

TEAM

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The Wirksworth Team Ministry monthly notices

Serving the communities of Alderwasley, Bonsall, Bradbourne, Brassington, Carsington, Elton, Idridgehay, Kirk Ireton, Middleton & Wirksworth

Transformed Lives - Growing Church - Building Community

Dear Friends

If you believe the rhyme, “March winds and April showers...”, will bring forth May flowers.

In our part of Derbyshire recently, it’s felt a little like both the winds and the showers (and sometimes even more than that) have been thrown at us.

However much we might moan about the weather, and many of us seem to quite often, it is the rain that falls that keeps our beautiful part of the world the wonderful green colour it is, it is the rain that falls that gives us the beautiful rivers and streams that we have and it is the rain that falls that helps the crops to grow that many of us like to eat.

Equally, there are many many parts of this world that are crying out for more water, that would very much welcome the levels of rain that we have here.

The shortage of reliable and clean water across the globe puts 2 billion people in water shortage, and causes the deaths of 1,000 children under 5 every day. These are statistics that can be changed and many are already working hard to make this situation better.

We should be proud and pleased that Aquabox are based locally, and making such a difference to the needs of many across the globe. This is an important issue for the world to address, and Britain as one of the richest nations could be doing much more to help. We can begin to make a difference.

**with best wishes
Revd. Neil Griffiths**



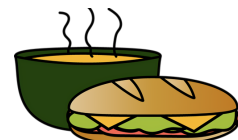
**Coffee and Chat - every Monday morning
at 10.30am in Waltham House**

A warm welcome is extended to anyone who would like to join us, just come along for friendly chatter and easy company. We can offer transport, contact Sue & Ian Todd.

Bonsall Church Café

open from 12noon - 3pm on Saturday to Monday

Jimmy's Café is proving popular with locals and visitors during the ongoing building works. We offer hot sausage cobs, homemade soups, filled cobs, homemade cakes, snacks and hot & cold drinks
- all at very reasonable prices.



Come and see us soon, we would love to welcome you.

St James Church, Idridgehay - Monthly Coffee Mornings

On the first Wednesday of each month you are welcome to come to join us for our Coffee Morning in the church from 10.15am to 11.45am.

All are welcome to come for a chat and a catch up.

Elton Church Coffee Mornings

every Thursday from 10am - 12noon in the Village Hall

The weekly coffee mornings are enjoyed by many and all are welcome to attend

The Richard Roddis Singers Spring Concert 2024

"Songs my Paddle Sings"

Saturday 6th April at 3pm in St Mary's church, Wirksworth

Music from Stanford, Mozart, Brahms, Roddis and Watson Henderson

Tickets on the door are £10

Live & Local "Sonrisa" concert - Very Much Alive

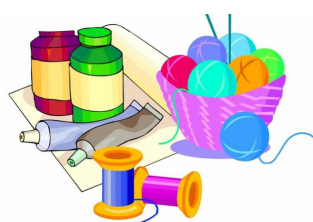
in Bradbourne church on Saturday 6 April at 7.30pm

Sonrisa means 'smile' in Spanish. This exciting acoustic trio plays original songs blending Spanish guitar, Latin rhythms with mellow flute and soulful vocals. Come join us for an exhilarating & emotional journey with onstage banter and captivating songs.

**Tickets are £13 each and can either be bought from:
bradbourneboxoffice@btinternet.com**

or you can call: 01335 390080.

Refreshments served pre-show & in the interval to include local ales, wine & soft drinks.



New Craft Group in Carsington Church

starts on Wednesday 10 April from 11am to 1pm

This Craft Group will run for 4 weeks from April into May.
Please bring your own crafts & materials; chatter as you craft.
£3 entry with tea & coffee provided

**Blowing Hot & Cold: the impact of weather
upon English Church Design
A History Talk**

**by Stephen Williams and Jean Yates
on Thursday 18th April at 7.30pm
in Bradbourne Church Hall**

Entrance £5 Including Refreshments.



