

Don't miss out on essential funding for your church

You might not know, but there are a range of grants available to help churches pay for maintenance services booked through the website MaintenanceBooker. Investing in regular maintenance work to your building now can significantly reduce your longer term costs.

To access and book maintenance services, places of worship first need to register to use the site. MaintenanceBooker is supported by the National Churches Trust (NCT) and managed by NCT Heritage Services Ltd in partnership with 2buy2.

Foundation Grants of up to £10,000 are available for projects costing up to £20,000 (exc VAT). The maximum grant size is 50% of costs.

There are two ways for churches to engage with the grants:

1. Standard Foundation Grant application to the NCT Grants Committee. The deadline for applications is 26 September 2019 for decisions in November 2019. Churches can use contractors previously selected through a competitive process where they can demonstrate that at least two quotes were received.
2. Foundation Grant application to support tendering done through MaintenanceBooker. Applications received this way will not be bound by the 26 September 2019 deadline. Applications for contracts will be accepted on a rolling basis until 2 December 2019, when the funding campaign will end. Decisions will be made within 1 month, allowing for quicker turn around on maintenance and small repair projects.

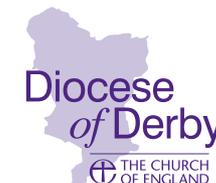
Churches can apply for more than one Foundation Grant if they can demonstrate that the works being requested are distinct, and the works are being done by different contractors.

The NCT will be announcing some changes this autumn to the NCT grant programmes for 2020. It is uncertain that the Foundation Grants programme will retain a £10,000 grant ceiling, so they strongly encourage churches to submit bids early this year. Visit www.nationalchurchestrust.org for more details.



Our Diocese

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Archdeacon Christopher writes...



TRANSFIGURATION

In one of the terrible ironies of the twentieth century, the first atomic bomb was dropped on Hiroshima on 6 August – the Feast of the Transfiguration. Some

years later the Company of the Transfiguration was formed. It was, and I hope still is, a group of people scattered throughout the world, prompted by this grotesque coincidence, and bound together simply by a commitment to pray for peace and for the transfiguring of the world.

The strange story of the Transfiguration presents us with a challenge. Is transfiguration just a mountain-top experience for the favoured few, the three disciples who are with Jesus? This privatised view of religion is reflected in Peter's suggestion in the story of building three shelters, to contain the glory that has been revealed on the mountain, as if glory can be contained. Or does transfiguration inform our view of the world, alerting us to that glory, wherever it is to be found?

This ambiguity is caught well in a poem by Edwin Muir, 'The Transfiguration', put into the mouth of one of the disciples, reflecting on the event many years later:

Was it a vision?

*Or did we see that day the unseeable
One glory of the everlasting world
Perpetually at work, though never seen
Since Eden locked the gate that's everywhere
And nowhere? Was the change in us alone,
And the enormous earth still left forlorn,
An exile or a prisoner?*

'Was the change in us alone...?' Like Jesus, we are human and experience all the exhilaration and heartbreak of our humanity. We do not know what lies in store for us or how we will change throughout our lives. Yet this is the essence of human liberty, that it is open to the future. For it is not our limited vision which is important. What counts is God's vision, which is truth and enfolds time, and God's will, which is love and wisdom. The leap into the unknown, which we all take by virtue of our humanity, is an immense act of confidence and trust in the God who calls us. We are led out of ourselves to find ourselves. We are transfigured.

It is through this commitment to life – as the disciples become dimly aware on the Mount of Transfiguration – that God's love comes into the world, which means that the change is not in us alone and that the earth is no longer a prisoner or an exile. The world can be transfigured, too.

*The Ven. Dr Christopher Cunliffe
Archdeacon of Derby*

What should be on the Diocese Bucket List?



That may sound like an odd question, but we have a good reason for asking!

We're compiling a list of those famous things in our parishes that everyone living in or visiting Derbyshire should strive to see or do once in their lifetime.

For example, Tissington is famous for its well dressings, Chesterfield for the Crooked Spire, Ashbourne is famous for Shrovetide football and connections with Samuel Johnson, Doveridge is home to the tree that Robin Hood is said to have married under, and Derby Cathedral and Ault Hucknall are connected with Bess of Hardwick.

