

BUXTON PARISH NEWS



**DECEMBER-JANUARY
2019/20**

‘Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.’
(Matthew 13.52)

As I write, we are at the end of the Church’s year, and looking to Advent, the beginning of a new year.

It always strikes me as curious that the Church should sometimes be critical of the world’s anticipation of Christmas, when, relative to the world, the Church anticipates New Year in this way.

The words that form the heading to this letter are the greater part of verse 52 of Chapter 13 of St. Matthew’s Gospel (Matthew 13.52):-

“And he [Jesus] said to them [his disciples], ‘Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.’”

This verse comes at the end of a number of Jesus’ parables. We shall be encountering St. Matthew’s Gospel throughout the coming year, as the Lectionary (the list of Bible readings for our services) reverts to Year A of its 3-year cycle.

Advent itself begins by looking forward to the Second Coming of Jesus, and the focus as Advent progresses gradually shifts towards Jesus’ First Coming – the Incarnation (taking of our human flesh) of Almighty God.

Across the country, there will be Carol Services. Some of these will be very traditional, and some will be modern, with modern songs replacing more traditional carols.

A few years ago, the Bishop of Derby received a written complaint about a carol service in Buxton, which looked as

though it referred to St. John's Church, as the date matched. The complaint was that the service lacked traditional carols. The Bishop was rather surprised by this, not least because his own wife sang with St. John's Church Choir, and he knew what our carol service was like.

Further enquiry revealed that the complainant had been at a carol service conducted by another (non-Anglican) church in the Devonshire Dome.

The Bishop simply had to reply that he had no power or influence over that service or the people who had organised it.

There is no reason why a carol service should not be thoroughly modern. However, it is interesting that many who seldom enter a church or Christian chapel crave a service of the most traditional kind at or near Christmas. It is a unique time of year when people flock to cathedrals and seem to want to listen to carols and readings in 400-year old English.

Perhaps there is more that is speaking to them than the mere words on the page of Bible or hymn book?

When I was in my teens, I cherished what I encountered at church.

We had moved into a new house, in a parish where the population expanded in the 1950s and 1960s from about 2500 to over 25,000. My father did not at that time go to church. My mother could not drive. The result was that I can only remember going to the old parish church on a couple of occasions – until they built a “daughter church” just 5 doors along from where I lived.

My brothers and I became founder members of the church choir – at a time when services were very traditional. It was there that I became a regular worshipper. 6 months or so after

the church opened, we had a parish confirmation service. About a dozen adults and 20 children were confirmed from that daughter church alone.

The language of worship seemed to be less important than its sincerity and the commitment of those present.

When I went to university, I found myself worshipping at a church in the evangelical tradition. In some ways, it did not make so much difference, as we were all using the Book of Common Prayer of 1662 (hereafter “BCP”). Some of the hymns were rather more modern – I find it strange to reflect that “100 Hymns for Today” (published as a supplement to Hymns Ancient and Modern) is now 50 years old.

The pace of liturgical reform began to speed up, and I eagerly embraced each successive change. Church attendance nationally was declining, and we needed to be up-to-date, changing and relevant in order to bring the Gospel to those outside the Church.

From time to time I hear it said that if we do same old thing, we will get the same old result – decline. This is the clarion call to yet more change and modernity.

One problem with this, it seems to me, is that the faster we have changed, the faster that we seem to have declined. Yes, new people have come in, but more seem to have left.

Have we sometimes, in our desire for change, undermined ways of worship that people had been taught to cherish?

Church initiatives come and go. They often have strap lines or slogans associated with them.

A few years ago, when I was a lay member of Oxford Diocesan Synod, we had an initiative that I had forgotten about completely until one of its headings came to mind, viz.

“Sustaining the Sacred Centre”. I put the phrase into an on-line search, and the single precise hit that it brought up was the website of a church in Reading (Reading is in Oxford Diocese).

I do not propose to define what “Sustaining the Sacred Centre” means, but it seems to me that a Church that does not give every encouragement to its people in meeting their needs and supporting and building up their faith and spiritual welfare is unlikely to thrive.

Over the last few months since she arrived here, our Team Rector-in-charge, Liz, has devoted much time, effort and prayer in seeking to identify the character and strengths of each of our 6 churches.

Liz’s poems encapsulating what she sees in our churches have been made available, and she has issued a questionnaire entitled “I am interested in...√”. If you have not seen a questionnaire, they are in the churches and the church office. Please ask for one.

