



This week's service

Sunday 14th January 2024

This week's reading



Today's service is led by Sean O'Toole



Isaiah 43

A thought from Sean

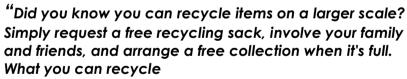
When I had operations on my hands the surgeon told me that I would lose some of their strength. I didn't notice much difference at first, but now after several years, my grip is much weaker. So when I read verses from the Bible I am relieved and encouraged that God is always the same strong and powerful Father who never lets me go and whose resolve and strength never fail.

'The Lord is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer; my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.'

Psalm 18:2.

Recycling for Alzheimer' Society

As you know, Gwen has been collecting used postage stamps for Alzheimer's Society. She received the following information when she sent in the last batch of stamps:



- Gadgets mobile phones, iPods, satnavs, games consoles, games, tablets, cameras and video cameras
- Jewellery gold, silver, costume jewellery, watches, broken and damaged items (like odd earrings or snapped chains)
- Unwanted currency old and new, UK and foreign banknotes & coins; including all the pre Euro notes which are now worthless
- Stamps loose/single used stamps, albums, first day covers/presentation packs, collections

Once your sack is at a minimum weight of 10kg we would arrange for Parcel Force to come out and collect this from you at a time that is convenient to you."

So... Please have a look and see if you have any of these items that you would be happy to get rid of and have a word with Gwen.

Thank you

Prayer for the week

Eternal Lord, our beginning and our end: bring us with the whole creation to your glory, hidden through past ages and made known in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Weekly Prayer Meeting

We will meet again this Thursday 18th January, 7-8pm.

This year we will be meeting at Sean and Sandra's home, 122 Church Street, Church Gresley.

Do not be anxious about anything, but in EVERYTHING, by PRAYER & THANKS PETITION, GIVING, present your requests to God. Philippians 4:6



Do you have a question, suggestion or prayer request? We have a box on the table at the back of church where you can post these. The box will be checked every week. Please add your contact details if you would like a personal

response.

Church diary for the next month

Wednesday 17th January 11:30 Funeral and burial of Tommy Hunter

Wednesday 17th January 6.45pm PCC Meeting at Emmanuel Church

Thursday 18th January 7pm Prayer Meeting

at Sean & Sandra's home 122 Church Street, Church Greslev

Sunday 21st January 10:45 Holy Communion and Baptism in the church hall with Rev Mike Firbank

Sunday 28th January 10:45 Morning Worship in the church hall

led by Nigel Worth with Rev Bex Allpress preaching

Sunday 4th February 10:45 Morning Worship in the church hall with Sean O'Toole

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

21st Jan	Nige & Deb
28 th Jan	Christine
4 th Feb	Deb P
11 th Feb	Jane
18 th Feb	Bill
25 th Feb	Brian Redfern
3 rd Mar	Val & Andrew

RefreshmentsRota

It's a real blessing to be able to spend time chatting with one another after the service. We have a rota for serving tea & coffee.

Please swap with someone if you cannot do a particular

Please bring the milk. Thank you

14 th Jan	Deb W & Alicia
21st Jan	Carol
28 th Jan	James
4 th Feb	Maxine & Jane
11 th Feb	Christine
18 th Feb	Deb W & Alicia
25 th Feb	Carol
3 rd Mar	James



Congratulations!

The Revd Rebecca (Bex) Allpress, Assistant Curate of Swadlincote and Hartshorne, of Newhall and of Gresley, Diocese of Derby, has been appointed part-time Rector of Brailsford with Shirley, Osmaston



with Edlaston and Yeaveley in the same diocese.

We are thrilled that Bex has a new job as a vicar and wish her every success in her new role. She will be really busy having five parishes to look after.

Bex has been extremely active in supporting St Peter's during her time as curate. She has been involved in Little Sparks, Coffee & Conversation Goseley, the Light Party, visits from Beavers, Cubs and Scouts as part of their Faith Badge, Experience Christmas, conducting weddings and funerals as well as preaching and pastoral work such as visiting parishioners.

Bex will be preaching at Hartshorne on January 28th so you will have the opportunity to speak to her before she leaves (some time nearer Easter).

Sunday services during the winter months

Starting next Sunday, 21st January, we will be holding our Sunday morning services in the church hall, Manchester Lane.

The hall will provide a much warmer place in which to worship as well as being more convenient and safer to access in icy conditions.

The church will still be open for private prayer as usual on Wednesdays and Saturdays, and of course for occasional offices such as funerals, christenings and weddings.

News from



Swadlincote & District YOUTH **FOR CHRIST**

On 24th January we are holding a prayer evening looking to the future of SDYFC, at Emmanuel Church Hall in Swadlincote, 7.30pm-8.30pm. Please join us as we pray for God's guidance for the future of youth work in Swadlincote particularly as Becky will be leaving us at Easter.

Our AGM will be held on 28th February. More details to follow.