

# Niftynotes

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## Bishop Paul's Easter Message

In his classic, *The Hobbit*, Tolkien writes, "There is nothing like looking, if you want to find something. You certainly usually find something, if you look, but it is not always quite the something you were after."

"Jesus said to Mary Magdalene, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' Jesus said to her, 'Mary!'"

With that single word the search was over, the despair was gone, the mystery of the ages unfolding before her very eyes. And in no time at all Mary was with the other disciples announcing, 'I have seen the Lord!'

There has never been an announcement with more far reaching implications for the entire human race than those few simple words, spoken from a heart that had been flooded with an irreversible hope.



Hope is in very short supply for many people, often for intensely personal reasons. On a national level the uncertainty over Brexit, whatever your political viewpoint, is only feeding the fears that diminish a sense of hope.

Only perfect love can drive out fear. And only an undying hope can overcome despair. This is why the Cross of Christ and the Empty Tomb are the shining symbols of our faith. And the most significant contribution any of us can make in reducing the world deficit of hope, is to nurture this faith and announce it with the same joy as Mary Magdalene.

We need to recover a sense of personal wonder if we are to help others to see the compelling significance of the events of that first Easter morning.

The writer Eugene Peterson puts it like this, "It is not easy to convey a sense of wonder, let alone resurrection wonder, to another. It's the very nature of wonder to catch us off guard, to circumvent expectations and assumptions. Wonder can't be packaged, and it can't be worked up. It requires some sense of being there and some sense of engagement."

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## Growing Disciples . . . Growing Disciples . . . Growing Disciples . . .

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[www.growingdisciples.co.uk](http://www.growingdisciples.co.uk)

# Church launches Holy Communion in Persian language of Farsi

**W**hat would bring 600 people, mostly aged 20-40, and mostly men, to Wakefield Cathedral on a Saturday afternoon.

A rock concert or the visit of a well-known celebrity? No. Wakefield Cathedral was filled for the launch of the Eucharistic Prayer in the Persian language of Farsi.

The service was led by Bishop Paul Butler, Bishop Guli Francis-Dehqani and Bishop Toby Howorth. Over 50 Iranians and church leaders from Nottingham South Deanery attended and five members of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Denmark were also there.

The Danish delegation are all involved with helping migrants and spent the weekend at St Stephen's with St Paul's Church, Hyson Green, discussing the ways both countries and churches are responding to asylum seekers and refugees.

The Revd Clive Burrows, of St Stephen's with St Paul's, said: "It was a wonderful way to bring together Persian Christians from all over England to celebrate the communion service being made available in their mother tongue."

One of the Iranians who travelled from Hyson Green said: "Finally,



I know exactly what is being said whenever I take communion."

Authorised by the House of Bishops, the publication of the Farsi language service affirms the presence of Iranians in churches as a gift, and demonstrates commitment to welcoming them into the life of the Church of England.

The new liturgy is designed to be used alongside English language liturgy, with both languages printed side by side.

The Bishop of Loughborough, Guli Francis-Dehqani, who came to the UK from Iran with her family when she was 14 years old following the 1979 revolution,

presided at the service and conveyed messages from the Archbishops of Canterbury and York.

Her father was the late Bishop Hassan Dehqani-Tafti, the first Persian Bishop in Iran, who was forced into exile after an attempt on his life and the murder of his only son.

The new liturgy is available on the Church of England website.



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## Workplace Sunday - celebrating God's gift of work

*The Revd Jo Tatum, Nottingham Workplace Chaplain writes:*

**W**orkplace Sunday – 5th May – will be an opportunity to celebrate God's gift of work and to support working people by recognising Gods calling on our lives, wherever he has placed us. Yet for so many people the world of work can be a dull and unfulfilling place, for them the notion of God being interested or involved in their workplace is hard to imagine.

Here is an opportunity to encourage a different perspective that will make an impact where they are throughout the week, recognising their daily work as a vital part of God's wider story.