We can expect change, but there will not be uniformity, and there is an expressed commitment to retain availability of worship using the BCP, for example.

As I get older, I find in myself a greater reluctance to embrace change. I need to be convinced that what is proposed is an improvement, rather than merely being different.

I have had the privilege of being involved over some years in an older people’s Lunch Club Eucharist in the parish where I did my curacy. Its liturgy is relatively concise and unchanging, except for addition of some seasonal prayers.

One advantage of this is that nearly everyone can participate, and I find that as some members slip gently into dementia,

they remain able to join in the worship in ways that are clearly of great comfort to them. I rather hope that such provision is available to me if and when I reach such a point in life.

‘Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.’

Do pray that as we develop and grow, we maintain our discernment in what we bring, both new and old, out of our treasure. Amen.

John M. Overton
Associate Priest

Please Remember in Your Prayers

The sick and those in need:- We remember the elderly, the housebound and those in residential homes. We pray for those who are ill, at home or in hospital, especially we pray for Josie Baker, Jim Campbell, Sally Green, Nathan, Frank Green, Carol Simpson, Jacob Trayler, Arthur Naden, Keith and Pat Robinson, Ed Backhouse, Kenny Jones, Kathleen, Pete, Shannon Gerrard, Maureen Barker, Lorraine Houlden, Marjorie Heasman, Betty Allen, Dorothy Crowson, Christine Dinardo.

The recently departed:- We pray for those who feel the pain of grief at the loss of a loved one. We remember those who have recently died, especially we pray for Yvonne Barber, Derek Beal, Patrician Surrey, Reg Foster, Peter Melling, Maurice Lomas, David Keeling.

SERVICE TIMES

Sunday December 1st

All Saints' Sunday

8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP), St Anne's, Bath Road
9.00 am	Holy Communion, St. James' Harpur Hill
9.30 am	Family Communion, Christ Church, Burbage
9.30 am	Activity Church, Christ Church King Sterndale
10.30am	Holy Communion, St Mary's, Dale Rd
11.00am	Sung Eucharist, St John's Church
6.00 pm	Advent Carols, St. John's Church

Sunday December 8th

Second Sunday of Advent

8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP), St Anne's, Bath Road
9.00 am	Holy Communion, St James', Harpur Hill
9.30 am	Family Communion, Christ Church, Burbage
9.30 am	Family Communion, Christ Church, King Sterndale
10.30am	Family Communion, St Mary's, Dale Rd
11.00am	Sung Eucharist St John's Church
6.00 pm	Evensong, St. Mary's, Dale Rd

Sunday December 15th

Third Sunday of Advent

8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP), St Anne's, Bath Road
9.00 am	Holy Communion, St James', Harpur Hill
9.30 am	Carol Service, Christ Church, Burbage
9.30 am	Family Service, Christ Church King Sterndale
10.30am	Holy Communion, St Mary's, Dale Rd
11.00am	Sung Eucharist, St John's Church
6.00 pm	Evensong, St. Mary's, Dale Road

**Sunday December 22nd
Fourth Sunday of Advent**

- 8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP), St Anne's, Bath Road
9.30 am Holy Communion, Christ Church, Burbage
10.30 am Carol Service, Harpur Hill Methodist Church
(joint with St James', Harpur Hill)
10.30am Family Communion, St Mary's, Dale Rd
11.00am Sung Eucharist, St John's Church
3.45 pm Carol Service, Christ Church King Sterndale
6.00 pm Evensong, St. Mary's, Dale Road
6.00 pm Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols, St. John's
Church

**Tuesday December 24th
Christmas Eve**

- 4.00 pm Crib Service, St. James', Harpur Hill
4.00 pm Crib Service, St. Mary's, Dale Road
5.00 pm Crib Service, Christ Church, Burbage
11.30 pm Midnight Mass, Christ Church, Burbage
11.30 pm Midnight Mass, St. John's Church

**Wednesday December 25th
Christmas Day**

- 9.30 am Holy Communion, Christ Church, King Sterndale
10.00 am Holy Communion, Christ Church, Burbage
10.30 am Family Communion, St. Mary's, Dale Road
11.00 am Sung Eucharist, St. John's Church

**Sunday December 29th
First Sunday of Christmas**

- 10.30 am Patronal Festival, St. Anne's, Bath Road

Sunday January 5th
Second Sunday of Christmas

8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP), St Anne's, Bath Road
9.00 am	Holy Communion, St. James' Harpur Hill
9.30 am	Family Communion, Christ Church, Burbage
9.30 am	All Age Service, Christ Church King Sterndale
10.30am	Holy Communion, St Mary's, Dale Rd
11.00am	Sung Eucharist, St John's Church
6.00 pm	Evensong, St. Mary's Church

