

Clergy Mailing - August 2015

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The world at its worst needs the church to be at its best

Bishop Paul Williams was invited to write an article for the Nottingham Post on his vision for the future. Here is what he wrote:

Someone once said that ‘vision is a picture of the future that produces passion’. That’s why I’m thrilled to have come to a diocese that is working tirelessly in every part of the county with a compelling vision for our society today. The world at its worst needs the church to be at its best.

In the days to come I am so looking forward to determining how we can make an even bigger difference through the dynamic life of all the 320 churches of the diocese. I dream of a society...

Where younger people are more hopeful

We are already making a distinctive contribution through our 71 church schools across the county, and engaged in many non-faith schools too. I will be a passionate advocate for the teaching profession – it’s an



Bishop Paul Williams, pictured with pupils and head teacher Clare Harding during a visit to Asquith Primary School, Mansfield, said he wants young people to have a more hopeful future.

extraordinary vocation, but teachers need our support, along with parents, to continue raising aspirations and nurturing a new generation of leaders who will achieve great things for the common good.

Where older people are greatly cherished

We need to redefine the value we place on people in later stages of life. We risk squandering far too much wisdom and experience as many are left feeling isolated,

especially if they are living alone. In an age when youth and beauty

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Fifteen ordained by new Bishop of Southwell & Nottingham, the Rt Revd Paul Williams

A theatre director – formerly a verger at Southwell Minster - a physics teacher and a Church Army Officer were among the people being ordained by the newly enthroned Bishop of Southwell & Nottingham as Priests and Deacons in the Church of England.

The Rt Revd Paul Williams ordained the six Priest candidates in Southwell Minster at Petertide - on Saturday, 4th July, at 5pm, and the nine Deacon candidates on Sunday, 5th July, at 11am.

The nine Deacons are:

JAMES PACEY is married to Rachael and is serving his title with the Revd Canon Kathryn Herrod at Hucknall team Ministry.

ANDY TUFNELL is married to Claire and they have two little girls: Bethany, 3 years old, and Grace, 7 months. Andy is serving his title with the Revd Mark Fraser at St Luke's, Gamston & Bridgford.

WENDY BRADLEY is serving her title with The Revd Jon Hutchinson at Aspley.

KIRSTINE BUCHAN is married to Ian and they have two grown children, Jamie (23) and Ben (20). Kirstine is serving her title with Mark and Carolyn Gilmore, Lay Missioners at Radford All Souls and St Peter.



Deacons, L to R: Andy Tufnell, Jennie Sharpe, James Pacey, Mina Munns, Kirstine Buchan, Wendy Bradley, Denise Watkinson, Emma Ineson (Retreat Leader), Tom Devas, Ben Clayton.



Priests, L to R: Emma Ineson (Retreat Leader), Mark Orr, Rob Wiggins, Jane Walker, Luiz Lima, Cora Yarrien, Mary A'Herne Smith

BEN CLAYTON is serving his title with The Revd John Allister at Nottingham, St Jude.

TOM DEVAS is married to Emily and they have a little boy, Joel (1). Tom will be serving his title with The Revd Henry Curran at Wollaton Park.

MINA MUNNS is serving her title with The Revd Fiona Shouler at Selston with Westwood.

JENNIE SHARPE lives with her two teenage children, Charlie (15) and Molly (14). She is serving her title with The Revd Canon Mark Adams at Mansfield St John with St Mary.

DENISE WATKINSON is married to Paul and they have one grown up daughter, Naomi. She is serving her title with The Revd Clive Burrows at Hyson Green and Forest Fields.

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Communicators gather to share ideas – and supper

The benefits, the joys, and the occasional tribulations of being a Church Communicator were shared during a gathering at Jubilee House.

Communicators from across the diocese met for supper, to share ideas and to look at ways of working more closely with the diocesan communications team.

They were thanked for all the work they do by Director of Communications Richard Ellis, who then discussed the importance of communication and why parishes benefit from having a communications strategy.

He told the group that good communication supported the mission of the Church and helped to counteract the negative publicity that sometimes appeared in the media; as well as being able to respond to media inquiries it was also important to spread the good news about church activities in the community, and the many projects that helped people who were vulnerable, lonely, hungry, or struggling with mental health problems.

