

Clergy Mailing - September 2017

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Encouraging news as churches seek to grow disciples

As things gear up for the autumn programmes in our churches, it's been encouraging to hear of all that has already been happening throughout the year so far, as parishes have been involved in Growing Disciples wider younger deeper. Many churches are well on their way to fulfilling their Advent Commitments for the year and others have plans for the months ahead.

Archbishop Justin Welby has said that 'any church that leaves things to the 'professionals' is committing missionary suicide... The responsibility of demonstrating in word and works the love of Jesus Christ, in a way that is deeply attractive is the responsibility of every single Christian. Always. Everywhere.'

You can find help from the Department of Discipleship and Ministry to fulfil your calling of becoming disciple-making disciples and we're running a series of training events in each archdeaconry to equip you. There are a couple of things that people



might find useful to come to as a small group from your parish; the first is an evening looking at how you can reach out to your neighbours and do the simple thing of 'demonstrating in word and works the love of Jesus'.

These will be held on on: Tuesday 26th Sept at 7:30pm at Christ Church, Worksop, S81 0XS, and Thursday 28th Sept at 7:30pm at St Luke's Church, Gamston, NG2 6GL.

As you engage with people they'll want to find out more; so we're also leading two more

evenings on how best to set up and run a nurture group in your

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 **THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND**

Diocese of Southwell & Nottingham

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I don't expect anyone to fall to their knees and ask Jesus into their lives because they have seen me bake a cheese soufflé

When the new series of *Celebrity MasterChef* starts, among the contestants will be the Revd Kate Bottley, saucepan in hand, dog collar on, battling it out in the heat of the kitchen to impress presenters John Torode and Gregg Wallace.

But for Kate, appearing in the BBC series is not just about winning; while determined to do well, and at least not go out in the first round, she believes appearing on the show is part of her calling.



"I feel it is as much a part of my ministry as conducting a funeral or a wedding. I don't expect anyone to fall to their knees and ask Jesus into their lives because they have seen me bake a cheese soufflé but I am on there because I am a priest and it is about changing perceptions.

"Many people will never set foot in a church, but I just want people to realise that I am a normal person and perhaps to feel a little bit warmer about faith and find it just that bit easier to walk through the door.

"There is a weight to representing the Christian faith and the Church but Christians are representing Jesus all the time, I'm just doing it on a bigger scale, though it's easier to maintain for a TV programme than it is in everyday life."

Kate, who is an Associate Priest in the Retford Area Team Ministry, first came to the attention of the media world when a video of her leading a flashmob dance at a wedding went viral and was seen by millions of people. Since then she has appeared on Gogglebox as well as presenting *Pause for Thought* on the Chris Evans breakfast show, *Songs of Praise*, and her own show, *The Sunday Hour*, on Radio 2 at 6am.

She said she loved her time on *Celebrity MasterChef*, which will be broadcast on BBC1, starting on 16th August: "I really enjoyed it. I

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context. This will be full of helpful advice and give you a chance to see what courses might help where you are. These will be held on:

Monday 23rd Nov at 7:30pm at St Jude's, Mapperley, NG3 5EJ, and Thursday 23rd Nov at 7:30pm at St Saviour's Retford, DN22 6QW

To book on any of the above courses contact Catriona Gundlach
catriona@southwell.anglican.org
 or Tel: 01636 817232

It's exciting to announce for the coming school year that we are helping deaneries put on Generate youth events for worship, prayer and teaching.

We have two new ones in Bassetlaw and Bawtry & Newark and Southwell deaneries to add to the successful ones in Newstead and Nottingham.

If you have any young people who'd like to attend more details can be obtained from David.Keetley@southwell.anglican.org

Do be in touch with us if there is anything you'd like our help with.

The Revd Canon Dr Richard Kellett
Director of Discipleship & Ministry

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A time of prayer and reflection... and new ideas

The Archdeacon of Newark, the Venerable David Picken, is taking a sabbatical during which time he will visit centres of prayer and mission in this country and abroad.



He starts this month when, in tune with the diocesan vision of Growing Disciples Wider Younger Deeper, his first port of call will be the Taize community, in Burgundy, France, which is an important site of Christian pilgrimage, with a focus on youth.

He will return to work in September and recommence his sabbatical in November and December when he will visit, among others, the Ffald y Brenin retreat in North Pembrokeshire, the Shrine at Walsingham, and the Society of Mary and Martha, a Christian retreat and education resource near to Exeter.

