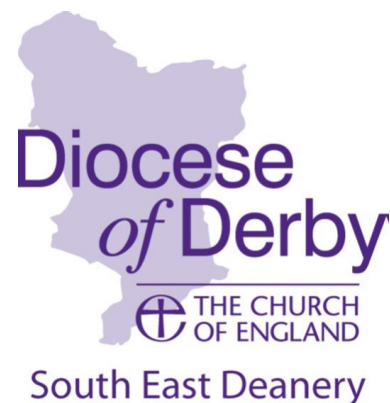


South East Derbyshire Deanery Newsletter May-June 2023



Jesus breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit” (John 20: 22)

From the Archdeacon

It's nearly a year since I became your Archdeacon and it's been a pleasure to spend time in the SE Deanery during that time having conversations, ministering through services, doing Church Visits and a whole host of other things. I haven't got to everyone yet but will keep trying – sometimes the 'urgent' takes over. I have observed amazing volunteers in a whole range of roles, giving of time and energy, especially, though not exclusively, in vacancy. I have met with faithful, hard-working clergy. I have found that there is an ongoing sense of grief and tiredness resulting from two years of dealing with pandemic – grief for the way that Church and life have changed, and tiredness as we have emerged from such a profound experience only to step into a cost of living crisis. It could all be overwhelming, and yet, nearly everywhere I have been there has been that depth of faith that gives birth to hope as new opportunities are recognised and fresh challenge seized, maybe only in small ways, but so encouraging.

For we are people of promise, God's covenant promise, and we need to remember that: promise of life and resurrection, promise of transformation, promise of growth and regeneration, the builders of broken walls as Isaiah says. Promises forged through the reality of crucifixion and made real by the breath of the Spirit. So in the midst, give thanks for who God is and for all that He wants to accomplish in you and through you. Pray without ceasing – for yourselves, your churches and your communities and look out for the signs of transformed lives, growing church and community built up as you live out the good news of the Kingdom of God.

Thank you for your welcome and hospitality, for the growing sense of working together and if I haven't seen you yet then I'm looking forward to doing so.

With every blessing,

Karen Hamblin

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Register for Heritage Open Days 2023 (8 – 17 Sept)

The National Trust has partnered with Heritage Open Days for its annual cultural festival that organises events focused on local heritage across the UK. Organisations of all sizes are encouraged to take part; however, the festival asks participants to do something out of the ordinary, such as temporarily opening a new part of a site or hosting activities or talks.

>> [Learn more about September's programme.](#)

For Your Diary



Upcoming Deanery Synods

Monday 19th June 7.30pm at St Clement's Horsley

Wednesday 11th October, 7.30pm at Holy Trinity Ilkeston

Upcoming Greater Chapters

♦ **Thursday 1st June** at 11.00am on Zoom—with Steve Johnson, Living Generously Adviser, Diocese of Derby

♦ **Thursday 13th July, 10.00am-2.00pm Deanery Chapter Quiet Day** at Locko Park with Ven. Karen Hamblin, Archdeacon of East Derbyshire. Subject: Spiritual Self-care and Kindness.

Please let Helen Bridger know if you intend to come along to the Quiet Day:

helen.bridger@derby.anglican.org

♦ **Tuesday 26th September** at 11.00am, venue to be decided—with Aidan Watson, Strategic Lead for Youth Ministry, Diocese of Derby

♦ **Tuesday 24th October** at 11.00am, venue to be decided—with Sue Cavill, General Synod Rep. on LLF/Synod update

Upcoming Deadlines

31st May—Treasurers to submit Return of Parish Finance Forms.

31st May—PCC Secretaries to submit Results of Elections forms.

2nd June—Churchwardens and Clergy to submit the Certificate Validating the Election of Churchwardens to the Archdeacons' Office

2nd June—Questions for the next Deanery Synod to be submitted (see page 4)

30th June—Energy Footprint Tool return due.

Archdeacon's Visitation

Tuesday 20th June, 7.30pm at St John's, Smalley

Deanery Synod—Monday 19th June 2023

7.30pm at St Clements Church, Horsley
Net Zero by 2030

CALL FOR QUESTIONS

As you may be aware, the Church of England has committed to work towards net zero carbon emissions by 2030. This has many implications for our buildings and our practices. You and your church will no doubt have many questions and concerns about how this target will be met.

The upcoming Deanery Synod on Monday 19th June will be given over to exploring what net zero by 2030 will mean for us and the practical steps we can take. Present at the Synod will be a panel ready to take your questions. **Whether you are a PCC or Synod member or not, you are welcome to submit a question. In the event of a formal vote at a Deanery Synod, it is only those formally appointed who can vote, but meetings can be open to anyone interested in the topic being discussed.**

These are to be submitted in advance so that answers can be thorough and well considered and therefore of most use.

