

Clergy Mailing - March 2019

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Peace-seeking vicar gets reconciliation award from Archbishop of Canterbury

A retired Nottinghamshire vicar is to receive a prestigious international award from the Archbishop of Canterbury for work in reconciliation.

The Most Reverend Justin Welby has given the Hubert Walter Award for Reconciliation this year to the Rev'd Graham Burton.

Graham and his wife, Dr Gillian Burton, worked in Pakistan for twelve years and in Nottingham for twenty-five years. During their ministry they have worked tirelessly for peace, especially between Christians and Muslims.

Graham will receive his award at Lambeth Palace on 4th April. He said: "I was taken by surprise initially. Now that I have had time to reflect on it, I remember someone saying to me nearly 20 years ago: 'You in your ministry are a pioneer.' What I have tried to do in the 47 years since I was ordained is, on the one hand, to be faithful to Jesus Christ – and at the same time take seriously that we are called to incarnate or live the gospel in a multi-cultural, multi-ethnic and multi-faith



society... and in order to do that practising reconciliation and building relationships with people of other faiths should have a high priority. This award therefore greatly encourages me that the path I have taken for my ministry has been recognised and affirmed and I am very grateful to the Archbishop for choosing me to receive it."

When the couple lived in Pakistan Graham built St Thomas's Church in Islamabad, a very complex and long process, involving negotiations with both Islamic and government leaders – and it is still operating today. He met the then Prime Minister, Zia Ul Haq, several times as part of this process. He also set up another

church in a 'Basti' shanty town serving 25,000 people. This property was given to him rent free because it was used to serve

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New Diocesan Director of Ordinands has been appointed

The Revd Craig Hunt has been appointed as the new Diocesan Director of Ordinands for Southwell & Nottingham. He is currently Associate Vicar at St. Mary's Bredin in the centre of Canterbury, as well as Assistant Diocesan Director of Ordinands for the Diocese of Canterbury. Prior to ordination, Craig was a Youth Worker at All Saint's Church, Peckham working in an urban parish with a diverse ethnic community. He trained for ordination at St. Mellitus College, London during which time he was responsible for the provision of youth and community work at St. Luke's Church, Redcliffe Gardens near Earl's Court.

"I'm really looking forward to playing my part to raise up vocations across the Diocese of Southwell & Nottingham to see people come to faith in Christ Jesus and the church grow, Craig said: "Over the last few years I have grown increasingly passionate about seeing disciples of Christ realise that God has a call on their life, and love seeing people step into this call."

In his new appointment as Diocesan Director of Ordinands, Craig will be working closely with the bishops and the Revd Canon Dr Richard Kellett, Director of Discipleship & Ministry, as well as a wider team



of those supporting vocations across the diocese.

Bishop Paul said, "I am delighted that Craig has discerned with us God's calling into this important role in the life of the diocese as we seek to train and equip many more people to serve in lay and ordained ministries across all our churches. I know he will be wonderfully supported by our wider vocations team who bring different gifts and experiences, as well as all clergy who in a very real sense share this ministry in all they do."

Canon Richard Kellett said: "It is great to have someone who is passionate about the vocation of all God's people to be joining us at this time. Craig brings a wealth of insights and experience that will help us, especially around nurturing vocations among younger people and those from

BAME backgrounds."

Craig is married to Becky and they are expecting their second child in March. He will take up his post from 10th June.

Over the forthcoming interim months, all enquiries related to vocations should be directed in the first instance to our Vocations Advisor, Revd Naomi Hill at naomi.hill@southwell.anglican.org.

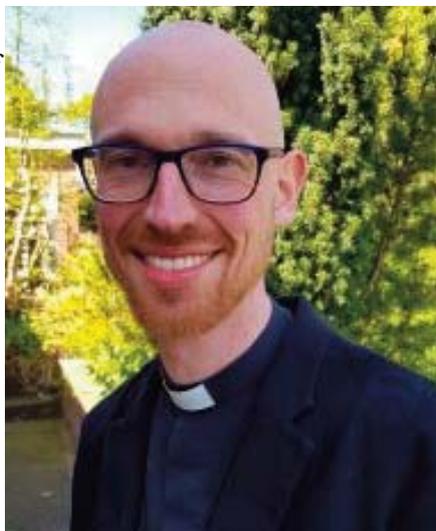


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Appointment of Canon Precentor at Southwell Minster

Bishop Paul is pleased to announce the appointment of the Reverend Dr Richard Frith as Canon Precentor (Residentiary Canon) for the Cathedral and Parish Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Southwell.

Richard is presently Vicar of Holy Trinity and St Jude Church in Halifax, an ethnically-diverse suburban parish within the Diocese of Leeds. He served his curacy with St. Mary Magdalen Church, Oxford and prior to ordination worked as a Publishing Editor.



Richard's ministry has been shaped by teaching and developing Christian discipleship particularly with children and families, accessible liturgical worship and a deep love of the choral tradition.

The Dean of Southwell, the Very Reverend Nicola Sullivan shared her delight at Richard's appointment: "I am thankful to God for calling Richard to the Cathedral to share the rich opportunities for the further development of worship, mission and discipleship. He will bring liturgical, musical and pastoral gifts to the team and will support the Minster in being a deep well of prayer and inspiration for the local community and diocese."

Richard, who was born and brought up in Rotherham, joined his parish church choir at the age of 10, the beginning of his journey of faith and love of choral worship. He studied English at university, eventually completing a PhD on Victorian poetry at Cambridge. From there he moved to Oxford to work in publishing, during which time he started to explore a vocation to ordained ministry. He trained at Ripon College Cuddesdon and served his curacy at St Mary Magdalen's in central Oxford, before returning northwards to become vicar of Holy Trinity & St Jude's, a suburban/urban parish in Halifax.