“I am hoping it will be a time of rest, reflection and restoration,” said David. “I’m not working but I will be looking to bring back new ideas to the diocese. It will also be a time to catch up with family and friends.

“Our vision is rooted in prayer and I will have the time to reflect on that; sometimes we are very busy doing things and part of this time will be about creating time to listen to God. It’s a good idea for anyone exploring faith to occasionally step aside.

“I am very grateful to colleagues who will be covering for me while I am away, enabling me to go.”

Have you considered fostering a child?

An information evening for people who want to explore the idea of fostering a child will be held at **St Paul’s Church, Boundary Road, West Bridgford, on Monday 2nd October.**

Bishop Paul Williams and his wife Sarah, who have previously fostered a child, will be there along with representatives from the city council's fostering team. More information to follow.

News from Sacrista Prebend Retreat House:



A Quiet Space in the Heart of Southwell

Saturday 16th September 2017

Walking Pilgrimage to Southwell: Drawing water from the wells of salvation (or Holy wells)

led by Alison Milbank

From pagan times, springs and wells have been considered to be holy places, and have been visited for healing. After morning prayer at Sacrista, this day will offer an opportunity to walk the paths and lanes between Halloughton and Southwell, and to meditate on the role of water in the actual landscape as well as the spiritual life. We shall visit dew-ponds and the original south well and examine the feature so distinctive of this area: the dumble, which is a stream cutting between steep narrow banks, with a rich plant life.

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Church marks 50th anniversary of rebuild after fire

In 1963, a severe fire, started by schoolboys, destroyed the nave, roof and interior of the Parish Church of St Mary in Eastwood, leaving only the tower standing.

In 1967 the body of the church was rebuilt and 50 years later St Mary's is holding a celebration weekend - Friday 22nd to Sunday 24th September - to mark this special anniversary.

For the occasion, the building will be open to the public to view floral displays, church records and a special timeline presentation of activities and events held by the church over the past 50 years.

In addition to a special service of celebration and rededication by the Bishop of Sherwood, the Rt. Revd Tony Porter, the church will also host an evening choral concert by Eastwood Collieries Male Voice Choir and the Underwood Rock 'n' Soul Singers.

On Friday afternoon, Bishop Tony will meet children from the local schools and on Sunday, the 10:30am and 6:30pm services will bring the celebrations to a fitting conclusion with prayers for the church going forward and grateful thanks to God.

Programme of events

Friday 22nd September, 10am until noon: Church open to view floral displays, church records and presentation of activities and events over the past 50 years. Light refreshments available.

1:30pm until 2:30pm: Children from local schools meeting Bishop Tony and taking part in other activities.

7pm: Eastwood Collieries Male Voice Choir with the Underwood Rock 'n' Soul Singers.

Saturday 23rd September, 10am to 2:30pm: Church open for viewing of floral displays, church records and a time line presentation of activities and events over the past 50 years. Refreshments available.

3pm: A service of celebration and rededication with Bishop Tony.

Sunday 24th September, 10:30am: A special service open to everyone.

6pm: Holy Communion.

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There will be an opportunity to follow traditional Christian prayer practices at holy wells. Our pilgrimage will end at Southwell Minster, where we shall pray in the chapel on the site of the original holy well and baptistry, and then go on to Sacrista Prebend for afternoon tea. There will be approximately five miles of walking, in a mix of conversation and silence.

Please wear stout shoes/walking boots and bring a packed lunch and something for the rain.

The Revd. Professor Dr. Alison Milbank is Associate Professor of Literature and Theology in the Department of Theology and Religious Studies at Nottingham University. She is currently Priest Vicar at Southwell Minster, and will be installed as Canon Theologian in October.

The day will begin at Sacrista at 9.45am with coffee, and end at 3.30pm with tea and cake.

Please bring your own lunch and drinks for the walk. A donation of £20 is requested to cover the costs of the day.

For all enquiries and to book a place on this retreat, please contact:

**Sacrista Prebend,
4 Westgate
Southwell
Notts NG25 0JH.
Telephone 01636 816833
email sacrista_prebend@btinternet.com**

Prayerdiary

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In October we pray for. . .

