

Welcome to the latest edition of the deanery newsletter and the first of 2021. Happy New Year!

The newsletter is a means to keep the deanery in touch with what is happening in our various parishes, share opportunities for working together and keeping everyone up to date with important information especially during these exceptional times. Ideas and contributions of how parishes are finding new ways to share worship and engage with communities are always welcome.

The next meeting of the deanery synod will again need to be via Zoom due to lockdown and will be on Tuesday February 9th at 7.30pm (access to Zoom from 7.15pm)

The speaker will be Reverend Matt Barnes, director of mission and ministry at the diocese, and the topic will follow on from diocesan synod where the vision was discussed and will be a chance to continue the conversation about the outworking of this. Details will be sent out to all synod members before the end of January.

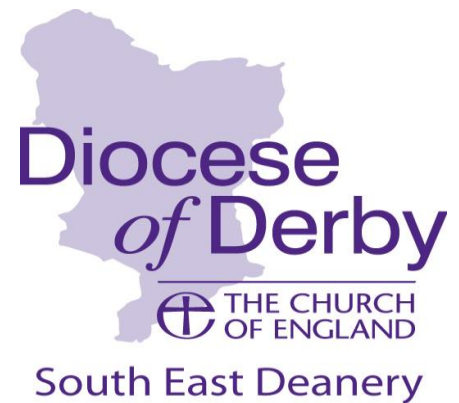
2021 will be an important year for the development of our deanery and diocese, so do play your full part in the Synod structure.

We do hope that, later in the year, we can move to actual, in person, meetings but at the moment it is hard to plan ahead. We will let you have further synod dates as we have them but, unlike previous years, we cannot give a set of dates for the year as there are so many variables to contend with. There will be at least 2 other synod dates, one in the summer and one in the autumn term and we will confirm them as soon as possible.

In July there will also be elections for the next diocesan synod, membership of this will give an opportunity to convey the views of congregations and to be part of shaping the future vision.

We look forward to working with you in the coming year.

Karen Padley and Brian Parker



Dates for your diary

Tuesday 9th February 2021

Deanery synod via Zoom

Speaker:

Reverend Matt Barnes

Future deanery synod meetings to be confirmed

Clergy Chapter Dates

The following dates have been arranged – all clergy in the deanery are welcome to attend plus any readers who would like to join them. These will be via Zoom for the time being and codes will be sent out prior to the meetings

Tuesday 20th February 11am

Tuesday 20th March 11am

Tuesday 20th April 11am

Annual Parochial Church Meetings and Electoral Roll 2021

Although we have not long since had belated elections of wardens and PCC members, the requirement at present is that 2021 elections will take place according to normal timeframes, so should be by 31st May 2021. This year, electoral rolls should be updated as necessary, but a new roll is not required. Details of what is required of PCCs and the duty of the electoral roll officer can be found at <http://www.derby.anglican.org/en/church-admin/church-information/electoral-roll.html>

APCMs will take place in parishes by 31st May. Hopefully by then, these may be during a physical meeting. However, where last years meeting agreed for postal or proxy voting, there is the option for people to vote without being present or for the meeting to be held remotely if necessary. More details of this will be available in the early spring

This year there is the opportunity to fill any vacant parish places on deanery synod. It is important that synod members are recorded and details passed to the deanery and diocese as this year there will be elections for places on both the diocesan and general synods and members of the deanery synod members, lay and clergy, form the electoral body.

There are forms which should be used for both the electoral roll and for those wishing to stand as members of PCC, deanery synod or as church wardens on the Church of England Parish Resources website. Candidates need to fill in a declaration that they are a 'fit and proper person' in respect of financial requirements as trustees under the rules of the Charity Commission. This also applies to fees officers and gift aid secretaries if they are not PCC members. The declaration will also require a statement that the candidate is not barred under the DBS safeguarding rules. Upon appointment all PCC members should undertake a DBS check if they do not already have one. Please contact Angela for more information

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FEES 2021

A reminder that new fees are applicable from 1st January 2021 for weddings, funerals, monuments etc. A guide to Church of England Fees and how payments for service cover etc. should be calculated is available at <https://derby.anglican.org/en/church-admin/fees/fees-2021.html>

In general, the increase from last year is only £1 or £2 per item on last year's fees

You can access all Derby Diocese publications and sign up for the e-news on the publications page of the website:
<http://www.derby.anglican.org/en/publications.html>

We are sorry to report that Bob Hulls, warden of Dale Abbey, passed away in December. Please pray for his wife Jenn and family and the congregations of Dale Abbey, Stanton by Dale and Risley at this sad time.



