

# Derby City Deanery NEWSLETTER

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

## From the Deanery Administrator, Jo Simister

Dear Friends

When I was a child I was given an item called a Knitting Nancy. It consisted of an elongated wooden cotton reel with four small nails knocked into one end, arranged in a square. By continuously looping wool over the nails in sequence a long thin knitted sausage was formed, which emerged from the other end. I am not sure I ever saw the sausage be made into anything useful.



I am not sure why this image came into my mind one day when I was thinking about life being a spiral. We never quite leave stuff behind completely but we go round and round building on the previous layer in ways we hope are positive, but which can be very destructive.. I suppose delving into the layers is a kind of personal archaeology. As we mature we understand more about the meanings and causes and value of people and experiences gone before.

Autumn, All Hallows and All Souls, and Remembrance Sunday seem to be an opportunity for collective honouring of people who have been precious to us, and I believe that part of that honouring needs to be reflected in our present, and in the decisions we make in our daily lives and in how we approach those decisions.

Our deanery life will be full of changes and chances in the coming months, as we elect new synod representatives for both Deanery and General Synods, and implement several church plants. We have the challenge of a number of vacancies at both local and diocesan levels and I am sure you will join me in appreciation of all those who are doubling up on their responsibilities at present, in the hope that new appointments will start to be made soon.

And in our national life we also have choices to make, with the unsettling prospect of having to depart from our established opinions and allegiances in order to promote a more just society. Just as in the letting go of the people and stuff that have filled our lives for a while, so I pray for a collective searching of hearts in the coming weeks, so that the knitted sausage that emerges in our collective decision making can be built into something worthwhile!

With affectionate prayers for a happy Advent and beyond,

*This bi-monthly newsletter comes from Derby City Deanery. Please see the back page for details of future publications, deadlines, etc.*

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# DEANERY ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICES:

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**Safeguarding Training Matrix - January 2020 Onwards**

Role	Senior Clergy and Diocesan Senior Staff	Incumbent Priest or Equivalent	PTO and Associate Ministers, NSM and Curates in Training	Licensed Lay Ministers / Readers	Deacons in training	Parish Safeg'ing Officers and Deanery Safeg'ing Leads	Other Church Officers who meet the public in their role	Church Wardens	PCC Designated Safeg'ing Leads	Children Youth or Family Workers	Child / Adult Group Leaders	All volunteer helpers for children or adults and PCC Members	Tower Captains	Organists Choir and Music Group Leaders	Supervisors of those who pose a risk to others
Basic Awareness (Prev. C0)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Foundation (Prev. C1)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Leadership (Prev. C2)	✓ <sup>2</sup>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
Training for Senior Leaders (Prev. C4)	✓ <sup>2</sup>														
Responding to Domestic Abuse (Prev. S3)	B	✓	✓	✓		✓		B	✓	B	B		B	B	
Safer Recruitment (Prev. S1)	✓ <sup>1</sup>	✓	✓ <sup>1</sup>	B <sup>1</sup>		✓		B <sup>1</sup>	✓		B <sup>1</sup>	B <sup>3</sup>	B <sup>1</sup>	B <sup>1</sup>	
Supervisor Training		B	B												✓

Training is refreshed every three years at the highest level previously taken, plus refresh of specialist modules

Recommended (Best Practice)	B
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Required (Essential) Training	✓
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## Notes

1 - If involved in recruitment of Paid or Volunteer, Ordained or Lay

2 - Leadership training must be up-to-date prior to senior staff refreshing the Senior Leaders training

3 - PCC Members only if involved in recruitment of Paid or Volunteer, Ordained or Lay. Does not apply to other volunteer helpers.

The above roles are not an exhaustive list but aim to cover the most common roles in a parish. Those in the following roles are also encouraged to complete Basic Awareness and Foundation, which may also be completed by any member of the congregation: Vergers, Servers, Welcomers, Caretakers, Refreshment Helpers, Shop Staff, Sidespersons, Flower Arrangers, Administrative Staff, Bell-ringers, Choir / Music Group Members, Sound / AV Technicians

## SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

The Safeguarding team are beginning to organise the Safeguarding training for 2020 and need to know where best to locate courses in the Deaneries in 2020. The face to face training courses which will be offered are Safeguarding Foundation; Safeguarding Leadership and Responding to Domestic Abuse. Opposite is a matrix which shows who in the parish require which training.