Sunday January 12th
The Baptism of Christ

8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP), St Anne's, Bath Road
9.00 am	Holy Communion, St James', Harpur Hill
9.30 am	Holy Communion, Christ Church, Burbage
9.30 am	All Age Eucharist, Christ Church King Sterndale
10.30am	Holy Communion, St Mary's, Dale Rd
11.00am	Sung Eucharist, St John's Church
6.00 pm	Evensong, St. Mary's, Dale Road

Sunday January 19th
Second Sunday of Epiphany

8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP), St Anne's, Bath Road
10.30am	Covenant Service, St James', Harpur Hill
9.30 am	Brekkie Church, Christ Church, Burbage
9.30 am	All Age Service, Christ Church King Sterndale
10.30am	All Age Together, St Mary's, Dale Rd
11.00am	Sung Eucharist, St John's Church
6.00 pm	CTiB Service, St. Mary's, Dale Road

Sunday January 26th
Third Sunday of Epiphany

8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP), St Anne's, Bath Road
9.00 am Holy Communion, St James', Harpur Hill
9.30 am Brekkie Church, Christ Church, Burbage
9.30 am All Age Eucharist, Christ Church King Sterndale
10.30am Holy Communion, St Mary's, Dale Rd
11.00am Sung Eucharist, St John's Church
6.00 pm Evensong, St. Mary's, Dale Road

Every Monday (not Bank Holidays)

12 noon Holy Communion, St. Anne's Bath Rd

Every Tuesday

9.15am Morning Prayer, St. Anne's Church

Every Wednesday

10.00am Holy Communion at Christ Church, Burbage

**Charitable Giving For the FOURTH quarter of 2019 is
HIGH PEAK HOMELESS HELP**



There is something new happening
at Christ Church King Sterndale...
a new kind of Church...



Activity Church

Sunday 1st December 2019

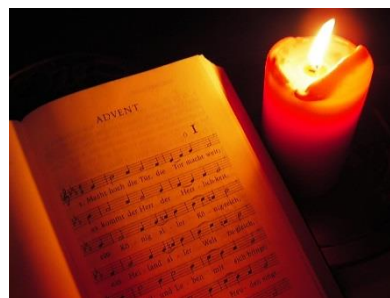
9:30am

Breakfast pancakes, stories, fun songs, activities,
Lego, playdough, sand, colouring and craft, for all
ages from 0 to 100+ Come and See!

King Sterndale Parish Hall

Contact Rev. Liz or Jennie 01298 77856 reverendlizengland@gmail.com

St. John's Church Advent Sunday 1st December



**Candlelit Advent Carol Service
6.00p.m.
All Welcome!**

Wednesday Bible Study

7.30 p.m.

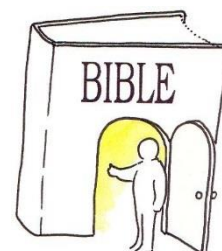
December 4th, 11th and 18th 6 Brown Edge Close

January 8th 6 Brown Edge Close

January 15th 18 Tongue Lane

January 22nd 64 Milldale Avenue

January 29th 6 Brown Edge Close



Brekkie Church

“Feeding minds and bodies”

Christ Church, Burbage

Food and informal worship

9.30 a.m.

There is no Brekkie Church in

December but you are invited to come along to our Carol Service

on the 15th December.

Next Brekkie Church:- Sunday 19th January

All welcome!



PCC DATES 2019

PCC Tues 10th December – Bath Rd Centre

PCC Tues 14th January – Bath Rd Centre

SC Tues 18th February— St. Anne’s

(SC = Standing Committee) **All meetings begin at 7.30 p.m. There will be optional tea/coffee/networking from 7 p.m. for the full PCC meetings.**

CONGRATULATIONS GOOD NEWS FAMILY CARE!

John and I were privileged to attend the **25th ANNIVERSARY celebrations** of one of our local charities last Saturday. It is one the Parish supports with our giving. The Christian-run Women's Refuge is almost unique in being able to offer help to those with complex needs: victims of Domestic Abuse, with Mental health problems complicated by Drug and Alcohol and other addictions, which often lead to Homelessness.

Those most severely affected go first to work through a structured programme in the Recovery Centre, where dependent children can also be accommodated.