"I'm hugely looking forward to putting this liturgical, musical, and pastoral experience to good use at Southwell, and to working with the chapter, the choirs and music department, and the rest of the Minster team to develop Southwell's worshipping and wider spiritual life in the years to come," said Richard, who is married to Emma. They have an 11-year old son, Stephen. He will be licensed in the Minster on 8th September 2019.

Lent talks at St Peter's

This year's lunchtime Lent talks at St Peter's church, Nottingham (next to M and S) will focus on various aspects of prayer in today's world. They will take place over five Thursdays, with light refreshments available (no charge) from 12.30. Each talk will begin at 1pm, followed by discussion and ending by 2pm.

- 14th March: Prayer and Art
The Revd Dr Richard Davey
- 21st March: Prayer and Creation
The Revd Dr Helen Hall
- 28th March: Prayer and Poetry
Ruth Shelton
- 4th April: Prayer and Mental Health
The Revd James Saxton
- 11th April: Prayer and Inclusiveness
The Revd Jenny Jones,
Nottingham Methodist Circuit
All welcome

Tackling loneliness and isolation

Does your church open up each week to the local community offering a coffee morning/ support group/ activities? Transforming Notts Together is looking to raise the profile of what churches are doing to tackle loneliness and isolation across the county, partly through mapping what activities are already going on. If you are running an activity, please let us know the details! **Contact Hannah at Hannah.Buck@transformingnottstogether.org.uk or call 07734994637.**

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Universal credit savvy

At Transforming Notts Together (TNT), a local charity set up as a Joint Venture between the Diocese and the Church Urban Fund, we have had a busy few months of initiating new networks, running workshops and creating a map. Some news from us:

• **Faith Action Mansfield:** On the 15th January, TNT gathered together 15 Christian ministry leaders in Mansfield for the first time to explore setting up a Network to:

- build relationship and unity between Christians and organisations
- support and resource each other sharing our wisdom, learning and experience.
- identify where needs are in Mansfield and how we could work together as the wider Church to meet them.

The response was overwhelmingly positive and so now Faith Action Mansfield is launched! Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 2nd April, 7.30pm and we are glad to be part of

growing unity in the area.

• **Sutton Support Network:** On Monday 4th February, TNT gathered 19 people representing 15 different organisations (including 7 churches) in Sutton-in-Ashfield for the first meeting of 'Sutton Support Network'.

• **Tackling loneliness and isolation:** We are delighted to let you know that not only are there 10 Places of Welcome so far (see www.placesofwelcome.org) in the area, we are producing a map to show the volume of churches in the county that are open to people from their community who are isolated. With 50 churches on it so far, it will be a great resource for many and raise the profile of church hospitality. We will be releasing it via social media and our newsletter shortly.

Free workshop on Universal Credit:

Do you work with people who are now on or will be going onto Universal Credit? If so, why not



St Paul's Place of Welcome come along to one of the free workshops we offer called Universal Credit Savvy?

This one hour session is a whistle stop tour of the main changes that going onto Universal Credit means as well as considering how you can help those you know to prepare for it. People who have already attended the session say the following:

87% said their understanding of where to get or signpost others to help with the Universal Credit changes had increased and 85% said their understanding of how to get ready for the roll-out of Universal Credit had increased.

To find out more, get in touch with Lauren.Simpson@transformingnottstogether.org.uk To find out more about our work, visit www.transformingnottstogether.org.uk or contact Hannah Buck on 07734994637 or Hannah.buck@transformingnottstogether.org.uk



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- Mon 01 Apr Huthwaite, All Saints (Charlie Maiden)**
 Mbeere (Kenya) The Rt Revd Moses Nthukah (Diocesan Bishop) Wellington (Aotearoa NZ & Polynesia)
 The Rt Revd Justin Duckworth (Diocesan Bishop) Wellington (Aotearoa NZ & Polynesia) The Rt Revd
 Eleanor Sanderson (Assistant Bishop) Idah (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Joseph Musa (Diocesan Bishop)
- Tue 02 Apr Kirkby-in-Ashfield, St Wilfrid (Kevin Charles)**
 Mbhashe (Southern Africa) The Rt Revd Elliot Williams (Diocesan Bishop) Wernyol (South Sudan) The
 Rt Revd Gabriel Garang (Diocesan Bishop)
- Wed 03 Apr Linby, St Michael; Papplewick, St James (Trevor Raff)**
 Meath & Kildare (Ireland) The Most Revd Patricia Storey (Diocesan Bishop) West Ankole (Uganda) The
 Rt Revd Johnson Twinomujuni (Diocesan Bishop) West Buganda (Uganda) The Rt Revd Henry Katumba-
 Tamale (Diocesan Bishop)
- Thu 04 Apr SECTOR MINISTRIES: Rampton Hospital Retford (Tim Pownall-Jones)**
 Medak (South India) The Rt Revd Solomon Raj (Diocesan Bishop) West Lango (Uganda) The Rt Revd
 Alfred Okodi (Diocesan Bishop)
- Fri 05 Apr Ravenshead, St Peter; Newstead Abbey, St Mary (Kate Byrom)**
 Melbourne (Australia) The Most Revd Philip Freier (Primate) Melbourne (Australia) The Rt Revd Paul
 Barker (Assistant Bishop) Melbourne (Australia) The Rt Revd Dr Bradly Billings (Assistant Bishop)
 Melbourne (Australia) The Rt Revd Kate Prowd (Assistant Bishop) Melbourne (Australia) The Rt Revd
 Genieve Blackwell West Missouri (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Martin Field (Diocesan Bishop)
- Sat 06 Apr Selston, St Helen; Westwood, St Mary (Fiona Shouler, Adrian Dempster)**
 Meru (Kenya) The Rt Revd Charles Mwendwa (Diocesan Bishop) West Malaysia (South East Asia) The
 Most Revd Ng Moon Hing (Primate) West Malaysia (South East Asia) The Rt Revd Charles West
 Malaysia (South East Asia) The Rt Revd Jayson Idaho (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Brian Thom
 (Diocesan Bishop)
- Sun 07 Apr The Nottingham Arimathea Trust (The Trustees)**
 Pray for the Church of Church of Ireland The Most Revd Richard Clarke -Archbishop of Armagh and
 Primate of All Ireland and Metropolitan
Church of Sweden: Diocese of Uppsala, Archbishop Antje Jackelén, Bishop Ragnar Persenius
- Mon 08 Apr Skegby, St Andrew; Stanton Hill, All Saints; Teversal, St Katherine (Vacant: Area Dean: Fiona Shouler, Lay Chair: Liz Marshall; Churchwardens: Roy Allin, Mary Whitbread, Eleanor Greaves, Philip Osborne, John Caunt, Rosemary Singleton)**
 Mexico (Mexico) The Rt Revd Carlos Touche-Porter (Diocesan Bishop) West Tennessee (The Episcopal
 Church) The Rt Revd Don Johnson (Diocesan Bishop) Ideato (Nigeria) The Most Revd Caleb Maduoma
 (Diocesan Bishop)
- Tue 09 Apr Sutton-in-Ashfield, St Mary Magdalene (Andy Nicolls)**
 Michigan (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Wendell Gibbs (Diocesan Bishop) West Texas (The



