

Niftynotes

news & information from the Diocese

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LiveLent 2018 - Let your light Shine

The Church of England has launched its 2018 Lent campaign and resources for churches.

#LiveLent – Let your light Shine is a Lent journey through the Gospel of John, offering a short daily reading, a pause for reflection and prayer, and a challenge to act.

It is written in simple and accessible language by John Kiddle, Archdeacon of Wandsworth, and includes an introduction from the Archbishops of Canterbury and York, who say: “These Lent reflections take you on a journey through the Gospel of John and give you an opportunity to explore what the gift of Jesus and the challenge of Jesus mean for you, in the context of your daily life.”

A weekly five-session Lent course, that can be run in conjunction, or separately to, the daily Let your light Shine material, will be available as part a range of downloadable materials to support churches.



The aim is to be as joined up as possible and encourage people to journey from Lent and Easter into Pentecost and the Thy Kingdom Come prayer campaign.

The full range of #LiveLent resources and activities will include:

- Full-colour printed book #LiveLent: Let Your Light Shine from Church House Publishing – they are available in bulk or as single copies
- Daily reflections – a daily discipleship journey through Lent from the Gospel of John, and a weekly Lent course based on these themes
- App for Android and iOS, including all daily reflections material

- Social media graphics from the national Church of England accounts to share on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram

- Email and text sign-ups – which proved very popular over Advent and Christmas for #GodWithUs

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www.growingdisciples.co.uk

Chaplain at God's 'coalface'

As Chaplain for the East Midlands Ambulance Service the Revd Kevin Charles – or 'RevKev' as he's known – is the listening ear for staff and their families across five counties in the region.

Kevin (59) has worked for EMAS for 37 years, and following Reader training and prompts from God that he might be called to the priesthood, he began the selection process and then studied through the East Midlands Ministry Training Course in 2008.

He was ordained in 2012, served his curacy at All Saints, Annesley with the Revd Liz Turner-Loisel from 2011-2015, and started doing work around staff support at EMAS HQ.

It was during 2014 that the Director of EMAS rang to say there was a post of Chaplain and Staff Support Leader available, which led to Kevin becoming licensed as Chaplain, and Associate Priest at Kirkby in Ashfield, in May 2015.

"Because it's such a huge area we introduced P2P (Peer to Peer) and Pastoral Care Workers and there are now 200 volunteers



across all departments," says Kevin. "I see my role at the coalface of God's mine walking alongside, and helping carry them in their difficult times. It's an opportunity to plant a seed and on occasion watch it grow – to take the Word wider and deeper, taking the Church out to people, but I love parish life too. I'm so blessed to have both."

Kevin has conducted a wedding in the EMAS control room, performed church baptisms and undertaken funerals - including one of an old ambulance crew member.

He has also been threatened with a knife whilst out on the road. "The workload has increased massively, with anxiety, stress and depression caused through verbal and physical abuse by the public, and also sexual assaults against staff."

Married to Sue for 17 years with three children - Craig, Rebecca and Mark, the couple have three grandchildren - Lauren, Jayden and Darcie, and live at Sutton in Ashfield.

Determined Gill awarded Masters Degree

The Revd Gill Page has been awarded a Masters Degree in Liturgy by the University of Sheffield.

Gill, who is Associate Priest in the Clifton Team Ministry, started work on the MA while serving as a curate in the old Wakefield Diocese as part of her Initial Ministerial Education.

It took her more than four years to complete, during which time she battled a badly broken leg and cancer. Most of her studying took place at the College of the Resurrection in Mirfield. Her favourite module was Cistercian Studies, which meant visiting several abbeys at home and abroad.

"I am pleased with my achievement, having been born in a working class family in the old Meadows and leaving school

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A safe place to talk, laugh and cry

The Church has a unique opportunity to reach out to people following a bereavement through its funeral ministry. Clergy and Readers bring God's comfort and love into these sad situations, and funerals are a time when those who are bereaved may turn to God in a fresh or renewed way.

