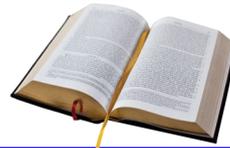


Sunday 23rd January 2022

This week's service

Today's service is led by Sean O'Toole with Sandra O'Toole preaching

This week's reading



1 Corinthians 12 v 4-11

A thought from Sandra

Many years ago a member of the congregation accused me of always preaching about the church being the body of Christ. I have hopefully introduced more variety into my preaching since then, but I still believe that the concept of the body is an extremely important one. Anyone who has had to manage without a limb, even temporarily, knows how difficult it is to cope without even the most seemingly insignificant body part. It's the same for the Church - unless everyone plays their part, the work will not be as effective as it otherwise could have been.

Prayer for this week

God of all mercy, your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release to the captives, and freedom to the oppressed: anoint us with your Holy Spirit and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord. Amen

Vision Day Update

We have decided to postpone the vision day until March or April. We are carrying on with our Vision Sermons each Sunday service during January but will give plenty of notice to everyone when we have agreed a new date. We want to encourage as many people to attend and be involved as possible.

Minster Service on January 30th 10am at Gresley Old Hall

Gresley Old Hall is massive and easily fits over 200 - so there's plenty of space for Social Distancing
Bishop Libby is preaching and leading communion
Theme: Faith under adversity
Masks on for whole service
No Refreshments



Church Vision

Over the next few weeks, in preparation for our Vision Day, we would like everyone who worships at St. Peter's Church, to share their vision about the next steps on our journey of faith together. How do you think the Lord wants us to grow as a church?

If you can, please pray every day about this. Please note down what you believe should be part of our vision.

These prompts may help you:

1. What do you love doing most? How would you like to use the things you love to bless one another and/or our wider community?
2. Please make a note of any verse(s) that you believe the Lord has given you.
3. Share any dream, thought or vision that you believe is from the Lord.

You do not have to answer each of these prompts but please contribute what you can because, as part of the Body of Christ at St. Peter's, we all have an important part to play in blessing and encouraging each other.

Church diary for the next month

Sunday 30th January
10am Minster Service at
Gresley Old Hall

with by Bishop Libby

Sunday 6th February
10:45 Morning Worship
led by Nigel Worth with
Debbie Patrick preaching

Sunday 13th February
10:45 Holy Communion
led by Nigel Worth with
Rev Mike Firbank preaching

Sunday 20th February
10:45 Morning Worship
led by Nigel Worth with
Debbie Patrick preaching

Sunday 27th February
10:45 YFC Service
with Helen and Becky from
Swadlincote & District Youth for
Christ

Sunday 6th March
10:45 Morning Worship
led by Sean O'Toole with
Rev Patrick Douglas preaching

Cleaning Rota

Please clean the church before the date marked. Please swap with someone else on the rota if you cannot clean during your week.

Bonus note: The toilets will be cleaned weekly by Sean & Sandra, so no need to clean.

30.01.2022	Nige & Deb
06.02.2022	Christine
13.02.2022	Deb P & Alicia
20.02.2022	Jane
27.02.2022	Bill
04.03.2022	Val & Andy



Minster Lenten Course

EXPLORING GOD'S MERCY by Bishop Steven Croft

As a Minster I'm inviting us all to follow the same course of material and to form some new Lenten groups. The short study guide focusses on five classic themes of the Christian gospel over 5 weeks.

Lost and finding the way

Trapped and set free

Sick in soul and healed

In turmoil and being at peace

Barren and becoming fruitful

Each chapter explores one of these images through stories, popular culture, biblical material, and Christian tradition. Discussion starters, questions, prayers, links to free online material and a leader's guide are included, making this ideal for Lent groups or as an introductory course to the Christian faith at any time of year.

Leading or Hosting?

First, we need to see who would be interested in either Hosting OR Leading a Lenten group. IF you are interested in Hosting OR leading a Lenten group (on your own or with others) please come to the leaders meeting where I will take you through the whole course and give some guidance and ideas about how to lead it/host it. IF you are coming, please let me know (Mike 07814 033183)

Hosting & Leaders Meeting 7pm Wednesday 2nd February

at Gresley Church Community Centre

Second, do you want to join a group and do this Lenten course with others? We will be kicking off this course on Ash Wednesday at St John's Newhall where you can welcome in Lent, worship together, and sign up for the course and join a group.

Wednesday 2nd March 7pm at St John's Newhall
Minster Ash Wednesday Service & the start of our
Minster Lenten Course