So, the question is, what fame (or perhaps infamy!), notoriety or points of interest are there in your parish (or church) that everyone should try to visit, see or do? We're sure you'll have lots of ideas - email them to:

Communications@derby.anglican.org

Learning in Faith

11 Sep	Church Warden Training : Leading Worship at Short Notice	All Saints, Hatton
12 Sep	Mind Mapping Your Spiritual Journey	Derby Church House
14 Sep	Vocations Exploration Day	All Saints, Marpool
16 Sep	Introduction to Church Warden Roles and Responsibilities	St Peter, Chellaston
17 Sep	Occasional Offices and Mission 1 : Baptism	St Barnabas, Danesmoor

Reserve your place and view all other courses - www.derby.anglican.org/training

Derby Cathedral to host Knife Angel

Derby Cathedral will host The Knife Angel when it comes to the city later this year. Derby has been chosen to be one of the cities across the country to host the National Monument Against Violence and Aggression. The spectacular 27ft sculpture, made from around 100,000 bladed weapons collected in knife banks during police amnesties across the country, will be based next to the Cathedral on Irongate, for 28 days from the beginning of October.

The Knife Angel is being brought to Derby by a group of agencies and organisations across the city, including: Derby Cathedral, Derbyshire Police, Derby City Council, Police and Crime Commissioner Hardyal Dhindsa and University Hospitals of Derby and Burton NHS Foundation Trust.

Created in collaboration with all 43 police forces, the Home Office, Anti-violence groups and hundreds of families who have been affected by knife crime, the monument is a symbol of the nation's intolerance to violence and aggression. It was created by sculptor Alfie Bradley and the British Ironwork Centre to highlight the impact knife crime has on people, families and communities. Relatives of those killed by knife crime were invited to engrave the blades with names and messages for their loved ones as part of the sculpture.

Among those supporting the Knife Angel coming to Derby is local woman, Rachel Webb. Rachel's son, Tom, was 22 years old when he was stabbed and killed in St Peter's Street, Derby, by a 16-year-old boy in January 2016. Later that year, Rachel supported an amnesty held across Derbyshire and knives from this amnesty were donated towards the creation of the sculpture.

The Dean of Derby, the Very Revd Dr Stephen Hance said: "It's a powerful piece which takes some of the darkest things that are going on in our society and gives us a way to handle the violence in our world and also, in a way, the violence in our own hearts, and to see beauty and hope that lies beneath and beyond".

The exact date for the arrival of the Knife Angel is being finalised.

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS - Would you like to be directly involved with this project? Volunteers are particularly needed to act as information marshals at the sculpture. Full training will be provided and anyone interested is urged to make contact. If you are interested in volunteering or represent a group that would like to be interested in the programme of activities, please contact the organising group on knifeangel@derbycathedral.org.



Dean appointed National Lead for Evangelism and Witness

The Very Revd Dr Stephen Hance, the Dean of Derby, has been appointed National Lead for Evangelism and Witness for the Church of England. The Dean informed the congregation at Derby Cathedral on Sunday, 7 July, and the Church of England made the announcement on Monday, 8 July.

He said: "I am a missionary at heart, passionate about growing the Church and helping people come to faith in Christ. My new role is all about enabling the Church of England to focus on these priorities, and as such it is one I had to say yes to. I will be sorry to leave Derby, but grateful for all we have accomplished here together. The Cathedral and Diocese will remain in my heart and my prayers."

Stephen will take up his new role at the end of September.



From our Deaneries

Derby City

Fond Farewell to Area Dean - Revd Canon Dr Simon Taylor

In May 2019, it was announced that the Revd Canon Dr Simon Taylor, Director of Curate Training, Area Dean of Derby City Deanery and Canon Chancellor of Derby Cathedral, had been appointed Director of Ministry Development, Diocese of Bristol.



Simon and his family Jacky, Samuel and Ruth, are currently moving to Bristol where he will start his new position in August.

On his role of Area Dean, Simon said "There is much to celebrate and to be thankful for, in the past three years and in the years to come. Be assured of my continuing prayers. Please pray for me during this time of change".

Learn more about your deanery and view deanery newsletters at: www.bit.ly/deanerynews

Mercia

Revd Dr Graham Rutter - Area Dean - accepts new appointment in Liverpool.

The Revd Dr Graham Rutter, Vicar of Emmanuel Church in Swadlincote and Area Dean for the Mercia Deanery, is leaving in the autumn following his appointment of Tutor of Old Testament at St Mellitus College, North West based in Liverpool.

Graham will continue in his roles until the autumn and more details of his departure will be announced in due course.



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