The new Bishop of Repton is Rt Revd Canon Malcolm Macnaughton, previously Chief of Staff to the Archbishop of York.

Malcolm is married to Pam, an ordained pioneer minister and a leadership specialist with the Church Pastoral Aid Society. Bishop Malcolm was due to be consecrated Bishop at Lambeth Palace at the end of January. This has been delayed due to Covid but he will be licensed to work in the diocese in the meantime, from 28th January, as Suffragan Bishop-Designate.

His installation as Bishop of Repton, and welcome to the diocese, will be soon after his consecration, which it is now hoped will be in April. Bishop Malcolm will live at Swanwick



Archdeacon Christopher has now retired.

Reverend Canon Peter Walley has been appointed acting Archdeacon of Derby until April when decisions on the structure of archdeaconries may be in place.



Diocesan Staff are mostly working from home at present but are available by email or via the switchboard.

Martyn Marples is acting diocesan secretary as well as head of finance.

Reverend Carollyn McDonald is currently acting Diocesan Director of Ordinands. The Assistant Directors of Ordinands are Mr Steve Hayler and The Revd Jacqueline Stober.

Revd Nicky Fenton has been appointed by the Church Commissioners to be Chaplain to the Bishop of Derby from March and Residentiary Canon of Derby Cathedral in the same diocese. Mrs Fenton hopes to take up her appointment in March.

Canon Linda Wainscot, formerly Director of Education for the Diocese of Coventry, is now Interim Diocesan Director of Education for two days a week and Dr Alison Brown will continue to support headteachers and schools, offering one and two days a week as required, ensuring their Christian Distinctiveness within the diocese.

Christine McMullen is temporarily overseeing readers in the diocese and locally Rachel Hobbs, warden of readers, is the person to contact. Rachel is also hosting the weekly Zoom meeting for readers for the time being.

Statistics for Mission and Parish Returns

Incumbents, wardens or treasurers in each parish will have access to the Parish Returns site within the C of E Portal and need to enter 'The October Count' and other end of year information on attendance, weddings, funerals. The deadline is 31st January 2021 and there is a downloadable guide available at <https://derby.anglican.org/en/our-mission/statistics-for-mission/our-statistics-for-mission.html>.

The return has been simplified this year due to COVID and should be quite easy to complete as long as the service register book is available. There are also some questions about online worship this year. Any queries, please contact Angela, Deanery Administrator, who is overseeing the return for the deanery and is happy to discuss any queries with you and assist with the process for those who need help with the technology. She can also add new names to list of those able to access the site in your parish or issue new login and passwords if they have been forgotten!

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Paper copies should not be sent direct to Church House



Christian Meditation with Reverend Tony Luke

In these three recordings on Youtube, Tony demonstrates the practice of sitting meditation and then guides you through some meditation exercises to help you unwind, relax and focus on the present rather than worry about the future.

Still Centre Meditation: [Find it here](#)

Sphere of Light Meditation: [Find it here](#)

Canvas of Sounds Meditation: [Find it here](#)

C of E Webinar – Celebrating Love and Life: Weddings and Christenings in 2021 and beyond

Weddings have happened, and weddings have been postponed. Christenings may simply have been put out of mind for now, yet family life goes on with its joys and its difficulties. Life's big events are still important and give us a moment when we can help many people experience the good news of God's love. This webinar will help focus on the opportunities and challenges of this ministry for 2021. Presenter:

Sandra Millar, Head of Life Events and Welcome

Tuesday, 2 February 2021, 10 am - 11 am >> [Register for your free place](#)

Safeguarding Leadership Courses - now booking

The new Safeguarding Leadership module replaces C2, C3, and 'refresher' training, and is a requirement for all those who have any leadership responsibility in the church. All those with the Bishop's license (clergy, readers and lay ministers), churchwardens, and many others who hold positions of leadership in work with children, young people or adults who may be at risk or are vulnerable must complete this course. There is no bar to others completing this who don't 'qualify', as increased awareness at this level helps to communicate the importance of safeguarding within the church community. The module is a mixture of reading and preparation work, two 'Zoom' sessions, and some review and evaluation work. All churchwardens need to attend this level of training every three years. New churchwardens need to complete this training, along with the on-line C0 and C1 courses, as soon as possible, ideally within three months from appointment. Continuing churchwardens should do this course once they are approaching three years since they completed the former C2 course.

To book a place on a Leadership course please contact judie.fogarty@derby.anglican.org. Courses currently open for booking are:

Cohort 18: Tuesday 26 January **and** Thursday 28 January 7-8.30pm

Cohort 19: Saturday 30 January 9.30-11am **and** 11.30-1pm

Cohort 20: Tuesday February 9 **and** Wednesday February 10, 1.30-3pm

The team is currently unable to deliver this around the diocese face-to-face. Once people can meet in person to deliver training again there will be a limited number of Leadership sessions offered for those unable to access on-line sessions.