In Derby City Deanery we need to move quickly on booking the courses for the first half of the year as we have little time to arrange venues and advertise, as our allocated dates are very soon: 6-25 January 2020. (The next dates will be 13 Jul – 1 Aug.)

Please could you let us know your parish's training needs **as soon as possible**, with potential numbers and preferred locations – to [jo.simister@derby.anglican.org](mailto:jo.simister@derby.anglican.org) in the first instance.

## COVER DURING THE VACANCY OF AREA DEAN

We have been working out how to share out some of the Area Dean tasks, and a list of responsibilities and contact points will be circulated with this newsletter.

## GDPR FORMS, AND THE DIOCESAN DATABASE:

Sian Kellogg at Church House is making great efforts to sort out anomalies in the Contact Management System which all diocesan officers use to contact deanery synod reps, church wardens, and so on. Please bear with us if we keep asking for confirmation of your parish officers and representatives, as we are particularly anxious to obtain an accurate list of electors before going through next year's General Synod appointments process.

We will be writing about the processes which are needed around Annual Parochial Church Meetings (APCMs) next issue (January 2020), but everyone appointed goes onto this confidential database, and needs to fill in a GDPR form. Sian has amended this as a word document, which can be completed electronically and returned via email to Church House. As long as the email is received from the individual's email address (and not a joint email address) they will accept this as their 'electronic signature'. (Forms available from [Jo.Simister@derby.anglican.org](mailto:Jo.Simister@derby.anglican.org))

Sian can also send paper copies out to you. Please advise how many you would like and what address to send them to. ([Sian.Kellogg@derby.anglican.org](mailto:Sian.Kellogg@derby.anglican.org) ).

There is a 1 hour online training about GDPR which we would encourage any parishes to complete. It can be accessed through the Parish Buyer scheme at a highly reduced rate, a fee of £10 per person, which PCC should consider investing in (<https://www.parishbuying.org.uk/categories/gdpr-e-learning> ).

*When you are feeling overwhelmed about how much injustice there is and how big the problems are:*

- 1. make a list of 5 things you could do that would help in whatever way.*
- 2. pick one thing you could do today. One you could do this week.*
- 3. revisit next week.*

*from Rabbi Danya Ruttenberg on twitter.*

## SOME FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

### Awards for All – Lottery Funding

<https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/national-lottery-awards-for-all-england>

A quick and simple way to get small National Lottery grants of between £300 and £10,000. A good application should do at least one of these three things:

- bring people together and build strong relationships in and across communities
- improve the places and spaces that matter to communities
- enable more people to fulfil their potential by working to address issues at the earliest possible stage.

It could take up to 18 weeks to get the decision, with a further two weeks to pay your grant.

### The Liz and Terry Bramall Foundation

The charity supports charitable organisations that promote Christian Faith in accordance with the beliefs of the Church of England. The Foundation also supports urban or rural regeneration in areas of social/economic deprivation for the benefit of the public. Promotes the arts and the advance of education.

Contact Details: 01423 566666

Dr Terence George Bramall

C/O Raworths LLP Eton House, 89 Station Parade, Harrogate HG1 1HF

Grant potential: It varies. Average gift size is £10,000 but do give large amounts.

### New funding opportunity from Allchurches Trust

<https://www.allchurches.co.uk/growinglives>

Maybe you want to transform an under-used room or area of a hall into a chill out zone and café or spiritual space for young people? Maybe you need new books and toys for your children's corner or equipment for summer sports? Growing Lives, aims to help churches and Christian organisations to connect with children and young people and forge lasting links with families in their area. Grants of up to £25,000 are available.

### Marsh Christian Trust

<https://www.marshchristiantrust.org/grants/>

Grants to Cover Running Costs for Small Charities (UK).

Grants of £300 to £2,000 are available to small charities to help them to pay for with running and core costs. The funding is available to registered charities (Community Interest Companies are excluded) working in the areas of

- literature, arts and heritage;
- social welfare;
- environmental causes and animal welfare; education and training;
- and healthcare.

The funding is being made available through the Marsh Christian Trust. There are no application deadlines.

## HOW THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND IS STRUCTURED

All the talk about synods and councils and archdeacons and the like can sometimes be confusing to people who don't have a 'churchy' background.