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Rejoicing in the worldwide work of Mothers' Union

More than 1600 people attended the General Meeting of Mother's Union, which was held in Nottingham for the first time, at the city's Royal Concert Hall. About 180 attended from the Diocese of Southwell & Nottingham.



Diocesan President, Lucille Porter said: "It was a lively, informative day on the theme of 'Turning faith into Action'. We received an update on the work of Mothers' Union worldwide through parenting programmes, literacy projects, new ideas for community development and a challenge from Bishop Tony to keep sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ."

Bishop Tony commented: "As Bishop of Sherwood I thank God for the passion of Mothers' Union for family life, including those families going through struggles."

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The six Priests are:

MARY A'HERNE-SMITH is married to Simon and they have two children. She is serving her title with the Revd David James at St Mary Magdalene's in Sutton in Ashfield.

ROB WIGGINS is married to Cynthia and they have one married daughter, Emily, and one granddaughter. Rob is serving his title with the Revd Wayne Plimmer at St John the Baptist, Beeston

LUIZ LIMA is married to Jessica and they have two sons, Nathan (3) and baby Sebastian. Luiz is serving his title with the Revd Simon Cash at Worksop St Anne & Norton Cuckney.

MARK ORR is married to Nicola and they have two children, a grown up daughter Annika and a son David (14). He is serving his title with the Revd Anne Noble at Clifton Team Ministry.

JANE WALKER is married to Bill and they have 3 children, Holly (18), Joel (17) and Samuel (15). Jane is serving her title with the Revd Canon Sylvia Griffiths at Sherwood St Martin.

CORA YARRIEN is married to John, a Methodist Minister. She is serving her title with the Revd Anthony Giles at Woodborough, Gonalston, Oxton and Epperstone.

Time Travelling Parishes

Southwell Minster education team are keen to support parishes in delivering Time Travelling pilgrimages for schools at parish churches - however small or large, old or new! We really enjoy getting out into parishes and helping to plan and run events with the local church community and during this year we have been involved in events in parishes churches involving over 500 children in total. We continue to be involved in a number of events from supporting planning to leading activities and worship.



We also have a good range of resources and bank of activity ideas which parishes are able to borrow for their events. including child - size vestments, a range of crosses, patens and chalices and resources for prayer activities.

We would like to gather an idea of how many parishes are doing a Time Travelling event on a regular basis. So if your church does a Time Travelling event then we would be grateful if you could let us know your parish church, the number of children involved and when in the year your event takes place.

If your parish is interested in holding a Time Travelling event then please do contact:

Emma, Diana or Matt
Jubilee House, Westgate, Southwell NG25 0JH. 01636 817993
education@southwelminster.org.uk

Seeking nativity figures

St Giles Church, Edingley are having a Christmas Crib made and are now seeking nativity figures. The figures (ceramic rather than wood) should be approximately 9" in height.

If any church in the Diocese has a spare set they would be willing to sell please be in touch with:

Sally Compton – 01623 883277

Racial Justice Weekend

SATURDAY

12TH SEPTEMBER
St Stephen's & St Paul's
Church, Hyson Green

Workshops 10am-3pm

- The cost of being a Christian in Pakistan
 - Lack of Rights of Christian Women in Pakistan
 - Issues Providing the Burden of Proof in the UK
 - Say No to Hate Crime
- Hot lunch included
 £5 contribution, unwaged £2

Keynote speaker:
Dr Roda Madziva

SUNDAY

13TH SEPTEMBER
Calvary Family Church UK
Old Northern Baths
Vernon Road
Nottingham, NG6 0BD
Hosted by Revd Pastor Thipa

Keynote speaker:
Sonia Aslam

Worship with Freddie Kofi, The Calvary's Malawian Choir, The Rainbow Choir, music and songs from Pakistan, dance Ministry Group at Calvary Family Church.

Further details:
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07917674680
email: dskerritt@southwell.anglican.org

Prayerdiary

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In September we pray for. . .

