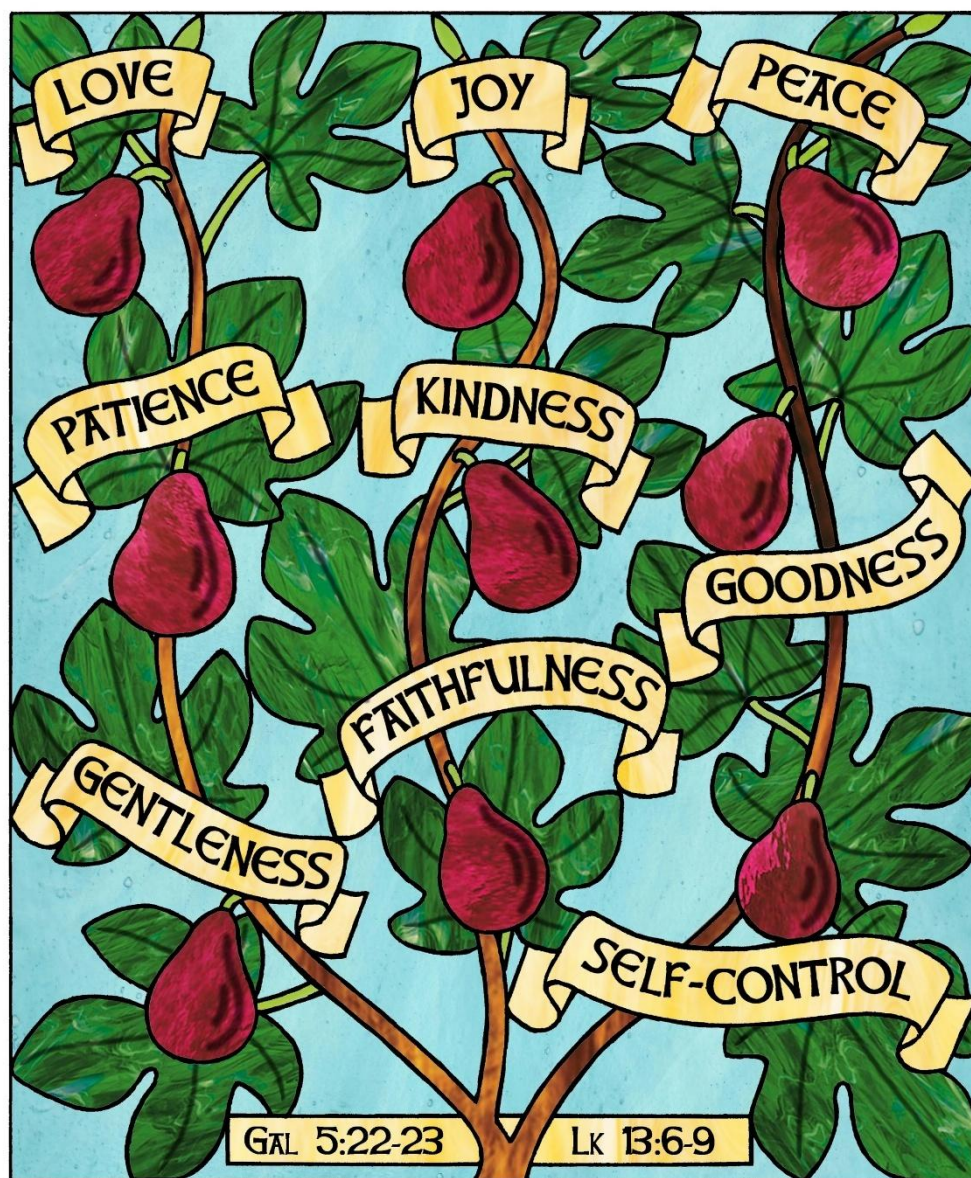


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Deadline for next edition – by email before the **10th** of the previous month.

A colour version of Keyhole can be found on the Church website:

www.stpeterlittleover.org.uk

From the Vicarage

Dear Friends

“There’s no such thing as a free lunch” – is the adage that even if something looks like it is free on the face of it, there’s always another agenda lurking beneath that will be costly.

We are in the midst of our ‘Give to Go Green’ fundraising project – hoping to raise £10,000 towards new windows at St Andrew’s Hub – in order to access match funding from the Church of England. So, we raise £10,000 and they give us £10,000. The building was put up in the 1950s and the windows have been in need of an upgrade for a while, but we have only recently found a contractor brave enough to do the work (the frames are in integral part of the structure). New double glazed units will make the building warmer and help drive down the heating bill but more particularly it will keep the children and staff of Little Angels Pre-School much warmer.

So, is this money ‘free’ or is there an ulterior motive? Well I suppose there is, in that the national Church of England is committed to trying to achieve net zero by 2030. This is very ambitious and probably unachievable but is a measure of the commitment to care for God’s creation. It might feel like a drop in the ocean while planes still thunder across the sky and rainforest continue to be felled but then the ocean is made up of many drops.

We can feel sometimes that our efforts will never make a difference but in reality every small step and eco decision we make has an impact. And we do this to help take care of our planet for our children and their children.

Jesus knew how small things could make a big difference. He took a child’s lunch of loaves and fishes and fed over 5,000 people – there’s an amazing example of a free lunch! His ulterior motive was to demonstrate the lavish generosity of God.

A generosity beyond a free picnic or the best wine at a wedding, but a different life that offers an abundance of blessing, forgiveness, mercy, grace and unending love. Before I became a Christian I thought that God only meant those kind of things for other people, that I was not good enough to be included. But the radical nature of our faith is that everyone is welcome, everyone is invited and that it is his love that makes us good enough.

Why not join us to find out more?

With blessings

Alicia

From the May 2025 Registers

Funerals

**1 May
2 May**

**Graham Morphet
Walter Matthews**

Burial of Ashes

7 May

Ivor Sharif

Tiddlywinks



stay
and
play

1.30pm – 2.45pm

Mondays in term time

St Peter's Hub

Toys, songs, games, crafts and
refreshments

The Crossed Keys Café

St Peter's Hub

Mondays

9.30am – 12.30pm



Everyone welcome

New Minister at Littleover Baptist Church



It was a delight to welcome Rev Elsie Fraser to Littleover at her commissioning service in April. Originally from Scotland, Elsie has been minister at Slough Baptist Church prior to responding to a strong call from God to move to Littleover and a part-time post. She is passionate about prayer and already having an impact on her local community. Please keep Elsie and her family in your prayers.