Following Jesus is often challenging in the workplace, where we are surrounded by people of no faith or other faiths. This coming Workplace Sunday can be the opening of a time to reflect on how our discipleship can be deepened where we work. As we share the challenges with our own church community, urging each other on as 'fellow workers' as St Paul often encouraged fellow disciples of Christ.

Churches are encouraged to mark Workplace Sunday on 5th May and a selection of resources (links below) have been gathered to help them. There are ideas for Sundays/workshops or sessions or courses that might be shared amongst small groups over the weeks to come.

<http://www.licc.org.uk/work-forum/events-courses/workplace-sunday/>

<https://www.licc.org.uk/ourresources/workplace-groups/?src=fb>  
NEW

<http://www.aftersunday.org.uk/in-practice/god-and-work-in-practice>

<https://www.theologyofwork.org/>

<http://www.stpaulsinstitute.org.uk>

Go to [www.youtube.com/user/diocesefsofswthwell/videos](http://www.youtube.com/user/diocesefsofswthwell/videos) to see the video about Workplace Chaplaincy.

## Flats available at Upton Fields, Southwell

The Trustees of the Alexander and Caroline Simmons Trust are offering ground floor and first floor, two-bedroom flats within a small block of four flats, known as Upton Fields on Upton Road at the edge of Southwell.

The flats are centrally heated with lovely views and a sunny aspect. There are gardens with fruit trees and a garage.

Immediately outside the property is a bus stop.

The Trust gives priority to former clergy, their widows or widowers and Church workers of long standing (10 years) within the Dioceses of Southwell & Nottingham and Derby.

In the event of the Trust being unable to identify tenants who meet these priorities, the Trustees have discretion to let to other suitable persons who are in need by virtue of poverty.

The monthly contribution is £500 per calendar month for each flat and the Trust can provide assistance in making a claim for housing benefit. In certain circumstances further discretionary relief may be available.

**If you are interested and would like further information or to view the flat, please contact Katie Senior tel 01949 850384 or [katieesenior@hotmail.com](mailto:katieesenior@hotmail.com)**

## A date for your diary

A Family Festival for Pentecost is taking place at Bishop's Manor, Southwell, on Saturday 8th June, from 11am to 2.30pm. It is aimed at families with children aged 11 and under. Further details will follow.

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## Giving the Church a voice

Nottingham Citizens is an alliance of 37 member organisations and a strategic partner of the Diocese. We bring together people from churches, mosques, synagogues, schools, universities, unions and other third sector organisations to tackle justice issues that our members care about. Community organising is a vital tool in giving the Church a voice to be able to speak truth to power and to equip people with the skills with which they can be the agents of their own change. We are currently developing a Diocesan-wide training offer which we hope to launch in the autumn with a view to equipping more of our churches with the practical tools to built relationships, develop leadership skills and make a difference locally.

Our current priority areas are addressing mental health issues, tackling in-work poverty through the living wage and wider

employment practices, and developing provision for young people in the city. Next month brings 2019's largest and most significant local political gathering of the year, as member institutions congregate with Nottingham's decision makers to win justice on some of the areas mentioned above in the run up to the local elections. Admission to the 25 April event at Trent Vineyard is by ticket only, with priority given to our members institutions. If your church or school are not currently engaged with community organising in the Diocese we would love to welcome you there as a VIP.

**Contact organiser Pete Rogers for details: [pete.rogers@nottinghamcitizens.org](mailto:pete.rogers@nottinghamcitizens.org)**



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### Easter Saturday Pilgrimage

The annual pilgrimage from St Peter's, Nottingham to Southwell Minster will take place on Saturday the 20th of April. The pilgrimages commenced in 1995 and this year the first of four cycle routes will be used.

The whole distance is approximately eleven and a half miles, all are welcome to join in for the whole or part of the distance.

Following a commencing prayer on St Peter's steps a bus will be taken to the starting point at Spring Lane on the outskirts of Arnold. A packed lunch will be enjoyed at a picturesque spot. The final prayer of the day takes place in the Pilgrims' Chapel in the Minster before retiring to the refectory for tea and biscuits.

**Further details: John Burr 8542847 or 07941633289.**



# Prayerdiary

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## In May we pray for. . .

