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The articles and viewpoints expressed in this magazine are not necessarily those of the Vicar or the PCC.

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

www.stpeterlittleover.org.uk

From the Vicarage

Dear all,

Easter is ridiculously early this year – something to do with the moons and Epiphany – and so no sooner have we wrestled with the January credit card bill, then it's Ash Wednesday and Easter in March! Yes, I know is only JUST in March, but even so.

Back in 2007, as a brand new incumbent in Sawley I was still reeling from Christmas when someone told me to prepare for the Parish Pancake party – yes, it was a thing.... And then straight into Lent. Baptism of fire!

Lent is usually associated with deprivation and over the centuries this has been taken very literally. Observers were expected to keep to a very austere diet, no meat or rich food, pretty much a diet of bread, water and vegetables. Plain clothing, no displays of wealth or celebration. One of the leftovers of this is the custom for there to be no flowers displayed in church.

However, there is some small respite in the deprivation – the fast is broken every time we celebrate Christ's resurrection with Holy Communion. Maybe this is why there was a roast on a Sunday – the one day during Lent you could eat meat?

Which in turn, technically, means you can break your fast on the day you have

Holy Communion. I say 'technically' but the reality is that when we stop eating chocolate or drinking alcohol, or whatever it is you've chosen to do; it's because you are choosing to set time aside for the sake of Christ. To identify with his deprivations in the wilderness. Does it defeat the object to return to your indulgence just because you can?

The forty days of Lent are a mirror to the forty days Christ spent in the wilderness, following his baptism and before his ministry began. There he was tempted and stood firm against the enticement toward worldly power and selfish desire. Our struggle with our own cravings is small fry in comparison and a good call to spiritual discipline. We are not doing this to lose weight or to cleanse our system, but to identify with Christ.

And so, we can also do positive things, spend time in prayer or with our Bibles, being active in sharing blessings and hopes with others. All of these things can also feed and nurture our relationship with God, alongside whatever it is we have chosen to give up. By the time you read this, you'll be about a third of the way through Lent – well done for all that you've done so far, be encouraged and keep going!

With blessings,

Alicia

From the February 2024 Registers

Funerals	3 Feb	Gwynneth Knight
	5 Feb	Robert (Bob) Hanlon
	7 Feb	Doreen (Deb) Brown

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 – 12noon



**Everyone
welcome**

World Day of Prayer

This will be on **Friday 1 March at 11am** at St Mary's Roman Catholic Church, Darley Lane, Derby (just over the pedestrian bridge from the Cathedral). The theme of the service this year is from *Ephesians 4: 1 – 6*. "*I beg you, bear with one another in love.*" The service was written by a group of Palestinian Christian women before the current conflict and deals with their own personal experiences. Their hope was to encourage and inspire other women around the world to bear with one another in troubled times. As has often happened before, this year's service has been overtaken by a tragic set of events.



We offer this service, believing that we are called to support the Christian women who created it and we invite all those taking part to listen prayerfully to their voices. We pray with world leaders, relief workers, medical teams and all those praying about the situation, for an end to the killing, and for the wisdom to build a lasting peace.

After the Derby service lunch will be provided

Derby Christian Women's Network

DCWN gathers Christian women from different traditions and cultures to worship and seek God together, to bless the city and the nation. Their aim is to encourage women to meet one another and to pray together.

The first meeting for this year is at Broadway Baptist Church, Broadway Derby DE22 1BP on Saturday March 23rd from 10.00am-1.00pm.

Holy Week and Easter 2023

Easter is early this year and we are happy to be undertaking our usual joint service with fellow Christians across the parish.

Please join us in the evenings of Holy Week as we make our own journey toward the cross, by attending services across our churches at 7pm.

Then on Good Friday our All Age Team will lead the morning service before we undertake our walk of witness through the village, finishing at Littleover Baptist Church for hot cross buns. Later in the afternoon we make our vigil with Christ at the cross from 2pm to 3pm. This is a quiet, meditative service open to all.

On Easter Day we have two services to celebrate the Risen Christ. 8am is a spoken Holy Communion and then 10am is an All Age Communion with plenty of music and chocolate.



Holy Week 2024 in Littleover & Blagreaves



Mon 25 Mar 7pm	Holy Week Reflection	Littleover Baptist Church
Tue 26 Mar 7pm	Holy Week Reflection	Haven Christian Centre
Wed 27 Mar 7pm	Holy Week Reflection	Littleover Methodist Church
Thu 28 Mar 7pm	Maundy Thursday Service	Newmount Methodist Church
Good Friday 10am	All Age Service & Walk of Witness	St Peter's Church and Littleover Baptist Church
10am	Meditations at the Cross	Newmount Methodist Church
2-3pm	An Hour at the Cross	St Peter's Church
Holy Saturday 10am	Messy Easter	Littleover Methodist Church

THIRSTY THURSDAY



at The White Swan
Littleover

Thu 14 March 7.30pm

Call Steve for more info
07790 431090

CHURCHYARD CLEAN UP



Back for the Spring!
16 March 9.30am – noon
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 vergers for information.



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Mothering Sunday 10 March 2024

We hope to welcome you and your family to our celebration service on Sunday 10 March – giving thanks for all who have cared for us during our lives, including our mothers.

