



# St Peter's Hartshorne



Hello everyone

I hope you were able to read the letter from the Minster team last week because, as the letter reminds us, change is coming. As we return to meeting together in person, things will not be exactly as they were before. This is going to affect all of us, because, if we want our church to thrive and to make new disciples then we all have to play our part.

Yes, I can hear you say, I don't have any skills, I can't do that, but in fact you can! Rather than looking at what others do and thinking 'I can't do that' what about thinking instead 'what can I do - even if I am not the best?', or 'what time do I have - even if it's not a lot?' or 'what equipment do I have - even if it's not brand new?' For example; the ability to use a computer means you could perhaps write up this newsletter or take minutes of a meeting; if you have time during the day, you could perhaps clean the church or visit those who are housebound; if you have a car, you could perhaps deliver newsletters or drive people to church or to appointments. Now, I accept we can't do all these things immediately and some will need more training and organisation than others, but the point is, we can all do something and the more people who are willing to get involved, the more the work can be shared. So, I challenge you, in the next few months consider, prayerfully, the question 'what can I do?' and then discuss it with one of the leadership team.

God Bless

Stella

## A prayer for those who are ill Thinking especially of all who are affected by coronavirus in India

Merciful God,  
we entrust to your tender care  
those who are ill or in pain,  
knowing that whenever danger threatens  
your everlasting arms are there to hold them safe.  
Comfort and heal them,  
and restore them to health and strength;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

The church will continue to be open for personal prayer and reflection on Saturday & Wednesday



### After Church coffee

After church coffee will be held this week at 4pm on Sunday. Please join us on Zoom if you can. Copy and paste this link into your search bar:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86499618208?pwd=UVZUN2lGbjYrUlpla2NEYV RnaFhzZz09>  
Meeting ID: 864 9961 8208  
Passcode: 233865



Ayesha has set up a twice monthly prayer group on zoom. The group will meet for 40 mins to pray intentionally for the world and for local situations. If you would like to join, please contact Ayesha directly (07368224419) or via Stella (07802963817).

The next meeting will be on April 29<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm.

### Prayer Group



# Thy Kingdom Come 2021

This year's Thy Kingdom Come will take place 13th – 23rd May

Thy Kingdom Come is a global prayer movement that invites Christians around the world to pray from Ascension to Pentecost for more people to come to know Jesus.



## What resources are available?

[Thykingdomcome.global](https://thykingdomcome.global) has a fantastic range of resources available for all ages.

Highlights for this year include:

[The Cheeky Pandas](#) (11-part series & accompanying resources)- for children aged 3 and over

- 11 video Youth reflections produced in partnership with the Archbishop of York's Youth Trust and an Escape Room

[The Prayer Journal](#), written by Archbishop Stephen Cottrell

[The Novena](#) – Praying the Psalms from Ascension to Pentecost (A large print version is also available)

Click here to watch a short promo video for the resources. <https://youtu.be/eR2y1wn9fXg>

## What's happening in our diocese

A group of lay people from around the diocese will be offering a daily reflection on our social media channels, you can find us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

**Prayer Walks** - We encourage churches and individuals to take part in prayer walks, perhaps combining them with a litter pick. This Covid safe activity is great for local groups, families or individuals (within national restrictions). Bishop Libby and Bishop Malcolm are keen to join any walks taking place so do email [nicky.fenton@bishopofderby.org](mailto:nicky.fenton@bishopofderby.org) with details, if they are available to join you then they certainly will. You'll find more details [on our website](#).

**Share your Thy Kingdom Come Services and Events with us** - Please let us know about your special services, events or walks by emailing

**Daily Reflections** - : [communications@derby.anglican.org](mailto:communications@derby.anglican.org). We'd love to see photos / videos from your events that we can share around the diocese.

## Derbyshire Beacon of Hope Award Scheme

The Derbyshire Beacon of Hope Award Scheme has recently been launched, initiated by the High Sheriff of Derbyshire and the Lord Lieutenant, Derby City Council and Derbyshire County Council.

The awards look to identify, and to express thanks to those groups or individuals who have worked tirelessly to keep our communities safe, and our businesses moving during the global Covid-19 pandemic. The award will seek to highlight those in every sector and locality of the County that have played a key role.

Nominations are open to the public. If you know of a group or an individual that has gone above and beyond to help others during the pandemic, you can nominate them for an award using the nomination form on either the Derbyshire County or Derby City Council website (links below). The closing date for nominations is 14 May 2021.

>> [Beacon of Hope Awards on Derbyshire County Council website](#)

>> [Tony Walker, High Sheriff of Derbyshire talks about the Beacon of Hope Awards](#)

