

This week's service

Sunday 26th February 2023

This week's reading

Welcome to today's
Holy Communion service
with Rev Bex Allpress



Romans 5:12-19

A thought from Bex

The season of Lent is often associated with abstaining from sweet temptations but the biggest challenge we wrestle with at this time is avoiding the temptation to boast about our own achievements.

Let us use this season of Lent to learn better how to apply life-long discipleship skills that help us to boast only in Christ's achievements as our Saviour!

Prayer for the week

Heavenly Father,
your Son battled with the powers of darkness,
and grew closer to you in the desert:
help us to use these days
to grow in wisdom and prayer
that we may witness to your saving love
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Jane's Knitting Journey Through Lent

I have started knitting this Lenten Scarf.

Each day I knit 12 rows and read a bible passage. So far I've knitted 48 rows and read the following verses:

Genesis 3:19, Psalm 139:13

Matthew 4:19 & Luke 15:4

Hopefully by the end of Lent I will have completed the scarf.



You can find the pattern here:

<https://www.lovecrafts.com/en-gb/p/lenten-scarf-knitting-pattern-by-victoria-brown>

Church diary for the next month

Sunday 26th February
10:45 Holy Communion
 with Rev Bex Allpress

Saturday 4th March
2.30pm Afternoon Tea and Music
 in aid of SDYFC in the church hall
 Booking essential

Sunday 5th March
10:45 Morning Worship

Tuesday 7th March
12:00 Funeral

Thursday 9th March
10am Coffee, Conversation & Company
 at Goseley Community Centre

Sunday 12th March
10:45 Morning Worship

Sunday 19th March
Mothering Sunday
10:45 Holy Communion
 with Rev Mike Firbank

Sunday 26th March
10:45 Morning Worship
 led by Debbie Patrick
 with Sandra O'Toole preaching
Followed by APCM at 12:00

26th MARCH



**ANNUAL
 PAROCHIAL
 CHURCH
 MEETING**

Everyone is invited to our Annual Church Meeting which will take place after the service on Sunday 26th 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 on the table at the back of church. If you lead a group or activity please send your report to Christine for inclusion in the APCM booklet.

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

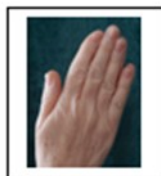
5 th March	Nige & Deb
12 th March	Christine
19 th March	Deb P
26 th March	Jane
2 nd April	Bill
9 th April	Brian Redfern
16 th April	Val & Andy
23 rd April	Nige & Deb
30 th April	Christine

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

26 th Feb	Deb W
5 th Mar	Carol
12 th Mar	James
19 th Mar	Maxine & Jane
26 th Mar	Christine
2 nd April	Deb W
9 th April	Carol
16 th April	James

Marmalade Thank you for all the empty jam jars that you've been bringing to church for me. I've now made over 50 jars of marmalade to raise money for Swadlincote & District Youth for Christ. You'll find the marmalade in the kitchen at church and it will also be at the Afternoon Tea on 4th March if you would like to buy some.
 Many thanks, Jane



Swadlincote Minster
Prayer Day
Saturday 25th March



Gresley Church Community Centre
Drop-in between 10am – 3.30pm.

Visit the Prayer Stations.

Experience a Prayer Labyrinth.

Ending with Worship at 3.30pm – 4pm.

A Free Event.



Free tea, coffee, and biscuits.