We are grateful to the gentlemen of the church, who every year kindly put together the small bouquets to be given out at the service. In an effort to be more eco friendly there will be no foil on the flowers, just tied with twine and then stems dried before the service.

We have also had the custom of laying our flowers in remembrance, which has been lovely, but has meant that the flowers die without being taken home and enjoyed. So, this year we will do it differently and have a small bouquet and a candle lit for the mothers we have lost, the children lost or estranged and others who have cared for us.

Paper hearts or flowers will be available for you to place in front of whichever candle you choose, if you wish. And you can take your flowers home to enjoy.



Bouquet making will take place at church on Sat 9 March from 10am – all help from the men of the church gratefully received! Just come along and join in!

Mission Team Leader Changes



Doreen Bird & Steve Dring
Outward Facing Team



Charlie Elston & Paul Taylor
Community Engagement



Peter Maybury
and **Alison Marsh-Davies**
Creation Care Team



Rev Jason Kennedy
Staying on as
MAP adviser



Rev Emma Mallord
Joining the
team

Recent changes to the leadership of some of the mission teams within the Steering Group, have brought about an increase in the number of members from seven to twelve.

Emma Mallord, Paul Taylor, Doreen Bird, Steve Dring and Alison Marsh-Davies have joined the group.

We very warmly welcome them and look forward to working together to do what God asks of us.

Creation Care Update: Litter Picking

March is traditionally the month for spring cleaning, getting rid of all the dirt and cobwebs. Keep Britain Tidy runs their annual Great British Spring Clean, encouraging us to look at our local environment and do something to improve it.

So, we are starting a regular 2 monthly litter pick on Saturday 16 March at 10am at church to tackle the perennial problem of discarded dross in our area. We hope some of you will come to help us and have advertised it in the Littleover magazine to encourage local residents to take part. If you're not able to join us, you might perhaps consider picking the litter in your very local area or your street. Last year over 400,000 bags of litter were collected nationally over the Keep Britain Tidy two week campaign. Together we can make a difference.



Have you seen new notice boards and our updated display?

Parish of Littleover & Blagrove
St Peter's Church
Creation Care
Caring for God's World throughout 2024

"And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds" Hebrews 10:24

January	February	March
Make enjoying nature your priority From bird watching to writing about or drawing something that inspires you in nature www.arocha.org.uk/ideas-to-enjoy-nature/ 26th - 28th - Great British Bird Watch - www.rspb.org	Go Green for Lent Is there something you'd like to give up or take up that would contribute to our planet's well-being? Or consider signing up for the Carbon Foot for Lent Challenge www.diettohealth.org/resources/convert-foot	Celebrate Spring Dedicate quality time to appreciate creation's beauty and thank God for the hope that spring can bring. arocha.org.uk/news/with-wild-creation-overleaf/ 15th - 31st - Join in the Great British Spring Clean and Litter Pick
April Fit more active time into your daily routine Use the extra time as a prompt to pray for God's creation, nature's preservation and the reduction in fossil fuel usage. Join an Earth Day event on 22nd April www.earthday.org	May Say No to the Mow & Save Water Mowing your lawn less and letting parts grow long saves you time and helps give nature a home. 27th - 31st - Consider your household water usage for Water Saving Week www.watersaving.org	June Join #30DaysWild The Wildlife Trusts' 30 Days Wild challenge is a great opportunity to engage with nature throughout June. Find some wild ideas at www.wildlifetrusts.org/30-days-wild 2nd - World Environment Sunday 8th - 10th - Big Green Week - a celebration of community action to tackle climate change
July Taste the benefits of seasonal & local food Plan to incorporate locally grown produce into your diet and shopping list throughout the seasons. Give thanks for your local food producers. Join the Big Bumper Count - www.bigbumpercount.lifefriendly.com/seasonal/	August Assist local wildlife during hot weather Provide hedgehogs with a juicy snack. Help garden birds by maintaining a filled bird bath and supplying supplementary food. www.arocha.org.uk/looking-after-wildlife-in-the-heat/	September Step outside this Season of Creation Connect with nature and dedicate this time to God as the Creator and sustainer of all life. www.arocha.org.uk/step-outside-this-season-of-creation/ 2nd - 8th - Zero Waste Week www.communitelocal.co.uk/8th-22nd/ - Fairtrade Fortnight
October Contribute to Wildlife Conservation. Clean feed hedges to prevent disease. Install a nest box well before nesting season. www.arocha.org.uk/higher-to-bird-at-home As you observe the local birds why not reflect on Psalm 92:11	November Green your Home Combat climate change and reduce heating costs by identifying and sealing drafts around your home. Pray for those who might be experiencing the cold this winter. Pray for the work of Diaby City Mission and other organisations as they support our City's homeless this winter	December Celebrate a Greener Christmas. Explore A Rocha UK's twelve tips for a greener Christmas at www.arocha.org.uk/our-twelve-eps-for-a-greener-christmas

There is so much to see and lots of exciting ideas to take on. In particular the monthly calendar of easy things we can all do to support creation throughout the year? Have you taken a copy of the calendar to inspire you each month? One team member suggested cutting out each month and putting it on your kitchen calendar. Copies of the calendar are available in the welcome area.