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Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd David Reed (Diocesan Bishop) West Texas (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Jennifer Brooke-Davidson

- Wed 10 Apr** **Sutton-in-Ashfield, New Cross Community Church (Julie Cotterill)**
Milwaukee (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Steven Miller (Diocesan Bishop) West Virginia (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Willam Klusmeyer (Diocesan Bishop) Western Izon (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Edafe Emamezi (Diocesan Bishop)
- Thu 11 Apr** **DIOCESAN STAFF: Director of Communications for the Diocese and Cathedral, Richard Ellis and his colleagues**
Minna (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Daniel Yisa (Diocesan Bishop) Western Kansas (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Michael Milliken (Diocesan Bishop)
- Fri 12 Apr** **EAST BINGHAM DEANERY (Area Dean: Stephen Hippisley-Cox, Lay Chair: Steve Gelsthorpe)**
Minnesota (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Brian Prior (Diocesan Bishop) Western Kowloon (Hong Kong) The Rt Revd Andrew Chan (Diocesan Bishop) Idoani (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Ezekiel Dahunsi (Diocesan Bishop)
- Sat 13 Apr** **Bingham, St Mary & All Saints (Jon Wright, Tony Jones)**
Mishamikoweesh (Canada) The Rt Revd Lydia Mamakwa (Diocesan Bishop) Mishamikoweesh (Canada) The Rt Revd Isaiah Beardy Western Louisiana (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Jacob Owensby (Diocesan Bishop) Ife (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Olubunmi Akinlade (Diocesan Bishop) Ife East (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Oluseyi Oyelade (Diocesan Bishop)
- Sun 14 Apr** **PALM SUNDAY - as we commemorate Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, so we pray for the peace of that city and for all people of faith who see it as a spiritual home.**
Pray for the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East The Most Revd Suheil Dawani - Archbishop, Jerusalem & the Middle East & Archbishop in Jerusalem
Evangelical Lutheran Church in Denmark: Diocese of Aalborg, Bishop Henning Toft Bro
- Mon 15 Apr** **HOLY MONDAY - we pray for our commitment to Grow Disciples Wider. That through this most Holy Week our parishes and churches reach out to those yet to hear the story of salvation.**
Mississippi (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Brian Seage (Diocesan Bishop) Western Massachusetts (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Douglas Fisher (Diocesan Bishop) Ifo (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Nathaniel Ogundipe (Diocesan Bishop)
- Tue 16 Apr** **HOLY TUESDAY - we pray for commitment to Grow Disciples Younger. Give thanks for the Younger Leaders College. Pray too for our commitment to young people in education**
Missouri (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Wayne Smith (Diocesan Bishop) Western Mexico (Mexico) The Revd Ricardo Osnaya (Diocesan Bishop)
- Wed 17 Apr** **HOLY WEDNESDAY - we pray for commitment to Grow Disciples Deeper. We are invited to join our bishop for the Chrism Eucharist today. Pray for our response as the anointed of God, all Christians in our Diocese.**
Mityana (Uganda) The Rt Revd Stephen Kaziimba (Diocesan Bishop) Western Michigan (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Wayne Hougland (Diocesan Bishop) Western New York (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd William Franklin (Diocesan Bishop)
- Thu 18 Apr** **MAUNDY THURSDAY- as we recall the events of the Last Supper we dedicate ourselves afresh to servant ministry as we follow the example of our Servant King**
Mombasa (Kenya) The Rt Revd Alphonse Baya (Diocesan Bishop) Western Newfoundland (Canada) The Rt Revd John Organ (Diocesan Bishop) Western North Carolina (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd José McLoughlin (Diocesan Bishop)
- Fri 19 Apr** **GOOD FRIDAY - we stop and adore the sacrifice made by Jesus. Thank you, Lord**
Monmouth (Wales) The Rt Revd Richard Pain (Diocesan Bishop) Western Tanganyika (Tanzania) The Rt Revd Sadock Makaya (Diocesan Bishop) Igbomina (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Emmanuel Adekola (Diocesan Bishop)