Starting at the top of this organogram, we have the Church of England, which has its head office in London, and which decides a number of issues centrally. Its 'parliament' is the General Synod, about which we hear a couple of times a year. We can feed ideas and questions to this level, and even into legislation, via the lower level Synods – Diocese and Deanery. Our diocese sends three clergy and three lay representatives to General Synod.

The Church of England has 42 Dioceses, which are divided between two provinces. In Derby we are very near the border – Derby (along with Lichfield, Leicester and Lincoln) is in the southern part, the Province of Canterbury, while Sheffield, Manchester, Chester, and Southwell&Nottingham are all in the northern Province of York.

The Diocese of Derby consists of the whole of Derbyshire and a few parishes on the fringes of the county near Stockport and in Staffordshire. It was formed in 1927, so will celebrate its centenary in 2027. The Cathedral is in Derby itself. The diocese has an area of nearly one thousand square miles and serves a population of just over one million people, and has over 300 churches. It works in communities, schools, prisons and hospitals as well being represented in various other aspects of city and county life. There are more facts and statistics at <https://derby.anglican.org/en/about-us/the-diocese.html>.

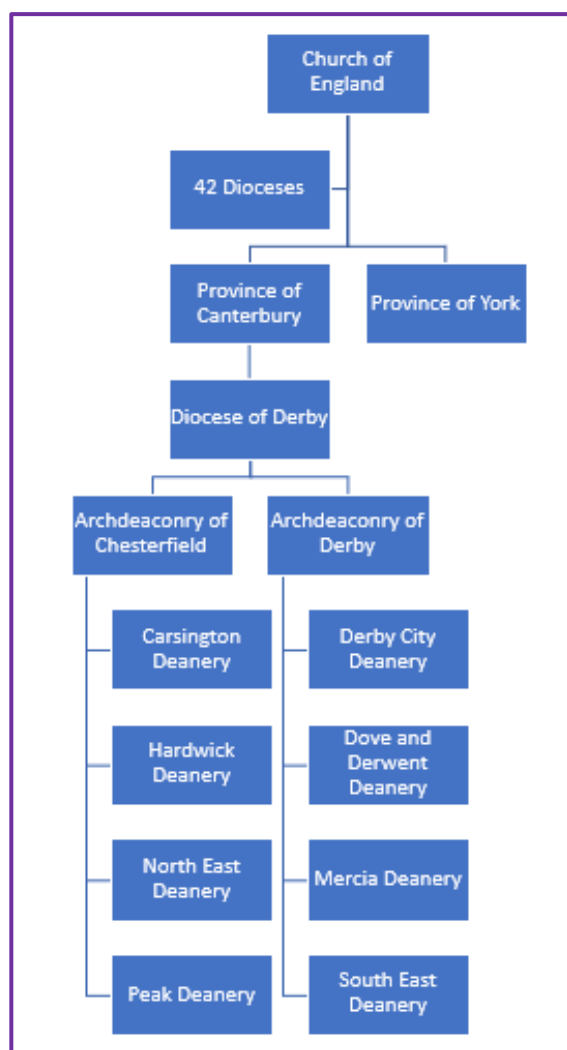
Each diocese holds its own Diocesan Synod. Ours meets two or three times a year. Our deanery has 25 representatives on Derby Diocesan Synod – 14 clergy and 13 laity.

The Diocese of Derby is divided into two Archdeacons, each with an archdeacon – ours is the Venerable Dr Christopher Cunliffe. If you are a Warden who comes to be licenced at the annual Archdeacon's Visitation, you will meet him then.

The Archdeaconry of Derby was originally part of the Diocese of Lichfield, but was moved to form part of the Diocese of Southwell, when that diocese was created in 1884. In 1927 the Archdeacons of Derby and Chesterfield became the new Diocese of Derby, as a response to population growth.

There are four deaneries in each archdeaconry. Ours is Derby City. We have a quarter of the diocese's population in our deanery, and around 50 clergy. Our Deanery Synod represents all our 35 parishes (including the Cathedral), plus chaplaincies and Bishop's Mission Orders.