MAP Team Update

Following the APCM we announced the formal closure of the Mission Action Plan Steering Group after our leader John Bird stood down for a well earned rest.

The teams remain functioning in different forms and we have asked that they update the PCC on their activities throughout the year, so that an overview can be maintained.

We are exceptionally grateful to John, the team leaders and all team members for the tremendous work that has taken place over the last three years.

Annual Meeting and new PCC

We had a good turn out for the APCM on 30 April to review and give thanks for the last year and to look forward to serving God in the year to come.

We said thank you to Margit Staehr and Heather Newstead as they stepped down from their safeguarding roles. These are crucial roles for our church family and we are seeking a way forward as how best to undertake these responsibilities in the future.

There was also a thank you to John Bird for all his work on the Mission Action Plan – sometimes like herding cats – and a small gift was received by his wife Doreen, as John was home unwell.

A new PCC was also elected:

Charlie Elston – returning for one more year

David Barker – serving for one year

Bill Browne – serving for three years

Tim Standley – term to be decided.



The new Parochial Church Council (PCC) now comprises:

Revd Alicia Dring

Revd Jason Kennedy

Revd Emma Mallord

Chris Jones (warden)

Helene Roe (warden)

Ann Vincent (Deanery Synod)

Peter Vincent (Diocesan Synod)

David Barker

Bill Browne

Charlie Elston

Heather Newstead

Ali Marsh-Davies

Julie Scott (PCC Secretary)

Tim Standley

Thirsty Thursday



at The White Swan Littleover

12 June 7.30pm

catch up with the fellas

Call Steve for more info
07790 431090

CHURCHYARD CLEAN UP



Sat 21 June 9.30am – 12noon
Everyone Welcome

ACCESS IN CHURCH

There are wheelchairs available in Church and there are two BackFriends (support frames for those with sore backs) which fold out onto the pews. For those with hearing difficulties, we have a Loop Transmission System, covering the whole church. Hearing aids adjusted to stop 'T' will pick up the service directly. Ask the welcome team for more details.



Jonathon Hemingray Sculpture

Handmade wooden sculptures – tactile, expressive and fluid – demonstrating the grace and love of God

Suitable for ordination, baptism, wedding, birthday, anniversary or in memoriam

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Bringing Light, Saving Energy

St Peter's Church are fundraising
to create a Greener Future with
new windows at
St Andrew's Community Hub

**Help us raise £10,000
between 18 May - 29 June 2025**

In April's Keyhole we wrote about St Peter's success with our Give to Go Green (G2GG) application, what that means and why it's important to us. Creation Care's Mission, one of the Church of England's Five Marks of Mission is *To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation, and sustain and renew the life of the earth*. This emphasises the responsibility to care for the environment and all of creation.

Windows to a Greener Future Fundraising Appeal

We will start our 6-week fund raising campaign on 18 May to raise £10,000 to replace the windows at St Andrew's Hub.

The project will increase the longevity of the building, improve its energy efficiency, lower our carbon footprint and reduce our costs. The users of the building will have a more comfortable and pleasurable space to use.



You can make personal donations on-line or via contactless giving in church during the dates above. Please also pray for the generosity of corporate donors who we've approached for grants. If you are a local business, or know of one, who would like to donate to this campaign, please do get in touch.

Donations up to £10,000 made during the 6 week campaign will be matched pound for pound by the G2GG scheme.

Community fundraising events during the period will include a Quiz for the whole community at The Oaklands pub in Blagreaves.

You can see and hear more information in the coming weeks. Look and listen out for updates on Social Media, on posters and leaflets and hear about it in church.



**Donate between 18 May - 29 June
by scanning QR code above with your phone
camera or visiting: www.bit.ly/stpwindows**

**If you're interested in helping our Creation Care group or would like more information
on Windows to a Greener Future, talk to Peter, Sharon, Julia, Adrian or Ali.**

Or email creationcare@stpeterlittleover.org.uk

STREET FAIR

28 JUNE 12-3PM
CHURCH STREET, LITTLEOVER

* Ice Cream * Games * Stalls * Tombola * Refreshments * Music *



* Raffle * Sponge Throw * Books * Jigsaws * Face Painting * & More! *



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St Peter's
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Church & School Working Together



St Peter's School Headteacher Change



Following a very successful Ofsted report for St Peter's Junior School, headteacher Frazer Smith was offered a role supporting primary schools for a local Academy Trust. He left at the end of April and at his final School Service in church we were able to present him with a small gift of thanks for his tremendous commitment and hard work.

Each classroom in the school has a wooden cross designed by our own Jonathon Hemingray, so we gifted him a cross of his own so that he may always have a piece of St Peter's with him.

Frazer is succeeded by Helen Reader, the school's former deputy head. We pray for her and the school as they embark on a new chapter together.

New Curate for Littleover and Findern

Don't panic, Emma is not going anywhere, but Lianne Green will be joining the team following her ordination at Derby Cathedral on Sunday 29 June. Lianne will be working alongside Jason Kennedy and so will primarily be based at The Haven Christian Centre, but like Jason, will also serve at St Peter's and All Saints' in Findern. Lianne said:

"Hello! My name is Lianne, and I'm just coming to the end of my training at St Mellitus Theological College, where I've been studying for ordained ministry. The past two years have flown by, and I'm now really looking forward to my ordination at the end of June. As part of my training, I've been on placement at The Haven Christian Centre in Heatherton and I'm delighted that my curacy will still be based in the parish of Littleover, Blagreaves, and Findern. This means I'll continue at The

Haven while also getting involved more widely across the parish, joining in with services and projects at both St Peter's Church in Littleover and All Saints Church in Findern.