- Sun 01 Oct** **Dedication Sunday – we give thanks for our church buildings praying that they may continually be a place of prayer and worship and welcome**
Southern Philippines - (Philippines) The Rt Revd Danilo Labacanacruz Bustamante
- Mon 02 Oct** **Lenton Abbey, St Barnabas (Richard Kellett, Jonny Hughes, Will Fouger)**
Southern Virginia - (III, The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Herman Hollerith
- Tue 03 Oct** **Lenton, Priory Church of St Anthony; Holy Trinity (Megan Smith, Michele Hampson)**
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 Karowei Dorgu
- Wed 04 Oct** **Nottingham All Saints, St Mary & St Peter (Christopher Harrison, Richard Davey)**
Southwell & Nottingham - (York, England) The Rt Revd Paul Gavin Williams
Southwell & Nottingham - Sherwood - (York, England) The Rt Revd Anthony Porter
- Thu 05 Oct** **SECTOR MINISTRIES: Workplace Chaplain (Jo Tatum)**
Southwest Florida - (IV, The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Dabney Smith
- Fri 06 Oct** **Nottingham St Andrew (Claire Goode)**
Southwestern Virginia - (III, The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Mark Allen Bourlakas
- Sat 07 Oct** **Nottingham St Ann with Emmanuel (Vacant: Area Dean: Steve Silvester; Lay Chair: Sue Holt; Clergy: Naomi Hill, Churchwardens: Daphne Sanford, David Staples)**
Spokane - (VIII, The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Gretchen Rehberg
Springfield - (V, The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Daniel Martins
- Sun 08 Oct** **In this Autumn period we give thanks for the beauty that surrounds us and pray that we may be good stewards of our earth**
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 Rt Revd Michael Beasley
Evangelical Lutheran Church in Denmark: Diocese of Haderslev, Bishop Marianne Christiansen
- Mon 09 Oct** **DIOCESAN CONFERENCE – pray for Dr Ruth Valero speaking in our first session this evening as we look at Gospel, Discipleship and Creation**
St Asaph - (Wales) The Rt Revd Gregory Cameron



In October we pray for. . .

- Tue 10 Oct** **DIOCESAN CONFERENCE – we pray for Revd Professor David Wilkinson speaking today and for small groups as they meet to pray and discuss issues**
St Davids - (Wales) The Rt Revd Joanna Penberthy
- Wed 11 Oct** **DIOCESAN CONFERENCE – we pray for Revd Chris Ash delivering his final bible reading on the psalms**
St Edmundsbury & Ipswich - (Canterbury, England) The Rt Revd Martin Seeley
St Edmundsbury & Ipswich - Dunwich - (Canterbury, England) The Rt Revd Michael Harrison
- Thu 12 Oct** **DIOCESAN STAFF: Diocesan Registrar, Amanda Redgate and her colleagues**
St Helena - (Southern Africa) The Rt Revd Richard Fenwick
St Mark the Evangelist - (Southern Africa) The Rt Revd Martin Breytenbach
- Fri 13 Oct** **Nottingham St George with St John the Baptist (Vacant: Area Dean: Steve Silvester; Lay Chair: Sue Holt; Churchwardens: Germaine Thomas, Barbara Jordan)**
Sunyani - (Ghana, West Africa) The Rt Revd Festus Yeboah-Asuamah
Tamale - (Ghana, West Africa) The Rt Revd Jacob Ayebo
- Sat 14 Oct** **Nottingham St Nicholas (Steve Silvester, Garreth Frank)**
Swansea & Brecon - (Wales) The Rt Revd John Davies
- Sun 15 Oct** **In this Harvest period we give thanks for all who produce our food**
Swaziland - (Southern Africa) The Rt Revd Ellinah Ntfombi Wamukoya
Church of Sweden: Diocese of Strängnäs, Bishop Johan Dalman
- Mon 16 Oct** **Nottingham St Saviour (Hannah Hall)**
Sydney - (New South Wales, Australia) The Most Revd Glenn Davies
Sydney - Liverpool - (New South Wales, Australia) The Rt Revd Peter Tasker
Sydney - North - (New South Wales, Australia) The Rt Revd Chris Edwards
Sydney - South - (New South Wales, Australia) The Rt Revd Robert Forsyth
Sydney - West - (New South Wales, Australia) The Rt Revd Ivan Lee
Sydney - Wollongong - (New South Wales, Australia) The Rt Revd Al Stewart
- Tue 17 Oct** **Radford All Souls; Radford St Peter (Mark Gilmore, Carolyn Gilmore, Michael Phillips)**
Tabora - (Tanzania) The Rt Revd Elias Chakupewa
- Wed 18 Oct** **Sneinton St Christopher (Naomi Hill)**
Taita-Taveta - (Kenya) The Rt Revd Samson Mwaluda
Coadjutor Bishop of Taita-Taveta - (Kenya) The Rt Revd Liverson Mng'onda
- Thu 19 Oct** **SECTOR MINISTRIES: Leisure; Center Parcs (Vacant); Notts County Football Club (Liam O'Boyle); Notts County Ladies Chaplain (Wendy Murphy), Nottingham Forest Football Club (John Parfitt); Mansfield Town Football Club (Ray Shaw)**
Taiwan - (VIII, The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd David Lai
- Fri 20 Oct** **Sneinton St Cyprian (Derek Hailes; Church Wardens: Debbie Warwick, Sharon Head)**
Tanga - (Tanzania) The Rt Revd Maimbo Mndolwa
Tarime - (Tanzania) The Rt Revd Mwita Akiri