Much of the information is from the creationcareuk.org website. It is a scheme, very similar to the A Rocha scheme we are working through as a church. It has been set up by St Paul's church, Dorking, to encourage individual households in their care for creation. It has seven questionnaires covering seven areas of life: worship & prayer, home, garden, travel, food, possessions, community and local engagement – quite comprehensive!

Do consider registering and completing the questionnaires. It doesn't take long and may show you some easy changes you can make, which will show your support for God's creation.

Creation Care
 Encouraging households to care for God's world
www.creationcare.org



Download this poster here

ECO CHURCH
 AN A ROCHA UK PROJECT

Visit www.arocha.org.uk/wild-christian for more eco tips

Mission Plan Update from The Communications Team

We all love a good story and the aim of our Communications Team is to tell the story of our church in the best way possible. To do this we use lots of different methods such as this Keyhole magazine, our web site, social media, noticeboards, conversation and occasional updates in the church service.



Our remit has two main focus points.

Focus one - is to review all of our communication methods and make sure they are effective and relevant. Do they tell our story in an engaging way and do they keep our church family and our local community up to date with what we do. Do we connect with our audience, are we helpful and do we grab their attention!

Focus two - is to support and enable our other mission teams with their communications.

Going into 2024 we are currently working on four key projects:

1. A new web site – we have now developed a test website and work is progressing well.
2. New signage – New noticeboards, outside the church and at the two hubs, will show our new parish and the latest information. St Andrew's Hub signage is in particular need of replacing and updating, but will require planning permission. (see proof of new sign)
3. Updating 'A Church Near You' – This is a national website provided centrally by the Church of England, with a page for each parish church. You can find it on the Diocese of Derby web site and it provides the option to search for a church with specific facilities or services. Take a look at the St Peter's page and you will see it has now been updated with our new logo and some new information. Work is in progress with updating the photographs, adding more about what we do, and with removing the St Andrew's page.
4. Understand what supporting the other teams actually means and how we can do it.

Watch this space for further updates and if you have any ideas about how we communicate, please let me know.

Written by Julie Scott on behalf of the team.



A reflection on The Lord's Prayer

(Matthew 6:1-18)

Our Father in heaven, please help us.
We, Your children, learn slowly.

So often we say nothing when Your name
is mis-used.

Often our lives do not reflect Your ways,

Mostly we do what we want on earth,
And this can make heaven unimaginable.

We expect so much more than we actually
need each day.

Sometimes we think we don't need
forgiveness,
Sometimes we think we are unforgivable,
And we forget that other people make these
same errors of thinking.

When it comes to temptation, we find our
own ways,

We are confused about what is and is not
evil,
We are confused about deliverance,
We are confused.....

And here is the wonder, the grace and the
mystery,
That You know us completely,
Our failings, our secrets,
And love us forever and ever,
Amen.

By Daphne Kitching

Dates for your diary

Sun 12 May
Afternoon Garden Party
at 78 Littleover Lane
in aid of Jigsaw Kids Ministries

Sat 6 July
Findern Village Fete
From 12 noon

Sat 13 July
St Peter's Street Fair
12noon to 3pm

Sat 30 Nov
Findern Christmas Fair
Findern Village Hall
10am – 1pm



"The new vicar is really cool, Dad.
Did you know that God emailed the Ten
Commandments to Moses' Tablet PC?"

New Post fitted to stop SatNav misdirection



Some of you may know we had an incident last year when a taxi was told by its SatNav to drive around the path of our West Door and down the church path. When the driver couldn't reverse backwards he parked at the top of the steps, stepped out of the vehicle, went down the steps and propped the gates open. Then he returned and drove the car down the steps.

The resultant damage to the stone steps was repaired and the matter reported to the Police, but since then, more than one vehicle has attempted to drive this route again. As a consequence, the Diocese granted a faculty for a removable post which will now stop any unnecessary access and subsequent damage. The post can be removed when required.

Big thanks to Jim, Chris and the Fabric Team.

New Notice Boards ready for church Library

New boards have been installed in the Coffee Area to replace the tired boards that we had been struggling with for many years. The foldout boards contain lots of information about our Mission Teams and can be easily removed when required. By the side step is a new board to contain church and local community information. This will also have a smaller console table in front to hold sign up information etc. On the south wall, where there is a new radiator and cover, new bookcases will be installed for our library of Christian books, videos and CDs which will be accessible to everyone. It's hoped that there will also be space for the children to sit and enjoy some new books to help them learn more about their faith. It is hoped this furniture will be in before Easter.