Some years ago, St Wilfrid's in Calverton had a sudden increase in the number of funerals, which then continued over several months. The vicar at that time, the Revd Pat Hemstock, had the vision for a lay support group, which could continue to offer care and comfort in the months following the funeral.

So for eight years the Bereavement Group has met fortnightly, just for an hour, in church. People find support, a safe place to talk about their feelings, to cry and to laugh, and to make friends with people who share similar experiences. There have always been at least two lay leaders. They are not trained counsellors, but are there to listen and to walk alongside group members on their journey. Firm friendships are formed; those who met through the sadness of bereavement find friends to go out with, perhaps shopping or for lunch, and some have even been on holiday together.

So how are these contacts first made? Whenever St Wilfrid's leads a funeral or cremation, if



the clergy feel that a visit would be welcomed, one of the Bereavement Group leaders visits a week or two later. Many people do not feel able to come to a group straight away, but visits continue until such time as they either join the Bereavement Group, or feel they no longer need support from home visits. As well as these visits, telephone calls, and the fortnightly meetings in church, the group meets every other Tuesday for 'Elevensies' (a coffee morning at one of the leaders' homes), and have occasional lunches and outings too.

Carole Park, who helps to run the group, said:

"Every bereavement is different. Some people find ways to live with their loss relatively quickly, while others may take many years. We are there to journey with them, whether that journey is for a few months, or for years. For many coping with loss, it is helpful to be able to share their

pain with someone outside of the close family, and we see it as a privilege to 'hold their hand'.

"What has been most encouraging of all is that, although almost all of those we support were not churchgoers in the past, quite a few of them now come to church, have attended Alpha, and been confirmed.

We also now have a thriving Bereavement Group Homegroup. It was inspiring that, at a recent meeting, several spoke of how their faith in God and relationship with Him has grown, through the comfort and love they have found in the Bereavement Group."

'Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death ... you are with me....' (Psalm 23:4)

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TRANSFORMING NOTTS TOGETHER

A JOINT VENTURE BETWEEN THE DIOCESE OF SOUTHWELL & NOTTINGHAM AND CUF

The Together Network is central to the work of CUF (Church Urban Fund). There is a great will and desire within churches across England to see their communities transformed. The Together Network is designed to extend the reach and impact of that work by providing a unique support system for churches and others to change lives and communities together across England. The Together Network is made up of 19 Joint Ventures, each a partnership between CUF and a Church of England diocese. Each of these partnerships employs a development worker who brings expertise and support to churches and others to bring about positive change in their communities. In our diocese we have Transforming Notts Together and our development worker is Hannah Buck.

Transforming Notts Together, in conjunction with the Bishop's Lenton Community Hospitality Projects Fund, has made social



eating its focus in 2017 throughout the Diocese. Two new 'holiday hunger' projects took place over a number of days during the summer holidays organised by churches in Sutton in Ashfield and Basford, providing shared food and activities for families. We hope to support more churches to join in tackling food poverty in 2018. A wellbeing café based in a church is being established in Worksop. A link made by Transforming Notts Together and the Bassetlaw Foodbank is now providing access to advice thanks to a CUF Together Grant. The first Place of Welcome will open very soon in a Nottingham Church. The faith social action networks in Nottingham (FAN) and Mansfield and Ashfield (FAMA) continue to thrive and FAMA has benefited from input regarding drug and alcohol use and Universal Credit.

Transforming Notts Together has continued to develop its workshops. Cash Smart Credit

Savvy (basic budgeting) and Signposting Plus courses were both delivered in Bassetlaw this autumn and representatives of three churches and three local organisations took part. All gave positive feedback. Getting Started in your Community Workshop is also to be delivered in a parish in Mansfield early this year.

Transforming Notts Together works very closely with the Diocesan Partnerships and Mission Team and adds much needed extra capacity and support to churches seeking to embody whole life discipleship in their particular contexts.

For more information about networks, projects and workshops please contact: Hannah Buck
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In March we pray for. . .

