



Sunday 25th August 2024

## This week's service

This morning's service is led by Debbie Patrick



## This week's reading



Luke 14:15-25

## A thought from Debbie

When was the last time you received an invitation to a special party?  
How did you feel when you received the invitation?  
Can you think of other times in your life when you have been chosen for something? I specifically remember PE at school.. Dreading the moment when two people would be named as team captain and then they got to 'choose' their team. I would stand there, sweaty palms, tummy turning; dreading the thought that I might be the last to be picked and so would hear the words 'oh well, I guess you're on my team then' ...  
To be chosen is so important.  
Know that God chooses you, just as you are. He sees you and he chooses **you**.

## Prayer for the week

Thank you Lord that you choose us  
In our weakness and frailty...  
You choose **us**  
Help us to live like chosen people  
And to spread wide the invitation  
to all those we meet. Amen

## Banns of Marriage

 between Nicola Robson and Haydn Mabbott, Charlotte Thomas and Michael Fowell.

Lord of love,  
we pray for Nicola and Haydn, Charlotte and Michael.  
Be with them in all their preparations and on their wedding day.  
Give them your love in their hearts throughout their married life together, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen



## Cream Tea



Gresley Church Community Centre  
Saturday 7th September 2024  
Anytime between 3-Spm,  
Cost - £5

Raising funds towards the repair and reopening of St George & St Mary's, Church Gresley

Organised by the  
Friends of St George and St Mary's

To book, please contact  
[friends@gresleychurch.co.uk](mailto:friends@gresleychurch.co.uk)

Places are limited!

## Flowers

We now have a small group of people who have volunteered to arrange flowers in the church.

Val continues to place a vase of flowers on the font or behind the altar on a regular basis. Katie, Pam and Jane will organise decorating the church for occasions such as harvest, Christmas, etc.

If you would like to make a donation towards the cost of flowers, please put in an envelope marked FLOWERS and place in the offering bag.



## Church diary for the next month

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> September**

**NO Morning Service**

**3pm Civic Service**

**7pm Sunday Night Live**

Guest speaker Kevin Lindsay-Smith

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September**

**10:45 Holy Communion**

with Rev Patrick Douglas

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September**

**10am Heritage Open Day**

An opportunity to climb the tower to see the bells

**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September**

**10:45 Morning Worship**

with Debbie Patrick

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September**

**10:45 Morning Worship**

with Nigel Worth

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September**

**Joint Minster Service at Gresley**

Details TBC

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October**

**10:45 Morning Worship**

with Debbie Patrick

## Other rotas

Copies of the other rotas can be found on the noticeboard at the back of church.

## Our New Look Cleaning Rota

A few weeks ago we asked everyone which jobs in the church they would be able to sign up for. Here is the rota that Sandra has drawn up using the information from those lists.

Sep 1 <sup>st</sup>	Jeff	Main body
" "	Brian A	Sweeping porch
Sep 8 <sup>th</sup>	Deb & Nige	Whole church
Sep 15 <sup>th</sup>	Brian Redfern	Main body, kitchen & N. Aisle
" "	Bill	Brasses
Sep 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Christine G	Main body, vestry & bell tower, sweeping porch
Sep 29 <sup>th</sup>	Friday house group	Whole church, including brasses
Oct 6 <sup>th</sup>	Jeff	Main body
" "	Brian A	Sweeping porch

## 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



25 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Maxine & Jane
1 <sup>st</sup> Sep	Carol
8 <sup>th</sup> Sep	Gwen
15 <sup>th</sup> Sep	Deb W
22 <sup>nd</sup> Sep	James
29 <sup>th</sup> Sep	Maxine & Jane
Oct 6 <sup>th</sup>	Carol
Oct 13 <sup>th</sup>	Gwen

## Sunday Night Live

**Sunday 1st September 2024**

**Join us from 6.45pm to start at 7pm**

**Guest speaker: Kevin Lindsay-Smith  
from Gresley Church**

**Live music and worship**

In partnership with  
SDYFC &  
Swadlincote Minster



**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup>  
September**



**St Peter's will be  
open 10am — 4pm**

An opportunity to climb the spiral staircase to the top of the church tower to see the bells and clock room. Churchyard trail and quizzes to learn more about the history of the church and churchyard.

If you've never been up the tower to see the bells now's your chance!

Come along to support this venture.

We will be serving refreshments throughout the day.