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- Sat 20 Apr** **HOLY SATURDAY - a day of waiting as we remember all those whose life feels like it is 'on hold', whatever the reason**
 Montana (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Franklin Brookhart (Diocesan Bishop) Wiawso (West Africa) The Rt Revd Abraham Ackah (Diocesan Bishop) Igbomina -West (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Olajide Adebayo (Diocesan Bishop)
- Sun 21 Apr** **EASTER DAY - Christ is Risen! Alleluia!**
 Pray for the Peace of Jerusalem and the People of the Land of the Holy One
The Lutheran Church in Great Britain: Bishop Martin Lind
- Mon 22 Apr** **BANK HOLIDAY – pray for the Holy Spirit to bring vision to our planning, wisdom to our actions, faith to our lives, hope to our communities, and love to our hearts.**
 Montreal (Canada) The Rt Revd Mary Irwin-Gibson (Diocesan Bishop) Willochra (Australia) The Rt Revd John Stead (Diocesan Bishop) Ijebu (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Ezekiel Awosoga (Diocesan Bishop) Ijebu - North (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Solomon Kuponu (Diocesan Bishop)
- Tue 23 Apr** **ST GEORGE'S DAY: Car Colston, St Mary; Screveton, St Wilfrid; Flintham, St Augustine of Canterbury (Vacant: Area Dean: Stephen Hippisley-Cox, Lay Chair: Steve Gelsthorpe; Churchwardens: David Crouch, Gillian Bignall, Mandy Beeby, Elizabeth Bonser)**
 Moosonee (Canada) The Rt Revd Thomas Corston (Diocesan Bishop) Winchester (England) The Rt Revd Tim Dakin (Diocesan Bishop) Winchester (England) The Rt Revd Jonathan Frost Winchester (England) The Rt Revd David Williams
- Wed 24 Apr** **Cotgrave, All Saints; Owthorpe, St Margaret (Paul Massey)**
 Moray, Ross & Caithness (Scotland) The Most Revd Mark Strange (Primate) Windward Islands (West Indies) The Rt Revd Leopold Friday (Diocesan Bishop) Wondurba (South Sudan) The Rt Revd Matthew Peter (Diocesan Bishop)
- Thu 25 Apr** **SECTOR MINISTRIES: Trinity Hospital Retford (Richard Lewis)**
 Morobo (South Sudan) The Rt Revd James Elia (Diocesan Bishop) Worcester (England) The Rt Revd John Inge (Diocesan Bishop) Worcester (England) The Rt Revd Graham Usher
- Fri 26 Apr** **East Bridgford, St Peter; Kneeton, St Helen (Vacant: Area Dean: Stephen Hippisley-Cox, Lay Chair: Steve Gelsthorpe; Churchwardens: Heather Fielding, Mark Fielding, Florence Rayner, John Rayner)**
 Morogoro (Tanzania) The Rt Revd Godfrey Sehaba (Diocesan Bishop) Wulu (South Sudan) The Rt Revd Zacharia Apeti (Diocesan Bishop) Ijesa North East (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Joseph Olusola (Diocesan Bishop)
- Sat 27 Apr** **Broughton Sulney, St Luke; Hickling, St Luke; Kinoulton, St Luke; (Paul Massey, Maggie Woodward)**
 Mount Kenya Central (Kenya) The Rt Revd Timothy Gichere (Diocesan Bishop) Mount Kenya South (Kenya) The Rt Revd Timothy Ranji (Diocesan Bishop) Mount Kenya South (Kenya) The Rt Revd Charles Muturi Mount Kenya West (Kenya) The Rt Revd Joseph Kagunda (Diocesan Bishop)
- Sun 28 Apr** **St John's College, Nottingham (Team Leader: Sally Nash)**
 Pray for the Nippon Sei Ko Kai (The Anglican Communion in Japan) The Most Revd Nathaniel Uematsu - Primate of The Nippon Sei Ko Kai & Bishop of Hokkaido
Church of Sweden: Diocese of Gothenburg, Bishop Susanne Rappmann
- Mon 29 Apr** **Bunny, St Mary the Virgin; Keyworth, St Mary Magdalene; Stanton-on-the-Wolds, All Saints (Tom Meyrick)**
 Mount Kilimanjaro (Tanzania) The Rt Revd Stanley Hotay (Diocesan Bishop) Wusasa (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Ali Lamido (Diocesan Bishop) Ijesha North (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Isaac Oluyamo (Diocesan Bishop)
- Tue 30 Apr** **Radcliffe-on-Trent, St Mary; Shelford, St Peter & St Paul (Mark Tanner, Rachel Mitchell)**
 Mpumalanga (Southern Africa) The Rt Revd Daniel Kgomosotho (Diocesan Bishop) Wyoming (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd John Smylie (Diocesan Bishop)

World links news - Natal

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Curates' Cross-Cultural Mission Trip to Natal

The Revd Tim Chambers, Curate at St. Giles' Church, West Bridgford writes:

A group of Southwell & Nottingham final-year curates had the privilege of participating in an amazing mission trip to our sister Diocese of Natal, in October 2018.

Reverends Lydia Cartwright, Tim Chambers, Philip Howson, Chris Pearse and Andrew Stewart – shepherded by the indefatigable Maureen Cole - spent a fortnight hosted by our South African sisters and brothers in Christ. Both through observation and participation, the curates deepened their understanding of what it is to preach the Gospel, and minister to God's people, in very different surroundings from their own.