The next stage is the Family Centre for those with medium level support needs. There is a Nursery adjacent to the Centre, which is open to the local community as well.

Those in the Community are also supported with a Community Drop In, a Creative Wellbeing group and Thursday church.

The farm-based Work-skills Project operates for clients across all services, on weekdays.

Since 1994, GNFC has supported approximately **3,400 people!**

The charity, in Hazel's words, has "so much to thank God for". Not least for its survival! In 2010, when government funding was cut dramatically, **one in six refuges closed.**

Demand is greater than ever, and the level of violence experienced by individuals is increasing.

We cannot let this wonderful work die. Hazel asks for younger volunteers, funding and above all, prayer.

Please consider what you can do.

Marion Overton

PASTORAL CARE GROUP



I'm delighted to be able to tell you that we have new members of our group, but more are still welcome, so that we may provide communion and other services in our Care and Nursing homes, and visits to the sick and housebound.

Do phone the Parish Office on 01298 77856, or email administrator@buxtonparish.hotmail.com, if we can help you or your neighbours over the Festive season or the dark days of January.

Carol Service at the Dome

The Chaplaincy at the University of Derby in Buxton warmly invites everyone to its annual Carol Service in the Dome at 2.30 on Wednesday 11th December. Come and sing traditional carols to the Fairfield Brass Band and be warmed and encouraged once again by the Christmas message! This year we're delighted to be joined by St Anne's School Choir. We are appealing for donations for High Peak Food Bank, which will be busy over the Christmas period. If you'd like to help, please bring any non-perishable food items (eg tinned meats, UHT milk, coffee, instant mash, etc, ideally with long sell-by dates) to the service. Everyone is welcome and Christmas refreshments will be served from 3.30.





**CHRIST CHURCH BURBAGE
CHRISTMAS FAIR**

BURBAGE INSTITUTE

**Saturday 7th December
10.00 a.m. – 2.00 p.m.**

Soup served at Lunchtime

Bric-a-Brac Tombola Gifts Toiletries

Raffle Books Cakes Crafts

Jewellery/Handbags/Scarves and much more



**ADMISSION £2.00 (CHILDREN FREE) INCLUDES
COFFEE & MINCE PIE**

An Evening of Folk Carols and Festive Readings



St Mary's Church, Dale Road,
Buxton SK17 6LN

Wednesday 11th December
7.30 pm

Refreshments will be provided at the
interval

Admission free (Charity collection)

St. James Church

Toy Swap, Harpur Hill

£1 to get in and receive 5 tickets.

...And bring good condition second hand toys to swap for more tickets.

Tickets can then be swapped for other toys.

Prepare for Christmas with a big sort out - then bring your good condition no-longer-needed toys and swap them for other toys, ready to give at Christmas!



Cake and drinks also served, so come and have a cuppa and friendly welcome.

St. James Church 2pm till 4pm Saturday
14th December 2019

Burbage Churchyard Winter Churchyard Working Party Dates

Tuesday December 10th

Tuesday January 14th

10.00a.m.—12.30 p.m.

People are welcome for coffee (and mince pies in Dec) and ideas for next year to make the churchyard more wildlife friendly and anything else which makes it easier to manage.



Mothers' UNION
Christian care for families

Wednesday December 11th

Christmas Lunch at the Duke, Burbage,

1.00pm for 1.30pm (Please note change of time)

Wednesday January 8th

Epiphany Eucharist at St Anne's, Bath Road at 2.00pm, followed by tea and short AGM in the Church Centre

Friends from the Parish are invited to join us for our New Year service.

AWF

Tuesday, December 10th

Meet at the St Moritz for pre-Christmas Meal at 6.30pm

Last call. We still have 2 spare places. If you would like to join us, please let Carolyn know as soon as possible. Tel 0129824239

Tuesday, January 21st, Church Centre at 7.30pm

Talk; "Serpentine Community Farm"

Speakers: John and Gil Boardman

Friends from the Parish are very welcome, Admission (including Refreshments and raffle) £2

