

A thought from Sean

God has a 'good, pleasing and perfect plan' for our lives. It' not a one-size fits all plan. God's dream for each of us is personal and custom made for each of us. You are the only person in the world with your unique God-given plan. God's plan for you is not only personal, it is also positive. It's a plan 'To prosper and not harm you... to give you hope and a future.' How do we each work out what God's dream is for our lives?

Today we will be exploring how we can dedicate each part of our lives to God and begin to fulfil His plan for us.

Prayer for the week

Holy God,

faithful and unchanging:

enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth,

and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love,

that we may truly worship you,

Father, Son and Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever

Amen



Forget me not cards

On Monday Sandra and I visited Hartshorne C of E Primary School. They wanted to donate £21 to the

Alzheimer's Society. They had raised this by making forget me not cards with seeds and instructions of how to plant, individually written by the children themselves. They were inspired to undertake the task of making these memory cards after their teacher Sara Mindham had seen the Alzheimer's collecting for good causes appeal on the Church weekly newsletter.

Both Sandra and I were humbled by the amount and quality of the questions the children asked during our visit. I have donated the cash by debit card and I am hopeful that Alzheimer's Society will write directly to the class and perhaps consider using the idea themselves.

What a caring group of youngsters they are and an example to us all.



Gwen

Church diary for the next month

Sunday 2nd June 10:45 Morning Worship with Rev Patrick Douglas

including the wedding blessing of Lorraine and Dave Harvard

Sunday 9th June 10:45 Morning Worship with Debbie Patrick

Sunday 16th June 10:45 Holy Communion with Rev Mike Firbank

Sunday 23rd June 10:45 Morning Worship with Sean O'Toole

Sunday 30th June 10:45 Joint Minster Service at St Peter's, Hartshorne

Sunday 7th July 10:45 Morning Worship with Debbie Patrick

Sunday 14th July 10:45 Holy Communion with Rev Patrick Douglas

Out and About

Last weekend we went to Manchester to stay with our son Sam and daughter-in-law Elspeth. It was a gloriously sunny, warm weekend. On Saturday morning Andrew and Sam went to a men's breakfast while Elspeth and I spent an enjoyable couple of hours browsing the stalls of the Makers Market in Chorlton, a short walk away.

There was so much to see and some very talented crafts people. I bought a couple of prints from a lovely chap called Mark Croasdale.

On Sunday morning we went to Grace Church Manchester which is held at Manchester Academy. Andrew and I were probably the oldest ones there—over a hundred people, many families with children. Andrew was recognised by some of the people he'd met at the breakfast the day before so we both felt very welcome.



JACOB'S LADDER, DERBYSHIRE, PEAK DISTRICT NATIONAL PARK, 2022 | Mark Croasdale



I bought a little book from the bookstall entitled '5 THINGS TO PRAY FOR YOUR CHURCH'. I've had quick flick through it and it looks the sort of thing that I could manage to make part of my daily prayer time.

"This little book will equip you to pray powerful prayers for your church family prayers that really change things, because they're based on God's word.

Each spread takes a passage of Scripture and suggests 5 things to pray for an aspect of church life. Because when we pray in line with God's priorities as found in his word, our prayers are powerful and effective (James 5 v 16)—and that's a truly thrilling prospect."

5 Things to Pray for Your Church - Rachel Jones | The Good Book Company

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Carol

Val & Andrew

Brian Redfern

Christine

Deb P

Jane

Bill

2nd Jun

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16th Jun

23rd Jun

30th Jun

7th July

14th July

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

Refreshments Rota

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Thank you

blessing to be

able to spend

time chatting