I'm especially excited to now be able to give my full attention to parish life, without juggling studies and assignments. I'm looking forward to getting stuck into existing projects and, God-willing, helping to grow new ones too. I'm passionate about helping people discover the love of God and the real difference that Jesus can make in everyday life.

I'd really value your prayers as I begin this next chapter—that I'll find a healthy balance between church and family life and that I'll follow God's lead every step of the way."



Thy Kingdom Come 29 May – 8 June

This year marks the 10th anniversary of Thy Kingdom Come, and it is remarkable how this has become a global opportunity for Christians to join together and pray for our communities and wider world.

This year the theme is The Lord's Prayer, the very prayer our Lord and Saviour, Jesus, taught His disciples to pray. The 'Our Father' prayer transcends the ages - uniting people across different denominations, generations and nations and we believe now more than ever, we need to pray 'Thy Kingdom Come' - over our homes, communities, nations and our world.



Resources are available in church or online www.thykingdomcome.global

Jigsaw Garden Party fundraiser



The sun was shining for the garden party at the home of Robin and Terry wood to raise money for Jigsaw Kids Ministries. Robin said: "We had a very successful afternoon yesterday and raised £896.75 and had a lovely time in the garden." Tim and Kate Lee from Jigsaw visited St Peter's on Sunday 18 May and Angie Rollinson was delighted to present them with a cheque from the event. During the visit he updated us on the work of Jigsaw in the Philippines and the dramatic difference their work makes to the lives of children and families.



Littleover in Bloom

A date for your diary: Littleover Great Big Green week 7 -14 June. Keep a look out for the posters, detailing all the activities you can join in with! Add a special note for our children's activity 'Making newspaper pots' on Saturday 7 June 10am-Noon at our main display area, on the corner of Harrington Road opposite Birds. This is an opportunity for children to make their own eco-friendly seedling pot to take home with them.



We are also offering a plant identification trail, and details can be found inside the entrance to the Co-op.

Thank you to Derby City Council for listening to us and replacing the tree on South View. And we soon hope to be filling the newly installed planters on North Street, a traffic plan to avoid cars mounting the pavement. Also thank you Neighbourhood Board for the donation of our lovely new bench, made for us by, 'Engineering learning ', encouraging boys to learn a new trade.

Our next meeting will be Monday 9 June 1.30pm. Anyone is welcome to join us. Littleover Grange Hall, rear entrance, Park Lane. Contact Jan on 01332 348903 or jan.dante@virgin.net

Littleover Village

Littleover Historical Society

Have you noticed the Toll house on Burton Road, and thought about the role it played during the 18th and early 19th century? In Littleover at that time, we also had a Toll house on Chain Lane and Uttoxeter Road, near the Rowditch. 'Turnpike Trusts', were set up to manage a section of road in order to pay for the cost of making and maintaining the road. In order to do this Toll houses were built, to restrict access to the road until the fee was paid. The charge wasn't cheap it was recorded that the charge to take livestock along the road was, 1s 8d for taking a score (12) of cattle and 10d for pigs and sheep, not surprisingly many farmers avoided these roads.



There was also a graded charge for carriages, wagons and hand carts. Many Toll houses were also in charge of chains, as in Chain Lane, and weighing machines. The policy of using this way to fund the maintenance of the roads wasn't popular and in time, many, Turnpike Trusts, became bankrupt.

Next meeting Friday 13 June 10am. Rear entrance Littleover Grange Hall, Park Lane, DE23 6FX Visitors welcome. Join us for a chat and refreshments £3. Contact Jan on 01332 348903 or jan.dante@virgin.net



Hannah Fields Community Garden

offers great support for those who are feeling isolated, children who want to get muddy and explore or just for those who want to sit and enjoy a coffee surrounded by nature. Situated on Normanton Lane just down from the church they are open Tues and Thu-Sat for you to explore, buy a veg box or and enjoy their vegan café. Find out more at the Hannah Fields Community Garden Facebook Page or see the notice boards on their gates.



Support Our Local Parks with Friends of Littleover Parks

Friends of Littleover Parks volunteers help care for and improve the parks in Littleover and Blagreaves, working in collaboration with Derby Parks.

Caring for our local green spaces means protecting wildlife, preserving nature, and ensuring parks remain welcoming for future generations. In 2024, our volunteers helped plant flowers, maintain pathways, and safeguard biodiversity in places like Sunnysdale Local Nature Reserve, Clemson's Park, and Millennium Wood.

You don't need experience to get involved! Whether it's light gardening, litter picking, or simply sharing ideas, every contribution helps keep our environment thriving. It's also a great way to meet new people, enjoy fresh air, and give back to your community.

To find out more or get involved, visit www.linktr.ee/LittleoverParks email LittleoverParks@live.co.uk

Or keep an eye on the community noticeboards around Littleover and Blagreaves

Let's work together to make a lasting difference for nature, parks, and people

If you encounter any issues in our parks, please do report them to Derby Parks

Email: parks@derby.gov.uk

Telephone: **01332 640789**

or the Police on **101** if appropriate



ReCreate

Are you creative but never seem to get your materials out?

Would you consider yourself uncreative, but would like to be?

Would you like to come to a space where "I can't" could become "I can"?

Would you like a place where together we can explore our God given creativity in a friendly and encouraging atmosphere?

*Maybe ReCreate could be
the place for you?*

You can work on your own projects or engage in a suggested activity. Space and resources (and your imagination) will be the only limitations to the range of creative activities we can share in together. Bring your own materials to use and share if you can. We have a basic range of frequently used materials for those who have none.

Let's explore our God given creativity

Fri 6 June - Watercolour

Fri 20 June - Treasures

Bring your own project or use ReCreate resources and maybe share yours. Donations welcome to cover materials. Bring your own drink.