The substance of the Synod will comprise the questions you generate and the responses from the panel. **No questions = no meaningful discussion!** Therefore we are asking the following:



Discuss the net zero target at your next PCC if it's before the Synod and identify the questions you would like addressed at the Synod. Alternatively, just have a think for yourselves and come up with some questions!



Submit these questions to Helen Bridger by email, if possible by **Friday 2nd June** at helen.bridger@derby.anglican.org. If questions come in a bit later than 2nd June, that's fine, too.

As you consider this issue and address it at your PCC, you may find the following Church of England links to be useful:

[Reducing emissions from churches | The Church of England](#)

[Microsoft Word - the practical path to net zero carbon for churches FINAL numbered October 2020 \(churchofengland.org\)](#)

From the Diocese of Derby webpage: [Net zero, next steps - Diocese of Derby \(anglican.org\)](#)

From the A Rocha Eco Church Initiative [How Eco Church Works - Eco Church \(arocha.org.uk\)](#)

Location: St Clement's Church, Church Street, Horsley, DE21 5BR.

The Holy Spirit at Work: Calling Lay Readers



*Garry on his licensing day with Rev Phil Selby,
Rachel Hobbs (Warden of Readers) and Rev James Lee*

My name is Garry Sherwood and was licensed on 29th April 2023

My journey on the road to Reader started about 10 years ago when I retired from paid work. At that time we made the decision that when we moved area we would look to support the mission of the local church wherever God placed us. We moved to Stanton-by-Dale 9 years ago and did just that by joining the church St Michael's and all Angels.

Within a couple of years I was asked to consider the role of Churchwarden (must have been the recently retired badge I was wearing) and as a result became further involved in the mission of the local church. I have always had a practical outlook on things in that if it needs doing then get on with it! This, together with an increasing awareness of a desire to proclaim the Gospel, brought me roundly to a time of real thought and prayer about the role of Reader within the Church of England.

Discussions followed with my wife, my Rector, a close Reader friend and then a structured time of discernment with my Vocational Advisor which culminated in me starting the Readers course. The two years of this course were full-on but rewarding, and with the wonders of modern technology was still delivered amidst the Covid Pandemic.

What did the course give me? I believe it gave me the tools to allow me to develop my own stance on scriptural teaching and church administration. It also allowed those on the course to discuss and test out ideas in a safe environment, and to build new friendships with people from different walks of life and different church experiences, all of whom were on the same faith journey.

What will my future ministry look like? I suppose that's a question better answered by the Bishop or my Rector! However, I believe God has called me to the Benefice in which I worship, to be involved in the mission of the church both in doing and in speaking and to help fulfil our Benefice aim where "We seek to Know Jesus and make Him known".

Garry M Sherwood

Licensed Lay Reader to the Benefice of Stanton-by-Dale, Dale Abbey and Risley.

The Holy Spirit at Work: Calling Churchwardens

As the Archdeacon's Visitation draws near (Tuesday 20th June at St John's Smalley) and with it the admission of Churchwardens for the coming year, it is timely to celebrate this vital ministry. Churchwardens support the people and work of the church in obvious and not so obvious ways. It is a role which is complex, varied, challenging and a gift from God. Let's find out more from two of our wardens—Ann Veale, Churchwarden of St Andrew's Swanwick, and Roger Jones, Churchwarden at All Saints Risley.

Roger, what led you to decide to become a Churchwarden?

I had been serving as treasurer for five years when I was approached and asked whether I would consider standing as Churchwarden. After considerable thought I decided that moving to a new role would increase my involvement and help me to understand the workings of a small rural parish.

Anne, What do you find most rewarding about being a Churchwarden?

First of all, the support from everyone who accept all my failures and mistakes!

Then there's working with a wide group of people I didn't necessarily know well beforehand and discovering their hidden talents (sometimes well hidden!). I also feel a sense of protectiveness towards 'my' people and enjoy working cooperatively with different ministers

The role has contributed greatly to my own faith development.

Roger, what do you find most surprising about the role?

The most surprising thing about being Churchwarden is the diversity of the role. I have recently been involved in numerous cases of investigating whether grave plots are adequate for a second coffin, or indeed whether plots in our garden of remembrance are deep enough to add further ashes following cremation. I am obviously involved in building maintenance which can be quite a challenge in an Elizabethan church. I also lead services and assist at the administration of Communion.