- Wed 01 May Tollerton, St Peter (Alan Howe)**  
 Mpwapwa (Tanzania) The Rt Revd Jacob Chimeledya (Diocesan Bishop); Yambio (South Sudan) The Most Revd Peter Yacoub (Diocesan Bishop); Yangon (Myanmar) The Most Revd Stephen Myint Oo (Primate); Yangon (Myanmar) The Rt Revd Samuel Oak (Assistant Bishop)
- Thu 02 May SECTOR MINISTRIES: Nottingham Prison (Steven Clark, Martin Tyack)**  
 Mthatha (formerly St John's) (Southern Africa) The Rt Revd Hummingfield Ndwandwe (Diocesan Bishop) Yei (South Sudan) The Rt Revd Hilary Luate (Diocesan Bishop)
- Fri 03 May The Cranmer Group (Vacant: Area Dean: Stephen Hippisley-Cox, Lay Chair: Steve Gelsthorpe; Churchwardens: Mike Senior, Rowland Harris, Sarah Hadfield, Jean Smeeton, Julian Humpheson, Phil Morris, Nick Finlay, Esther Sheardown, Roger Coulter, David Banks)**  
 Muhabura (Uganda) The Rt Revd Cranmer Mugisha (Diocesan Bishop); Yeri (South Sudan) The Rt Revd John Nyari (Diocesan Bishop); Ijumu (Nigeria) The Ven Paul Ojo (Diocesan Bishop)
- Sat 04 May Widmerpool, St Peter; Willoughby-on-the-Wolds, St Mary & All Saints; Wysall, Holy Trinity (Stephen Hippisley-Cox)**  
 Mukono (Uganda) The Rt Revd James Ssebagala (Diocesan Bishop); Yewa (form. Egbado) (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Michael Oluwarohunbi (Diocesan Bishop); Ikara (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Yusuf Janfalan (Diocesan Bishop)
- Sun 05 May The Archdeacon of Newark (David Picken)**  
 Pray for the Anglican Church of Kenya, The Most Revd Jackson Sapit - Primate and Archbishop of All Kenya  
*Church of Norway: Diocese of Björgvin, Bishop Halvor Nordhaug*
- Mon 06 May BANK HOLIDAY**  
 Multan (Pakistan) The Rt Revd Leo Paul (Diocesan Bishop); Yirol (South Sudan) The Rt Revd Paul Lual (Diocesan Bishop); Yirol (South Sudan) The Rt Revd Isaac Aleth (Assistant Bishop); Ikeduru (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Emmanuel Maduwike (Diocesan Bishop)
- Tue 07 May Wiverton in the Vale (Vacant: Area Dean: Stephen Hippisley-Cox, Lay Chair: Steve Gelsthorpe; Churchwardens: Edward Hine, Maureen Wright, Hilary Tabron, Robin Coles, Trevor Simpson)**  
 Mumbai (Formerly Bombay) (North India) The Rt Revd Prakash Patole (Diocesan Bishop); Yokohama (Japan) The Revd Ignatius Irie (Diocesan Bishop)
- Wed 08 May GEDLING DEANERY (Area Dean: Anthony Giles, Lay Chair: Tony Mellor)**  
 Mumias (Kenya) The Rt Revd Joseph Wandera (Diocesan Bishop); Yola (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Markus Ibrahim (Diocesan Bishop); York (England) The Most Revd & Rt Hon Dr John Sentamu (Diocesan Bishop); York (England) The Rt Revd Paul Ferguson; York (England) The Rt Revd John Thomson York (England) The Rt Revd Glyn Webster; York (England) The Rt Revd Alison White
- Thu 09 May DIOCESAN STAFF: Director of Parish Support for the Diocese, Fraser McNish and his colleagues**  
 Mundri (South Sudan) The Rt Revd Bismark Azumu (Diocesan Bishop); Ysabel (Melanesia) The Revd Ellison Quity (Diocesan Bishop)