The trip started with an immediate full immersion into African culture at the three-day Anglicans Ablaze conference, attended by well over two thousand Christians from across Southern Africa. We heard from speakers about 'Living a Jesus-Shaped Life', but – more impactfully - joined in worship, in isiZulu and Afrikaans as well as in English: being led in God's praise by a Zulu prince, along with thousands of African voices, was a moment during which the Holy Spirit was extraordinarily present, and which will stay with us all.



Photo: Anglicans Ablaze 2018

The rest of our time was spent between visiting many different missions that the Diocese of Natal and its individual congregations support, and ministering in a range of parishes. These were mainly in greater Durban, where some of us had the amazing opportunity to preach in black township communities. For Lydia and Maureen, however, this meant a three-hour drive to rural parishes below the snow-capped Drakensberg Mountains. It struck us repeatedly just how staggeringly beautiful the 'Rainbow Nation' is, notwithstanding all of the issues of social, economic and racial justice with which it wrestles. It was clear to us all the key role the church has to play as South Africa searches for a united vision and attempts to reconcile the injustices of the past.

We were profoundly moved by witnessing first-hand the impact of committed church families and passionate individual Christians in organisations such as the



Photo: the Curates and Maureen outside St Cyprian's

Bhambayi Project, Kerr House women's refuge, and Sister Abigail's Kulungile orphanage. South Africa is a country of significant poverty and major health and social issues, especially children infected with or orphaned by AIDS-HIV, but there is hope for many individuals through the church's Godly compassion in action.

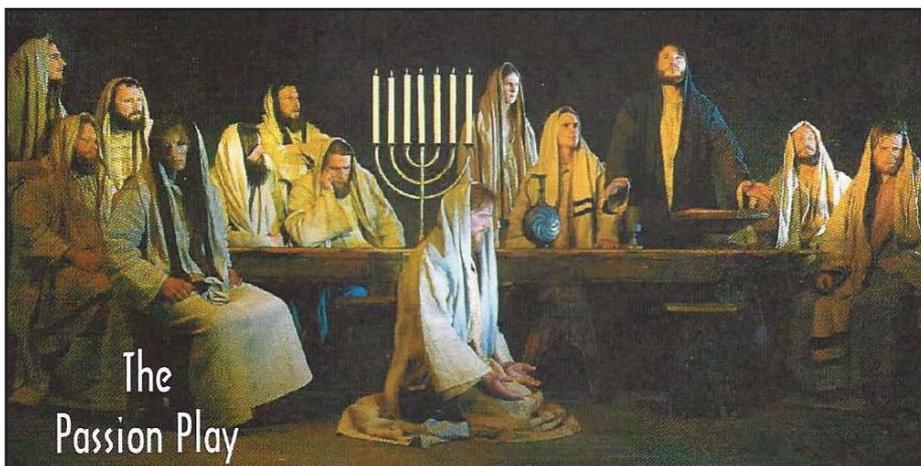
We would like to express our heartfelt thanks and gratitude for the wonderful generosity of all our South African hosts, perhaps especially to Bishop Dino Gabriel, and to Father Dane Elsworth and all at St. Cyprian's, Congella. We hope that our experiences will bear good fruit in new inter-diocesan links.

Oh, and Lydia fulfilled one of her lifetime's ambitions, and saw a monkey!

For details contact: the Revd Barbara Holbrook email: bholbrook@btinternet.com

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Experience the wonderful Oberammergau Passion Play in May 2020 with seven nights half board accommodation at a quality guest house in the beautiful Austrian/Bavarian Tyrol.

This spectacular event only takes place every ten years and is always heavily subscribed, but the registration procedure through this experienced travel company guarantees Play tickets.

Fly from Heathrow to Munich on 15th May and attend the Passion Play on the 21st, returning to the UK on 22nd. Regional touring includes Salzburg in the Eastern Alps by the Salzach River with medieval buildings; Innsbruck, where the mountains meet the valley; Linderhof Castle, the smallest of three palaces built by King Ludwig II; Neuschwanstein Castle, a 19th century Romanesque Palace; and Amersee Lake for a Cruise & Steam Track Railway journey.

The morning of the 21st is free to explore the village. The play begins after lunch, with part two taking pace after dinner.

For prices, booking details and further information please contact the Revd Mark Cantrill – 01777 711530 or email revmark.cantrill@btinternet.com

Alpha for Seniors

If you would like to explore running an alpha course or other nurture courses such as START aimed at older people please contact Paul Howard. Over the past few months Paul has led or assisted courses in several parishes and is now booking time in 2019.

**For more information please contact:
Paul.howard@southwell.anglican.org
 07827 291725**

Quiet Days at Sacrista Prebend



The 2019 programme of Quiet Days at Sacrista Prebend, Southwell, is now published and can be picked up from Sacrista Prebend, Southwell Minster or on line (sacristaprebend.wordpress.com)

**Tues 12th March
 Canon Angela Ashwin**

Roots and Fruits: Trust, Vulnerability and Gift in the Christian Life

Jesus often uses the imagery of plants, seeds and fruitfulness when speaking about discipleship.

This Quiet Day will explore what it means to be 'rooted and grounded in love' (Ephesians 3), abiding in Jesus and being pruned in order to bear his fruit (John 15)

**Please contact the warden:
 The Revd Canon Tony Evans
 01636 816833**

for more details or help in planning your own day or evening at Sacrista Prebend.