9.50am to 11.30am
St Peter's Hub Large Hall

For more information contact:

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LITTLEOVER

GREAT BIG GREEN

7-15 June 2025

WEEK 

A community-wide
week celebrating our
local environment
and sustainability

Take Part in Littleover's Great Big Green Week! 7-15 June 2025

A fantastic week of FREE eco-friendly activities designed to bring the community together! With **over 30 events** across Blagreaves and Littleover, there's something for everyone — Full event details available on next few pages

♥ Don't miss the Pop Up Eco Market

 Saturday 14 June  2 PM – 4 PM

 Hannah Fields Community Garden

CELEBRATING CREATION

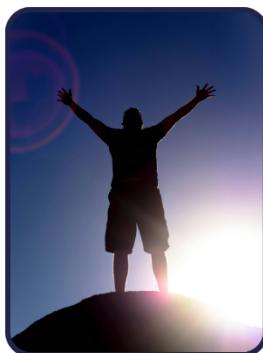
CHRISTIAN FAITH BASED EVENTS DURING GREAT BIG GREEN WEEK

As Christians, we are called to care for God's creation, and Littleover's Great Big Green Week is a wonderful opportunity to live out that calling and celebrate creation!

Join us for Outdoor Church, where we'll worship in nature, celebrating the beauty of God's world. Come take part in the Prayer Walk through our wonderful green spaces, reflecting on how we can be good stewards of the earth while seeking God's guidance. Let's come together in faith and action, showing love for creation and our local community.

OUTDOOR CHURCH AT PENTECOST

Sunday 8 June - 2pm
Hannah Fields Community
Garden, 33 Normanton Lane



PRAYER WALK THROUGH THE PARKS

Saturday 7 June - 7am &
Wednesday 11 June - 7pm
Starting at King George V
Car Park

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GREAT BIG GREEN WEEK

7-15 June 2025



A community-wide
week celebrating our
local environment
and sustainability

Saturday 7 June

7am – 8am

Prayer Walk Celebrating Creation

King George V Car Park

9am – 10am

Community Dog Walk

King George V Car Park

10am – 4pm

Second Hand Book Sale

Littleover Baptist Church

10am – 12pm

Make a Newspaper Plant Pot

Littleover in Bloom Garden by Harrington Rd

11am – 12pm

Bug Hunt Adventure

Hannah Fields, 33 Normanton Lane

2pm – 5pm

Community Picnic and Fun Afternoon

Bring your picnic and try or watch a range of free activities to try including: East Mids Softball, Baseball, Ozzy Wheels, Yoga in the Park, Sporting Communities, Treasure Hunts, Geocaching, Ice Cream van (Mobiloo available, no stalls) Accompanied by Newmount Brass Band

5pm – 6pm

King George V and Clemson's Park

Community Park Litter Pick

King George V and Clemson's Park

9.15pm – 10.30pm

Bat Walk

Sunnydale Park, Meet by Cricket Wicket

Sunday 8 June

2pm – 3pm

Outdoor Church Service

Hannah Fields, 33 Normanton Lane

Monday 9 June

7pm – 9pm

Green Spaces Run

King George V Car Park

Tuesday 10 June

10.30am – 11.30am

Talk & Tea – “Greener Littleover”

Derby Heights Care Home, Rykneld Road

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Wednesday 11 June

- 11am – 12pm** **Derby Book Fest Shared Reading Event**
Hannah Fields, 33 Normanton Lane
- 1pm – 4pm** **Greener Energy and Living Drop In**
Insomnia Community Room, Co-op, Burton Rd
- 2.15pm – 4pm** **Knit and Natter**
St Peter's Community Hub, Normanton Lane
- 4pm – 5pm** **Butterfly Count**
St Peter's Churchyard, Church Street
- 7pm – 8pm** **Prayer Walk Celebrating Creation**
King George V Car Park

Thursday 12 June

- 3.30pm – 5pm** **Orienteering Labyrinth Maze for Children**
King George V Park
- 7pm – 8pm** **Map Run Orienteering Event**
King George V Car Park

Friday 13 June

- 7pm** **Green Week Pub Quiz**
The Oaklands Pub, Blagreaves

Saturday 14 June

- 7am – 8.30am** **Clemson's Dawn(-ish) Bird Chorus Walk**
Next to King George V Children's Play Area
- 10am – 12pm** **Clemson's Tree Identification Walk**
King George V Car Park
- 2pm – 4pm** **Learn to Grow / Plant a Pot**
Haven Christian Centre, Hollybrook Way
- 2pm – 4pm** **Sustainable Pop Up Market**
Hannah Fields, 33 Normanton Lane
- 9.30pm -11pm** **Moth Trapping, Release and Identification**
Hannah Fields, 33 Normanton Lane

Sunday 15 June

- 10am – 4pm** **Crown Green Bowling Fun Day**
Derby Coop Bowls Club, Taverners Crescent

Weeklong events include: Children's Design a Green Mascot Contest / Donate Used Children's Books to Blagreaves Library / Mickelover Library Book Event

Visit www.linktr.ee/GreenerLittleover
or [www.fb.com/GreenerLittleover](https://www.facebook.com/GreenerLittleover) for more details

All Events are open to all and FREE unless otherwise stated
Events subject to change as additional events are finalised

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CELEBRATE AND ENJOY OUR AMAZING GREEN SPACES

SATURDAY 7 JUNE COMMUNITY FUN DAY

9AM - 10.30AM

COMMUNITY DOG WALK AROUND THE PARKS

DOGS ON A SHORT LEAD PLEASE. 2.5 KM MEET AT KING GEORGE V CAR PARK DE23 3ES

11AM - 12 NOON

CHILDREN'S BUG HUNT

HANNAH FIELDS COMMUNITY GARDEN, 33 NORMANTON LANE, DE23 6GP

2PM - 5PM

COMMUNITY PICNIC AND FUN AFTERNOON

THIS IS A FUN AFTERNOON SO THERE WILL BE NO STALLS JUST AN ICE CREAM VAN

ACCOMPANIED BY NEWMOUNT BRASS BAND

FREE ACTIVITIES INCLUDE YOGA IN THE PARK | SOFTBALL | BASEBALL | OZZY WHEELS
GEOCACHING | TREASURE HUNTS | NATURE TRAILS | TUG OF WAR | FOOTBALL ... AND
MUCH MORE A MOBILOO WILL BE PRESENT FOR DISABLED ADULT AND CHILDREN

KING GEORGE V AND CLEMSON'S PARK DE23 3ES

5PM - 6PM

LITTER PICK AROUND THE PARKS

STARTING AT KING GEORGE V CAR PARK DE23 3ES

9.15PM - 10.30PM

SUNNYDALE PARK BAT WALK

WITH DERBYSHIRE BAT GROUP STARTING AT SUNNYDALE CRICKET WICKET

**FREE
DAY**

**GREAT
BIG GREEN**

7-15 June 2025 **WEEK**

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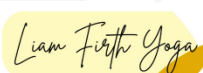


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Intelligent Design as Proof of Creation



Dr Uditha Jayatunga, is a member of St Peter's and a senior consultant in Rehabilitation Medicine at Derby Royal. He has a particular interest in brain injury which was part of his inspiration to write this book.