## In May we pray for. . .

- Fri 10 May Arnold, St Mary (Margaret Caunt)**  
Mundu Area (South Sudan) The Rt Revd Samuel Eluzai; Yukon (Canada) The Rt Revd Larry Robertson (Diocesan Bishop); Ikka (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Peter Onekpe (Diocesan Bishop)
- Sat 11 May Bulcote, Holy Trinity; Burton Joyce, St Helen; Stoke Bardolph, St Luke Caythorpe, St Aidan Mission Church; Gunthorpe, St John the Baptist; Lowdham, St Mary the Virgin (Vacant: Area Dean: Anthony Giles; Lay Chair: Tony Mellor; Clergy: Simon Jones; Churchwardens: Paul Smith, Jo Foster, Mary Crosby, Patricia Hewitt, Jan Hewitt, Andrew Potter)**  
Muranga South (Kenya) The Rt Revd Julius Wa Gicheru (Diocesan Bishop); Zaki-Biam (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Benjamin Vanger (Diocesan Bishop); Ikwerre (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Blessing Enyindah (Diocesan Bishop)
- Sun 12 May The Bishop of Southwell & Nottingham (Paul Williams)**  
Pray for the Anglican Church of Korea, The Most Revd Moses Yoo - Primate of Korea and Bishop of Daejeon  
*Church of Sweden: Diocese of Västerås, Bishop Mikael Mogren*
- Mon 13 May Calverton, St Wilfrid (Sam Hustwayte)**  
Muyinga (Burundi) The Rt Revd Paisible Ndacayisaba (Diocesan Bishop); Zanzibar (Tanzania) The Rt Revd Michael Hafidh (Diocesan Bishop); Ikwo (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Kenneth Ifemene (Diocesan Bishop)
- Tue 14 May Carlton, St John the Baptist (Amanda Digman)**  
Myanmar (Myanmar) The Rt Revd Andrew Htin (Diocesan Bishop); Myanmar (Myanmar) The Rt Revd Clement San Oo (Diocesan Bishop); Zaria (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Abiodun Ogunyemi (Diocesan Bishop)
- Wed 15 May Carlton-in-the-Willows, St Paul (Wendy Murphy)**  
Mytikiyina (Myanmar) The Rt Revd John Li (Diocesan Bishop); Mytikiyina (Myanmar) Vacant (Assistant Bishop); Zonkwa (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Jacob Kwashi (Diocesan Bishop); Zululand (Southern Africa) The Rt Revd Monument Makhanya (Diocesan Bishop)
- Thu 16 May SECTOR MINISTRIES: Lowdham Grange Prison (Ed Pike)**  
Nagpur (North India) The Rt Revd Paul Dupare (Diocesan Bishop); Aba (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Christian Ugwuzor (Diocesan Bishop)
- Fri 17 May Colwick, St John the Baptist (Amanda Digman)**  
Nairobi (Kenya) The Rt Revd Joel Mwangi (Diocesan Bishop); Aba Ngwa North (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Nathan Kanu (Diocesan Bishop); Ikwano (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Chigozirim Onyegbule (Diocesan Bishop)
- Sat 18 May Daybrook, St Paul (Sally Baylis)**  
Nakuru (Kenya) The Rt Revd Joseph Muchai (Diocesan Bishop); Nakuru (Kenya) The Rt Revd Musa Kamuren; Abakaliki (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Monday Nkwoagu (Diocesan Bishop); Ilaje (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Fredrick Olugbemi (Diocesan Bishop)
- Sun 19 May The Bishop of Sherwood (Tony Porter)**  
Pray for the Anglican Church of Melanesia, The Most Revd George Takeli - Archbishop of the Anglican Church of Melanesia and Bishop of Central Melanesia; Evangelical Lutheran Church in Denmark: Diocese of Viborg, Bishop Henrik Stubkjær
- Mon 20 May Epperstone, Holy Cross; Gonalston, St Laurence; Oxtun, St Peter & St Paul; Woodborough, St Swithun; (Anthony Giles)**  
Nambale (Kenya) The Rt Revd Robert Barasa (Diocesan Bishop); Aberdeen & Orkney (Scotland) The Rt Revd Anne Dyer (Diocesan Bishop); Ile - Oluji (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Abel Ajibodu (Diocesan Bishop)
- Tue 21 May Gedling, All Hallows; Gedling (Michael Johnson, Jean Lamb)**  
Namibia (Southern Africa) The Rt Revd Luke Pato (Diocesan Bishop); Abuja (Nigeria) The Most Revd Nicholas Okoh (Primate)