**The
Children's
Society**

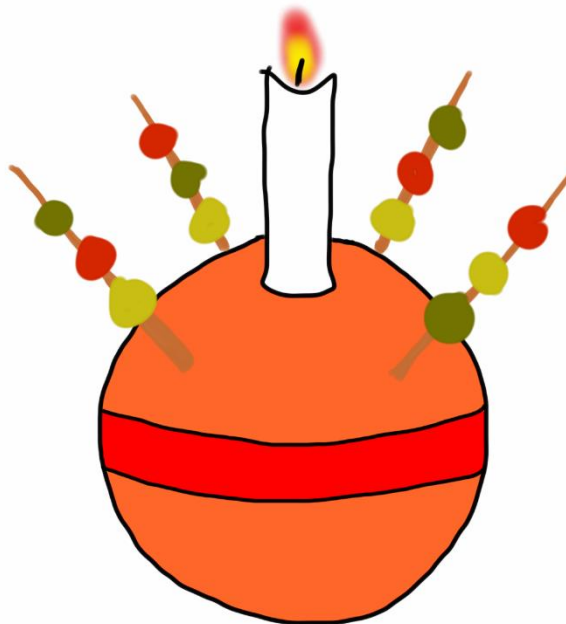
Christingle Service

Candlemas - Sunday February 2nd

St Mary's Church at 10.30am

All welcome to attend this very special Parish Service

Christingle Candle boxes will be available at the Christmas Services in all Churches.



Advent/Christmas Events

Sunday 1st December 6.00 p.m. St. John's Church
Buxton

Advent Carols by Candlelight

Saturday 7th December 10.00–2.00 Christ Church
Burbage

Christmas Fair

Monday 9th December 9.30 a.m. St. John's Church

St. Anne's RC Primary School Concert

Wednesday 11th December 7.30 p.m. St. Mary's Dale Rd

Folk Carol Concert

Friday 13th December 9.30 a.m. St. John's Church

Harpur Hill School Concert

1.30 p.m. Buxton Junior School Concert

Sunday 15th December 9.30 a.m. Christ Church, Burbage,
**Carol Service followed by switching on of Memorial
Lights**

Monday 16th, continuing for Christmas Season, 2pm to 4pm
Christ Church Burbage

Christmas Tree Festival

Sunday 22nd December 10.30 a.m. Harpur Hill Methodist
Church

Carol Service (Joint with St. James' Harpur Hill)

Sunday 22nd December 2.00 p.m. Christ Church, Burbage

Burbage Band Christmas Concert



Sunday 22nd December 3.45 p.m. Christ Church, K. Sterndale
Carol Service

Sunday 22nd December 6.00 p.m. St. John's Church Buxton
Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols

Tuesday 24th December 4.00 p.m. St. James' Harpur Hill
Crib Service

Tuesday 24th December 4.00 p.m. St. Mary's Dale Rd,
Crib Service

Tuesday 24th December 4.00pm Christ Church Burbage,
Handbell Ringers followed by Crib Service at 5 pm

Tuesday 24th December 11.30 p.m. Christ Church, Burbage
Midnight Mass

Tuesday 24th December 11.30 p.m. St. John's Church Buxton
Midnight Mass

Wednesday 25th December 9.30 a.m. Christ
Church, King Sterndale
Holy Communion



Wednesday 25th December 10.00 a.m. Christ Church, Burbage
Holy Communion

Wednesday 25th December 10.30 a.m. St. Mary's, Dale Rd
Family Communion

Wednesday 25th December 11.00 a.m. St. John's Church,
Sung Eucharist

Sunday 29th December 10.30 a.m. St. Anne's Church, Bath Rd
Parish Eucharist



Shipwrecked

NEW for 18 to 25's

6pm Sunday 9 February

food 🍕 games 🎲 discussion 🙌 prayer 🙏

St John's Church 6 St John's Road SK17 6XN

Find Buxton Team Parish on Facebook

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*Christ Church
King Sterndale*



Christmas Fayre

in the Village Hall

Saturday 14th December

11.00 a.m. - 4.00 p.m.



*Tombola, Raffle, good as
new stall, Hot lunch, home-
made cake*



THE LIGHT GROUP

"Follow the Camel"

- **Epiphany Party**
- **St. John's Church**

**Saturday 11th January
2 – 4 p.m.**

Further details to follow on Facebook

Welcome Wednesdays

Bath Road Church Centre

2.00 – 4.30 p.m.

First & third Wednesday of each month

December 4th **Christmas Party**

January 15th **New Verse for Unruly Children
over the Age of 40** - Colin Hulley

For adults of all ages - Friendship, fellowship, fun activities,
speakers, afternoon tea

All welcome!