- Thu 01 Mar** **St David's Day**
SECTOR MINISTRIES: John Eastwood Hospice (Vacant)
 Belize - (West Indies) The Rt Revd Philip Wright
- Fri 02 Mar** **Norwell, St Laurence; Norwell Church School; Ossington, Holy Rood; Cromwell, St Giles; Caunton, St Andrew; Dean Hole Church School; Sutton-upon-Trent, All Saints; Carlton-on-Trent, St Mary; (Mark Adams)**
 Bendigo - (Victoria, Australia) The Rt Revd Matt Brain
- Sat 03 Mar** **Boughton, St Matthew; Ollerton, St Giles; Ollerton, St Paulinus (Zoe Burton, Anna Alls, Phil Howson)**
 Benin - (Bendel, Nigeria) The Rt Revd Peter Imasuen
- Sun 04 Mar** **Our Link Diocese of Natal, Bishop Dino, the Clergy and People**
 PRAY for Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo The Most Revd Zacharie Masimango Katanda Archbishop of the Congo & Bishop of Kindu
- Mon 05 Mar** **West Trent Benefice: Bleasby, St Mary; Halloughton, St James; Hoveringham, St Michael; Morton, St Denis; Rolleston, Holy Trinity; Thurgarton, St Peter; Upton, St Peter & St Paul (Phil White)**
 Bethlehem - (III, The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Sean Rowe
- Tue 06 Mar** **Shelton, St Mary & All Saints; Sibthorpe, St Peter (Liz Murray)**
 Bhopal - (North India) The Rt Revd Robert Ali
- Wed 07 Mar** **Southwell, Holy Trinity (Andrew Porter, Cathy Porter, Alison Jones, Ant Dixon)**
 Bida - (Abuja, Nigeria) The Rt Revd Jonah Kolo
- Thu 08 Mar** **DIOCESAN STAFF: Director of Education for the Diocese, Claire Meese and her colleagues**
 Birmingham - (Canterbury, England) The Rt Revd David Andrew Urquhart
 Birmingham - Aston - (Canterbury, England) The Rt Revd Anne Elizabeth Hollinghurst
 Blackburn - (York, England) The Rt Revd Julian Tudor Henderson
 Blackburn - Burnley - (York, England) The Rt Revd Philip North
 Blackburn - Lancaster - (York, England) The Rt Revd Geoffrey Seagrave Pearson



In March we pray for. . .

- Fri 09 Mar** **Southwell, St Mary the Virgin (Nicola Sullivan, Jacqui Jones, Nigel Coates, Matthew Askey, the Chapter and all who serve the ministry and mission of the Cathedral)**
Bo (Sierra Leone) - (West Africa, West Africa) The Rt Revd Emmanuel Tucker
- Sat 10 Mar** **Staunton, St Mary (Liz Murray)**
Boga - (Congo) The Rt Revd Mugenyi William Bahemuka
- Sun 11 Mar** **MOTHERING SUNDAY - we pray for all mothers and carers**
PRAY for The Church of England The Most Revd and Rt Hon Justin Welby Archbishop of Canterbury
Church of Sweden: Diocese of Karlstad, Bishop Sören Dalevi
- Mon 12 Mar** **Markham Clinton, All Saints; Tuxford, St Nicholas; Weston, All Saints; Normanton-upon-Trent, St Matthew; Marnham, St Wilfrid; (Greg Price)**
Bolivia - (South America) The Rt Revd Raphael Samuel
- Tue 13 Mar** **Walesby, St Edmund (Zoe Burton, Phil Howson Anna Alls)**
Bondo - (Kenya) The Rt Revd Johannes Angela
- Wed 14 Mar** **CLERGY STUDY DAY**
Bor - (Upper Nile, South Sudan) The Rt Revd Ruben Akurdid Ngong
- Thu 15 Mar** **SECTOR MINISTRIES: Doncaster & Bassetlaw Hospitals NHS Trust (Jackie Mckenna; Simon Russell, Joseph Aylookunnel, Mark Burns)**
Botswana - (Central Africa) The Rt Revd Metlhayotlhe Rawlings Belemi
- Fri 16 Mar** **Blidworth, St Mary of the Purification; Rainworth, St Simon and St Jude (Hazel Robinson)**
Brandon - (Rupert's Land, Canada) The Rt Revd William Cliff
- Sat 17 Mar** **St Patrick's Day**
NEWSTEAD DEANERY (Area Dean: Fiona Shouler, Lay Chair: Liz Marshall)
Brasilia - (Brazil) The Rt Revd Mauricio Jose Araujo De Andrade
- Sun 18 Mar** **Retired Clergy (Reg Walton, Chaplain to the Retired Clergy and Widows' Officer)**
PRAY for Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui The Most Revd Paul Kwong Archbishop of Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui & Bishop of Hong Kong Island
Evangelical Lutheran Church in Latvia: Archbishop Janis Vanags, Bishop Einars Alpe, Bishop Hanss Martins Jensons
- Mon 19 Mar** **Annesley, All Saints; Newstead Village, St Mary the Virgin; Kirkby Woodhouse, St John the Evangelist (Malcolm Lambert)**
Brechin - (Scotland) The Rt Revd Nigel Peyton
- Tue 20 Mar** **Brinsley, St James the Great; Underwood, St Michael and All Angels; Underwood Church School (David Stevenson)**
Brisbane - (Queensland, Australia) The Most Revd Phillip John Aspinall
Brisbane - (Queensland, Australia) The Rt Revd Ian Keese Lambert
Brisbane - Northern Region - (Queensland, Australia) The Rt Revd Jonathan Holland