The Holy Spirit at Work: Calling Churchwardens

Anne, a final couple of questions for you: What has God shown you or taught you through being a Churchwarden?

You can do it! (With God's and the people's help)

Teamwork is so important. This is not a one man / woman show although circumstances can make this difficult at times. That said, unexpected people can and do come out of the woodwork to help, but may need nurturing when situations such as unplanned absences or Covid are as much of a surprise to them as to you!

If you are feeling sad/upset because of a particular situation in church (e.g. vacancy, Covid), it is sometimes good to share. Others may be feeling this too and feel reassured that they are not alone.

The last and most important lesson is how to "Let Go and Let God". Trust!

And now the last and perhaps most important question: How can we best support our Churchwardens?

I know that people like to be approached first but please do not wait to be asked. Volunteer!! Your wardens will be so grateful!

Even if it is not your job and you see something that needs doing (in my case 9/10 it will be lighting the candles!), then be willing to step up and help where you can.

And finally...**Pray for them +++**

A Prayer for our Churchwardens

Heavenly Father, you call us each to different work in your kingdom,
according to the gifts you have bestowed upon us.

Today, we pray especially for those you have called to be Churchwardens.
Keep your call fresh in their hearts, renewing and refreshing their spirits for the work ahead.

May they seek your wisdom and guidance.

Fill them with patience, peace, and joy,
remembering you are with them even when the work is hard,
for you are faithful to equip those who obey your call.

All this we pray through your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

A cartoon-style illustration of a church with a steeple and a cross. A group of eleven people, including men, women, and children of various ages, are standing in front of the church entrance. The illustration is set against a white background with a purple vertical bar on the left side.

Before you put all things APCM in your rear-view mirror, could:

- 1) the form 10-APCM Results of Elections form has been completed and sent back either by post to *Enquiries, Church House, Full Street, Derby, DE1 3DR*, or by email to diosec@derby.anglican.org.
You can access the form here: [APCM Forms - Diocese of Derby \(anglican.org\)](#)
- 2) you let Helen Bridger know who your newly elected Deanery Synod reps are. You can email this information to helen.bridger@derby.anglican.org
- 3) you ask all newly elected office holders and those whose details have changed to fill in and sign the GDPR form and send it back to Church House either by post or by email: enquiries@derby.anglican.org. This form can be accessed using the above link.

Treasurers file a copy of your approved 2022 PCC Annual Report and Financial Statements with the Secretary of the Diocesan Board of Finance **within 28 days of your Annual Meeting**. You can send these electronically to finance@derby.anglican.org or by post to *Finance Office, Church House, Full Street, Derby, DE1 3DR*

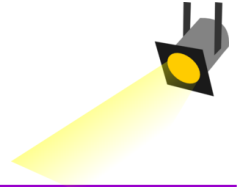
The Holy Spirit at Work...through Data Collection? Really?!!

Treasurers: you should have been contacted by the finance office about submitting the Return of Parish Finance forms on the online parish returns system:
<https://parishreturns.churchofengland.org/> The working deadline is 31st May, which gives time for your submissions to be verified by the end of June. If you are having difficulty accessing the online system or need help, please let Helen Bridger know.

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Parish Spotlight

St John's, Long Eaton



Building A Garden Fit for a King



St John's Church Long Eaton is an urban building with limited grounds round it – some might say it's not a pretty building. Over the last few years the community has become very involved in food projects with a community lunch on Wednesdays, supporting and hosting an affordable food scheme and volunteering at the foodbank but have always wanted to grow food to eat as well.

This year an urban garden has begun to take shape thanks to a member of the congregation - Philippa Buchanan . Philippa works as a creative arts therapist with Inspirative Arts in Derby and has been leading a wellbeing group at St John's. Recently she saw an opportunity to apply for a grant to build a

garden and bring people together for the coronation and was successful applying for the grant. Much of the building and planters have been made by our new church members who are seeking asylum and living in the local hotels, and our Build Day on May 1st was a glorious day of bring people from across the community together to plant and create. We look forward to eating something we have grown.

Samantha Tredwell

Vicar of St John's Church





Coronation Celebrations

How was the Coronation Weekend for you? Throughout the Deanery we were active in celebrating with good food and good company. Here's how it looked in Ilkeston and in Kirk Hallam:



St Mary's Ilkeston enjoying a shared lunch and raising a glass to the King



All Saints Kirk Hallam making the most of a wet day to celebrate with over 500 folk.