Hailing from Sri Lanka has had a long-term interest in the evolution/creation debate and using his medical bioscience background, has done a comprehensive scientific analysis from the universe to individual cells and DNA to support Intelligent Design with proof based on mathematical probabilities.

Uditha said: "Following the publication of my book- Intelligent Design as Proof of Creation - over a year ago, I have done few YouTube programmes with leading Christian scientific organisations arguing in support of scientific creation backing biblical accounts. Being a member of St Peter's, I am proud to contribute to this discussion to a worldwide audience via YouTube. Now, I am also a visiting scholar at 'Reasons to Believe' organisation based in USA."

Checkout the book trailer at <https://youtu.be/7M32v5cNNHs>

The book can be purchased on Amazon in paperback or Kindle format.

Dementia Friendly Service Thu 3 July 2pm

Our dementia friendly services – which take place every other month – are proving very successful for those living with memory loss and their carers. With familiar readings, hymns and short prayers the service offers a familiarity and informal setting that can be both welcoming and comfortable. The service is usually about 20 minutes followed by refreshments with plenty of conversation and laughter.

If you know someone who is living with memory challenges, who have maybe fallen out of the habit of coming to church, this could be a great way to involve them once again.

Helping at the Street Fair 28 June

We need all hands on deck to help set up for the Street Fair on 28 June. And there are lots of ways you can help out – for just an hour, or longer if you can:

- Join the set up and strike team, helping to transport tables and chairs for the stalls
- Help to staff a stall out on the street
- Offer welcome at either end of the street, giving out programmes and welcoming visitors
- Being in church, helping with refreshments or saying hello to people coming inside.

Have a chat with Emma Mallord who will be able to let you know what help is needed where.



Mission Update

Our Mission Partners

Contact them, pray for them

Juan Carlos & Penny de Marces – in Peru

Reynaldo Moron 215, Urb. Vista Alegre, Surco Lima 33 PERU psmarcesinlima@gmail.com

Juan Carlos is the pastor for Jesús el Nazareno, Cathedral Dean and Vicar General to the Diocese; Penny is now lay leader for JEN and has diocesan responsibility for children's ministry.

Tim & Kate Lee – (CMS) timkatelee@yahoo.com

Jigsaw Kids Ministries UK, Stonecheck, Main Street, Milnthorpe, Cumbria, LA7 7QZ

Tim and family are back in the UK but continuing to work with Jigsaw in the Philippines.

Bible Society www.biblesociety.org.uk

Translating, printing and distributing Bibles to people across the world.

Open Doors www.opendoorsuk.org

Supporting over 200 million Christians worldwide who experience extreme persecution for their faith.

PASH Kenya www.pashuk.org.uk

c/o 2 Inglewood Ave, Mickleover, Derby DE3 0RT
PASH supports the work of churches, schools, farmers and communities in Kenya.

Tearfund www.tearfund.org

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Working in God's name across the world to bring relief to the poorest communities and fight for justice.

Care for the Family www.careforthefamily.org.uk

A national charity which aims to promote strong family life and to help those who face family difficulties through marriage, parenting or bereavement.

Derby City Mission www.derbycitymission.org.uk

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Phone: 01332 460346

Supporting homeless people and those on the margins of society in the City through the Nightshelter, Jubilee Centre (Debt and Advice Support) and Foodbank; also Street Pastors. Each December we support Christmas Connection at the Gift Service – providing gifts for children who would otherwise receive nothing.

Borderline Arts www.borderlinearts.org

119 Osmaston Road, Derby DE1 2GD

A Derby charity supporting people with Borderline Personality Disorder through a range of arts courses, workshops and support.

UPDATE FROM OPEN DOORS

Displaced Christians in Myanmar

Since the 2021 coup, Christians have faced persecution from both the military government and from opposing, nationalistic rebel groups.

Myanmar's military junta has long discriminated against Christians, the majority of whom belong to ethnic groups such as the Kachin, Kayah, Karen and Chin, and many Christian leaders have been penalised for speaking out against the coup.

Military airstrikes often target churches and Christian areas – far more than Buddhist monasteries and communities; thousands of Christians have been killed and many more families are displaced.

'Anti-conversion laws', supposedly to prevent forced conversions are abused to persecute Christians, even for sharing Bible verses on social media.

Christians are discriminated against in aid distribution, education and in the job market.

Buddhist nationalism is also on the rise: Christians and other religious minorities face opposition from family, community, radical Buddhist monks, insurgent groups and more, who portray Christianity as a 'foreign' religion.



Pastor Yang recalls one of the attacks by a radical group that displaced much of his congregation: "Members of my church were blindfolded and forced to lie down as guns were pointed at them. They were not allowed to speak and their houses were searched – anything valuable was taken."

his wasn't an isolated incident – the church members were assaulted in this way several times. Pastor Yang's own home was targeted: "They took my motorbike and stole 150,000 kyats, which was our emergency fund." That's worth about £55, which is two months' minimum wage in Myanmar. "As a result of these attacks, many church members chose to flee from the village." Pastor Yang and his family are never able to feel truly at home. They are always exhausted and scared, and the displacements are relentless. "We moved to another, safer place. We stayed there for a week. There also problems arose," he says. "Then we fled to the village where my in-laws live. We stayed there for two months. We had lots of trouble there too – we moved again."