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Brisbane - Southern Region - (Victoria, Australia) The Very Revd John Roundhill
 Brisbane - Western Region - (Queensland, Australia) The Rt Revd Cameron Venables

- Wed 21 Mar** **Eastwood, St Mary (David Stevenson)**
 Bristol - (Canterbury, England) The Rt Revd Michael Arthur Hill
 Bristol - Swindon - (Canterbury, England) The Rt Revd Lee Stephen Rayfield
- Thu 22 Mar** **Greasley, St Mary (David Marvin)**
 British Columbia - (British Columbia & the Yukon, Canada) The Rt Revd Logan McMenamie
- Fri 23 Mar** **Hucknall Team Ministry: St Mary Magdalene; St Peter & St Paul; St John the Evangelist; the National Academy (Jo Stephens, James Pacey)**
 Buhiga - (Burundi) The Rt Revd Evariste Nijimbere
- Sat 24 Mar** **Annunciation BVM, Lady Day**
Huthwaite, All Saints; All Saints Church School (Charlie Maiden)
 Bujumbura - (Burundi) The Rt Revd Eraste Bigirimana
- Sun 25 Mar** **PALM SUNDAY - as we commemorate Jesus' entry into Jerusalem so we pray for the peace of that city and for all people of faith who see it as a spiritual home**
 The Most Revd Suheil Dawani Archbishop, Jerusalem & the Middle East & Archbishop in Jerusalem
Church of Sweden: Diocese of Lund, Bishop Johan Tyrberg
- Mon 26 Mar** **HOLY MONDAY - we pray for our commitment to Grow Disciples Wider. That through this most Holy Week our parishes and churches reach out to those yet to hear the story of salvation.**
 Bukavu - (Congo) The Rt Revd Sylvestre Bahati
- Tue 27 Mar** **HOLY TUESDAY - we pray for commitment to Grow Disciples Younger. Give thanks for the Younger Leaders College. For Andy, Beth and all the team. Pray too for our commitment to young people in education**
 Bukedi - (Uganda) The Rt Revd Samuel Egesa
- Wed 28 Mar** **HOLY WEDNESDAY - we pray for commitment to Grow Disciples Deeper. We are invited to join our bishop for the Chrism Eucharist today. Pray for our response as the anointed of God, all Christians in our Diocese.**
 Bukuru - (Jos, Nigeria) The Rt Revd Jwan Zhumbes
- Thu 29 Mar** **MAUNDY THURSDAY- as we recall the events of the Last Supper we dedicate ourselves afresh to servant ministry as we follow the example of our Servant King**
 Bunbury - (Western Australia, Australia) The Rt Revd Alan Ewing
- Fri 30 Mar** **GOOD FRIDAY - we stop and adore the sacrifice made by Jesus. Thank you, Lord**
 Bungoma - (Kenya) The Revd George Mechumo
- Sat 31 Mar** **HOLY SATURDAY - a day of waiting as we remember all those whose life feels like it is 'on hold', whatever the reason**
 Bunyoro-Kitara - (Uganda) The Rt Revd Samuel Kahuma
 Busoga - (Uganda) The Rt Revd Paul Moses Samson Naimanhye