Celebrating The Holy Spirit at Work

All are welcome to join Fr Julius Anozie with All Saints Kirk Hallam and St Andrews Stanley Church of England School at:

Pentecost Worship Concert

5PM SUNDAY 28TH MAY

Hosted at St. Alkmund's Church

40 Kedleston Road, Derby, DE22 1GU

The event will also be livestreamed www.youtube.com/@stalkmundsderby

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**AN EVENING OF DIVERSE WORSHIP
FEATURING...**

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St. Alkmund's Derby

**Stanley St. Andrew's
CofE School**

**Let's Sing - Kirk Hallam
Community Choir**

St. Francis Mackworth

The Bishops

Event partners: United Kingdom Minority Ethnic Ordinands & Curates network,
Everyone Eats, Building Community fund Derby Diocese

Training Opportunities



Learning in Faith

Bitesize

As we begin a new ministerial season post-APCM, you might like to check out the short “Learning in Faith—Bitesize” resources on our Diocesan website. There you will find a number of short videos under the following headings, including:

Childrens and Youth Work

Running a Children’s Group
What is a Church School
Could You Be A Church Children’s Leader?

Churchwardens and Officers

PCC Treasurer Basics
Being a PCC Secretary
Being a Churchwarden
Faculty Applications
Church Buildings Management....and more!

Community

Becoming an Eco Church
Going Green

Spirituality and Prayer

Leading Intercessions
Planning a Prayer Walk
Spirituality in Later Life
—Creating a Dementia-Friendly Church

Mission, Evangelism, Discipleship

Pioneer Ministry

You’ll find all these resources here: [Learning in faith - Diocese of Derby \(anglican.org\)](https://www.anglican.org/learning-in-faith)

In addition, if you are newly in post as a Churchwarden (and even if you have been in the role for a while), do take a look at the many resources for wardens on our Diocesan website. There you will find all sorts of information and guidance to support you in your work. Scroll down to the bottom of the page and you will also find some of those 30 minute “bitesized” training videos, from leading worship at short notice to looking after buildings.

[Resources for Churchwardens - Diocese of Derby \(anglican.org\)](https://www.anglican.org/resources-for-churchwardens)

Training Opportunities

Kintsugi Hope Presents...

Mental Health Friendly Church Training Day

**JOIN US AS WE EXPLORE WHAT A MENTAL HEALTH
FRIENDLY CHURCH LOOKS LIKE**

If you are a small group leader, pastoral worker, lay leader or anyone involved in caring or support roles in your church, this training will help you to:

- Understand our emotions and explore a robust theology of mental health
- Understand the Mental Health Continuum
- Explore how the church can help eradicate stigma
- Gain an overview of mental health conditions and how the church can respond
- Encourage compassion and a gentle presence in our churches and communities
- Cultivate our own and others' wellbeing
- Develop mental health friendly communities

SATURDAY 17TH JUNE 2023

**930AM COFFEE
10AM – 4PM**

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DERBY, DE11NN**



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<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/mental-health-friendly-church-training-day-derby-tickets-468388220777>

Sources of Help in Derbyshire

Struggling to cope?

Talk to us – anytime.



The Derbyshire Mental Health Helpline and Support Service is here for you, 24 hours a day. Call us free on...

0800 028 0077

You can also call 111 and ask for the helpline. The helpline is for both adults and young people

Learn more at www.derbyshirehelpline.com and for other sources of support search 'Derbyshire emotional health and wellbeing'



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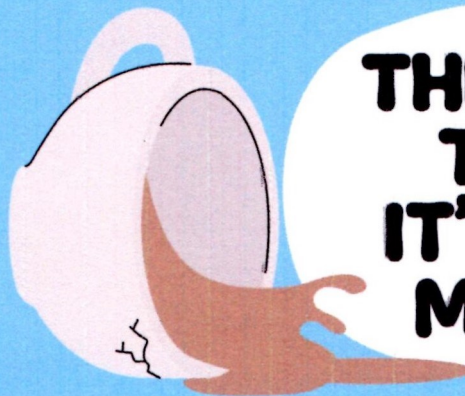
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Promoting Independence

NHS
Derbyshire Healthcare
NHS Foundation Trust

**ONE CALL
CHANGES
LIVES**

Derbyshire Domestic Abuse Helpline

08000 198 668



**THE TEA WAS
TOO HOT,
IT'S ALWAYS
MY FAULT!**

Domestic Abuse often starts with small things which can develop into controlling, coercive, isolating, threatening, even violent behaviour.

Domestic Abuse can affect anyone – you don't have to deal with it alone.
Contact us for support at Derbyshire Domestic Abuse Helpline.

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Live Chat anonymously at:
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