*(There will be more about all Parish functions in part two in January.)*





# DERBY CITY DEANERY: ROOTED IN PRAYER

## EXCITING NEWS FROM DERBY CITY MISSION:

From Viv Merkelt: [viv@derbycitymission.org.uk](mailto:viv@derbycitymission.org.uk)

What a fabulous couple of months we have had here at Derby City Mission! We are eternally grateful to all our fantastic supporters for your faithfulness and prayers over the last 30 years, and patience particularly over the last 12 months, which have finally resulted in the completion of our purchase of 10 Normanton Road, the old Job Centre. The keys were handed over to us on Friday 4th October and work is already underway to make it ready for us to move in. Please pray for the progress of the conversion of this property and that it will be a blessing to those it serves.



Please continue to pray for our Nightshelter projects in Derby, Chesterfield and Mansfield which get underway on 1st December. We are still in the process of recruiting and inducting staff as well as getting all the practical aspects in place ready for opening. Our final Volunteer Information evening in Derby is on Wednesday 6th November 7.30 – 9 p.m. in St Mary's Church, Darley Lane (DE1 3AX) please come along if you are interested. If you are interested in volunteering at Mansfield Nightshelter, their Volunteer Information

evenings are Thursday 7th and Thursday 14th November 6-8pm at Methodist Church, Chesterfield Rd South Mansfield NG19 7EE. There will be a final volunteer information evening in Chesterfield too. Contact Andrea Beardmore at [chesterfieldns@derbycitymission.org.uk](mailto:chesterfieldns@derbycitymission.org.uk) for more details



Street Pastors have been listening, caring and assisting people on the streets of Derby on Friday and Saturday nights for 10 years. To celebrate this milestone, we will be holding a Street Pastor 10 year Celebration Service on Saturday 16th November, 6.30p.m. at St Werburgh's, Derby. Everyone is welcome to come and join us as we commission our new Street Pastors, share more about the impact this project has on the city and worship and give thanks to God.

At the end of the month, there will be our regular Citywide Prayer meeting. This is being held at Derby City

Church, Curzon Street DE1 1LH on Sunday 24th November at 6.30 p.m. The focus of this meeting will be to pray for unity in our churches, our city and our nation.

Finally, a reminder about our Christmas connection project which supports families in need, who are working with our Jubilee Project as well as other churches and Christian charities, to provide presents for children who may not otherwise receive them. If your church is able to hold a collection of new toys (books, stocking fillers, teddy bears and chocolates/sweets), please get in touch. If church members would like to purchase a new gift, all four city sites of Sainsbury's/Argos are collecting toys for Derby City Mission this Christmas.

## DERBY CITY DEANERY: SERVING DERBY

### Livability Workshops:



Archbishop of Canterbury Justin Welby is supporting the launch of Livability's initiative to help churches respond to the challenge of mental health in their communities.

Live Well Together is a one-day workshop that Livability facilitators are running in churches and communities. Based on knowledge of both mental health and community development practices, the workshop gives simple models and practical guidelines that can help your church become a place where everyone thrives.

Livability's Corin Pilling says 'Churches have a unique opportunity to become places where it's not only accepted to talk about struggles and find support, but also build practices that can help the whole community's wellbeing. Live Well Together represents a vision of community in the Bible where our wellbeing is tied into that of everybody. Mental health is not just the priority of somebody experiencing difficulty- it's something we all share. When we build a healthy community together, we live in a way which is able to include others as we learn to build resilience.'

*"I've seen how mental health problems impact not just a single life, but ripple out to affect families and communities. Too often, our response takes an individualised medical approach that focuses solely on diagnosis and treatment, overlooking the strengths each community can bring to help each other to live a healthy life. That's why I'm pleased to commend Livability's 'Live Well Together' workshop. It provides churches with the much needed tools to take a community approach to mental health, so that we can all thrive together."*

*The Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby*

### ARTS AND CRAFT DAY

Saturday 23 November 2019 10 am until 4 pm

Breadsall Church

Can you draw, paint, sew, weave, embroider, knit, cook, do woodwork, photography or turn your hand to anything at all? We would like to invite you to exhibit some of your work at an Arts and Craft day in Breadsall Church. It doesn't have to be at all professional, just done by you.

To register your interest or for more information please ring Jacqui on 01332831089 or email [jacquieastwood73@yahoo.com](mailto:jacquieastwood73@yahoo.com)



## DERBY CITY DEANERY: SHARING THE GOSPEL

A few photos from Festival of Life at St Peter's Chellaston, on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October. Thank you to everyone who participated!