- Tue 01 Sep** **Bilborough, St John the Baptist; Bilborough, St Martin of Tours with Strelley, All Saints (Mandy Cartwright, Dan Corcoran, Gill Hall)**
Seychelles - (Indian Ocean) The Rt Revd James Wong Yin Song
- Wed 02 Sep** **Bulwell St John, St John the Divine (David Gray & Bob Stephens)**
Sheffield - (York, England) The Rt Revd Steven Croft
Sheffield - Doncaster - (York, England) The Rt Revd Peter Burrows
- Thu 03 Sep** **Rampton Hospital, Retford (Vacant)**
Shinyanga - (Tanzania) The Rt Revd Charles Ngusa
- Fri 04 Sep** **Bulwell St Mary, St Mary the Virgin All Souls, St Mary's Church of England Primary Nursery School (Vacant: Area Dean: Elisabeth Snowden; Lay Chairs: Anne Walters & Sue Dunster; Churchwardens: Elizabeth Dyer, Martin Walton)**
Shyira - (Rwanda) The Rt Revd Dr Laurent Mbanda
- Sat 05 Sep** **Cinderhill, Christ Church (Phil Thomas)**
Shyogwe - (Rwanda) The Rt Revd Jered Kalimba
- Sun 06 Sep** **The Chancellor of the Diocese (Linda Box)**
Sialkot - (Pakistan) The Rt Revd Alwin Samuel
Evangelical Lutheran Church in Finland: Diocese of Turku, Archbishop Kari Mäkinen, Bishop Kaarlo Kalliala
- Mon 07 Sep** **Kimberley, Holy Trinity (Barbara Holbrook)**
Singapore - (South East Asia) The Rt Revd Rennis Ponniah

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- Tue 08 Sep** **Nuthall, St Patrick (Barbara Holbrook)**
Sittwe - (Myanmar) The Rt Revd Dr James Dein
- Wed 09 Sep** **Sherwood, St Martin (Sylvia Griffiths, Jane Walker)**
Sodor & Man - (York, England) The Rt Revd Robert Paterson
- Thu 10 Sep** **Director of Parish Support for the Diocese, Fraser McNish and his colleagues**
Sokoto - (Kaduna, Nigeria) The Rt Revd Augustin Omole
- Fri 11 Sep** **Awsorth, St Peter; Cossall, St Catherine; Trowell, St Helen; Trowell
Church School (Andrew Lord, Paul Whitehead, Brenda Brown)**
Soroti - (Uganda) The Rt Revd George Erwau
- Sat 12 Sep** **Wollaton, St Leonard (Tim Pullen)**
South Ankole - (Uganda) The Rt Revd Nathan Ahimbisibwe
- Sun 13 Sep** **Racial Justice Sunday - Dianne Skerritt (Diversity Officer)**
South Dakota - (VII, The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd John Tarrant
*Evangelical Lutheran Church in Denmark: Diocese of Ribe, Bishop Elof
Westergaard*
- Mon 14 Sep** **NOTTINGHAM SOUTH DEANERY (Area Dean: Karen Rooms; Lay Chair:
Robert Cleave)**
South Kerala - (South India) The Rt Revd Dharmaraj Rasalam
- Tue 15 Sep** **Attenborough, St Mary the Virgin (Jonathan Smithurst)**
South Rwenzori - (Uganda) The Rt Revd Jackson Nzerebende
- Wed 16 Sep** **Beeston, St John the Baptist (Wayne Plimmer, Rob Wiggins)**
South West Tanganyika - (Tanzania) The Rt Revd Matthew Mhagama
- Thu 17 Sep** **Chaplains amongst Deaf People (Susan Bloomfield)**
The Most Revd Francisco De Assis Da Silva Primate of Brazil & Bishop of South-
Western Brazil
- Fri 18 Sep** **Bramcote, St Michael and All Angels; Bramcote Primary School (Paul Reynolds)**
Southeast Florida - (IV, The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Leopold Frade
Southeast Florida - (IV, The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Peter Eaton
- Sat 19 Sep** **Carrington, St John the Evangelist (John Tomlinson)**
Southeastern Mexico - (Mexico) The Rt Revd Benito Juarez-Martinez
- Sun 20 Sep** **Retired Clergy (David Edinborough, Chaplain to the Retired Clergy and Widows'
Officer)**
Southern Brazil - (Brazil) The Rt Revd Humberto Maiztegue

In September we pray for. . .