As a new parent, Pastor Yang wants to see his wife and children feel safe and secure. The family have never experienced that. "The burden of moving from one place to another with very young children weighs heavily on me and my wife," he says. "We have had to live amidst the sounds of gunfire and bomb explosions. All this deeply traumatises my wife. My children fear the loud noises. As a husband and a father, sometimes I feel helpless that I cannot make my own family feel safe."

In the face of these extreme difficulties, Pastor Yang turns to the Bible and prayer as sources of resilience. "Our family prays together every night, asking God to give us the strength to go through this Red Sea in our lives," he says. His wording is a reminder that, as far back as Moses, God's people have often sought and found His favour during periods of anxious displacement.

Particular verses sustain Pastor Yang and his family. "Every night, we recite Psalm 23

before we go to bed," he says, "and we spend much time reciting Proverbs 3:5-6." In Psalm 23, David says words still deeply pertinent to the plight of Pastor Yang and millions of displaced Christians around the world: "He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me." Proverbs 3:5-6, meanwhile, declares: "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight." In both of these precious passages, Pastor Yang and his family see hope and wisdom. The paths they have to walk – or to run – are dangerous and uncertain. But they can see certainty in God's guidance. "Living in the conflict area and going out for daily chores is stressful," says Pastor Yang. "Every time we ride our motorbikes, we remember God's promises in Scripture." He adds: "We remember God for small things, because we could be killed at any moment. I pray, 'God, help me come back home safely so that I can see my wife and children.'"

Overjoyed to meet Open Doors partners

With your help, Open Doors local partners can help answer the fervent prayers of believers like Pastor Yang. He first met local partners after his family's most recent displacement, when they were feeling particularly exhausted and defeated from repeated upheavals.

"I was overjoyed to meet the Open Doors partners. They are so passionate to serve persecuted believers like me," says Pastor Yang. "I soon partnered with them in reaching out to the displaced believers."

Pastor Yang was able to attend persecution survival training and he can pass on what he learned. "I now facilitate workshops for church leaders and pastors because I know, like me, they need this time of fellowship for encouragement.

For more details on how you can help and pray please go to:
www.opendoorsuk.org

Pentecost Sunday 8 June

Pentecost took place on the well-established Jewish festival of Firstfruits, which was observed at the beginning of the wheat harvest. It was seven weeks after Easter, or 50 days including Easter.

A feast day to celebrate the country's wheat harvest does not sound exactly world-changing, but that year, it became one of the most important days in world history. For Pentecost was the day that Jesus sent the Holy Spirit – the day the Church was born.

Jesus had told His disciples that something big was going to happen, and that they were to wait for it in Jerusalem, instead of returning to Galilee. Jesus had plans for His disciples, but He knew they could not do the work themselves. They would need His help.

And so, they waited in Jerusalem, praying together with His other followers, for many days. And then on that fateful morning there was suddenly the sound as of a mighty rushing wind. Tongues of flame flickered on their heads, and they began to praise God in many tongues, to the astonishment of those who heard them. The curse of Babel (Genesis 11: 1- 9) was dramatically reversed that morning. As the Holy Spirit came to indwell the disciples and followers of Jesus, the Church was born. The Christians were suddenly full of life and power, utterly different from their former fearful selves. The change in them was permanent.

Peter gave the first ever sermon of the Christian Church that morning, proclaiming Jesus was the Messiah. His boldness in the face of possible death was in marked contrast to the man who had denied Jesus 50 days before. And 3,000 people responded, were converted, and were baptised. How's that for fast church growth!

Of course, Pentecost was not the first time the Holy Spirit had acted in this world. All through the Old Testament there are accounts of how God's Spirit guided people and strengthened them. But now, because of Christ's death and resurrection, He could INDWELL them. From now on, every Christian could have the confidence that Jesus was with them constantly, through the indwelling of His Holy Spirit.



Jonathan to Marry



Our former Youth and Families Worker Jonathan Fowler will marry his fiancée Agnes in July at a ceremony in London. Any cards or messages for them can be sent c/o the Church Office.

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Further information from

Margaret Williams on 767354

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Who are Build For Living?

From a building family, I became a cathedral stonemason. Currently experienced in a range of building jobs including: fixing squeaking stairs, laminate floors, floor joists, fencing, boarding out lofts, kitchen fitting, tiling, repairing church walls and steps, decking, patios, raised garden beds, light fittings, and much more!

*Previously a youthworker and mental health nurse, I appreciate the importance of honesty, clear communication and reliability.
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If you would like to discuss a job, your options, and my availability give me a call. I look forward to hearing from you.

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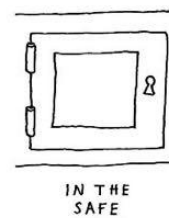
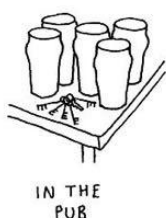
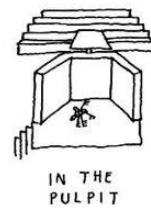
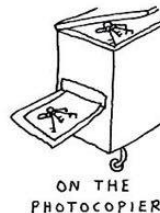
Knit and Natter

Every Wednesday 2.15pm
In St Peter's Hub

for those who can knit like
grandma and those who've no
idea – everyone welcome!
Call Di on 01332 763938

WHERE ARE MY KEYS?