**Spring Quiz at Alderwasley Village Hall
on Friday 19th April from 6.30pm
...to raise funds for the church roof**

**Bring Your Own drinks + snacks are provided
Raffle - prizes gratefully received
Teams....£12 for 4 people. (Children - Free)**



**Give or Take
on Saturday 13th April**

from 9am - 12noon in Wellspring Church Hall

Fundraising
**FASHION SHOW
& SHOPPING EVENT**

**Friends of Waltham House are hosting a
Fashion Show & Shopping Event**

**Tuesday 7th May in the Maltings
starts at 7pm & doors open at 6.30pm**

The fundraising event will offer a fun evening with an opportunity to watch a catwalk presentation of "well-known high-street brands" clothing, whilst enjoying refreshments, with up to 70% discounted shopping afterward if you wish. The clothing is selected to suit all ages and sizes, there is sure to be something that appeals to everyone. Come and join the Friends of Waltham House for the evening, Tickets cost just £5 and can be purchased in advance from Marsden's Gifts at 7 Market Place, Wirksworth or on the door on the night.

Charity Plant sale on Saturday 11th May at the Memorial Gardens

Volunteers are needed to grow vegetable and herb plants for the sale please contact hilaryhebron@gmail.com if you are able to help

The final Spring session of Souper Surprise in The Maltings

was held on Thursday 21 March. It will resume in October when autumn approaches.

Many thanks to all who have been involved in hosting these lovely lunches.

A well organised team of volunteers set up the tables and chairs, make the delicious soups, bake the tasty cakes and cheerily serve visitors on a weekly basis.

Funds are raised for St Mary's Church from Souper Surprise. Thanks also to those who come in all weathers to enjoy a wholesome lunch with friends old and new.

Derby Concert Orchestra
Eternal Echoes: Music inspired by Life and Beyond
Saturday 18th May at 7pm in St Mary's church

Strauss: Death & Transfiguration Strauss: Four Last Songs
Rachmaninov: Symphonic Dances

Tickets in advance are available from: www.derbyconcertorchestra.co.uk

Adults: £15; Students & concessions: £13; U18's with an adult - free

Tickets on the door: £16; Students & concessions: £14; U18's with an adult - free

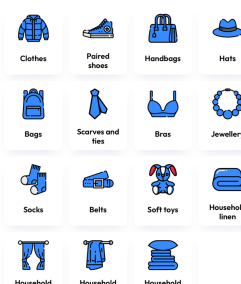
The orchestra's chosen charity of the season is Children First Derby. If you would like to donate, collection buckets will be available at the concert.



Alderwasley Church

Clothes collection on FRIDAY 7 June

Please save any items to help us raise funds for the urgent roof repairs. You can leave bagged items at the Team Office.



Safeguarding Report

April is a month that not only delivers signs of spring and the summer to come, but it is also the month during which the inaugural Derby Diocese Safeguarding Conference is being held at Cliff College, on Saturday 20th April from 9.30am - 4pm. It is a free event, with lunch and refreshments provided and is open to clergy, readers, Church Wardens, PCC members and those with a leadership role in the church. Booking required, please contact Louise for info.

April is also, for many WTM churches, APCM month. I'd like to thank all the PCC / DCC members and volunteers for their help in safeguarding matters over the past year. For those considering joining or who has recently joined a PCC/DCC as a new member for the 2024 - 2025 period, please note it is a national, diocesan and charitable trustee requirement that anyone who works for and/or volunteers for churches, parishes & worshipping communities within Derby Diocese should obtain a clear and valid Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check and complete some Safeguarding training. Please contact Louise either at the Team Office on 01629 824707 (Thursdays) or email her on: lou.oram@outlook

For any safeguarding issues, contact Louise via the Team Office. To confidentially report a safeguarding concern to the Diocesan Safeguarding Team Monday - Friday from 9am - 5pm please call 01332 388678. An out of hours safeguarding service (including over Bank Holiday weekends), is available via the thirtyone eight helpline on 0303 003 1111. It operates Monday - Friday from 5pm - midnight and weekends from 7am - midnight, Bank Hols: 9am to 5pm. Other useful numbers for Adults and Children include: 01629 533190 or out of hours 01629 532600.