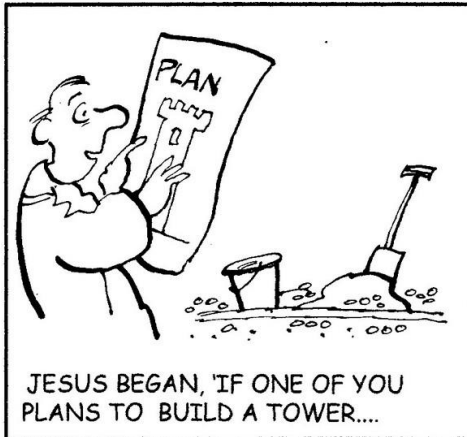
The tale of the Tower Builder



JESUS OFTEN TOLD STORIES WITH HIDDEN MEANINGS

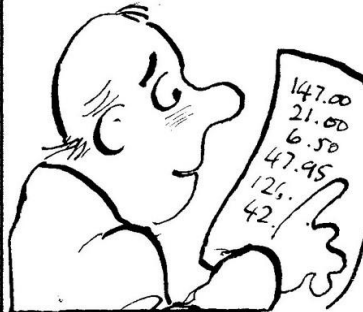


ON ONE OCCASION JESUS EXPLAINED HOW IT WOULDN'T ALWAYS BE EASY TO FOLLOW HIM.



JESUS BEGAN, 'IF ONE OF YOU PLANS TO BUILD A TOWER....'

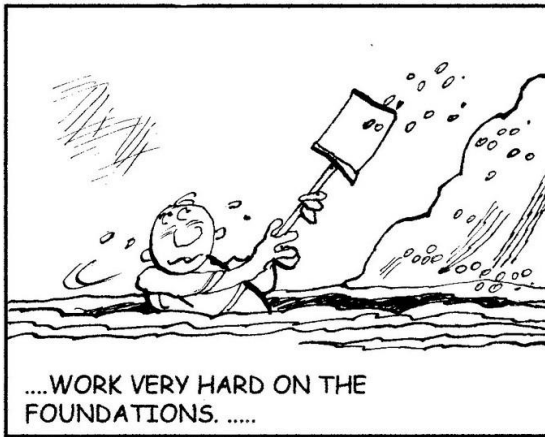
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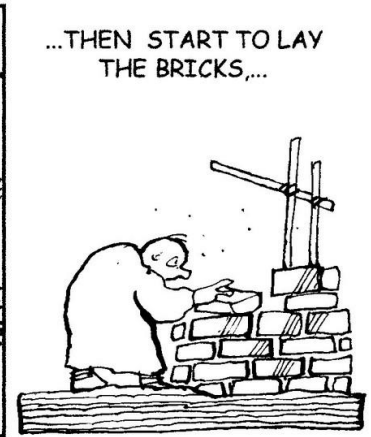
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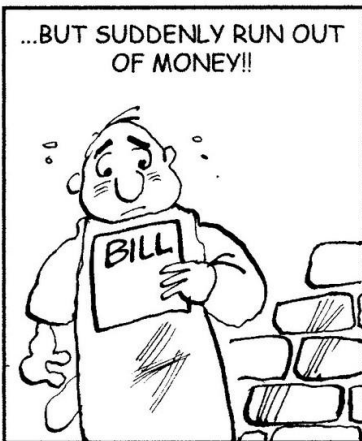
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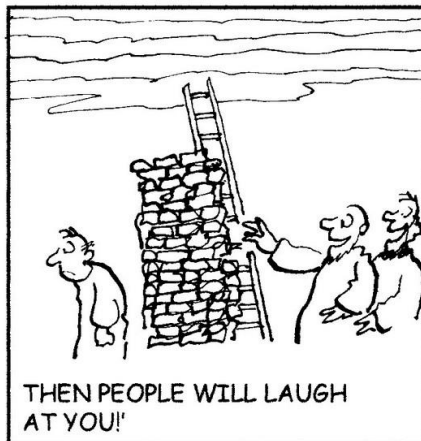
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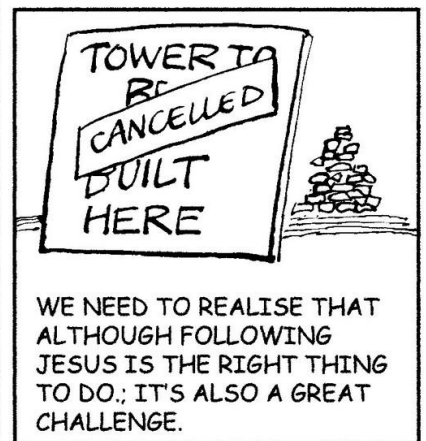
...THEN START TO LAY THE BRICKS,...



...BUT SUDDENLY RUN OUT OF MONEY!!



THEN PEOPLE WILL LAUGH AT YOU!



WE NEED TO REALISE THAT ALTHOUGH FOLLOWING JESUS IS THE RIGHT THING TO DO.; IT'S ALSO A GREAT CHALLENGE.



ReCreate

- Are you creative but never seem to get your materials out?
- Do 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 maybe share as you are able. We aim to have a basic range of frequently used materials for those who have none.

Let's explore our God given creativity

Fri 1 & 15 March

Bring your own project or use
ReCreate resources and maybe share yours

9.45am to 11.30am

St Peter's Hub, Large Hall

Donations to cover any materials used

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Funerals in Littleover

As part of her license from the Bishop of Derby to be the Vicar of Littleover and Blagreaves, Alicia is required to be available as a priest for local funerals.