World links news - Holy Land

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Hospital that serves 1.8m people

As the King's Fund has reported that the NHS in the UK is struggling to cope with record demand and social care services are stretched to the limit, the Government has ordered that all non-urgent operations and clinics are being postponed until the end of February 2018.

In contrast the Al Ahli Arab Hospital in Gaza, run by the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem, our partner diocese, continues to serve 1.8 million inhabitants in an area 25 miles long and 5 miles wide. Gaza is the densest populated place on earth no bigger than the Isle of Wight where 30% of children are malnourished from poverty, food insecurity or parasitic infection resulting from drinking contaminated water.

The Al Ahli Hospital is located at the heart of Gaza City surrounded by well-tended grounds and is a haven of peace in one of the

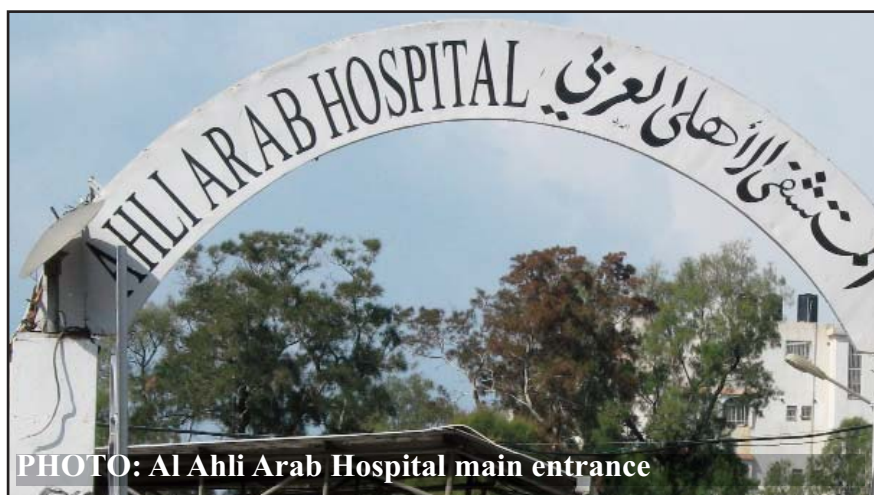


PHOTO: Al Ahli Arab Hospital main entrance

world's troubled places. The political situation in Gaza means that all aspects of life are restricted including the movement of materials, people in and out, electricity, medicines, food and fuel. Hospitals in Gaza are currently running their generators 20 hours a day as electricity is restricted and hospitals report that yet again they will run out of oil for their generators by the end of February.

Despite this the Al Ahli Arab Hospital continues to supply some of the finest medical care in Gaza utilising up to 80 beds. The hospital treats all without prejudice to any religious or ethnic community, irrespective of social class, gender or political affiliation in a spirit of love and service. The hospital runs a free service for the detection of breast cancer for women over the age of 40 years, has a centre for elderly women and deploys a mobile clinic twice a week providing free

medical care and food to people from surrounding villages. Other services offered include general surgery, internal medicine, emergency (ambulance) services, orthopaedics, urology, gynecology, out-patient clinics and psychosocial support for communities and individuals.

We pray: *'O God of wholeness and healing, we lift up the staff and patients of the Al Ahli Arab Hospital in Gaza. Strengthen and guide the management and all the staff as they treat the poor and injured. Bless the patients who receive care with Your healing touch. Give us a renewed awareness of the blessing of health and grant us the courage to support the caregivers in their work. Amen'*.