In October we pray for. . .

- Sat 21 Oct** **Sneinton St Stephen, Sneinton St Stephen's Primary School (Vacant: Area Dean: Steve Silvester; Lay Chair: Sue Holt; Churchwardens: Frances Astill, Perrie Astill)**
 Tasmania - (Ex-P, Australia) Vacant
 Assistant Bishop of Tasmania - (Ex-P, Australia) The Rt Revd Christopher Jones
 Assistant Bishop of Tasmania - (Ex-P, Australia) The Rt Revd Ross Nicholson
- Sun 22 Oct** **Let us pray for wisdom and courage for all involved in the Brexit negotiations**
 Temotu - (Melanesia) The Rt Revd Leonard Dawea
Church of Sweden: Diocese of Växjö, Bishop Fredrik Modéus
- Mon 23 Oct** **Toton St George's Army Church; Toton St Peter (Colin Bourne)**
 Terekeka - (Loryko, South Sudan) The Rt Revd Paul Modi
- Tue 24 Oct** **Wollaton Park, St Mary (Henry Curran, Tom Devas)**
 Texas - (VII, The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Andrew Doyle
 Suffragan Bishop of Texas - (VII, The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Jeff Fisher
 Suffragan Bishop of Texas - (VII, The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Dena Harrison
 West Texas - (VII, The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd David Reed
 West Texas - (VII, The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Jennifer Brooke-Davidson
- Wed 25 Oct** **WEST BINGHAM DEANERY (Area Dean: Mark Fraser; Lay Chair: Sue Waterston)**
 The Arctic - (Rupert's Land, Canada) The Rt Revd David Parsons
 Suffragan Bishop of the Diocese of the Arctic - (Rupert's Land, Canada) The Rt Revd Darren McCartney
- Thu 26 Oct** **Barton-in-Fabis, St George; Gotham, St Lawrence; Kingston-on-Soar, St Winifred; Ratcliffe-on-Soar, Holy Trinity; Thrumpton, All Saints (Richard Coleman)**
 The Episcopal Church in South Carolina - (IV, The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Gladstone Adams
- Fri 27 Oct** **Clifton Team Ministry (Owen Page, Gill Page)**
 The Murray - (South Australia, Australia) The Rt Revd John Ford
- Sat 28 Oct** **Costock, St Giles; Costock Primary School; East Leake, St Mary; Rempstone, All Saints, Stanford-on-Soar, St John the Baptist; West Leake, St Helena (Tim Parker, Pat Edwards, Michael Allen)**
 Thika - (Kenya) The Rt Revd Julius Wanyoike
- Sun 29 Oct** **Bible Sunday – we pray for all who translate and teach the scriptures giving thanks for the gift of God's Word to us**
 Thoothukudi - Nazareth - (South India) The Rt Revd Samuel Clement
 Tirunelveli - (South India) The Rt Revd Jayaraj Christdoss
Church of Norway: Diocese of Stavanger, Bishop Ivar Braut
- Mon 30 Oct** **Edwalton (Mark Fraser)**
 Toamasina - (Indian Ocean) The Rt Revd Jean Solo
- Tue 31 Oct** **Gamston & Bridgford, St Luke; Pierrepont Gamston Primary School (Mark Fraser, Andy Tufnell)**
 Tohoku - (Japan) The Rt Revd John Kato

World links news - Natal

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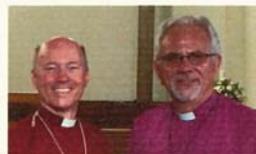
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Renewing our commitment to our partnership in the gospel

We enjoyed welcoming Bishop Dino, his wife Elizabeth and the Revd Dane Elsworth to our Diocese in July. This was a chance to renew our commitment to our partnership in the gospel and was marked by the signing of a joint statement with Bishop Paul.