# In May we pray for. . .

- Wed 22 May Lambley, Holy Trinity (Michael Johnson)**  
 Namirembe (Uganda) The Rt Revd Wilberforce Luwalira (Diocesan Bishop); Abyei (South Sudan) The Rt Revd Michael Bol (Diocesan Bishop); Accra (West Africa) The Rt Revd Daniel Torto (Diocesan Bishop)
- Thu 23 May Netherfield, St George (Vacant: Area Dean: Anthony Giles, Lay Chair: Tony Mellor; Churchwardens: Lillian Barnett, Patricia Bird)**  
 Nandyal (South India) The Rt Revd Eggoni Pushpalalitha (Diocesan Bishop); Adelaide (Australia) The Most Revd Geoffrey Smith (Diocesan Bishop); Adelaide (Australia) The Rt Revd Tim Harris (Assistant Bishop) Adelaide (Australia) The Rt Revd Christopher McLeod (Assistant Bishop)
- Fri 24 May Nottingham St Jude (John Allister)**  
 Nasik (North India) The Rt Revd Pradip Kamble (Diocesan Bishop); Afikpo (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Paul Udogu (Diocesan Bishop); Ilesa (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Samuel Sowale (Diocesan Bishop); Ilesa South West (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Samuel Egbeunmi (Diocesan Bishop)
- Sat 25 May Porchester, St James (Vacant: Area Dean: Anthony Giles, Lay Chair: Tony Mellor; Churchwardens: Patrick Wallis, Steve Harrison)**  
 Nasir (South Sudan) The Rt Revd Simon Jal (Diocesan Bishop); Agra (North India) The Rt Revd Prem Habil (Diocesan Bishop); Indianapolis (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Jennifer Baskerville-Burrows (Diocesan Bishop); Indianapolis (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Catherine Waynick
- Sun 26 May ROGATION SUNDAY – In our diocese today we give thanks for all those who work the land for our good. Those who farm, those who develop and those who serve our country from other lands in helping produce our food**  
 Pray for all members of the Anglican Communion around the world; For the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Revd Justin Welby, and all primates and bishops; For members of the Anglican Consultative Council For the Secretary General, the Most Revd Dr Josiah Idowu-Fearon, For the staff at the Anglican Communion Office in London and the UN offices in Geneva and New York;  
*Church of Norway: Diocese of Nord-Hålogaland, Bishop Olav Øygard*
- Mon 27 May BANK HOLIDAY - As we are encouraged to take a rest day we remember those who cannot. Those who work to care for us and respond to our emergencies. Those who serve us as we shop and enjoy our leisure time. Lord, thank you for those who serve and thank you for our Servant King, Jesus.**  
 Natal (Southern Africa) The Rt Revd Dino Gabriel (Diocesan Bishop); Natal (Southern Africa) The Rt Revd Tsietse Seleokane; Natal (Southern Africa) Vacant; Aguata (Nigeria) The Most Revd Christian Efobi (Diocesan Bishop)
- Tue 28 May Woodthorpe, St Mark (Matthew Roberts)**  
 National Indigenous Bishop (Canada) The Rt Revd Mark MacDonald (Diocesan Bishop); Ahoada (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Clement Ekpeye (Diocesan Bishop)
- Wed 29 May NOTTINGHAM NORTH DEANERY (Area Dean: Peter Huxtable; Lay Chairs: Anne Walters & Sue Dunster)**  
 Navajoland Area Mission (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd David Bailey (Diocesan Bishop); Aipo Rongo (Papua New Guinea) The Rt Revd Nathan Ingen (Diocesan Bishop); Ajayi Crowther (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Olugbenga Oduntan (Diocesan Bishop)
- Thu 30 May ASCENSION DAY – Prayer for the start of ‘Thy Kingdom Come 2019’ - 10 days of prayer across the world for the witness and evangelism of The Church**  
 Ndokwa (Nigeria) The Rt Revd David Obiosa (Diocesan Bishop); Akobo (South Sudan) The Rt Revd John Jock Chol (Diocesan Bishop)
- Fri 31 May TKC Day 2 - Prayer for the witness and evangelism through our Church**  
 Nebbi (Uganda) The Rt Revd Alphonse Watho-kudi (Diocesan Bishop); Akoko (Nigeria) The Most Revd Gabriel Akinbiyi (Diocesan Bishop); Akoko Edo (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Jolly Oyekpen (Diocesan Bishop) Iowa (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Alan Scarfe (Diocesan Bishop)