- Mon 21 Sep** **Chilwell, Christ Church; Inham Nook, St Barnabas (Alan Howe, Liam O'Boyle, Sonia Barron)**
Southern Highlands - (Tanzania) The Rt Revd John Mwela
- Tue 22 Sep** **Hyson Green & Forest Fields, St Stephen with St Paul (Clive Burrows, Denise Watkinson)**
Southern Nyanza - (Kenya) The Rt Revd James Ochiel
- Wed 23 Sep** **Lenton Abbey, St Barnabas (Alan Howe)**
Southern Philippines - (Philippines) The Rt Revd Danilo Bustamante
- Thu 24 Sep** **Lenton, Priory Church of St Anthony; Holy Trinity (Megan Smith)**
Southwark - (Canterbury, England) The Rt Revd Christopher Chessun
Southwark - Croydon - (Canterbury, England) The Rt Revd Johnathan Clark
Southwark - Kingston - (Canterbury, England) The Rt Revd Richard Cheetham
Southwark - Woolwich - (Canterbury, England) The Rt Revd Michael Ipgrave
- Fri 25 Sep** **Nottingham All Saints, St Mary & St Peter (Christopher Harrison, Richard Davey)**
Southwell & Nottingham - (York, England) The Rt Revd Paul Williams
Southwell & Nottingham - Sherwood - (York, England) The Rt Revd Tony Porter
- Sat 26 Sep** **Nottingham St Andrew (Claire Goode)**
Southwest Florida - (IV, The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Dabney Smith
- Sun 27 Sep** **St John's College, Bramcote (Principal: David Hilborn)**
Spokane - (IX, The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd James Waggoner
Church of Greenland: (Diocese of Greenland within the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Denmark) Bishop Sofie Petersen
- Mon 28 Sep** **Nottingham St Ann with Emmanuel (Karen Rooms, Nicky Fenton, Naomi Hill)**
Springfield - (VI, The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Daniel Martins
- Tue 29 Sep** **Nottingham St George with St John the Baptist (Colin Rushforth)**
St Albans - (Canterbury, England) The Rt Revd Alan Smith
St Albans - Bedford - (Canterbury, England) The Rt Revd Richard Atkinson
St Albans - Hertford - (Canterbury, England) The Revd Canon Dr Michael Beasley
- Wed 30 Sep** **Nottingham St Jude (John Allister, Ben Clayton)**
St Asaph - (Wales) The Rt Revd Gregory Cameron
St David's - (Wales) The Rt Revd Wyn Evans

World links news - Holy Land

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Coddington C of E School and St John's School, Haifa Partnership Visit

Emma Anderton, Cathedral Education Officer, writes:

I travelled with Tamsin Caputa, head teacher of Coddington C of E Primary School, to visit St John's Episcopal School, Haifa, to grow a school partnership as part of the Diocesan Holy Lands Link.

This followed a visit to Newark and Coddington by Canon Hatem Shehadeh, priest of St John's, Haifa and Mr Wajeeh Awad, retired principal of St John's School, in November 2014. Haifa is the third largest city in Israel, built on the slopes of Mount Carmel and cascading down to the Mediterranean Sea. It is home to the World Centre of the Baha'i faith, while at the top of Mount Carmel, Elijah's cave with basilica provides a focal point for Christian visitors.

Tamsin and I spent two days in the school, which has children from nursery to eight grade, meeting with the head teacher and English teachers to discuss how we might develop the link through videos and photos of our homes and schools. St John's School is an experimental school as it is developing an 'Education for Peace' programme, which we plan to share with the children in Coddington.



We were welcomed into the homes of our hosts and met their wider families, giving us an opportunity to deepen our friendships and learn about life in Haifa. A phrase we heard many times from our Christian Arab friends was 'a minority within a minority' - an Arab minority in the country and as Christians, a minority amongst the Arab community.

Memorial Day for Israel's fallen soldiers followed by Independence Day, fell during our stay - so sirens were heard on the evening of 21st April to mark the start of Memorial Day and while in school the next day a siren went off at 11am signaling two minutes' silence, creating an awkward hiatus as staff and students were respectful to yet not part of the memorial. The eighth grade students were passionate for us to share the message that they are peace loving people, whether Christian or Muslim.