**For further details about the Holy Land link contact:
David Lane email:
lane@waitrose.com**



Family at the Al Ahli receiving a food parcel

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Sacrista Prebend Retreat House: A Quiet Space in the Heart of Southwell

Easter, and therefore Lent, comes early this year so if you are thinking about a way to deepen your journey in faith this Lent, consider spending a day at Sacrista Prebend Retreat House. To book a place on any of the days detailed below, contact Sacrista Prebend, 4 Westgate Southwell Notts NG25 0JH, 01636 816833, sacrista_prebend@btinternet.com

Quiet days cost £20 including hot drinks. They start with coffee at 9.45am and close with a cup of tea at 3.30pm. Please bring your own lunch.

Saturday 3rd February 2018

A Quiet Day for Beginners led by Sally Smith

If you wonder what happens on a quiet day and are unsure what to expect, then this is the day for you. There will be opportunities to ask questions as well as spending time with God in the company of others seeking to find out more.

Sally Smith is commissioning editor for the Bible Reading Fellowship publication, Quiet Spaces.

Thursday 15th February

“Come and have breakfast”

Encounters with the Risen Christ by the Sea of Galilee in John Chapter 21.

The final chapter of John’s gospel is like a table laid with the richest fare to feed the person who is seeking to follow the Risen Lord Jesus. Come and see what Jesus desires to feed you. Led by The Venerable Sarah Clark, Archdeacon of Nottingham.

Saturday 3rd March

Crucifixion Now

Crossings: Art and Christianity Now is a major two-part exhibition at Southwell Minster from 9th Feb-15th May. The exhibition is divided into two parts: Crucifixion Now and Resurrection Now. Two Quiet Days are being held to link with the exhibition, and both will include input from artists Iain McKillop and Matthew Askey, a tour of the exhibition, and time for reflection.

The Quiet Day on Saturday 3rd March is based on Crucifixion Now. The Resurrection Now Quiet Day will be on Saturday 28th April.

Southwell Minster Chorister Supervisor

Southwell Minster is seeking to appoint a committed and confident person to the busy and rewarding role of Chorister Supervisor. The appointed candidate will lead the supervision and look after the welfare (medical, pastoral or otherwise) of the choristers at Southwell Minster during the time that they are in the care of the Music Department, attending rehearsals, services and concerts, and taking a full part in running ‘Chorister Club’, the down-time between school and rehearsals. Although the choir timetable involves both morning and afternoon commitments, it is highly possible that the Chorister Supervisor role could be shared.

The ideal candidate will have a proven ability to work with children of all ages, with high expectations for their achievement and behaviour, and will be a caring pastoral figure. They should have relevant first aid qualifications (or a willingness to receive training) and strong interpersonal skills.

Southwell Minster is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. All staff and volunteers are expected to share this commitment, and this post is subject to an enhanced DBS check.

For further information, contact Jasmine Oakes (tel: 01636 817280; email: litmus@southwellminster.org.uk).