A GUIDE FOR CLERGY AND CHURCH OFFICIALS



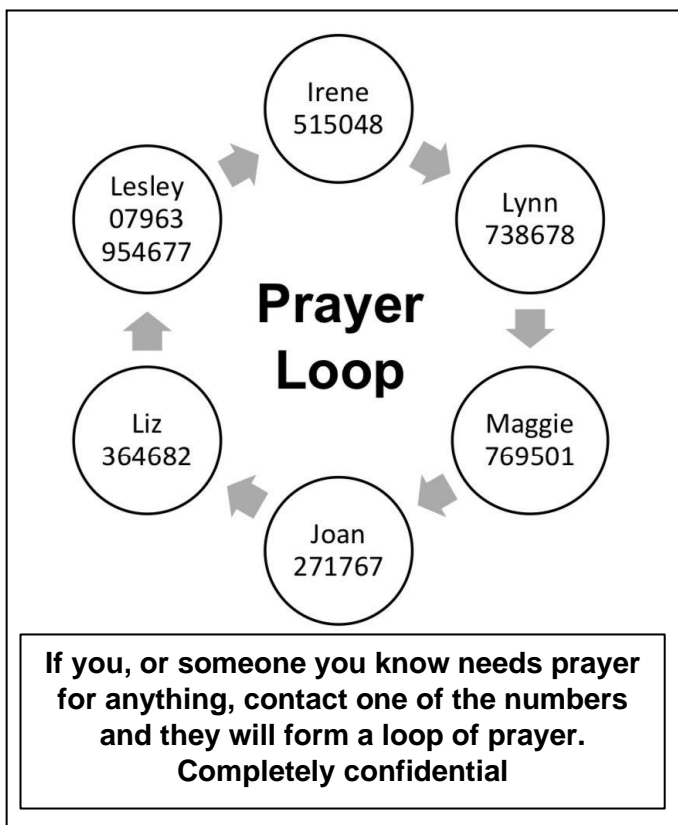
Answers to May's "Toys and Games" Quiz:

1. Barbie 2. Action man 3. Monopoly 4. Chess 5. Whist 6. Happy families 7. Cluedo 8. Boggle
9. Scrabble 10. Trivial Pursuit 11. Mastermind 12. Guess Who 13. Draughts 14. Slinky
15. Game boy 16. Canasta 17. Weebles 18. Teddy 19. Poker 20. Risk 21. Puppets 22. Bridge
23. Snakes and ladders 24. He Man 25. Ludo 26. Snap 27. Pontoon 28. Top Trumps
29. Play station 30. Othello 31. Rag doll 32. Lego 33. Sindy 34. Model car 35. Hornby trains
36. Care bears 37. Dominoes 38. Operation 39. Teletubbies 40. My Little Pony

Clothing Brands Quiz (some anagrams)

Questions	Answers
1. Found in Anna did as she was told	
2. Goddess of victory	
3. Mr Flintstone, pear cider	
4. Len grazes	
5. 20 th and 21 st letters	
6. He has a mount in Cornwall	
7. Below breastplate	
8. Sounds like Who opera, mount, person	
9. Rainbow friend of Bungle and Zippy	
10. The one following on extremely soon	
11. President Carter, train noise	
12. Found in match an elegant brand	
13. Kiln can live	
14. Coal set	
15. Animal found in coypu matters	
16. Unhappy quayside	
17. Found in alibi backed up	
18. Daughter of Princess Anne	
19. A boating event at Henley maybe	
20. You can feel it in the air	
21. Do physical exercise twice	
22. A prune	
23. Not the south solid surface	
24. Ten star doctor	
25. Very wet weather event	
26. The main person in charge	
27. Obese visage	
28. Fuel for cars or trains	
29. Ace revs	
30. Tropical fruit with big flat stone	
31. Back rub fruit	
32. Jeans one lives in	
33. Grab and put up with	
34. Country of wood	
35. Swimwear found in speedometer	
36. Found in fashion brand I order	
37. One who argues wearing jeans	
38. The mint with the hole	
39. Initially get up crazy creations instantly	
40. Found in fashion group radar	

Prayer Requests



The Pastoral Team

Looking out for church family
– available to listen, care
and pray with you.

Talk to Alicia, Emma, Jason, Joan or
David Ditch

Members of PCC

Alicia Dring	Charlie Elston
Emma Mallord	Tim Standley
Jason Kennedy	Bill Browne
Chris Jones	Heather Newstead
Helene Roe	Ann Vincent
David Barker	Peter Vincent
Julie Scott	Ali Marsh-Davies

Home Groups

Home Groups are an opportunity to meet with a small group of people, in someone's home, to look at the Bible, pray, share, learn and grow together. Responsibilities are shared and members support one another as part of growing in discipleship and fellowship. If you'd like to join a group, please speak to Alicia on 767802 or contact a leader directly. Some are currently meeting online.

Learning Together Mon 2.30pm weekly

Led by: Robin & Terry Wood

We enjoy lively and thought-provoking discussions as well as social events and fundraising.

Pilgrims Mon 7.30pm fortnightly

Led by: Doreen & John Bird

Walking together on our journey of faith.

New Beginnings Tue 9.45am weekly

Led by: Bill & Maggie Browne

Our aim is to encourage one another to grow in Christ. As we read the Bible, share, pray, worship and laugh together, we stir each other up in our faith and our Christian walk.

Queen's Drive Tues 7.30pm weekly

Led by: Liz & Phil Eley

A diverse group interested in supporting people in mission.

Sticking Point Wed 6.45pm fortnightly

Led by: John Bradley

A group of mature Christians who support each other spiritually, with hospitality being a particular strength.

Route 66 Tues 7.30pm weekly

Led by: Jon & Jenny Russell

Named after 66 books in the Bible and taking the journey with Jesus together.

StAND Wed 1pm fortnightly

Led by the group

A group primarily of people who used to worship at St Andrew's and now part of St Peter's – always learning and growing together, praying for Blagreaves.

Platform Wed 7.15pm weekly

Led by: Rachel Whitehorn

We support each other in our walk with God, with an emphasis on practical application of Scripture.

ReLENTless Wed 7.30pm fortnightly

Led by: Helen Homes & Deidre Cheetham

Following a one off Lent group (hence name) this group is loving, plain speaking and full of laughter. Everyone is encouraged to fully participate.

Parish Activities

SUNDAY

10am Service in church or on Zoom

MONDAY

THE CROSSED KEYS CAFÉ – 9.30am to 12.30pm

TIDDLYWINKS Stay and Play 1.30pm- 2.45pm

TUESDAY

LUNCH CLUB – 12 noon till 2pm

St Peter's Hub, Normanton Lane. Guests welcome, help needed.

WEDNESDAY

MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION at 10.30am in church

KNIT & NATTER 2.15pm-4.15pm – in St Peter's Hub

Bring along your knitting, crochet or embroidery and chat with others as you create your latest masterpiece. Or if you're a beginner, learn from other members.

HOME GROUPS see opposite – some are meeting online.

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

9.50am RE-CREATE – 1st and 3rd weeks of the month

St Peter's Hub. A safe space to explore faith and creativity - all welcome

How can you serve at St Peter's?