We visited Nazareth - including the Mary of Nazareth Centre, a new multi-media visitor attraction built over an archaeological site with a beautiful chapel and gardens. We also visited Cana and Ceasarea with its fabulous amphitheatre.

On Saturday we travelled to Tiberias and the Sea of Galilee, spending Sunday morning visiting churches and sites around the northern edge of the lake. We then went around the lake, finishing at Yardenit baptismal site on the River Jordan. In the evening we went to the service at St Andrew's Church of Scotland where we were instantly welcome - Tamsin played the piano and I was invited to read.

For further details about the Holy Land link contact:
David Lane,
email: lane@waitrose.com

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Growing Disciples

Training for Ministry & Mission - September 2015

23rd, 30th, September

7th October, 21st, 4th, 11th November

Lay Ministry Lite – Preaching Training

Perhaps your vicar has encouraged you to speak in a service, or maybe members of the PCC have said they feel you have a gift for interpreting scripture. If you feel you may be called to preach in your church setting, this may be a good starting point to test the waters. This 6-session course is for those who may be asked by their parish priest to step out of the pew and into the pulpit. It offers an introduction to preaching looking at why we preach, who we are preaching to and different styles of preaching; we look at scripture in its context, biblical interpretation, and how we relate that to 21st century themes; we offer guidance on the use of the lectionary in writing and evaluating a sermon; the sermon in worship; preaching at All-Age Worship....and more. Each session will consist of theory, discussion and practice.

The 'Lay-Lite courses are titled 'lite' by virtue of their being short in length rather than 'lite' in content or indeed depth.

That is because we do need to ensure that participants gain sufficient insight and learning to enable them to begin to practice their skills within their church contexts. If you are interested in attending this course, please speak with your parish priest in the first instance, and then book your place.

Led by Julia Jesson

7-9pm

Jubilee House, Southwell

Contact: Catriona Gundlach

01636 817232, email: catriona@southwell.anglican.org

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The Communicators contributed their own thoughts and ideas and one suggestion that is now being explored is the setting up of an information sharing portal to encourage the exchange of ideas.

The network of Church Communicators in Southwell & Nottingham helps to distribute news and information around the parishes, liaises with the communications team, and sometimes the Press.

If you want more information about the role contact Richard Ellis at richard.ellis@southwell.anglican.org



24th October 2015

**Singing Day
at
Launde Abbey:
The Singing Community**

A day exploring the songs of communities around the world – those who live, work, pray, and journey together – and what they can teach us about how we journey together from Lent through to Easter and beyond ...

Singing days are open to everyone with a love of singing – whether you are a choir member, a worship leader, or just the lively voice from the back pew, you are very welcome!

Singing Days aim to broaden the repertoire of congregational song, and whether you are keen to be resourced for your church back home, or whether you just want to come and sing for a day, you are very welcome.

Price: £20 per person per day, including coffee, lunch and tea

**For more information and to book, contact:
Launde Abbey
01572 717254
email: info@launde.org.uk
www.laundeabbey.org.uk**

What's On

Items to be included in What's On for Nifty Notes should be sent to Nicola Mellors at nicola@southwell.anglican.org