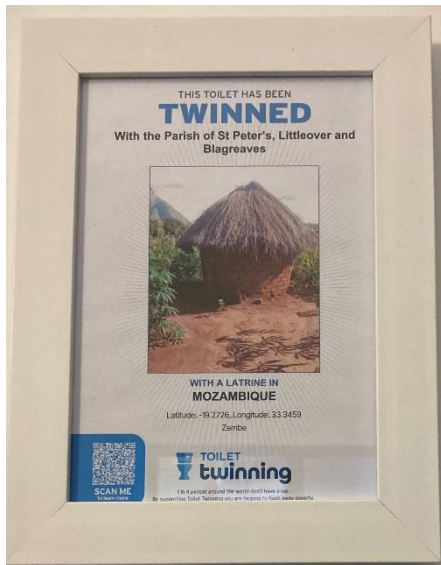
Problem is, many people think you need to have the service in church, when more than half of our services take place only at the Crematorium. The service can take place in church or the crem or even by the grave.

Obviously, the service is Christian in liturgy and prayers, with a Bible reading, but we often help many families personalise the service with reflections and music. If it's in church we can also offer the screen for a visual tribute with photos through the years or even having family members from across the world sharing a eulogy straight into church.

As a church we also have funeral plan papers available free of charge for you to make decisions about your service in advance, which takes the pressure off families. There's space to include decisions on music and readings as well as an opportunity to write about your life so that this can be shared as part of the tribute.

If you'd like a copy of the Funeral Plan papers these are available from the office free of charge, though if you'd like to make a small donation to cover printing costs that would be appreciated.

Toilet Twinning across our buildings



We are thrilled that each of the toilets across every church building in the parish is now twinned with a toilet somewhere else in the world. The money we gave as part of the scheme helps poor and isolated communities to get clean water and sanitation infrastructure which includes a toilet as well as fundamental teaching about hygiene. For some small villages this will be life changing in terms of the health of the entire community, but especially for those who are vulnerable.

Without proper toilets, people get trapped in a vicious cycle. They are likely to become sick through sanitation-related diseases, illness keeps people from working, children miss school, parents have to pay for medicines or food and fall into debt. Toilet twinning funds hygiene education via community-led workshops and sourcing local material for families and communities to build their own toilets.

To find out more about how you can twin your toilet at home for just £60 please go to: www.toilettwinning.org.uk



For Seniors



A Senior's Version of Facebook

“For those of my generation who do not, and cannot, comprehend why Facebook exists; I am trying to make friends outside of Facebook while applying the same principles. Therefore, every day I walk down the street and tell passers-by what I have eaten, how I feel at the moment, what I have done the night before, what I will do later and with whom. I give them pictures of my family, my dog and of me gardening, taking things apart in the garage, watering the lawn, standing in front of landmarks, driving around town, having lunch, and doing what anybody and everybody does every day. I also listen to their conversations, giving them ‘thumbs up’ and tell them I ‘like’ them. And it works just like Facebook. I already have four people following me: two police officers, a private investigator and a psychiatrist.”

Littleover Village

Littleover In Bloom

As the saying goes: March winds do blow and hopefully we have already experienced our share of winds for this time of year, the January gusts not only tore our Littleover in Bloom sign down, but also snapped off one of the recently planted saplings on North Parade. Whilst we are looking at options to replace our board, the arboriculturist team are looking at ways to protect a new sapling.

How wonderful to see the spring bulbs popping up everywhere, keep an eye out for the purple crocus planted on the traffic Island at the bottom of Normanton Lane and the purple crocus cross adjacent to the War Memorial in St Peter's churchyard, hopefully to coincide with the Easter weekend at the end of March. The crocus bulbs were kindly donated by the South Derby Rotary Club.



It would be great to see you at our Plant Sale on Saturday 9 March 10.30am at Grange Hall – it'd be great to see you to say hello, as well as sell the plants as it helps to raise much needed funds. We have finally managed to re-build the small wall next to the Village Grill that was in danger of collapsing. Please let us know of any ideas you may have of brightening up Littleover.
Next meeting Monday 18 March 2024 1.30pm rear entrance Littleover Grange Hall, Park Lane. Or just get in touch: Jan 01332 348903 or jan.dante@virgin.net

Littleover Historical Society

We have local updated news of our disappearing past, where we have identified two buildings of historic interest, although probably too altered over the years to merit being locally listed.

One building is on Mostyn Avenue and was originally named 'The Royal Pavillion' as it was built as changing rooms for King George V at the Royal Show in Derby 1933. After the show, the building was taken down and re-assembled on Mostyn Avenue. The current owner is building foundations for two properties in the grounds; will the original building disappear?

The second building is the former Baptist School Room on Park Lane, which until recently was a Snooker club, but this has now been sold at auction. We wonder what is in store for this building?

We have a planning update on Blagreaves Lane which involves knocking down a garage and building flats. The planner asked local people for a suggested name and our suggestion was 'Colonel Vassel Charles Steer-Webster', the original owner of Blagreaves House. He was a renowned designer who came to the aid of Winston Churchill with his work on designing the floating harbours that assisted Britain in the triumphant WWII D-Day landings.

Next meeting Friday 8 March 2024 10am at Littleover Grange Hall, rear entrance, Park Lane. Visitors welcome £3 including refreshment. Contact: Jan on 01332 348903 or email 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.