We don't need volunteers in the Parish of Littleover & Blagreaves, rather we have a hope that all enrolled members of our church family will **serve** the wider work of the churches and community and not just rock up on a Sunday.

How could you serve the work of our parish? Could you chat with someone who is isolated at home? Help with our children's work or help keep the churchyard looking spruce? Make refreshments? Can you pray to see God at work in our parishes? We're not asking for hours of your time – if we all do a little then the tasks are shared and we can see lives change through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Talk to Alicia, Jason or Emma.

Special Occasions

Baptism or Thanksgiving

Please see our special booklet on the website or contact the church office on 01332 767802 for a copy. We want to get to know you before booking a date, so we look forward to meeting you in church.

Marriage & Banns

Congratulations! The rules are now different and you don't have to live in the parish any more but can be married at St Peter's if you have a qualifying connection. For more information, contact the office, look at the church website OR checkout

www.yourchurchwedding.org

We are happy to talk to you about dates, including midweek weddings.

Funerals

Arrangements are normally made through your undertaker and we can officiate at services in church, at the Crematorium and local municipal cemeteries.

Churchyard

There are no longer any new grave spaces, but we can bury ashes in our Garden of Remembrance. No memorials are allowed on the site but an entry will be made in the Book of Remembrance in the church. Please inform the undertaker as early as possible of your wishes. Plots cannot be booked in advance. Please be aware that maintenance of the churchyard is done by volunteers and contractors which are paid for by the church family. If you can care for your own area, that helps a great deal.

UNIFORMED GROUPS

BEAVERS - for children

aged 6-8

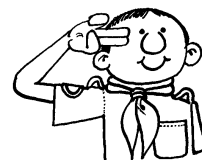
Tuesday 5.45-6.45pm,

Scout HQ

on Brayfield Road

Contact: Kathryn Hallam

on 07977 250576



CUBS - for children aged 8-10

Tuesday 7.00-8.30pm, Scout HQ

on Brayfield Road

Contact: Kathryn Hallam on 07977 250576

174th (142nd/113th Littleover Churches)

SCOUTS - for children aged 10-14

Friday 7.30-9.30pm, Scout HQ on Brayfield Road

Contact: Kathryn Hallam on 07977 250576

3rd LITTLEOVER BROWNIES – children aged 7-10

Friday 5.30 -6.50pm, Scout HQ on Brayfield Road

Contact: Heather Collins 01773 820119

Notice Board – June 2025

1	Sunday	Seventh Sunday after Easter		
		10.00am	All Age Worship with Baptism	Church & Zoom
		6.00pm	God Space	Church
2	Monday	9.30am	Crossed Keys Café	Church
		1.30pm	Tiddlywinks Stay & Play	St Peter's Hub
3	Tuesday	11.30am	Lunch Club & Service	St Peter's Hub
4	Wednesday	10.30am	Holy Communion	Church
		2.15pm	Knit & Natter	St Peter's Hub
5	Thursday	11.00am	Dave Hargreaves' Funeral	Church
		7.30pm	Worship Group	Church
6	Friday	11.30am	Support Café	St Andrew's Hub
7	Saturday			
8	Sunday	Pentecost		
		10.00am	Holy Communion	Church & Zoom
		2.00pm	Outdoor Service for Great Big Green Week	Hannah Fields
9	Monday	9.30am	Crossed Keys Café	Church
		1.30pm	Tiddlywinks Stay & Play	St Peter's Hub
10	Tuesday	10.00am	MAP Steering Group meeting	Zoom
11	Wednesday	10.30am	Holy Communion	Church
		12.45pm	StAnd Homegroup	St Andrew's Hub
		2.15pm	Knit & Natter	St Peter's Hub
		2.45pm	Youth Hot Chocolate & Toast	St Andrew's Hub
12	Thursday	7.30pm	Worship Group	Church
		7.30pm	Thirsty Thursday	The White Swan
13	Friday	11.30am	Support Café	St Andrew's Hub
		2.00pm	MAP 1 Prayers	At home
		TBC	Quiz to raise funds for St Andrew's	The Oaklands Pub
14	Saturday			
15	Sunday	Trinity Sunday		
		10.00am	Morning Worship	Church & Zoom
		6.00pm	Parish Prayers	Zoom
16	Monday	9.30am	Crossed Keys Café	Church
		1.30pm	Tiddlywinks Stay & Play	St Peter's Hub
17	Tuesday	12.00pm	Lunch Club	St Peter's Hub
18	Wednesday	10.30am	Holy Communion	Church
		2.15pm	Knit & Natter	St Peter's Hub
19	Thursday	7.30pm	Worship Group	Church
20	Friday	11.30am	Support Café	St Andrew's Hub
21	Saturday	9.30am	Churchyard Clean Up	Churchyard
		10.00am	Give Away Day	St Andrew's Hub
22	Sunday	First Sunday after Trinity		
		10.00am	Holy Communion	Church & Zoom
		3.00pm	Summer Messy Church	St Peter's Hub
23	Monday	9.30am	Crossed Keys Café	Church
		1.30pm	Tiddlywinks Stay & Play	St Peter's Hub
24	Tuesday	12.00pm	Lunch Club	St Peter's Hub
		7.30pm	Standing Committee	Church meeting room
25	Wednesday	10.30am	Holy Communion	Church
		12.45pm	StAnd Homegroup	St Andrew's Hub
		2.15pm	Knit & Natter	St Peter's Hub
		2.45pm	Youth Hot Chocolate & Toast	St Andrew's Hub
26	Thursday	10.00am	Derby Moor School Church visit	Church
27	Friday	11.30am	Support Café	St Andrew's Hub
28	Saturday	12noon	St Peter's Street Fair	Church & School
29	Sunday	Second Sunday after Easter		
		10.00am	Morning Prayer	
30	Monday	9.30am	Crossed Keys Café	Church
		1.30pm	Tiddlywinks Stay & Play	St Peter's Hub

The July issue of Keyhole will be a week later than usual (now 5/6 July) to include reports and pictures from the Street Fair and ordinations.