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

in February

- 2** Lunchtime at the Cathedral – Hilary Punnett (Organ) (Quire). 12.15pm, Southwell Minster.
- 9 - until 21.3.18** Crossing Exhibition Part 1: 'Crucifixion Now'. 7pm, the Crossing, Southwell Minster.
- 10** Reception for the opening of the Exhibition. Free entry, no booking needed.
- 10** Come and Sing Haydn's NELSON MASS. Workshop and concert led by Neil Page. Further details and for an application form : Contact Jasmine.Oakes: 01636 817280, litmus@southwellminster.org.uk www.southwellminster.org
- 10** Another Winter with the Celts - on behalf of Newark & Southwell Deanery, but open to all, a second series of bible studies which will be Exploring Celtic Spirituality- 10.30–noon (light refreshments available from 10am) at St Peter & St Paul's, Upton. Further information from: Jane Johnson: 01636 812877, Roy Parsons 01636 673422.
- 10** Church Room, All Saints' Parish Church, Misterton - Snowdrop Café, 11.30am - 3pm. Come and see the carpet of snowdrops in the churchyard, visit the 12th century church with windows by Kempe and Piper/Reyntiens, then drop into the café for some warming refreshments.
- 10** Siku 'Manga' Painting Performance: Crucifixion Now Chapter House passage, Southwell Minster (free) 10am–4pm, drop-in to watch at any time.
- 10** Art Workshop: Fire Etching (£30) – 10am – 4pm, Trebeck Hall with Crossings artist Kaori Homma, book via the Cathedral Shop: 01636 812933 or email: cathedralshop@hotmail.co.uk
- 11** Racial Justice Sunday Service, 5pm at God's Vineyard, 292 Derby Road Nottingham, NG7 1QF by kind permission of Pastor Ezekial Alawale. The Rt Revd Tony Porter, Bishop of Sherwood is preaching.
- 11** Poetry Day, with poet Ian Adams: Poetry Reading (free), 5pm, Southwell Minster.
- 14** Bilborough Local History Group - Evening Talks 2018 - Muriel & Bert - DH Lawrence and his lover by Bob Massey. 7.30pm, St Martin's Church. Admission £2 / £1 concessions. Everyone welcome – no need to book. @stmartinsbilb www.stmartinsbilborough.org.uk Supported by the Friends of St Martin's Bilborough. For more information please email: info@stmartinsbilborough.org.uk
- 16** Lunchtime at the Cathedral – Brontë Appreciation. 12.15pm, Nave, Southwell Minster.
- 18** Lent Lecture 1 – Dr Alison Milbank, Canon Theologian (free) 5pm. Southwell Minster. Doing Theology at Hogwarts: Christian Responses to Death.
- 18** Brahms' Requiem (Minster Chorale & St Peter's Choir, Nottingham – Quire, Southwell Minter, 7.30pm. Further details: www.southwellminster.org
- 22** Crafty Romans Activity Day. 10am– 12.00 State Chamber, Archbishop's Palace, Southwell. Further details: www.southwellminster.org

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- 3** Quiet Day Crucifixion Now – Sacrista Prebend – with Crossings artists Iain McKillop and Matthew Askey (£20). Please book in advance via Sacrista Prebend on 01636 816833, or email: sacrista_prebend@btinternet.com

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- 4** Lent Lecture 2 – Dr Alison Milbank, Canon Theologian (free) – 5pm, Southwell Minster. How to Defeat Evil: Atonement in The Lord of the Rings.
- 10** Jazz café with Cool Jazz. 2pm – 4pm, St Mary the Virgin & All Souls Parish Church Bulwell. Join us for a relaxing afternoon of tea, cakes and cool jazz. Tickets £3 or pay on the door (Includes refreshments. More details: the Revd Andrew Fisher 0115 9161787 a.j.fisher@outlook.com or Wendy Smith 0775 312 2139 wendysmith@totalise.co.uk
- 10** Day Conference/Study Day: The Spirit in Art Now (£20) – State Chamber, Archbishop's Palace, Southwell. Book via the Cathedral Shop: 01636 812933, email: cathedralshop@hotmail.co.uk
- 14** Bilborough Local History Group - Evening Talks 2018 - Bestwood Lakes by Stephen Walker. 7.30pm, St Martin's Church. Admission £2 / £1 concessions. Everyone welcome – no need to book. @stmartinsbilb www.stmartinsbilborough.org.uk Supported by the Friends of St Martin's Bilborough. For more information please email: info@stmartinsbilborough.org.uk
- 17** St Matthew Passion Nottingham Harmonic Choir – 7pm, Southwell Minster. Tickets £15–£18 from: www.nottinghamharmonic.org

One-off fund of £5million to support capital projects

The Garfield Weston Foundation, celebrating its 60th anniversary, has launched a new one-off fund of £5million to support capital projects providing new or improved facilities for local communities across the UK.

The fund is open to UK registered charities, places of worship and state schools only. Grants range from £30,000-£150,000 with a simple online application process.