The signing took place during a service at Southwell Minster at which Bishop Dino preached.

Bishop Dino said: "These nine days spent in the Diocese of Southwell & Nottingham have been truly amazing. It has been a wonderful privilege for us to be exposed to the life and ministry taking place in the diocese.



Joint Statement by the Bishops of Natal and Southwell & Nottingham

We, as diocesan bishops, joyfully affirm the partnership in mission between our two dioceses, that was inaugurated as the Diocese of Natal celebrated its 150th anniversary in November, 2003.

Over the years since then, our dioceses have journeyed together in friendship and been both encouraged and challenged by our shared, diverse experiences.

These friendships have been built through relationships from visits, mutual prayer and support, as well as through the sharing of one another's stories.

As we continue our journey, we look forward to building and strengthening relationships in the mutual vision of Growing Disciples and Loving Communities as we share the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

16 July 2017

Bishop of Southwell & Nottingham
The Rt Revd Paul Williams

Bishop of Natal
The Rt Revd Dino Gabriel

"Sunday evensong at the Minster was the culmination of our visit when Bishop Paul and I signed our renewed Partnership in Mission statement, committing ourselves to foster our co-operation in ministry.

"We have walked together for 15 years and are eager for our

friendship to grow from strength to strength.

For further details about the Natal link contact: the Revd Barbara Holbrook email: bholbrook@btinternet.com

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Southwell Minster Heritage Crafts' Fair

16th September 2017

10am-4pm

Free entry



*Do you own a listed building?
Are you responsible for the upkeep of a traditional or listed building?
Do you need help and advice with repairs and alterations?
Do you know where to look for advice?*

Nottinghamshire Building Preservation Trust are often asked these questions. This is a chance to seek advice and watch craftsmen demonstrating a range of traditional crafts, many of which are unfamiliar to general building contractors and the public.

Nottinghamshire Building Preservation Trust Ltd
tel: 01636 819555 E-Mail: nbpt@btclick.com www.nbpt.co.uk

Fighting for creation through the arts

Christian charities are supporting a call from the Pope to tackle climate change by celebrating the beauty of creation through the arts.

In a video for his Worldwide Prayer Network, the Pope says the arts give “expression to the beauty of the faith and proclaim the gospel message of the grandeur of God’s Creation.”

Christian Aid and Operation Noah have both welcomed the Pope’s message, and Christians are being urged to put his words

into action by sharing photographs and videos of nature under the tag #BeautyofCreation. Watch the Pope’s video at <http://catholicclimatemovement.global/beauty-of-creation>

- At the Southwell & Nottingham Diocesan Conference (October 9-11) one of the keynote speakers is Ruth Valerio, an environmentalist and theologian, social activist and author, who is Tearfund's Global Advocacy and Influencing Director.

Journey in Faith Course 2017/18

Each year we welcome a new cohort of students to the ‘Journey in Faith’ (JiF) course.

There are three modules of 9-10 weeks each running across the academic year, starting with an Induction Evening here at Jubilee House in Southwell on **11 September (7.30-9.30pm)**.

JiF offers people the chance to meet with Christians from a variety of church traditions to look at the Bible, different methods of interpreting scripture, what we say we believe as Christians, and all with a vocational thread running through the material encouraging everyone to grow as disciples and take up their baptismal calling. It’s a safe place to grapple with those questions you’ve hesitated to ask, with an aim of enabling students to become more confident in their faith and thereby more confident in speaking to others about it too.

If you would like more information about the course please call Jackie Johnson on 07827 291724 for a chat, or email: jackie.johnson@southwell.anglican.org

If you would like an application form contact catriona@southwell.anglican.org or kate.hurst@southwell.anglican.org