What's on . . . 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 March

- 14** Lent talks at St Peter's Nottingham - Prayer and Art (The Revd Dr Richard Davey). Light refreshments available (no charge) from 12.30. Each talk will begin at 1pm, followed by discussion and ending by 2pm. St Peter's Church, Nottingham
- 21** Lent talks at St Peter's Nottingham - Prayer and Creation (The Revd Dr Helen Hall). Light refreshments available (no charge) from 12.30. Each talk will begin at 1pm, followed by discussion and ending by 2pm. St Peter's Church, Nottingham.
- 21** Poetry Evening in All Saints Church Hall, Annesley at 7pm. Bring your favourite poem or just come and join in the fun. £4 including cheese and biscuits, tea and coffee.
- 23** Nottingham Wind Ensemble and Bunny Church Fabric Fundraisers proudly presents - "Off the Page" Join as some of the greatest stories ever told are brought to life, performing a selection of pieces inspired by the pages of literature, including The Lord of the Rings, Harry Potter, James Bond, Romeo and Juliet and much more! St Mary's Church, Bunny at 7.30 pm. Tickets £10.00 (£5 for under-16s) including refreshments. Available from Windblowers (0115 941 0543; sales@windblowers.com) or St Mary's (07814 989541; tony@raban.plus.com). On the door – limited availability.
- 28** Lent talks at St Peter's Nottingham - Prayer and Poetry (Ruth Shelton). Light refreshments available (no charge) from 12.30. Each talk will begin at 1pm, followed by discussion and ending by 2pm. St Peter's Church, Nottingham
- 30** Big E Day. 9.30-2.45, Southwell Minster School NG25 0LG (see page 12 for details)
- 31** St Peter's Church, Farndon, is holding a Mothering Sunday service followed by afternoon tea on 31st March at 4pm. Everyone is welcome.

Away from it all holidays

The Mothers Union provide holidays for people who cannot afford one. It can be very therapeutic for people in need to have a break and get away from their problems and worries. The pay for families to have a caravan at Mablethorpe in the May school holidays for a week, but they can also consider individuals and couples who might benefit from a break -

possibly a bed and breakfast or a coach trip.

They would also look at young people wanting to join a 'church break' away and who could not afford it – maybe Spring Harvest or something similar. The young people need to be referred by someone who knows them e.g. Priest, Social Worker etc. and to have not had a holiday for at least

3 years.

If you know of anyone who might meet the above criteria please contact Helen Catchpole and she will send you the application forms.

Helen Catchpole,
AFIA Co-ordinator
0115 958 9776
helenjc@hotmail.co.uk

Mothers' UNION
 Christian care for families

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12-15 Sep 2019 Bishops' Mission
led by the Archbishop of York

An invitation to life's
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**Celebration evenings in word and sacrament with
Archdeacon David Picken at locations around the
diocese**

Tuesday 19th March 2019, 7.30pm

With Humble and Contrite Hearts
St Peter and St Paul Hucknall

Monday 15th July 2019, 7.30pm

A People of Thanksgiving
All Saints Clipstone

Thursday 21 November 2019, 7.30pm

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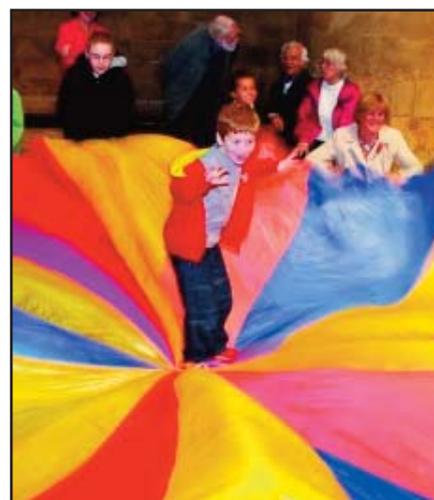
The Reverend Thomas Christopher Devas at present Assistant Curate at in the Wollaton Park Benefice in the Diocese of Southwell and Nottingham to be Associate Team Rector of the Cornerstone Team, Thurnby in the Diocese of Leicester. Subject to the usual legalities and DBS. Tom will be licensed as Associate Rector of the Cornerstone Team in the Diocese of Leicester on Tuesday 19th March, 2019.

Big E Day 2019

The Big E Day 2019 is on **Saturday 30th March, 9.30-2.45pm** at **Southwell Minster School, NG25 0LG**. This is the largest regional day for children and youth ministry training, and includes a huge range of over 30 workshops covering work with under 5s and faith development through to schools work and youth ministry. There is also a special session for young leaders new to working with children and teenagers, and a drop-in for experienced workers to chat over their thoughts and plans.

The day includes a time of worship and keynote talk from the Bishop of Sherwood, a marketplace of resource providers and organisations keen to support your work, and lunch and refreshments. This all comes for just £10 per person...the same charge as 15 years ago! The day is organised by the Discipleship and Ministry team of the Diocese, and other denominations are welcome as well as people from outside the diocese.

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the community. His wife, Gillian, also set up the only medical clinic in the Basti.

The Bishop of Sherwood, the Rt Revd Tony Porter, shared his delight at this news: “We are thrilled that Graham’s tireless, patient, persistent ministry for Reconciliation has been recognised and applauded. It is a tribute to Graham and Gillian that this ministry continues effectively today with such passion. His calling has been in ‘disadvantaged’ areas, but because of his ministry, so many have been ‘advantaged’.

Graham was appointed Priest-in-Charge of the parish of Hyson Green and Forest Fields in 1992, and worked hard to facilitate understanding and joint working between Christians and Muslims; this has been done in the complex context of simultaneously supporting Pakistani Christians seeking asylum following persecution for their Christian faith.

He was the founder of the Rainbow Project which has been running for the last 17 years. The initial aims of the Rainbow Project were to enable leadership in the Anglican church from

within ethnic minorities, fight racism and bring the community to work together as people of different faiths for understanding, justice and change.