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 Dave Hargreaves 2 Inglewood Ave,
Mickleover, Derby DE3 0RT

PASH supports the work of churches, schools, farmers and communities in Kenya.

Tearfund www.tearfund.org

100 Church Rd, Teddington TW11 8QE
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

10 Normanton Road Derby DE1 2GW
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.

Jigsaw Kids Ministries

Dear Friends, we are the body of Christ, and we thank you all so much for being part of God's mission of love for all the children and families living in extreme poverty with whom Jigsaw has the privilege to serve. Your faithful and sacrificial partnership of prayer, giving, empowering and resourcing in love enables and empowers Jigsaw to implement its ministry on the ground with over 1500 children each week.

It is because of this love and support that we are seeing lives being saved, transformed and built up in faith, hope, love and wellbeing with each child consequently being given a God given purpose and future.

All this is happening through God's amazing and life changing love. Thank you all so much from all the children, families and everyone in Jigsaw.

New Administrator



We praise God for the wonderful answer to prayer with the appointment of Emma. Emma is married to Duncan and has 3 children: James, Hannah and Isabella and lives in the South Lakes. She has a very impressive and significant background in child development and admin and is a hugely important new member of the of Jigsaw. Welcome Emma.

Children's Development Clubs

Since August 2023 we have seen God's mighty hand at work in Jigsaw to re-establish face to face children and youth development clubs across Manila. The development clubs are refuges of love, care and compassion, places of fun, joy, belonging, development and hope, and for so many children they are literally their only safe haven and a lifeline.



The children's and youth development clubs are amazing places of God's love. It is clear that for the children the development clubs are often considered their 'own place'. They are safe spaces where they can play, grow friendships, have nutritious snacks and drinks, be creative with craft, learn literacy and many other skills in addition to learning about their loving Father God and having opportunities to sing and pray.



Within the midst of this wonderful community, a place of creativity and with safe boundaries of God's love, it is amazing how the attachments, relationships, community and individual care start to grow and how the feelings of security and significance begin to really flourish.

Jigsaw's work in Angeles City

Jigsaw works in five main areas of Metro Manila - one of them being called Angeles City. This is one of the biggest red light sex industry places in the world, with more paedophiles here than anywhere else in the world. The evil here is life destroying and the children living in this place are those who are used and destroyed by it - their only future path seemingly leading to hell and slavery.



It was 20 years ago that God brought Jigsaw to work in this extremely poor and needy community in the heart of Angeles City. Since then, it has been both a source of heart ache, struggle and an extremely heart breaking mission. Yet amidst it all we have also seen joy and experienced the miracle of God saving and changing lives. It is clear that in this dark and immoral place, the Jigsaw centre is a refuge, a place of light and a source of joy and hope. In view of the significant challenges that each child faces Jigsaw aims to give each and every child a different path ahead away from the abuse of the sex industry. This is being done through our literacy, education sponsorship and YALE services, teaching about the love of God who gives hope through our children's and youth ministries.

Angeles is where Jigsaw plans, in 2024, to start its new child justice and children's rights program. Please pray for guidance and protection and that this program would have a life changing impact for the children in this area. Please also pray for the development of this new programme over the months ahead.

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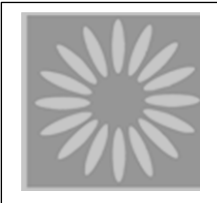
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Littleover Women's Institute

**2nd Thursday of the month
Littleover Social Club at 7.30pm**

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**Further information from
Margaret Williams on 767354**



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Organization

FOODBANK



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The Vicarage and it will be
taken to the Central Food Hub

priority is tinned meat



Knit and Natter

Every Wednesday 2.15pm
In St Peter's Hub

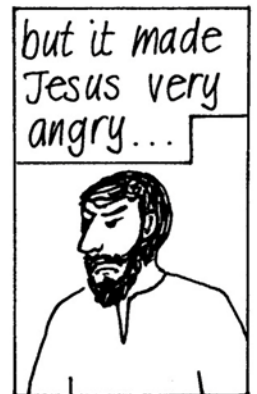
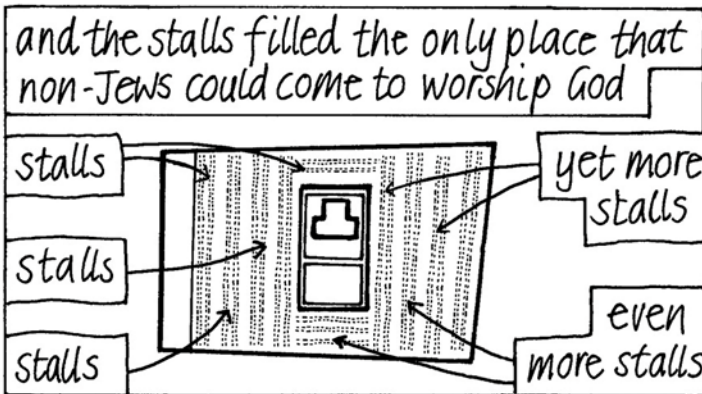
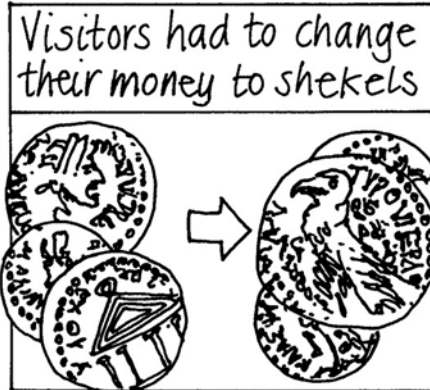
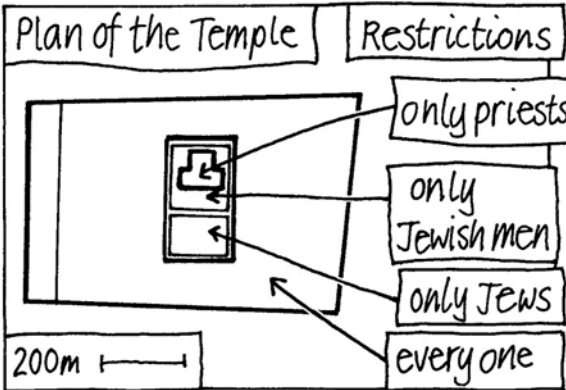
for those who can knit like
grandma and those who've no
idea - everyone welcome!
Call Di on 01332 763938