in August

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| to 23 | Landscape Photography Exhibition Opening in the Nave, Southwell Minster. Admission free |
| 5 | Heritage Campers in and around Southwell Minster. |
| 7 | Lunchtime at the Cathedral A Celebration of Anthony Trollope. 12.15-1pm, Southwell Minster. Sandwiches and refreshments available in the South Transept before the concert. Free admission, retiring collection. |
| 12 | Southwell Minster Organ Recital – Simon Hogan (Southwell Cathedral). Southwell Music Festival Organ Recital. 7.30pm, Quire. Admission £8 (£6 concessions) at the door. |
| 17 | Family Summer Learning/Fun Day. 11am-3.30pm in the Archbishop's Palace, State Chamber and Education garden. Admission free all welcome small charge for materials. |
| 21 | Lunchtime at the Cathedral – Bergedorfer Kammerchor (chamber choir, North Germany). 12.15-1pm, Southwell Minster. Sandwiches and refreshments available in the South Transept before the concert. Free admission, retiring collection. |
| 27-31 | Southwell Music Festival - top quality classical music in the historic surroundings of Southwell Minster, the State Chamber and elsewhere performed by leading young professional musicians and up-and-coming local performers http://www.southwellmusicfestival.com |
| 28 | Lunchtime at the Cathedral - Mercian Piano Trio (as part of the Southwell Music Festival) 12.15-1pm, Southwell Minster. Sandwiches and refreshments available in the South Transept before the concert. Free admission, retiring collection. |
| 29-31 | Festival of Flowers, All Saints' Church, Misterton, 10am-4pm each day. Free entry; programmes £1.50. Hog roast follows on Bank Holiday Monday, Church Room and grounds, 6.30pm. Tickets £3.50 adults, £4 children. |
| 31 | Southwell Minster Organ Recital – Daniel Cook (Westminster Abbey). 3.30pm, Nave. Admission Free, collection to cover costs. |
| 31 | Minster Tower Tours - Climb the 110 foot central tower, visit the bells, ringing chamber and see the view from the top. (weather dependant) from the South Transept. Tours start on the hour from 10am and take approx 45 minutes. Children over 7 must be accompanied by an adult (no children under 7 years). Adults £3.50, Children £2.50 |
| 31 | The Historic Chapter Library Opening, Southwell Minster, 10.30am-3.30pm. |

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| 5 | Sacrista Prebend Quiet Day 'The way we live now...' - Penny Young. 10am-4pm at Sacrista Prebend Retreat House. Starts at 9.45am with coffee and ends with tea at 3.45pm. Hot drinks are provided all day - please bring your own sandwiches. A donation of £20 is requested. Further details: 01636 816833 or email: sacrista_prebend@btinternet.com , www.sacristaprebend.wordpress.com |
| 11 | Rugby World Cup Quiz. 7pm, Ellerslie Cricket Club, Little Bounds, Wilford Lane, West Bridgford, NG2 7QA. A fun quiz night using rugby as the theme but not remotely all about rugby! To mark England's hosting of the World Cup, invite your friends for a fun general knowledge quiz evening including a short introduction to the Christian faith. Buffet provided |

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- and bar available. Enter a team of about 4-6 or join a team on the night. To book and for more information, contact Sport Ambassador Rob Taylor, email: rob.taylor@southwell.anglican.org or 07775 6876. www.ministryofsport.org.uk
- 11** Lunchtime at the Cathedral – Laretta Bloomer (piano). 12.15-1pm, Southwell Minster. Sandwiches and refreshments available in the South Transept before the concert. Free admission, retiring collection.
- 12-13** Racial Justice Weekend - Sat 12th, St Stephen's & St Paul's Church, Hyson Green. Workshops 10am-3pm. Hot lunch included, £5 contribution, unwaged £2. Keynote speaker: Dr Roda Madziva. Sun 13th, 6pm, Calvary Family church UK, Old Northern Baths, Vernon Road, Nottingham, NG6 0BD. Hosted by Revd Pastor Thipa. Keynote speaker: Sonia Aslam. Worship with Freddie Kofi, The Calvary's Malawian Choir, The Rainbow Choir, music and songs from Pakistan, dance Ministry Group at Calvary Family Church. Further details: Dianne Skerritt 07917674680, email: ds Kerritt@southwell.anglican.org
- 13** Music in the Great Hall 2015 - The Cecilian Singers. The State Chamber of the Archbishop's Palace, Southwell Minster. 7.30pm, refreshments served from 7pm. Admission free (no reservations) with a retiring collection. Further information & mailing list: migh@southwellminster.org.uk
- 16** Southwell Minster Organ Recital – Geoffrey Morgan (Christchurch Priory). 7.30pm, Quire. Admission £8 (£6 concessions) at the door.
- 17** The Sixteen Choral Pilgrimage Pre-Concert Talk 7pm. Conductor Harry Christophers. Works by Francisco Guerrero and Alonso Lobo. 7.30pm, Southwell Minster. Tickets from the Cathedral Shop 01636 812 933.
- 18** Lunchtime at the Cathedral – Southwell Choral Society. 12.15-1pm, Southwell Minster. Sandwiches and refreshments available in the South Transept before the concert. Free admission, retiring collection.
- 18-12 Oct** Art Exhibition Ian Scott Massie – Southwell Minster
- 26** Sacrista Prebend Quiet Day 'A People of the Thanksgiving' – David Picken. 10am-4pm at Sacrista Prebend Retreat House. Starts at 9.45am with coffee and ends with tea at 3.45pm. Hot drinks are provided all day - please bring your own sandwiches. A donation of £20 is requested. Further details: 01636 816833 or email: sacrista_prebend@btinternet.com , www.sacristaprebend.wordpress.com