Please remember if a child / vulnerable adult is in danger of immediate harm dial 999.

Louise Oram, Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO)



50 Years of Christian Aid in Wirksworth

The Wirksworth and District Christian Aid group is celebrating its Golden Anniversary Year in 2024. Fifty years of fund-raising, awareness-making and promoting justice and peace throughout the world. During that time the Group has raised over £330,000 w money would amount to over £550,000. Throughout its life the group has been ecumenical and still represents all the mainstream churches in Wirksworth



We will celebrate our Jubilee with a Tea Party on Sunday 12th May, starting at 4.30pm. This will be held in the Maltings and followed by a service to mark the start of Christian Aid Week (May 12th - 18th) Our speaker will be Pete Moorey, Christian Aid's Head of Church and Community Fund-raising and Engagement. Pete has recently returned from Burundi, which is the focus of Christian Aid Week this year. We will be meeting Aline, who with CA's support has become part of a Finance and Credit Group in her village. This has helped many like Aline, realise some business opportunities to lift them out of extreme poverty.

This year we are presenting you with the 50 x 50p Challenge. Look out for some sticky labels at the back of church, stick one on a jam jar and use it to collect fifty 50p pieces during 2024 - closing date mid October, in time for our Annual Gathering in November and inclusion of this year's accounts.



Our thanks to all our loyal supporters from the churches and wider community, who have given generously and turned up at our fundraisers over the last 50 years. May it long continue.

Bob Rhodes



Recycle printer cartridges to raise funds for Christian Aid

The Team Office is collecting used printer cartridges in return for funds for Christian Aid. We have sent in several boxes this year and raised over £150 - please keep bringing them in!

The Shrove Tuesday Soup & Pancake Lun Pancake Lunch was very well supported and much enjoyed by all. Thanks to all who helped in any way.



Sue going for the Pancake Tossing Record at the Shrove Tuesday Soup & Pancake Lunch

Derbyshire Refugee Solidarity need bikes (adult), cases and guitars!

They have specifically asked for guitars, bicycles, suitcases / holdalls. All items can be left at the Team Office or call Rod and Caroline on 01629 540475 for bike collection.

Jigsaw Foodbank - What we need!

Coffee

Tins of Meat & Fish, Chopped Tomatoes

Custard, Rice Pudding and Biscuits

What we don't need!

X Pasta

X Breakfast Cereals/Porridge Oats

X Packets / Tins of Beans & Pulses

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, is to visit the Diocese of Derby on Saturday 13 April

for a day of prayer across Derbyshire. The archbishop will pray with people of all ages, from across the diocese during the day.

He will be accompanied some of his team from Lambeth Palace, including members of the Community of St Anselm. The day begins in Chesterfield and finishes at Derby.



The archbishop comes to pray with and for the people of the whole diocese. In a wide variety of contexts reflecting the diversity of the County, City and region. There will be opportunities to explore a range of prayer types. Archbishop Justin will be praying on a farm, alongside a foodbank, from a hilltop, in a marketplace, with a recent church-plant, and finally joining a Prayer Day hosted at Derby Cathedral.

The Diocese of Derby is committed to living out its vision of the Kingdom of God: good news for all, and through this day of prayer with Archbishop Justin will reflect the diocesan aims to deepen relationships with God, serve local communities, challenge injustice, and make new disciples.

There is an open invitation to an all-age prayer and picnic event at lunchtime with Archbishop Justin at Crich Tower, from which (on a fine day!) there is a glorious view in every direction looking out across much of the county and towards the city. People of all ages, as households, in groups, or coming alone are invited to register by Eventbrite

The archbishop will finally be joining Derby Cathedral's Day of Prayer at around 4.15pm. The Cathedral will provide prayer stations for people to engage with around the building. The archbishop will join in those activities and participate in an informal prayer.

Annual Parochial Church Meetings

At our APCMs we thank God for all that has happened and trust God for all that is yet to come. We also authorise those who will be our Church Wardens, be members of our PCCs, and be the secretaries and treasurers for our PCCs.