# World links news - Burundi

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## Resilience and restoration in Burundi

*Rosemary Cottingham of St Mark's, Woodthorpe writes:*

**R**esilience isn't a word we hear used very much today. Defined as the capacity to recover quickly from difficulties; the process of adapting well in the face of adversity, trauma or tragedy, it aptly describes people in Burundi.

At the beginning of this year fire completely destroyed the main market in Matana with disastrous consequences for the community around. Families and individuals, including many pastors and Church teachers lost their main means of income. More than 350 people not only lost the goods they sold but also money they kept saved there.

The area around Matana is rural and so most people live by subsistence farming. Life is precarious and poverty levels are high. Income generation is essential for survival. The market is a hub for the community as well as being a place where business is carried out. People buy their daily supplies of food, clothes and shoes, school uniforms, exercise books and other school materials, baskets, furniture and many other essential items. It is where parts for cars can be found and bicycles repaired.



Matana Market destroyed by fire



Starting again

Matana was one of the first Anglican mission stations founded in the 1930s and the Church is an integral part of the community. Very quickly the Diocese of Matana, led by its Bishop, the Rt. Revd Seth Ndayirukiye, looked for ways to respond to the disaster. They began to support those most affected by giving small sums of money so that they could restore some form of business in order to generate income once again or sort out loans they had with banks or through micro finance.

Helping to bring restoration in practical ways in the face of seemingly endless challenges is



A victim of the disaster

the Gospel in action reflecting God's purpose to restore broken lives. It is the ongoing work of the Church to minister to the many who witnessed atrocities during the years of civil war, the child soldiers, widows, victims of rape and other forms of gender based violence, those with HIV, the illiterate, and many others.

Remarkable stories are shared by young men and women who, in the face of adversity, poverty and tragedy have found a restored sense of purpose and hope and have qualified as doctors, teachers, lawyers, and Church leaders. It will not be long before similar stories are told by stall holders in Matana market!





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**Saturday 14th September 2019**

Make a note in your diary.  
Watch this space for further updates

Many churches open their doors and provide welcome refreshments for the participants. The Ride + Stride event shares the same weekend with the Heritage Open Days and this is an excellent opportunity to take advantage of the publicity and open your church to show your neighbours and visitors something of your life and achievements.

Nottinghamshire Historic Churches Trust particularly hope that churches which have been in receipt of grants from the Trust will show their appreciation by taking part this year.

Details in preparation at present time ...  
**If you require further information please contact  
Margaret Lowe mobile 07757 800919 or  
margaret.lowe@nottshistoricchurchtrust.com**

**Parish and  
Trustee Training  
20th November  
2019**

To help support you in your role as a steward of the Church's money, the Diocese's investment managers CCLA are offering parishes an opportunity to discuss and to explore alternatives to cash. This session will be of interest primarily to parish treasurers, but it concerns all PCC members as trustees of the Church's assets, and any that feel they will benefit from this session are welcome to attend.

**If you would like to attend please respond directly to:  
CCLA@eesolutions.co.uk  
quoting Parish (Nottingham)  
in the subject heading.**

The event is being held at Nottinghamshire County Cricket Club, Trent Bridge, Nottingham NG2 6AG on Wednesday 20th November 2019.