Monday Lunch

DECEMBER

4th Church Service only

9th Church Service & Lunch

16th Church Service & Lunch

23rd Church Service only

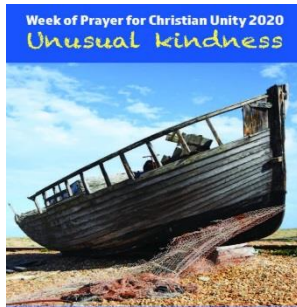
JANUARY

6th Church Service & Lunch

13th Church Service only

20th Church Service & Lunch

27th Church Service only



Dates



Service for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity



Sunday 19th January 2020

6.00 p.m.

St. Mary's Church Dale Rd

All Welcome.

SAFEGUARDING

The Parish Safeguarding Links are:-

Children & Young People =

Emily Tooze

Vulnerable Adults =

Aileen Warneford

DBS/record-keeping =

Jennie Parker

The Parish Safeguarding
number is:- **01298 77856**

If no-one is available in an
emergency please contact Social
Services 08456 058058 or the
Diocesan Safeguarding Team on
01332 388 678



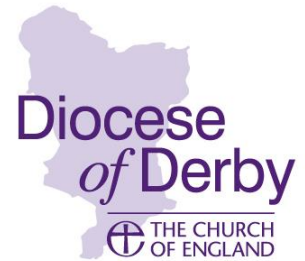
Emily Tooze



Aileen Warneford

If you have any concerns regarding Safeguarding, or if you just want to chat about any aspect of helping vulnerable people safely, please contact Emily or Aileen.

Our Diocese



December 2019

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The Rt Revd Libby Lane, Bishop of Derby writes...



December always feels a bit frantic to me. And this year the unusual timing of a General Election only adds to that. Whatever else we might think of this election, perhaps its timing during Advent will encourage us to take a wider perspective and longer view.

We try to make Advent visible in our household: we decorate the house, but gently (we change decoration on Christmas Eve in celebration); each Sunday we light a candle on an Advent wreath; we put up the traditional pine or spruce, but until Christmas Eve it is a Jesse Tree, softly lit, hung daily with simple olive wood images depicting salvation history through the stories of God's people in the Bible. These are outward reminders to us that the season of Advent is not simply a countdown to turkey and tinsel.

It's not that I think we just ought to replace one kind of outward display with another more pious. And I'm not a grinch. I enjoy the hospitality of the run up to Christmas. I admire the ways people find time and resource to focus on family and friends – I'm not very good at present finding, but my (now grown up) children have the knack of identifying often small, inexpensive or home-made gifts that are just right and show an attentiveness that's not just turned on for Christmas. These things can also be outward reminders of important and precious things – of love and hope and desire.

And Advent should be full of desire: 'come, Lord Jesus ... even so, come'.

That desire is, I think, wonderfully subversive. This season, if taken seriously, strips away all self-reliance. If we allow it to, the eternal hopeful themes of the season can reveal the lack of substance in the relentless consumerism of the public face of the approach to Christmas – and this year, perhaps, undercut the hubris of political manoeuvring.

Amid all the noise and activity of December, Advent is the thundering silence of God, putting all our striving to shame, reminding us that we cannot save ourselves nor, in the end, hide from God.

Advent offers a perspective that reverses and upturns the views we too easily accept. It takes courage to journey through Advent. There is no hiding, no wrapping the truth up with ribbon and baubles, or indeed with election promises and campaign spending.

The extraordinary, outrageous mercy of Advent is the discovery that, as we yearn for Christ's coming – in both humility and glory – we discover that God has always risked trusting the outworking of salvation to the stuff of creation and to human flesh.

'Annunciation' by Bishop Stephen Cottrell

***There is only one thing that prevents
The gentle movement, heaven into earth:
Not the fear that godly greeting brings,
Nor cold presumption (God could never speak),
Nor empty tomb, nor barren heart,
Nor eyes searching, voices how long blaze,
Nor the silence where there should be praise,
Nor the bitter taste of human failing:
But the lack of trust that what was promised
Might in human flesh be born, achieved,
How happy she who for us all believed,
Strength of God in human weakness blending,
Tenderly the humble servant lifted,
From foetal cry the fatal mending.***

The Rt Revd Libby Lane
Bishop of Derby

Derby Churches Nightshelter

Working with an army of volunteers, the nightshelter provides safe accommodation and a substantial meal for up to 35 guests each night during the coldest months of the year (December - March).

Seven churches in or near the city centre provide a welcoming venue, each opening their doors for one night each week.

As guests bed down for the night in new, warm sleeping bags and blankets, night staff are there to offer support and prayer throughout the night.

