



## This week's service

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2024

## This week's reading



Today's service is led by Debbie Patrick



Luke 15:11-32

## A thought from Debbie

Our personal family history is very varied... and often a bit messy.

There is no 'one way' to do family and no 'one expression' of a good family unit. For every variation in character there will be a variation in family. So how do we know how to minister into and out of our families? Is there 'one way' of being family for God or 'one way' of ministering into our family for God?... I suspect not, but we are going to explore how we can navigate families this Sunday.

## Prayer for the week

God of compassion, and father of all; strengthen us in our daily living and energise us to minister for your glory that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## Latest news

17<sup>th</sup> March is now a Minster Service at Emmanuel at 10am. This will be Bex's last service

Easter Sunday, 31<sup>st</sup> March, is our planned return back to Church.



## ANNOUNCEMENT

from:

The Bishop of Derby's Office



## Bex's induction service

The Revd Rebecca (Bex) Allpress, will be instituted as part-time Rector of Brailsford with Shirley, Osmaston with Edlaston and Yeaueley, Diocese of Derby, on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March at 7 pm at All Saints Brailsford by the Bishop of Repton and inducted by the Archdeacon of Derbyshire Peak and Dales.



## ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING



Advance notice

21<sup>st</sup> APRIL

Everyone is invited to our Annual Church Meeting which will take place after the service on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April.

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.

## Church diary for the next month

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March**  
**10:45 Morning Worship**  
**Mothering Sunday**  
 with Sean O'Toole

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March**  
**10:00 Minster Service**  
 at Emmanuel Church

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March Palm Sunday**  
**10:45 Morning Worship**  
 with Debbie Patrick

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March**  
**6.45pm PCC meeting**  
 at Emmanuel Church Hall

**Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March**  
**10:45 Easter Sunday Service**  
 with Rev Mike Firbank

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April**  
**10:45 Morning Worship**  
 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**

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| 10 <sup>th</sup> Mar | Nige & Deb    |
| 17 <sup>th</sup> Mar | Christine     |
| 24 <sup>th</sup> Mar | Deb P         |
| 31 <sup>st</sup> Mar | Jane          |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> Apr  | Bill          |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> Apr | Brian Redfern |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> Apr | Val & Andrew  |

## Refreshments Rota

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 date.

Please bring the milk. Thank you

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| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mar  | James          |
| 10 <sup>th</sup> Mar | Maxine & Jane  |
| 17 <sup>th</sup> Mar | Christine      |
| 24 <sup>th</sup> Mar | Deb W & Alicia |
| 31 <sup>st</sup> Mar | Carol          |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> Apr  | James          |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> Apr | Maxine & Jane  |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> Apr | Christine      |

## Healthy oat fruit loaf

I discovered this loaf recipe when looking for something that was tasty but healthy. It has no added sugar or fat.

1½ cups porridge oats                      1 cup of raisins  
 1 cup of milk                                    2 mashed bananas  
 2 eggs    1 tbsp baking powder

Put oats, raisins and milk in a mixing bowl and microwave for one minute. Leave to stand for 10 minutes. Add bananas and eggs and mix well. Sprinkle in baking powder and quickly stir well before pouring into a lined loaf tin. Cook in a pre-heated oven 180°C for 40-45 mins. I usually double up the quantity and freeze one or give it away!



Jane

## Dress a Girl Around the World



At the Women's Weekend held at Gresley last September Christine Talbot and I heard about a craft group that was being set up at Gresley Church Community Rooms. We have been going along most Wednesday afternoons to join in various craft activities.

Recently I have been making dresses to support **Dress a Girl Around the World**. The aim of DAGAW is to ensure that every girl has at least one new dress and every boy has a pair of new shorts.

DAGAW is a wholly independent Not-for-Profit organisation in the UK. They are affiliated to Dress a Girl Around the World in the United States who are a stem of the Hope4Women charity. The aim is to encourage and enable volunteers to join together to have a fun time to chat, and share skills and experiences whilst making dresses and shorts. The newly hand made clothes are then distributed throughout the world to children in poverty and areas of need.

Because their aim is to provide a newly made garment as a 'very best gift' to a child in need they do not accept second hand garments. So far I have made ten dresses.

Jane Horan