June, 7.00pm	<b>Film Night – watch and chat.</b> Free admission.	St John's Mill St DE1 3HZ .
Thur 27 June, 10-3.30	<b>HeartEdge Day</b> practical one-day intensive introduction to HeartEdge, see p 19	St Thomas, Pear Tree Rd DE23 8EP. Book at <a href="https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/heartedge-derby-tickets">https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/heartedge-derby-tickets</a>
Sat 29 June, 11am	<b>Well Dressings: Launch of the Derby trail</b>	Cathedral
Sat 29 June & Sun 30 June	<b>Ordinations</b>	Cathedral