Before leaving at 8am the next morning, guests tuck into a healthy breakfast of cereals, toast and fresh fruit. Many are given ongoing support to address their needs.

It costs £137,000 every year to run a winter nightshelter.

To donate please visit:
www.derbycitymission.org.uk

Nightshelter locations:

Monday:

Derby Cathedral, DE1 3GP

Tuesday:

Hope Centre, Curzon St, DE1 1LL

Wednesday:

Peartree Baptist Church,
154 Peartree Road, DE23 6QD

Thursday:

Ashbourne Rd Church,
DE22 3AG

Friday:

New Life Church, Normanton Rd,
DE23 6UU

Saturday:

Ozzy Road Baptist Church,
Charnwood St, DE1 2GU

Sunday:

St Mary's Church Hall,
Darley Lane, DE1 3AX



Pupils raise £242.85 for Harvest Appeal

Pupils at St Peter's C of E Primary School in Netherseal have been doing their bit for the Bishop of Derby's Harvest Appeal, raising £242.85 through various table-top sales. After the teachers shared details of the appeal, a Year 6 pupil asked if they could do something practical to help - and the Save Zimbabwe Sale was born.

Headteacher Melanie Machell said: "The children worked extremely hard and organised everything! They designed posters, bought 'stock' for their stalls, wrote letters to businesses for donations, baked cakes, designed games and collected from parents. It was fabulous that the children felt so empowered to make a difference and we are very proud of their achievement."

The 70 pupils at St Peter's also spent time discussing the plight of the people of Manicaland and praying for them.

Read more on www.derby.anglican.org

Church fills 255 Christmas shoebboxes for Romanian children

Volunteers at St Andrew's church, Langley Mill spent Saturday 9 November filling and wrapping an amazing 255 shoebboxes with Christmas gifts for children in Romania. The boxes are then sent to their partner church in Poiana where they are distributed to local children. Many thanks to the generous donors who provide gifts and cover the transport costs and, of course, all those who help pack the boxes each year.





Christmas events around the Diocese

Toy service

St John the Baptist, Tibshelf
1 December - 11am

WI Carol Service

St John the Evangelist, Hazlewood
1 December - 2.30pm

All Age Christingle

St Michael, Pleasley
1 December - 3pm

Advent Carol Service

St John the Evangelist, Derby
1 December - 4.30pm

Advent Carols by Candlelight

St John, Buxton
1 December - 6pm

Advent Carol Service

St Mary & St Laurence, Bolsover
1 December - 6pm

New Opera Company Derby Concert "Winter Warmers"

St Philip, Chaddesden
4 December - 7.30pm
£8 on door or 01332 701886

Christmas Tree Festival

All Saints, Turnditch
5 to 8 December - 10am : 4pm
(Sunday 12pm - 4pm)

Christmas Tree Festival

St John the Evangelist, Derby
6 to 9 December

Christmas Tree Festival

St Thomas, Brampton
6 to 10 December - 10.30am :
7pm (Sunday 1.30pm - 5pm)

Christmas Fayre

Findern Village Hall
7 December - 10am - 12 noon

Christmas Craft Market

St Thomas, Brampton
7 December - 10am : 1.30pm

Christmas Festival

St Bartholomew, Elvaston
7 December (10.30am - 5pm)
8 December (11.30am - 5pm)

Derventio Choir Christmas Tree Festival

St John the Evangelist, Derby
7 December - 7.30pm

Christmas Fair

Christ Church, Burbage
7 December - 10am : 2pm

Carol Service of Hope and Thanksgiving

St John the Evangelist, Hazelwood
8 December - 3 pm

Christingle

St Matthew, Morley
8 December - 3pm

Beer and Carols Evening

Holy Trinity, Milford
8 December - 6.30pm

Christmas Tree Festival

St Peter and St Paul, Eckington
10 - 15 December
Open 10-12 Dec: 10am - 3pm,
13 Dec: 3pm - 6pm, 14 Dec:
10am - 6pm, 15 Dec: 11am - 4pm