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 September

- 1** Gainsborough Musical Theatre Society presents 'Songs From The Musicals'. 7.30pm, St Peter & St Paul's Church, Gringley on the Hill, DN10 4RF. Tickets: Adults £6, U14s £4 available from 01777 818823 and on the door. Glass of wine/ soft drink and nibbles included, raffle.
- 2** Music for Market at Newark Parish Church - Gareth Davies (voice) & Nicolette Chin (harp) The Ulysses duo Britten: Cantic No. 5 for tenor and harp ; Tournier: La Lettre du Jardinier; Fauré: Impromptu for harp. 12.30pm-1.15pm. Free of charge (retiring collection to cover costs), refreshments available beforehand. Details: Dr Stephen Bullamore on 01636 678897 or choir@stmnewark.org
- 8-11** Flower Festival 2017 "Journeys", St Mary's Church, Attenborough. Fri 8th: 7pm, Concert. Sat 9th: 10am-5.30pm, Church Open; refreshments; lunches; teas; craft stalls; music. 7pm, Evening Event. Sun 10th: 8am Holy Communion, 10am Morning Service, 12 noon Church Open; refreshments; lunches; teas; craft stalls; music. 6.30pm Festival Hymns of Praise. Mon 11th: 10am-6pm, Church Open; refreshments; lunches; teas. All arrangements and times are provisional. Please look on the website or call 0115 9254385 for final event details, prices, tickets and times. www.attenboroughchurch.org.uk
- 9** Music for Market at Newark Parish Church - Andrew Ashwin (baritone) & Philip Robinson (piano) Schumann: Liederkreis ; Vaughan Williams: Songs of Travel. 12.30-1.15pm. Free of charge (retiring collection to cover costs), refreshments available beforehand. Details: Dr Stephen Bullamore on 01636 678897 or choir@stmnewark.org
- 9** Normanton on Soar Church Fête, 2pm-4pm. Large selection of stalls and games, boat trips on the river, refreshments, barbeque etc. Ken Godfrey's Central Jazz Band and Normanton on Soar Village Choir will be performing in the afternoon. All proceeds will go towards the repair and upkeep of the Church. The Fête will be opened at 2pm.
- 12** A Public Lecture by Dr David Hilborn, Principal, St John's College, Nottingham. 'Favouring the Young and Respecting the Old: Generations, Church and Mission'. 1.45-3.15pm. Free Entry - all welcome. Tea & cake afterwards. Please contact Gill Benson: email: g.benson@stjohns-nottm.ac.uk; tel: 0115 968 3222 to let her know you are coming. Lunch is available at 12.45, for a charge of £5. If you would like to book this, please contact Gill Benson by email or phone as above. <https://stjohns-nottm.ac.uk>
- 16** Music for Market at Newark Parish Church - Paul Anthony Hayward (harpichord). Music by Scarlatti, Sweelinck, Handel and JS Bach. 12.30-1.15pm. Free of charge (retiring collection to cover costs), refreshments are available beforehand. Details: Dr Stephen Bullamore on 01636 678897 or choir@stmnewark.org
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What's on . . . What's on

- 16 Music and Tea at St Mary's, Lowdham NG14 7BQ. 2pm-5pm, with Dave Machell and friends: Sarah Jane Carlin, Guy Turner, Carole Wood, Tom Limb, Robert Parker, Freddie Vokes. In aid of church funds. All tickets £10. Tea/Coffee and Cake included. Tickets can be purchased from Lowdham Bookcase 0115 9664143 www.thebookcase.co.uk
- 23 Music for Market at Newark Parish Church - Stephen Bullamore (organ) Director of Music, Newark Parish Church. In association with the Derby and District Organists' Association. Franck: Choral 2 in B minor. 12.30-1.15pm. Free of charge (retiring collection to cover costs), refreshments available beforehand. Details: Dr Stephen Bullamore on 01636 678897 or choir@stmnewark.org
- 23 Reformation 500 Commemoration Ecumenical Service - 3pm, St Mary's, Attenborough, Nottingham.
- 30 Music for Market at Newark Parish Church - Young performers' platform. Young performers from in and around Newark are offered the opportunity to showcase their talents, hard work and dedication. 12.30-1.15pm. Free of charge (retiring collection to cover costs), refreshments available beforehand. Details: Dr Stephen Bullamore on 01636 678897 or choir@stmnewark.org

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- 7 Beeston Parish Church Michaelmas Market. 11am-3pm. Stalls, Refreshments, Games, BBQ. Beeston Centre Tram and bus stop 1 minute walk away.