These are important times and vital roles, and there will be many vacancies to be filled. Please prayerfully consider if this is a way in which you could serve your local church. For further information please speak to Rev Neil or your Church Warden.

7th April - Alderwasley at 12noon

14th April - Bonsall at 12noon and Idridgehay at 7pm

21st April - Wirksworth after the 9.30am Morning Service

28th April - Elton at 12noon and Middleton at 12noon ,

30th April - Bradbourne at 11am

5th May - Carsington at 11am

16th May - Brassington at 7pm

Services in April 2024

Sunday 7th Easter 2

Brassington:	9.30am	Eucharist with James Francis
Kirk Ireton:	9.30am	Eucharist with Arthur Champion
Wirksworth:	9.30am	Eucharist with Keith Orford
Alderwasley:	11am	Eucharist with Rod Prince
Bradbourne:	11am	Eucharist with James Francis
Carsington:	11am	Eucharist with Keith Orford
Wirksworth:	6pm	Evensong with James Francis

Sunday 14th Easter 3

Bonsall:	9.30am	Eucharist with Neil Griffiths
Brassington:	9.30am	Morning Worship with Brassington Lay Team
Elton:	9.30am	Eucharist with Keith Orford
Wirksworth:	9.30am	Eucharist with Rod Prince
Idridgehay:	11am	Eucharist with Rod Prince
Middleton:	11am	Morning Worship with Liz Thomas

Sunday 21st Easter 4

Brassington:	9.30am	Eucharist with Rod Prince
Wirksworth:	9.30am	Eucharist with Neil Griffiths
Alderwasley:	11am	Morning Worship with Liz Thomas
Bradbourne:	11am	Eucharist with Rod Prince
Wirksworth:	6pm	Evensong with Martin Hulbert
Kirk Ireton:	6.30pm	Evening Prayer with Neil Griffiths

Sunday 28th Easter 5

Bonsall:	9.30am	Eucharist with Rod Prince
Elton:	9.30am	Eucharist with Neil Griffiths
Wirksworth:	9.30am	Eucharist with James Francis & Martin Hulbert
Idridgehay:	11am	Eucharist with James Francis
Middleton:	11am	Eucharist with Rod Prince
Kirk Ireton:	6.30pm	Evening Worship at the Methodist Chapel

To join an online zoom service:

Morning Prayer at 9am & Evening Prayer at 5pm daily - except for Bank holidays.

This is the link for all of our online services: <https://zoom.us/j/2732241372>

Those without internet access can join the service using a landline by calling:

0208 080 6591, then keying in the host / meeting number: 2732 241 372#

followed by keying # again, then waiting to be connected to the meeting.



Churches Together Monthly Ecumenical Communion

A shared communion service is held on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 10am to experience liturgies and practices from our different traditions.

On Wednesday 24th April it will be held at Wellspring - all are welcome.

The Registers for March 2024

Baptism

Sun 3rd MATILDA ROSE JONES Kirk Ireton

Holy Burial, Cremation, Memorial or Burial of Ashes

Thu 7th	MARY SHORT	89	Kirk Ireton
Fri 8th	RAYMOND POWELL (Ray)	86	Brassington
Thu 21st	MARILYN NORMA WHEELDON	80	Alderwasley
Fri 22nd	ANDREW TORR (Andy)	64	Wirksworth

Prayers for revival and growth in 2024

You are invited to join Revd. Neil in St. Mary's Wirksworth at 6pm each Friday, Over 30 to 45 minutes we will: sing, pray and speak, that the churches across our town and team area will see growth and revival, in both faith and numbers. All are welcome. Please note: **the next prayer group will be held on Friday 12th April.**

**“This is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what is best,
Philippians 1:9**

**Wirksworth Team Ministry within the Carsington Deanery
in Derby Diocese**

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Website: www.wirksworthteamministry.co.uk

For details of our clergy team, Church Wardens and other parish contacts please contact the Team Office or go to the Wirksworth Team Ministry website.

The deadline for the May issue of Team Talk is Monday 22nd April

Please forward any articles and photos to the Team Office,
Any comments and suggestions for additional items are most welcome.