Registration will be at 10.45am for an 11am start (finish by 12.30 after which it would be great if you could join them for lunch).

CCLA are also running another investment seminar that afternoon at 1.45 - 5.15pm at the same venue for charity trustees and covering a range of topics.

If you would like to stay on and attend this seminar please mention this in your reply to the above email.

**Open day at St Mellitus College**

St Mellitus College is holding an open day at its new East Midlands Centre on Wednesday 3rd April 2019.

It will be an opportunity to hear about the college's vision and values as well as the courses on offer. There will be a chance to meet some of the staff team, as well as sign up for a one-to-one interview if you are looking to apply this year.

The open day is at Trinity Church Nottingham - 192-194 Mansfield Road, Nottingham, NG1 3HX - the East Midlands base for St Mellitus. The day runs from 10.30am to 3pm. To book a place email [info@stmellitus.ac.uk](mailto:info@stmellitus.ac.uk)

## What's on . . . What's on . . . What's on . . . What's on . . . What's on

*Items to be included in What's On for Nifty Notes should be sent to Nicola Mellors at [nicola@southwell.anglican.org](mailto:nicola@southwell.anglican.org)*

*in April*

- 4** Lent talks at St Peter's Nottingham - Prayer and Mental Health (The Revd James Saxton). Light refreshments available (no charge) from 12.30. Each talk will begin at 1pm, followed by discussion and ending by 2pm. St Peter's Church, Nottingham.
- 11** Lent talks at St Peter's Nottingham - Prayer and Inclusiveness (The Revd Jenny Jones, Nottingham Methodist Circuit). Light refreshments available (no charge) from 12.30. Each talk will begin at 1pm, followed by discussion and ending by 2pm. St Peter's Church, Nottingham
- 20** Bring in the light - a service of healing by candlelight for Holy Saturday. 6pm, All Hallows Gedling. Join in this healing service on this special day as candles of New Fire are lit and wholeness and re-newal are sought through Gods healing power. Further details: the Revd Jean Lamb email [jeanevelynlamb@gmail.com](mailto:jeanevelynlamb@gmail.com) tel 01159585892:Mobile 07851792552.
- 20** Easter extravaganza at St Leonard's Church, Lincoln Road, Newark. It will involve games, crafts, Easter egg tombola and Easter raffle. There will be a chance for people to join in the reenactment of the Easter story and an Easter egg hunt. There will be hot cross buns, cakes and other refreshments, plus much more.
- 26** All Saints Church, Rempstone. 7pm. Songs of Praise with hymns and songs chosen by those attending. A short history of each item will be given and people who choose hymns can also give the reasons for their choice if they so wish. Free admission. Retiring collection. Refreshments. Church has a car park, toilet and disabled access. Contact: 07970206606.

## Always Hope - God's Heart for the Poor

**David Parkinson, Regional Leader of Christians Against Poverty, is leading a training session on Tuesday 30th April 2019 (9:30-4:00pm), lunch included, at Jubilee House, Westgate, Southwell, NG25 0JH.**

The day will focus on the following themes.

- What does the bible say about the poor? God's heart for the poor in 2019
  - Poverty in Britain today
  - Church social action and evangelism
  - Working with Christians Against Poverty (CAP)
- We hope that the day will:
- raise awareness of the current

climate of debt and poverty - its impact on individuals and families

- include information on debt within clergy families
- detail the work of CAP – its origins and current work
- explain how churches might engage with CAP, learn about CAP resources, and signpost their help and advice

This event is open to all – lay and ordained - with a heart for the poor.