Bible Bite

A short story from the Bible

It can be read in the Bible in
Mt 21:12-16, Mk 11:15-18, Lk 19:45-48

When Jesus reached Jerusalem he went to the Temple, built as a place where everyone could worship God, but with restrictions...



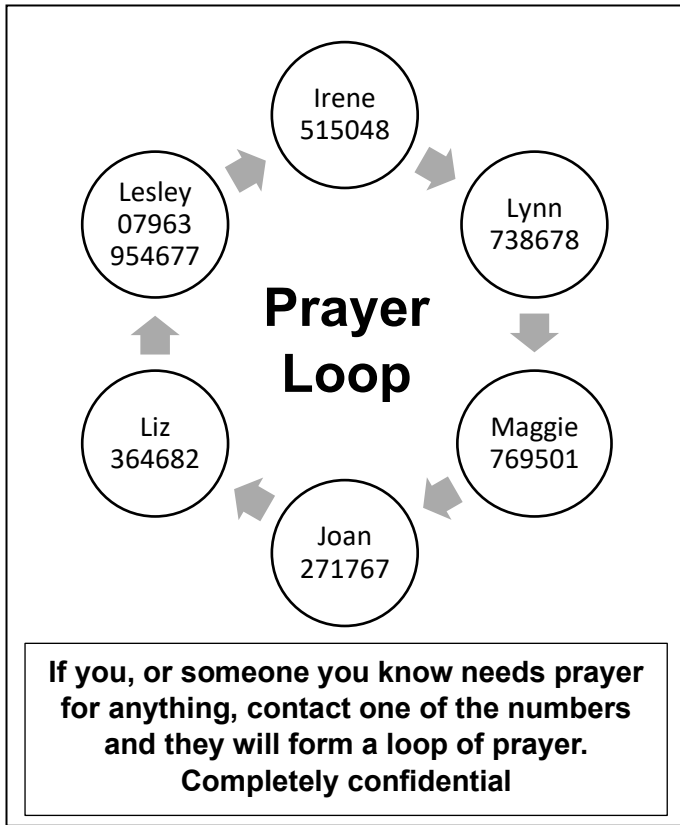
Answers to February's "Learning to Drive" Quiz:

1. Lesson 2. Automatic 3. Gear 4. Instructor 5. Neutral 6. Fail 7. Hand brake 8. Wheel 9. Pedal
10. Overtake 11. Dashboard 12. Indicator 13. Examiner 14. Brake 15. Junction 16. Parking
17. Theory 18. License 19. Reverse 20. Clutch 21. Manoeuvre 22. Emergency stop 23. Headlights
24. Mirror 25. Wipers 26. Pass 27. Navigate 28. Horn 29. Signal 30. Three point turn 31. Satnav
32. Speed 33. Highway code 34. Test 35. Dual controls 36. Accelerator 37. Roundabout
38. Give way 39. Slip road 40. Lanes

Easter Quiz (some anagrams)

Questions	Answers
1. Would you find Tom Brown's body here?	
2. Popular ovoid confectionaries	
3. Regal headgear of prickly plants	
4. Period of fasting found in talents	
5. Jive ----- sang Let's party in 1989	
6. Do dog fairy	
7. Very warm angry cakes	
8. Lap tie	
9. Angry wooden structure	
10. Found in ponchos Anna has	
11. Day when money is given to the poor	
12. Serious burial place	
13. Found in grab Arab basement	
14. Gloat hog	
15. Would you use a siren to announce this?	
16. ----- Priest sang Breaking the law in 1980	
17. A neck smile	
18. Killed by nailing to a cross	
19. A sandy lump	
20. Headwear often judged at Easter	
21. Flamboyant meat?	
22. Rue bid	
23. Young male horse	
24. Go by above to the festival	
25. "And did those feet" hymn	
26. Legally apprehended	
27. Money making factory, cheeky	
28. Crowing bird	
29. Hill of oil-bearing fruit	
30. Ripped suspended cloth	
31. Final evening meal	
32. Found in garden I always liked	
33. Act of being disloyal and handing over	
34. Mauve garment	
35. ----- Roses sang One love in 1990	
36. Spring flowers of well-known poem	
37. Fire remains mid-week	
38. Riverside vacation	
39. Rising from the dead	
40. Sacred offering	