Following 9/11 Graham co-founded Faiths in Action, a local interfaith organisation which is still working today to bring people of different faiths together. Hundreds of Christians and Muslims have learnt to live well alongside one another through his work. When he retired in 2007 he continued to live in the same parish and still continues his ministry to many in one of the most disadvantaged parishes in the diocese.



**MINISTRY VACANCIES
March 2019**

Southwell & Nottingham Diocese is a great place to be in ministry for mission! We specialise in creative and stimulating appointments, have generous churchgoers, some beautiful churches and our cathedral is a gem. It's a varied and exciting area to live in, with excellent access to other parts of the UK. We take care of our church leaders with good quality housing and supportive deanery colleagues. Fresh stipendiary/non-stipendiary/retiring/part-time clergy and laity are welcome!

NOTTINGHAM ARCHDEACONRY VACANCIES

<p>Porchester – Vicar</p>	<p>St James, Porchester lies on the outskirts of Nottingham and is a warm and welcoming community. We are seeking a prayerful vicar who can help us to grow disciples, especially in areas of the parish and with age profiles (13-45-year olds) that we are not currently reaching. We have a desire to work collaboratively with neighbouring parishes to establish a new worshipping community in expanding housing developments on the northern boundary of the parish. We are also hoping that our new vicar will help our congregation to grow deeper in faith through preaching and teaching, and is able to nurture, motivate and affirm the gifts and contributions of others and encourage us to pray.</p> <p>For informal discussion and further information, please ring David Picken, Archdeacon of Newark, on 07917 690576 or email David.Picken@southwell.anglican.org</p>
<p>Sneinton St Cyprian – House for Duty Priest in Charge</p>	<p>St Cyprian's is a Traditional Catholic parish in the Church of England and the Bishop of Beverley provides alternative Episcopal sacramental and pastoral care. St Cyprian's is affiliated to The Society of St Wilfred and St Hilda, and registered with Forward in Faith. We are seeking a priest who can put into practice our mission statement and the Diocesan focus of Growing Disciples Wider, Younger, Deeper.</p> <p>We need a priest who can inspire younger people to be involved in the life of our church, who can support outreach into schools, strengthen our Sunday School and encourage our uniformed organisations to attend our services. As part of</p>

	<p>this work good social media skills would be an advantage. We also hope that the new priest will be active in the local community and foster links with other religious organisations in the area.</p> <p>For informal discussion and further information, please contact Phil Williams, Associate Archdeacon for Transition, on 07850 518504 or email assoc.archdeacon@southwell.anglican.org.</p>
<p>Whatton with Aslockton, Hawksworth, Scarrington, Orston and Thoroton (The Cranmer Group) - Vicar</p>	<p>The Cranmer Group was established in 1967 and brings together 6 semi-rural villages, proud of our connection with Archbishop Cranmer. We are looking to grow disciples Wider, Younger and Deeper and in addition to a rich tradition and a range of worship styles, we have started an all age Café church and have a vision to start Messy Church. We currently have engagement with two primary schools.</p> <p>We are looking for someone with a manifest commitment to the Gospel, an enabler who will lead confidently and sensitively into new ways of being church, and an effective communicator who can share faith in ways easy to understand.</p> <p>For informal discussion and further information, please contact Phil Williams, Associate Archdeacon for Transition, on 07850 518504 or email assoc.archdeacon@southwell.anglican.org.</p>

NEWARK ARCHDEACONRY VACANCIES

<p>Hucknall St Mary Magdalene with St John the Evangelist – Incumbent designate</p>	<p>Hucknall is a thriving and growing community with a rich heritage. We are looking forward to welcoming an incumbent who will be the first Vicar of a proposed new parish and will help us to embody the diocesan vision of growing disciples – wider, younger and deeper. St Mary Magdalene is the historic, town centre church and the resting place of Lord Byron.</p> <p>We are prayerfully seeking a new priest who:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has a joyful and infectious faith and is open to the guidance of the Holy Spirit • Has inspirational and strategic leadership and will collaborate across the two churches • Has the ability to communicate the Gospel and lead worship with understanding, relevance and creativity • Has a pastoral and prayerful heart for the whole community, all ages and backgrounds • Is a good listener who values each person,
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	<p>develops their gifts and challenges them to reach outwards</p> <p>For informal discussion and further information, please ring David Picken, Archdeacon of Newark, on 07917 690576 or email David.Picken@southwell.anglican.org</p>
<p>Mansfield St John with St Mary - Vicar</p>	<p>This is an exciting appointment within the Diocese of Southwell & Nottingham seeking to provide visionary leadership for a potential 'Resource Church' with a strategic role in Growing Disciples, wider, younger and deeper.</p> <p>Mansfield is a town with a population c100,000. Fifteen miles north of Nottingham it is a diverse parish, incorporating some significant deprivation. There is engaging and dynamic lay leadership fully committed to nurturing a flourishing gospel ministry.</p> <p>We seek a vicar who will lead us in</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Growing new disciples of all ages especially developing our mission among children and young people. • Developing our public presence and voice in support of the wider local community • Spiritual renewal and numerical growth as a resource for the churches and community of Mansfield. • Drawing on our evangelical theology and spirituality, to develop, nurture and release the gifts of the whole congregation in mission. • An effective leader and bible teacher who has very good personal skills. <p>For informal discussion and further information, please ring David Picken, Archdeacon of Newark, on 07917 690576 or email David.Picken@southwell.anglican.org</p>
<p>Mansfield St Peter & St Paul with Mansfield St Mark - Vicar</p>	<p>An invitation to join and lead our welcoming, dynamic congregations as we Grow Disciples – Wider, Younger, Deeper. There is a full-time Associate Priest at St Mark's and a committed ministry team including a Children's Worker and full time Verger at St Peter & St Paul. There is also secretarial support and the Church Centre has a Manager and Caretaker.</p> <p>We seek a vicar who is</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A motivational leader and effective communicator • Comfortable with traditional and contemporary styles of sacramental worship • A good team player, able to share our vision of an inclusive and growing church <p>For informal discussion and further information, please ring</p>