**Another
Winter with the Celts**

on behalf of Newark & Southwell Deanery, but open to all, we are pleased to offer a second series of bible studies in which we will be

Exploring Celtic Spirituality

Based on Ray Simpson's book of the same name, the sessions will again be held in the Parish Churches of St Peter & St Paul, Upton and St Peter, Farndon

on Saturday mornings from 10.30-noon
(light refreshments available from 10am)

14th and 28th October at Upton
11th and 25th November at Farndon
9th December at Upton
13th and 27th January at Farndon
10th February at Upton

**Further information from:
Jane Johnson: 01636 812877, Roy Parsons 01636 673422**

Managing historic places of worship

A free Historic England course for people who look after a listed church or historic place of worship takes place on **Thursday 19th October 2017, 10am-3.15pm at Jubilee House, 8 Westgate, Southwell, Notts, NG25 0JH.** The programme will be a mix of expert speakers, instructive case studies and practical exercises which will look at effective approaches to maintenance and repair, and to planning changes for the purposes of mission. Reserve your place at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/managing-your-historic-place-of-worship-tickets-36056869066> Two bookings can be taken from each congregation. Email: paul.bodenham@historicengland.org

**Please note the deadline for the October issue of Nifty Notes
is: 12TH SEPTEMBER 2017**

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

The Reverend Stephen Francis Morris at present Associate Priest in the Newark with Coddington Team Ministry in the Diocese of Southwell and Nottingham to be Associate Priest(0.75) at St Mary's, Nottingham within the parish of Nottingham All Saints, St Mary and St Peter in the same Diocese with effect from 1 September 2017. This will be for the period of 1 September 2017 to 28 February 2018. Subject to the usual legalities. Licensing date: to be announced.

The Reverend Andrew Stephen Goodwin Tufnell at present Assistant Curate at Gamston & Bridgford St Luke in the Diocese of Southwell and Nottingham to be Vicar of Christ Church, Chilwell with Inham Nook in the same Diocese. Subject to the usual legalities. Licensing date to be confirmed.

The Revd Canon Steve Silvester, Vicar of St Nicholas, Nottingham and Interim Area Dean of Nottingham South in the Diocese of Southwell and Nottingham to continue as Area Dean of Nottingham South in the same Diocese with effect from 1 August 2017 for a period of three years.

The Revd Anthony Giles, Vicar of Oxton, Epperstone, Woodborough and Gonalston in the Diocese of Southwell and Nottingham to be also Area Dean of Gedling in the same Diocese with effect from 1 September 2017 for a period of three years.

The Revd Canon Kathryn Herrod, Team Rector in the Hucknall Team in the Diocese of Southwell and Nottingham to be Priest in Charge of Bilham and Barnburgh, High Melton and Adwick-upon-Deerne with responsibility for the role of Assistant Diocesan Director of Ordinands in the Diocese of Sheffield. Licensing date to be confirmed.

Mrs Angela Mary Morfett-Jones, 0.5 Stipendiary Lay Minister for the Elkesley Group of Parishes in the Diocese of Southwell and Nottingham is to resign with effect from 23 September 2017.

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thought I was competitive but you are up against Olympians and they take it to a whole different level. I knew I was a decent home cook but I learned a lot of new tricks and techniques.

“It’s nerve wracking but you have to remind yourself it is just cooking, it’s not about saving the world; as a priest I bury people for a living, this is just cooking.

“Gregg and John always want to talk to you when you are about to do something – I burnt my honeycomb three times because Gregg Wallace wanted a chat. Then you show them your plate, it’s like making an offering to a little deity. I knew the look they

were going to give me, I’ve had Church Wardens give me the same look, but they were really supportive and encouraging.”

Kate knows that the media world is fickle and the work could dry up; when that happens she says she “will get a taxi home and have no regrets.

“I don’t separate the media stuff from the rest of my work as a priest, it is all one. It’s a different form of ministry – it’s not right for everyone but right now I am having a lot of fun and having a lot of conversations that I hope are helping people on their journey and letting them know that God loves them.”

The other contestants are: Opera

star Lesley Garrett; Seven times World Snooker champion, Stephen Hendry; Comedian, actor and presenter Jim Moir (better known as Vic Reeves); Actor and director Nick Moran; Popstar Rachel Stevens; Popstar Jaymi Hensley; Actor Brian Bovell; Tennis legend Henri Leconte; Actor and comedian Abdullah Afzal; Broadcaster Dev Griffin; TV presenter Angellica Bell; Double Olympic gold medallist Becky Adlington; Presenter Julia Somerville; TV personality and presenter Debbie McGee; Actor and presenter Tyger Drew-Honey; Children’s TV presenter Barney Harwood; Writer and TV presenter Ulrika Jonsson; Radio and TV journalist Aasmah Mir; Singer, actress and life skills expert Patti Boulaye OBE.

Welcoming new disciples

Many of you will know that it is part of the diocesan vision to welcome 7,000 new disciples into our fellowship. We fervently believe that coming to know Jesus is the best thing that can happen to anyone and that is why we want to share his Good News as widely as possible.