*Family activities (above left and below right) and the Knitters (above right) with their angels (bottom right)*



*Breathing Space tent (above) and the Refreshment team (below)*



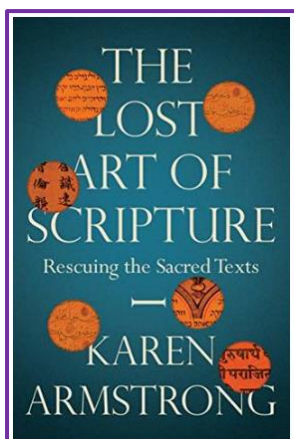




Wombell (above) and Prayer Station (below); Deanery Quilt Foundation (above) and new bracelet (below)



## BOOK REVIEWS: Karen Armstrong and Ruth Valerio



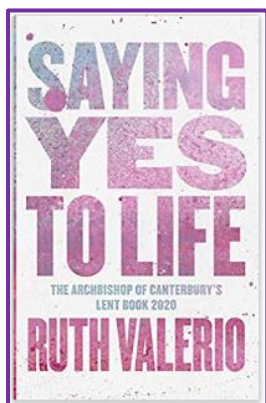
In our increasingly secular world, holy texts are at best seen as irrelevant, and at worst as an excuse to incite violence, hatred and division. So what value, if any, can scripture hold for us today? And if our world no longer seems compatible with scripture, is it perhaps because its original purpose has become lost?

Today we see the Quran being used by some to justify war and terrorism, the Torah to deny Palestinians the right to live in the Land of Israel, and the Bible to condemn homosexuality and contraception. The holy texts at the centre of all religious traditions are often employed selectively to underwrite arbitrary and subjective views. They are believed to be divinely ordained; they are claimed to contain eternal truths.

But as Karen Armstrong, a world authority on religious affairs, shows in this fascinating journey through millennia of history, this narrow reading of scripture is a relatively recent phenomenon. For hundreds of years these texts were instead viewed as spiritual tools: scripture was a means for the individual to connect with the divine, to transcend their physical existence, and to experience a higher level of consciousness. Holy texts were seen as fluid and adaptable, rather than a set of binding archaic rules or a 'truth' that has to be 'believed'.

Armstrong argues that only by rediscovering an open engagement with their holy texts will the world's religions be able to curtail arrogance, intolerance and violence. And if scripture is used to engage with the world in more meaningful and compassionate ways, we will find that it still has a great deal to teach us.

## LOOKING FORWARD: THE ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY'S LENT BOOK:



The Archbishop's Lent book next year will be focused on the environment. It is written by Ruth Valerio. Each chapter goes through one of the days of creation, and brings together environmental, ethical and social concerns. The book will be published on 21st November 2019.

- Looking for a Lent guide that speaks to faith today?
- Ruth Valerio helps you relate themes in the Bible to wider world issues
- You'll discover a stirring look at environmental, ethical and social issues through faith

Saying Yes to Life lifts our focus from every day (and perfectly natural) concerns to issues that are impacting millions of lives around the world. As people made in the image of God, we are entrusted to look after what God has made – to share in the joy and creativity of God in making a difference for good. Ruth Valerio imaginatively draws on the Days of Creation (Genesis 1 - 2.2) in relating themes of light, water, land, the seasons, other creatures, humankind, Sabbath rest and resurrection hope to matters of environmental, ethical and social concern.

Foundational to the book are what it means to be human and, in particular, to be a follower of Jesus during Lent. Voices from other continents are heard throughout, and each chapter ends with discussion questions, a prayer, and specially commissioned art to aid action and contemplation.

## PRAYING FOR THE DEANERY

It's a while since we included a list of our parishes in a newsletter, so here is our suggestion for praying for the deanery through the month:

1. St Edmund, Allenton and Shelton Lock; St Andrew with St Osmund
2. St Edmund, Allestree; St Matthew, Darley Abbey
3. St Nicholas, Allestree; St Paul, Quarndon
4. St Michael and All Angels, Alvaston
5. St Andrew, Blagreaves
6. St Mary, Boulton
7. All Saints, Breadsall
8. St Mary, Chaddesdon
9. St Philip, Chaddesdon; St Mark, Derby; Derwent Oak BMO
10. St Werburgh BMO, Derby
11. St Peter, Chellaston
12. Derby Cathedral and the Bridge Chapel
13. St Alkmund, Derby
14. St Anne, Derby
15. St Barnabas, Derby
16. St Bartholomew and St Luke, Derby
17. St John the Evangelist, Derby
18. St Paul, Chester Green
19. St Peter-in-the-City, Derby
20. All Saints, Findern; St Michael, Willington
21. St Peter, Littleover and the Haven Christian Centre
22. St Francis, Mackworth
23. All Saints and St John the Evangelist, Mickleover
24. St Giles, Normanton-by-Derby
25. The Church on Oakwood
26. St Stephen, Sinfen
27. Sinfen Moor Church
28. St Werburgh, Spondon
29. Walbrook Epiphany Team Ministry
30. Chaplains and Chaplaincies in the Deanery
31. The Deanery Leadership Team and The Archdeacon of Derby



## DATES FOR THE DIARY

### ***Your opportunity to list events of deanery-wide interest***

**Deadline for the next issue: Friday 3 January, to be available mid January (covering Lent and Easter activities). Items to: [jo.simister@derby.anglican.org](mailto:jo.simister@derby.anglican.org).**

Sat 16 Nov 6.30pm	<b>Street Pastor 10-year Celebration Service</b>	St Werburgh's, Friargate, Derby. Everyone is welcome to come and join us as we commission our new Street Pastors, share more about the impact this project has on the city and worship and give thanks to God.
Sun 24 Nov 6.30pm	<b>Citywide Prayer meeting</b>	Derby City Church, Curzon Street DE1 1LH. The focus of this meeting will be to pray for unity in our churches, our city and our nation.
Sun 1 Dec 4.30pm	<b>Advent Carol Service by candlelight</b>	St John the Evangelist, Mill/Bridge Street, Derby. DE1 1DY
Sun 1 Dec	<b>Night shelter projects in Derby, Chesterfield and Mansfield get under way:</b>	
Sat 7 Dec 10.00am-4.00pm	<b>Christmas Tree Festival - Until 2pm on Monday</b>	St John the Evangelist, Mill/Bridge Street, Derby. DE1 1DY Free admission. Refreshments on sale.
Sat 7 Dec 7.30pm	<b>Christmas Tree Festival Concert</b>	<b>by Derventio Choir.</b> St John the Evangelist, Mill/Bridge Street, Derby. DE1 1DY. Tickets £6.00 at door.
Sun 8 Dec 9.45am	<b>Family Eucharist &amp; Confirmation</b>	<b>with Bishop Libby.</b> St John the Evangelist, Mill/Bridge Street, Derby. DE1 1DY
Mon 9 Dec 11.30am	<b>a Carers Service of Celebration</b>	Derby Cathedral A celebration of all the people who care for relatives at home
Sun 15 Dec 4pm	<b>City Singers &amp; Voices Meditation Service</b>	St John the Evangelist, Mill/Bridge Street, Derby. DE1 1DY
Mon 16 Dec 7pm - 9pm	<b>Reconnecting with nature to cope with climate uncertainty</b>	Presented by Professor David Sheffield and Dr Jamie Bird (University of Derby), and Lor Bird (visual artist). One Friar Gate Square (The Copper Box). Details at: <a href="http://www.tinyurl.com/DerbyClimate">www.tinyurl.com/DerbyClimate</a>
Mon 16 Dec 7.30pm	<b>Sitwell Singers Christmas Concert.</b>	St John the Evangelist, Mill/Bridge Street, Derby. DE1 1DY Tickets available at door

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

## SUPER SOUP DAY



Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2019, 12 noon to 2.30 pm



Come and enjoy home-made soup and a roll  
Various stalls – bric-a-brac, plants, books etc

Free admission / Free parking

**Donations for Derby Churches' Night Shelter**

For more information from Sister Diana (Assistant Provincial)  
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## DERBY CITY DEANERY PILGRIMAGE TO JERUSALEM for the 2020

### Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Sat 23rd January – Sun 2nd February  
with Jo Simister (Leader) and Revd Adam Dickens (Chaplain at Derby University and the Cathedral)

There are still places available if you would like to join – contact [jo.simister@derby.anglican.org](mailto:jo.simister@derby.anglican.org) .

(see p 3 of the Sept 2019 deanery newsletter for full details - scroll down at our Derby Diocese web page <https://derby.anglican.org/en/about-us/deaneries/derby-city.html> )