Southwell Minster Tower Tours

Climb the 110 foot central tower, visit the bells, ringing chamber and see the view from the top.

Bank Holiday Monday 31st August (weather dependant) from the South Transept. Tours start on the hour from 10am and take approx 45 minutes. Children over 7 must be accompanied by an adult (no children under 7 years).

Adults £3.50, Children £2.50.



Please note the deadline for the September 2015 issue of Nifty Notes is: 12TH AUGUST 2015

Comings and Goings. . . Comings and Goings. . . Comings and Goings

The Revd Carol Dunk, SSM Assistant Curate at Tuxford with Weston and Markham Clinton in the Diocese of Southwell and Nottingham to be SSM Associate Priest in the parish of Ollerton with Boughton in the same Diocese with effect from 1 August.

The Revd Lillian Heptinstall, Associate Priest, Chilwell with Inham Nook, in the Diocese of Southwell and Nottingham, will be retiring as from 6 September 2015.

The Revd Philip William White, Priest in Charge (0.5) of St James with Holy Trinity, Scarborough and Priest in Charge (0.5) Cayton with Eastfield, Scarborough in the Diocese of York to be Priest in Charge of The West Trent Group (Thurgarton with Hoveringham and Bleasby with Halloughton and Rolleston with Fiskerton, Morton and Upton) in the Diocese of Southwell and Nottingham. This is subject to the completion of legalities and enhanced DBS clearance. Licensing date: 7 October 2015 at Hoveringham.

The Revd Timothy William Pownall-Jones, Associate Priest in the Bassetlaw & Bawtry Deanery in the Diocese of Southwell to be also Healthcare Chaplain at Rampton Hospital one day per week (7.5 hours) and one Sunday per month (7.5 hours) on an honorary contract in the same Diocese. Licensing: 24 September 2015, 12noon at Rampton.

The Revd Martyn Clifford Alvey, currently Vicar at Christ Church, Worksop and Priest-in-Charge at St Luke's Shireoaks in the Diocese of Southwell and Nottingham to become Vicar in the new United Benefice of Worksop Christ Church and Shireoaks when this comes into effect on 1 July 2015. Licensing: 6.30pm on 19 July 2015 by the Ven David Picken, Archdeacon of Newark

The Revd Paul Andrew Savage, Assistant Curate in the benefice of Bawtry with Austerfield, Misson, Everton and Mattersey in the Diocese of Southwell and Nottingham to be Priest in Charge of the Ascension group in the Diocese of Leicester. Licensing details to follow.

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often rules supreme we must learn how to cherish our elders.

Where the poor have every opportunity to flourish

I've been inspired by some of the ways churches are moving beyond dispensing food and caring advice to creating schemes that support people in finding their way out of poverty. Mentoring through friendship is a vital ingredient in this, which includes fostering and adoption (something my own family have been blessed by sharing in).

Where the rich are abounding in generosity

In global terms most of us have resources we can share, whether financial or skills based. I believe our radical kindness and hospitality should extend without prejudice to migrants and refugees making a new home among us, some from very troubled parts of the world.

Where Jesus is attracting renewed attention

I believe there is nothing better anyone can do with their lives than become a follower of Jesus Christ. We will be bold and creative in making new opportunities for younger people to discover the extraordinary

freedom that comes in knowing you are dearly loved by God and designed for a purpose.

If this all sounds like an impossible dream, I'm reassured by the words of one of Nottinghamshire's visionaries, William Booth, founder of the Salvation Army: 'God loves with a great love the one whose heart is bursting with a passion for the impossible.' This county has a remarkable history of turning big visions into reality – I look forward to playing my part in the days to come.