Domestic Abuse Awareness (S3)

This specialist session is principally for clergy, readers and those involved in pastoral care in churches, as well as PSOs, but all are welcome to attend. The session identifies Domestic Abuse and who is most affected by it, the implications and theological issues, and how churches and individuals can respond and support survivors. The team is currently working on a revised version which will be delivered through a 'Zoom' session. To be placed on a waiting list for this course please contact judie.fogarty@derby.anglican.org

Safer Recruitment (S1)

This session is designed for clergy, anyone in parishes responsible for appointments and line-management, and PSOs. It explores legislation and statutory and other relevant guidance which ensures safer recruitment and helps churches become more familiar with House of Bishops' safer recruitment practice guidance. It covers safer recruitment processes and DBS checking, and how to identify and overcome any barriers to implementation. We are now able to offer a revised version which will be delivered through a 'Zoom' session. To book a place on a course please contact judie.fogarty@derby.anglican.org. Courses currently open for booking are:

Cohort E: Monday 8 February 7-8.30pm

Cohort F: Tuesday 23 February 10-11:30am

Cohort G: Thursday 11 March 1.30-3pm



LiveLent 2021 church resources: God's Story, Our Story

It is based on the Archbishop of Canterbury's Lent book for 2021, *Living His Story* by Hannah Steele, published on 19 November by SPCK.

Both the book and the accompanying daily reflections encourage all Christians to think about their calling, how to share their faith and reflect on the difference Christ makes in our lives.

We witness to God's story and the impact this has made to our story so that others might also find their story taking on new meaning in the light of God's love. While the current restrictions on daily life necessitated by the pandemic present significant challenges, the suffering and isolation many continue to face make the need for us to share God's love with our communities greater than ever. Rather than just being a Lenten discipline, this year's #LiveLent is a joyful invitation to make witness a normal part of the Christian life, the natural overflow of a life lived in devotion to Christ.

From Ash Wednesday (17 February) to Easter Sunday (4 April), there will be six reflections for each week, written by Stephen Hance, the Church of England's National Lead for Evangelism and Witness. Each reflection will include a short passage from the Bible, a brief exploration of the reading, and a prayer. Additionally, each week will have a unifying theme and an action to be taken during the week.

The daily reflections will be made available through a booklet available to buy from Church House Publishing, as well as a free app, emails, audio and through the Church of England's social media accounts. Webinars will be offered early in 2021 to help churches plan how to make the best use of the range of resources and content for both individuals and groups

<https://www.churchofengland.org/resources/livelent-2021-church-resources-gods-story-our-story>

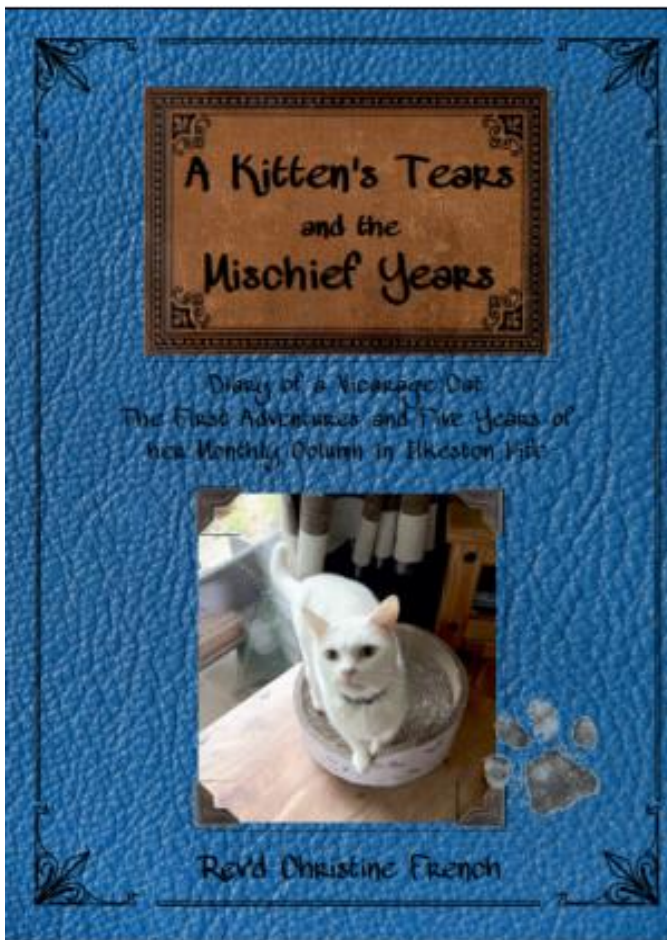
Moving on with COVID in Erewash

Active Derbyshire in partnership with other local organisations have launched a new survey to better understand how physical activity levels may have been affected since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic. They are particularly interested in hearing from Erewash residents with a long-term health condition or disability, with an aim to understand the impact on habits, motivations and to explore the reasons for this to help inform future opportunities. The survey will run until **5pm on Friday 5 February**. Please pass on to any friends and family who you think would have valuable contributions. To take part in the survey please visit:

<https://www.activederbyshire.org.uk/forms/view/erewashcovidsurvey>

For groups who require a paper copy please contact

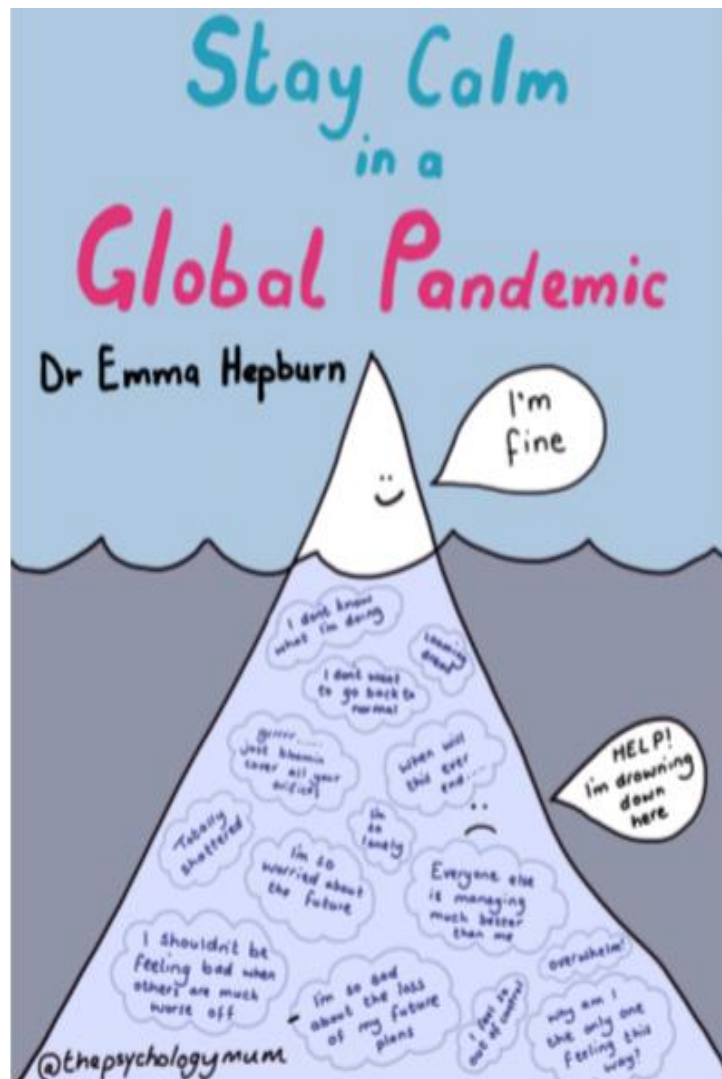
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Parish Pump has been supporting Church newsletters and magazines for over 100 years. This year they have a new resource for members - the Diary of a Vicarage Cat. Yes, our deaf Florence is now writing for them as well as her regular column in Ilkeston Life community newspaper.

Annual subscriptions to Parish Pump are less than £1 a week. Florence also has her second book published 'A Kitten's Tears & the Mischief Years' available for £5 from Moorley's publishers in Ilkeston and on Amazon, all profits going to Ilkeston Life newspaper.

Rev'd Christine French
All Saints' Kirk Hallam



FREE WELLBEING BOOKLET

Mental health at a time of coronavirus

Dr Emma Hepburn is passionate about bringing psychology and evidence-based mental health information beyond the clinic room to a wider audience and encouraging people to proactively look after their mental health.

This is an easy-to-read booklet that uses diagrams to help understand how we are feeling and some simple steps to improve mental health.

The mental health curve

The covid capacity cup

The post high-stress slump

Why am I finding this so difficult?

- Routes off the anxiety roundabout

- Corona icebergs

Beware pandemic pressure

Self-compassion at a time of

Coronavirus

The booklet is free to download at

<https://www.hachette.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/How-to-Stay-Calm-in-a-Global-Pandemic-Free-ebook.pdf>