The Fund is already open and will close for applications on 30th June 2018, giving churches plenty of notice to develop their plans.

All information can be found on the Garfield Weston anniversary website where there is a specific section on the fund - <https://anniversary.garfieldweston.org>

Many churches in this Diocese have successfully applied to GW in the past, and they are a useful source of grant funding for building projects.

For more information on this and other funders, please contact Tony Brown, Funding Advisor
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Email : tonybrown@southwell.anglican.org

Practical Training through
CHIPPS:
 Churches in Pastoral Partnership

in partnership with
 Pilgrims' Friend Society

Faith in Seniors What's Age Got To Do With It?

Saturday 3rd March 2018
10am-4pm
St Helen's Church Hall,
Stapleford NG9 8FN

Cost £15
Bring your own lunch

For enquiries and registration contact: Sue 0115 973 2130 email: sgoring@hotmail.com
 For more details about CHIPPS: www.totonchurches.org

Please note the deadline for the MARCH 2018 issue of Nifty Notes is: 12TH FEBRUARY 2018

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The Revd Susan Bloomfield, previously Missional Chaplain with the Deaf Community in the Diocese of Southwell & Nottingham and Missional Chaplain with the Deaf Community in the Diocese of Derby has retired with effect from 31st December 2017.

The Reverend Tom Gillum at present interim Bishop's Chaplain in the Diocese of Southwell and Nottingham to be Vicar designate of the Benefice of St Mary the Virgin, the Lace Market Nottingham. The Benefice of St Mary the Virgin came into effect on 1 January 2018 as the result of a Pastoral Scheme. Subject to the usual legalities. Licensing date : 4pm on 18 March 2018 at St Mary the Virgin, the Lace Market, Nottingham with the Bishop of Southwell and Nottingham.

Follow up

The Reverend Ann Maureen Collins formerly Assistant Curate at St Wilfrid, Wilford in the Diocese of Southwell and Nottingham to be Vicar of St Ann with Emmanuel, Nottingham in the same Diocese. Subject to the usual legalities. Licensing date to be announced. Licensing: 7.30pm on 12 February 2018 with the Bishop of Southwell and Nottingham.

Follow up

The Revd Zoe Burton at present Priest-in-Charge of Ollerton with Boughton in the Diocese of Southwell and Nottingham to be also Priest-in-Charge of the Benefices of Kneesall, with Laxton and Wellow; of Eganton; of Kirton; of Walesby; of Bilsthorpe; and of Eakring. all in the Diocese of Southwell and Nottingham. Subject to the usual legalities. Licensing date : 7.30pm on 13 February 2018 with Bishop Paul. Venue to be confirmed. Licensing : 7.30pm on 13 February 2018 at St Andrew's, Eakring with the Bishop of Southwell and Nottingham.

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- Additional downloadable resources, including the five group sessions based on the themes/synopsis of booklet. There are also logos and other resources.

More information and resources:

<https://www.churchofengland.org/more/media-centre/comment-and-features/livelent-2018-let-your-light-shine>

Racial Justice Sunday Service

Sunday 11th February 2018

There will be a service held in the evening (time tbc) at God's Vineyard, 292 Derby Road, Nottingham, NG7 1QF by kind permission of Pastor Ezekial Alawale

The Rt Revd Tony Porter, Bishop of Sherwood, will preach

Racial Justice Sunday resources for parishes will be available

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at 16," said Gill. "I would urge everyone to grasp with gratitude all the educational chances they are offered, it is such a privilege to have such opportunities."

The photograph shows Gill with her husband Owen, who is Team Rector in Clifton.

Visitations 2018

NOTTINGHAM:

Nottingham North & South
14 May 2018, St Mary's Lace Market

East Bingham, West Bingham & Gedling

16 May 2018, St Wilfreds, Wilford

NEWARK:

Bassetlaw & Bawtry
3 May 2018, All Saints Mattersey

Newark & Southwell
8 May 2018, St Nicholas' Tuxford

Mansfield & Newstead
23 May 2018, in St Mary's Church, Eastwood

All commence at 7.30pm