Many of our parishes are committed to hosting nurture groups or events at which people can explore their faith. The diocese is encouraging and supporting these projects through the Growing Disciples Fund.

I am delighted that we are already hearing positive stories of how the fund has helped parishes; I hope you will read some of the stories in these pages and be inspired to try something new to reach people with the good news of the Gospel, or even to apply for a grant to help get your idea off the ground.

God bless

David Picken, Archdeacon of Newark

‘I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.’
(John 10.10)

Stories with the help of the Growing Disciples Fund

St Mary's Bulwell is in vacancy but it didn't stop them working with a neighbouring parish to deliver an 'Experience Easter' programme for local schools and talk about Jesus' journey through Easter and what it means. 360 children, 42 teachers and staff from 6 local primary schools with the help of 25 church volunteers interacted creatively with the story giving them a thirst for more: **"What are we doing next?"** was the question constantly being asked by the schools and church members.



St Saviour's Retford used their grant to run a Start! nurture group in a local café for 19 people. **"It was important to hold it in a neutral venue' said John, '5 people on the course had no previous contact with church"**. Some have become regular worshippers and a group continues to meet fortnightly to grow as disciples and deepen their faith.

The Tuxford benefice put on an Easter Journey for their local non-church Primary school. 72 children and members of staff enjoyed the journey and have already booked future dates for a Time Travelling and Christmas journey. A teacher said **"It was clear to see that you had engaged them (the children) through various forms of the curriculum, from creating their own Easter Garden to re-enacting the last supper."**

All Saints' Annesley used their grant to respond to a request from a local school for a mini-time travelling. It went so well that they are now planning more days with more schools. They also used their grant to have a series of Guest Suppers where there was a chance to eat together and discuss questions about God, the Bible and Jesus. One person wrote a thankyou note: **"Thank you for inviting me along to the supper evenings held in the church hall. The food was lovely but the chats and conversation were brilliant and I thoroughly enjoyed it. I have learned a lot and I look forward to the next time we all meet together."** People have already started attending church through the group and other guests are looking forward to more of the sessions.



Collective Worship Training

Making Collective Worship Creative

Wednesday 29th November 9.30 - 3.30

Focusing on using a wide range of creative arts to explore the distinctive nature of collective worship in a church school and also looking at the new *Lifesaver* collective worship material.

Facilitator Shahne Vickery, author and Diocese Schools Adviser at Gloucester Diocese

Developing Children as Collective Worship Leaders

Thursday 18th January 9.30-12.30

This session will look at outstanding collective worship, how to include children in leading collective worship and how to ensure it impacts on all aspects of school life.

Facilitator Kelly Lee, Executive Head and Sarah Peak, RE and collective worship coordinator of outstanding Church Schools with inspiring collective worship.

Both events will be at Jubilee House, NG25 0JH

Suitable for headteachers, RE and Collective Worship coordinators and clergy

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THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF JERUSALEM AND THE MIDDLE EAST

Visit of Revd Dr Fadi Diab (Ramallah) to the Diocese of Southwell and Nottingham with

Marwan Durzi (Ramallah), Deema Azar (Amman, Jordan), Abeer Nasser (Berzeit) and Hadeel Sa'adeh (Jerusalem)

10 October Diocesan Conference *The Hayes Conference Centre, Swanwick*

11 October Keighton Auditorium, University of Nottingham 7.30 pm
FUNDAMENTALISM: a Palestinian Christian perspective.
A lecture given by Revd Dr Fadi Diab .
Free All welcome No booking required.

12 October Sacrista Prebend, Southwell
 09.45 - 12.00 / 13.30 - 15.30
SOLIDARITY and LEADERSHIP
 A workshop conducted by
 Revd Dr Fadi Diab
 Free Spaces limited Apply to Sacrista Prebend

12 October Jubilee House, Southwell 7.30 pm
AMBASSADORS PANEL
Life for Palestinian Christians today
 Women's role in a Palestinian context -
 Jerusalem today - Palestinian/ Israeli conflict -
 Christian challenges in Jordan
 Free - All welcome

Sunday 8 October Revd Dr Fadi Diab will be preaching at St. Leonard's, Wollaton.

Visitors will be at the Octave Group of Parishes and St. Mark's, Mansfield.

Sunday 15 October Revd Dr Fadi Diab will be preaching at Southwell Minster.

Visitors will be at St. James, Porchester, All Saints, Huthwaite, St. Helen's, Selston and St. Wilfrid's, Wilford.