Folk Carols and Readings

St Mary the Virgin, Buxton
11 December - 7.30pm

Wathall's Memorial Service

Derby Cathedral
12 December - 6.30pm

Christmas Tree Festival

St Paul, Quarndon
13 to 15 December - times vary.
Visit stpaulsquarndon.org.uk

Christmas Tree Festival

St Peter, Littleover
14 to 16 December

Carol Service & switching on of Memorial Lights

Christ Church, Burbage
15 December - 9.30am

Christingle Service

St John the Evangelist, Hazelwood
15 December - 11am

Carol Service

St Matthew, Morley
15 December - 11.15am

Candlelit Carol Service

St Peter, Littleover
15 December - 6pm

Nativity Play and Carols

St Bartholomew, Elvaston
15 December - 6.30pm

Carol Service

St Laurence, Shottle
15 December - 7 pm

Christmas Tree Festival

Christ Church, Burbage
16 December - 2pm : 4pm

Scrouge A Ghostly Tale for Christmas

St Lawrence, Barlow
18 & 20 December - 7 pm
Tickets £5 - email julie.ferreday@icloud.com

Christmas Carol Service

All Saints, Curbar
20 December - 6pm

Music Evening with Sarah Hinds

Holy Trinity, Milford
20 December - 8 pm : 10 pm

Choral Morning Prayer

St Bartholomew, Elvaston
15 December - 10.30am

Carol Service

St Swithun, Belper
19 December - 7.30pm

Christmas Tree Festival

St Philip, Chaddesden
21 December (10am - 4pm) and
22 December (12 noon - 4pm)

Carol Service (joint with St James, Harpur Hill)
Harpur Hill Methodist Church
Sun, 22 December - 10.30am

Burbage Band Christmas Concert

Christ Church, Burbage
22 December - 2pm

Carol Service
St John the Evangelist,
Hazelwood
22 December - 3pm

Carol Service
Christ Church, King Sterndale
22 December - 3.45pm

Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols

St John, Buxton
22 December - 6pm

Carols by Candlelight
St Peter, Belper
22 December - 6.30pm

Family Carol Service
St Philip, Chaddesden
22 December - 6.30pm

Carol Service
St Michael, Holbrook
22 December - 6.30 pm

Carol Service
St Mark, Openwoodgate
22 December - 6.30pm

Crib Service
Holy Trinity, Milford
24 December - 2 pm

Crib Service
St Matthew, Morley
24 December - 3pm

Handbell Ringers and Crib Service
Christ Church, Burbage
24 December - 4pm

Crib Service
St Mary the Virgin, Buxton
24 December - 4pm

Crib Service
St James, Harpur Hill
24 December - 4pm

Crib Service
St Mark, Openwoodgate
24 December - 4pm

Children's Nativity Service
St John the Baptist, Tideswell
24 December - 4pm

Christingle Service
St Peter, Belper
24 December - 6pm

Christmas Eve Carol Service
St John the Evangelist, Derby
24 December - 6.30pm

Carol Singing in the Nags Head Garden
St Michael, Pleasley
24 December - 7pm

More information can be found at derby.anglican.org/events

Details of Midnight Mass and Christmas Day services are available on www.achurchnearyou.com

Learning in Faith

Our 2020 course programme is now open for bookings

The new 2020 Learning in Faith course programme, 'Pray, Learn, Tell and Serve Together', is now available. All PCC secretaries should have received a copy and booklets for every church will be distributed with the December edition of Together Magazine.

There is a huge array of courses on offer - from familiar favourites, such as 'Talking Faith for Ordinary People' and Vocations Exploration sessions, to brand new sessions on 'Instagram' and 'Twitter', and 'Unexpected Child in the Church Area', to name but a few.

Booking a place is easy - visit www.derby.anglican.org/training or call 01332 388687.

As well as attending sessions yourself, please add Learning in Faith 2020 to your PCC agenda and take the opportunity to discuss what is on offer and how the courses may support your own church to pray, learn, tell and serve together.

In her introduction, Bishop Libby says 'Taking part in this programme is one way to be fed and nourished by Christ'.

The Learning in Faith team wish you a Happy Christmas and look forward to seeing you in 2020.

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Monday 9.00am – 1.00 pm
Tuesday 9.00am – 3.00pm
Thursday 9.00am – 4.00pm (closed 12.30 – 1.30)
Friday 9.00am – 1.00pm

Office Hour for booking of Baptisms & Weddings;-

Thursday 5th December 6—7 p.m.

Thursday 12th December 6—7 p.m.

Thursday 3rd January 6—7 p.m.

Thursday 17th January 6—7 p.m.

Deadline for Articles for FEBRUARY BPN = Tuesday 21st
January

Buxton Team Parish is the Church of England Parish of Buxton with Burbage and King Sterndale consisting of: St. John the Baptist, Buxton, St. Mary the Vir-gin, Buxton, St. Anne, Buxton, Christ Church, Burbage, St. James, Harpur Hill, Christ Church, King Sterndale.

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