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Skegby with Teversal - Vicar	<p>This is an exciting opportunity to minister in a diverse benefice. Each community has its own church ranging from the historic village of Teversal, the multiple purpose plant of Stanton Hill and the larger Skegby. The churches have engaged well with the Diocesan vision of growing disciples and there is a mature and gifted lay leadership in place. After years of a significant incumbent ministry, these churches are ready to move to the next level of realising their potential and would benefit from their next priest being someone who is excited by the prospect of working from a traditional base in ministry leading to pioneering new forms of mission and outreach.</p> <p>For informal discussion and further information, please ring David Picken, Archdeacon of Newark, on 07917 690576 or email David.Picken@southwell.anglican.org</p>
Coming Soon	<p>Annesley with Newstead and Kirkby Woodhouse Discernment process will be announced soon. The profile is in the process of being produced.</p> <p>For informal discussion and further information, please ring David Picken, Archdeacon of Newark, on 07917 690576 or email David.Picken@southwell.anglican.org.</p>

For more information, please contact the Archdeacons' PA on archdeacons@southwell.anglican.org

We welcome applications from suitably qualified clergy from all sections of the community, and strive to be an equal opportunity employer.

Enhanced DBS clearance is required for each post.

Applicants will be assessed on the criteria for the post and if appointed it will be conditional on the Bishop's approval.

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St Mellitus College, East Midlands

In September 2019, St Mellitus College will be launching their newest teaching centre, based in the East Midlands. At the invitation of Bishop Paul and Bishop Martyn (Leicester), the centre will serve the mission and ministry of the Church in the region by offering full-time context-based ordination training and wider full- and part-time theological education opportunities.

The new centre has been established as an ongoing “partnership in the gospel” between St Mellitus and the two sponsoring Dioceses, with a view to developing a unique expression of ministerial training formed by the mission context of the region and delivered locally. It is St Mellitus’ hope that, as with its other regional centres, this new centre will certainly respond to the particular mission and ministry opportunities in the East Midlands region, and in God’s generous economy bring a positive influence to the wider College, offering a rich national vision for students in training.

At the announcement of the new teaching centre, the Rt Revd Paul Williams, Bishop of Southwell and Nottingham and Rt Revd Martyn Snow, Bishop of Leicester, wrote: “We are looking forward to collaborating with St Mellitus College in developing a programme with a particular focus on the diverse contexts for training in the region, as well as embracing the opportunities to work with other TEIs close to the region as we seek the flourishing of ministry and mission within our dioceses and the wider East Midlands area.”

The model of training offered by St Mellitus allows students to remain rooted in their local context whilst coming together at the regional centre for weekly teaching, formation and mutual encouragement, as well as joining with students from across the wider College for residential weekends or teaching weeks. This creates the opportunity for a dynamic partnership between the East Midlands and the South East, South West and North West regions where St Mellitus College is working with a vision of a multi-directional partnership. This partnership seeks to bring together the best of each area to add to training opportunities in all regions and enlarge the vision of all to give students a strong experience of the wider national Church combined with a passion for their local region. That passion is developed primarily by students remaining in a local context for the duration of their training and thus building their commitment to the church in the East Midlands by getting first-hand ministry experience in a range of diverse settings, including urban and outer urban estates, new build communities, resourcing churches in urban and rural contexts, market towns, and post-industrial areas.

Students serving in local churches in these contexts will learn from their college context but also from the rich experience of the supervisors and incumbents they are working with, learning to work collaboratively with colleagues, both lay and ordained, whilst supporting local mission opportunities and capturing a vision for how God is at work in the East Midlands region. It is St Mellitus’ experience also that as other people see and observe students grow and develop in their placement context, this enhances the likelihood of these people discovering and pursuing their own call to ordination and ministry, thus raising up other, much needed, leaders within the Church.

St Mellitus are delighted to be partnering with the two sponsoring dioceses and are very much looking forward to working with and alongside those ministering and serving the Church in the region to increase the resource opportunities and develop training which responds to and serves its needs. The East Midlands’ teaching centre will be seeking to invite local ministers, teachers and incumbents to share their expertise and learning with students both through teaching and speaking opportunities and placement opportunities, and members of the senior diocesan leadership in the region to impart their vision for the Church in the East Midlands.

The newly appointed Director of the teaching centre, the Revd Dr David Emerton, said:

'Almost 11 years after entering St Mellitus as a student it now seems somewhat unbelievable to be re-entering the College as Director of the new East Midlands teaching centre. To be doing so, however, is an honour and real joy. The College's values of unity and generous orthodoxy, missional leadership and the formation of Christ-like character, and theological learning set in the context of prayer and worship remain deeply embedded in my heart, and will be crucial to how the centre establishes itself to help resource mission and ministry across the region and support local diocesan vision.'

The new teaching centre will be based in Nottingham at Trinity Church. For more information about the programmes which will be offered at the centre please visit <https://www.stmellitus.ac.uk/study-with-us/our-centres/east-midlands> If you, or someone in your parish, are interested in studying with St Mellitus in the East Midlands then visit www.stmellitus.ac.uk/study-with-us.