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
 Emma Mallord
 Jason Kennedy
 Jim Britland
 Chris Jones
 Lesley Edwards
 Jeni Baines
 Margit Staehr
 Julie Scott

Helene Roe
 Robin Wood
 Charlie Elston
 John Bird
 Heather Newstead
 Ann Vincent
 Peter Vincent
 Bernie Burton
 (co-opted)

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: Jenny Cooper

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: Lesley Edwards

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 – 2pm

Church Hall, Normanton Lane. Guests welcome, help needed.

WEDNESDAY

10.30am MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION

KNIT & NATTER 2.15pm-4.15pm – in Church Hall

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

9.45am RE-CREATE – first and third weeks of the month a safe space to explore faith and creativity - all welcome.

CHURCH FLOWERS

Contributions towards the Church flowers at weekends or offers to arrange flowers are always welcome.

Contact the church office on 767802.

NO VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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 turn up on a Sunday. Especially with the new Mission Plan. How are you serving 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 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:
Becky 07912 658909



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: Tom 07525 759602

3rd LITTLEOVER BROWNIES – children aged 8-10

Friday 5.45-7.15pm, Scout HQ on Brayfield Road
Contact: Heather Collins 01773 820119

Notice Board – March 2024

1	Friday	9.45am	ReCreate	St Peter's Hub
2	Saturday			
3	Sunday	Third Sunday of Lent		
		10.00am	All Age Holy Communion	Church & Zoom
		6.30pm	Evening Service	Church
4	Monday	9.30am	Crossed Keys café	St Peter's Hub
		1.30pm	Clergy & Readers Prayer and Staff meeting	Vicarage
		1.30pm	Tiddlywinks Stay & Play	St Peter's Hub
5	Tuesday	11.30am	Lunch Club & Service	St Peter's Hub
		7.30pm	Standing Committee	Church Meeting room
6	Wednesday	10.30am	Holy Communion	Church
		2.15pm	Knit & Natter	St Peter's Hub
7	Thursday	7.30pm	Worship Group	Church
8	Friday			
9	Saturday			
10	Sunday	Fourth Sunday of Lent		
		10.00am	All Age Mothering Sunday Celebration	Church & Zoom
		5.00pm	Messy Youth	St Peter's Hub
11	Monday	9.30am	Crossed Keys café	St Peter's Hub
		1.30pm	Tiddlywinks Stay & Play	St Peter's Hub
12	Tuesday	12.00pm	Lunch Club	St Peter's Hub
		2.00pm	MAP Steering Group meeting	Zoom
13	Wednesday	10.30am	Holy Communion	Church
		2.15pm	Knit & Natter	St Peter's Hub
		2.45pm	Youth Hot Chocolate & Toast	St Andrew's Hub
14	Thursday	7.30pm	Worship Group	Church
		7.30pm	Thirsty Thursday	White Swan
15	Friday	9.45am	ReCreate	St Peter's Hub
		2.00pm	Outward Facing MAP Prayer Meeting	St Andrew's Hub
16	Saturday	9.30am	Churchyard Clean Up	Churchyard
17	Sunday	Fifth Sunday of Lent		
		10.00am	Morning Worship	Church & Zoom
		3.00pm	Easter Messy Church	St Peter's Hub
		6.00pm	Parish Prayers	Zoom
18	Monday	9.30am	Crossed Keys café	St Peter's Hub
		1.30pm	Tiddlywinks Stay & Play	St Peter's Hub
19	Tuesday	12.00pm	Lunch Club	St Peter's Hub
		7.30pm	PCC Meeting	St Peter's Hub
20	Wednesday	10.30am	Holy Communion	Church
		2.15pm	Knit & Natter	St Peter's Hub
21	Thursday	7.30pm	Worship Group	Church
22	Friday			
23	Saturday			
24	Sunday	Palm Sunday		
		10.00am	Holy Communion	Church & Zoom
		9.30am	Crossed Keys café	St Peter's Hub
25	Monday	1.30pm	Tiddlywinks Stay & Play	St Peter's Hub
		9.00am	St Peter's School service	Church
26	Tuesday	12.00pm	Lunch Club	St Peter's Hub
		10.30am	Holy Communion	Church
27	Wednesday	2.15pm	Knit & Natter	St Peter's Hub
		2.45pm	Youth Hot Chocolate & Toast	St Andrew's Hub
		7.30pm	Worship Group	Church
28	Thursday	10.00am	All Age Worship & Walk of Witness	Church
		2.00pm	Hour at the Cross	Church
29	Good Friday			
30	Saturday			
31	Sunday	Easter Day		
		8.00am	Spoken Holy Communion	Church
		10.00am	All Age Communion	Church & Zoom