**To book your place (and any dietary requirements) please contact Catriona Gundlach [catriona@southwell.anglican.org](mailto:catriona@southwell.anglican.org) or 01636 817232.**



**Saturday 13th April, 2pm-5pm**

at  
Bar Lane Sports Centre,  
NG6 0JA

11-13s and 14-16s  
5-a-side (squads of any size)  
£10/team play for the trophy

**Further details:  
Contact Rob Taylor  
[rob.taylor@southwell.anglican.org](mailto:rob.taylor@southwell.anglican.org) or 07775 687682**

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# oneLIFE Encounter

**Celebration evenings in word and sacrament with  
Archdeacon David Picken at locations around the  
diocese**

**Tuesday 19th March 2019, 7.30pm**

With Humble and Contrite Hearts  
St Peter and St Paul Hucknall

**Monday 15th July 2019, 7.30pm**

A People of Thanksgiving  
All Saints Clipstone

**Thursday 21 November 2019, 7.30pm**

O Come let us Adore Him  
venue TBC



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is: 12TH APRIL 2019



## Comings and goings . . . Comings and goings . . . Comings and goings

**The Revd Phillip Edward Marsh** at present Vicar of the Benefice of Wilford, & Chaplain to The Nottingham Emmanuel School, in the Diocese of Southwell and Nottingham to become Mission Lead, Inherited Church in the Diocese of Ely. Licensing date to be announced.

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For Mary the moment of wonder is not when she swallows a new doctrine but when she meets her risen Saviour, and he addresses her by name. Something in his voice instantly catches her attention. This is the moment her ears and eyes are opened – when the Good Shepherd calls his sheep they know his voice.

When someone very close to us dies it's often hearing them use our name that we miss the most – no one else could speak it with so much understanding or more intimately.

This is our Easter faith: Jesus knows us personally. He knows all about our fears and our moments of despair. And he calls

us by name, often in ways that surprise us or when we least expect. The cross and resurrection of Jesus are about the restoration of relationship and the wonder of knowing God.

Our world needs urgently to find a fresh source of living hope, perhaps especially our young people who are growing up with uncertainty about the future and far too much stress in the present, often leading to self-doubt.

This is why our 72 Church Schools in this diocese are vital incubators of hope, seeking to provide not only the best educational outcomes but doing that in the context of a hopeful vision for life, grounded in the wisdom and love of Christ. I urge us to pray regularly for all

teachers and parents in their precious vocation to nurture this hope.

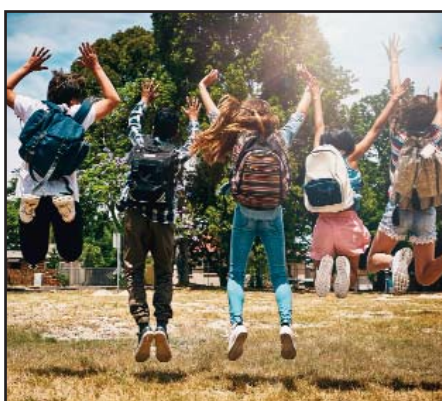
There are no 'A\*'s for having a love that casts out fear or prizes for possessing a hope that overcomes despair. But when young people know they are loved and have hope they thrive, and become peace-makers and world changers.

Some of us too may need to renew our hope in Christ and regain a sense of perspective over the many things that distract and discourage us, recovering a sense of personal wonder as we rejoice to announce on Easter Morning, 'Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!'

**Bishop Paul**

## Start planning for Thy Kingdom Come

**T**he prayer movement Thy Kingdom Come, which starts on Ascension Day (30th May) and runs for 10 days until Pentecost on 9th June, will see people around the world praying for others to hear and



respond to the Good News of Jesus Christ.

For 2019, there are new resources, including prayer maps and journals, and a TKC app with daily prayers and reflections. To help inspire, support and resource churches in their planning for TKC 2019, two inspiration evenings are being held:

**Thursday 4th April 'Church Growth through Invitation. What holds us back?'** led by Michael Harvey, Director of the

National Weekend of Invitation; 7.30-9.30pm, Big Barn Lane Methodist Church, Mansfield NG18 3LJ.

**Thursday 11th April 'Equipped to Pray'** led by the National TKC team with sample resources available to take away: 7.30-9.30pm St. Martin's church, Trevose Gardens, Sherwood, Nottingham NG5 3FU.

**To book your free place email Amanda Lees on [chaplain@southwell.anglican.org](mailto:chaplain@southwell.anglican.org) before 31st March 2019**