



## This week's service

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2023

## This week's reading

Welcome to today's service  
led by Debbie Patrick  
with Sandra O'Toole preaching



Matthew 5:1-12

## A thought from Sandra

Some years ago I decided to cut down on the salt in our diet for health reasons. Unfortunately, I overdid it and after a routine blood test last year the Dr called me in and said my salt levels were too low. He encouraged me to increase the amount of salt I ate - for health reasons! I had been using very little salt in my cooking, but started now to add it to my vegetables. That night at dinner, Sean (without knowing I'd added salt) commented on how tasty the potatoes were and said they were like a different variety. They weren't, it was the salt that made the difference. This is what Jesus meant when He said that we are the salt of the earth - we should be making a good and positive difference to those around us. Are we doing that, or are we like salt which has lost its flavour?

## An invitation from Mike



Join me for a  
**LENT**  
course on  
**CONFIDENCE**  
at  
**Gresley Church  
Community Centre,  
Bridget's Room**

**Any questions? Please just ask, Mike ☺ 07814 033183**

Thursday 23rd Feb from 730pm  
**Confidence through being convinced**

Thursday 2nd Mar from 730pm  
**Confidence through community**

Wednesday 8th March from 730pm  
**Confidence through compassion**

Thursday 16th March from 730pm  
**Confidence through consistent spiritual practices**

Thursday 23rd March from 730pm  
**Confidence through confidence**

Thursday 30th March from 730pm  
**Confidence through courage**

## Marmalade

I am making marmalade to raise money for Swadlincote & District Youth for Christ.



So far I have made 30 jars of Seville Orange marmalade and I will be making Pink Grapefruit marmalade later this month.

**However I desperately need more empty jam jars with lids.**

Could you please save any and bring them to church?

Many thanks, Jane

## Afternoon Tea & Live Music

**4<sup>th</sup> March**

**Don't forget to book your place by  
17<sup>th</sup> February!**

**Sign up forms are on the table at the  
back of church.**

**Completed forms and donations  
can be given to  
Helen or Sandra**



Swadlincote & District  
**YOUTH  
FOR CHRIST**

## Church diary for the next month

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February**  
**10am Coffee, Conversation & Company**

at Goseley Community Centre

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> February**  
**10:45 Morning Worship**

led by Debbie Patrick  
 with Nigel Worth preaching

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February**  
**5.45pm Visit by Gresley Beavers**

with Rev Bex Allpress

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> February**  
**10:45 Morning Worship**

with Rev Mike Firbank

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February**  
**Ash Wednesday service at St John's, Newhall**

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February**  
**10am Coffee, Conversation & Company**

at Goseley Community Centre

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> February**  
**10:45 Holy Communion**

with Rev Bex Allpress

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> March**  
**2.30pm Afternoon Tea and Music**

in aid of SDYFC in the church hall  
 Booking essential

## 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.

**The toilets will be cleaned weekly by Sean & Sandra**

12 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Bill
19 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Brian Redfern
26 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Val & Andy
5 <sup>th</sup> March	Nige & Deb
12 <sup>th</sup> March	Christine
19 <sup>th</sup> March	Deb P & Alicia
26 <sup>th</sup> March	Jane
2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Bill
9 <sup>th</sup> April	Brian Redfern

## Refreshments Rota



It's a real blessing to be able to spend time chatting with one other after the service.

We have a rota for serving tea & coffee.

Please swap with someone if you cannot do a particular date. Please bring the milk. Thank you

5 <sup>th</sup> Feb	James
12 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Maxine & Jane
19 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Christine
26 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Deb W
5 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Carol
12 <sup>th</sup> Mar	James
19 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Maxine & Jane
26 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Christine

## Coffee, Conversation and Company

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February**  
**Goseley Community Centre**  
**10am - 12 noon**



- An opportunity
- to chat
  - to meet friends
  - to ask questions
  - to pray
  - or simply to sit and rest

**2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday**  
**each month**

**ALL WELCOME**

## ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

Everyone is invited to our Annual Church Meeting which will take place after the service on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> March.

If you want to take an active part and vote on any matters you need to have your name on the church electoral roll. Forms are at the back of church.

If you lead a group or activity please send your report to Christine for inclusion in the APCM booklet.

