



Welcome to St. Peter's, we hope you enjoy your time with us.

Please stay for some refreshments afterwards!

## **Easter Hope**

Davide Astori, a defender for Fiorentina in Serie A in Italy died on March 4<sup>th</sup> following a "sudden illness" just hours before Fiorentina's game against Udinese. Aged 31 and capped 14 times by Italy, he joined Fiorentina in 2016 from Cagliari and had made 58 appearances. He is survived by a long-term partner and two-year-old daughter.



Midfielder Riccardo Saponara paid a heartfelt tribute: "Oh captain, my captain. Why did you not come down to have breakfast with us all? Why did you not pick up your shoes from outside Marco Sportiello's room and then drink your orange juice, as usual? Now they will tell us that life goes on, that we must look forward and pick ourselves up, but what will your absence taste like? Who will arrive every morning in the cafeteria, warming up everyone with his smile?

Who will ask us about what we did the previous night and have a laugh about it? Who will nurture the youngsters and give a sense of responsibility to the veterans? Who will form the circle to work on our 'two-touch play' and who will demolish Marco on the PlayStation? With whom will we debate about Masterchef, Florence's restaurants, TV series or games played? Who will I lean on at lunch after a tiring training session? Come on, come back. You still need to finish watching La La Land to analyse like you did with all new movies. Come back to Florence, they are waiting for you to renew your contract and acknowledge all the good and the positivity that you bring to us on a daily basis. Get out of that damn room, we will be waiting for you tomorrow at training.

In life there are people you've known forever but have never bonded with, and then there are the 'Davides', who warm to you immediately with a simple 'Welcome to Florence, Ricky'.

Wherever you are now, keep on defending our goal and enlighten the right path for us from the backline. Oh captain, my captain. Forever, my captain."

These are such moving words – and remind me of the temporary nature of life, that we cannot know how much time we have left on this earth, and that we need to attend now to our eternal destiny. On this day we remember that Jesus defeated death and is risen and we celebrate this, but it does pose to us all the question: what is our response to his resurrection?

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## Coming soon .....

Wednesday, April 11<sup>th</sup>, 7.30am, Launch of Inside Out



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Following a lunch meeting with people from different agencies, we are preparing for the official start at a breakfast event on **April 11**<sup>th</sup>. We have invited guests (including members of our PCC) to hear about the project and to consider how they can support it. We will be joined by Bishop Alastair, Bishop of Derby; Hardyal Dhindsa, Police and Crime Commissioner; and keynote speaker Jonathan Aitken, former Member of Parliament, Cabinet Minister and Prisoner, and now a Christian speaker and campaigner for prison and offender rehabilitation reform.

Saturday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 8.00 – 10.00am, Prayer Breakfast This is our monthly prayer breakfast, all welcome.

Sunday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 12.30, Sunday Lunch You are invited to join us, and bring the family, all welcome!

Sunday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 10,45, Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) See information on the next page.

Monday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 7.00 for 7.30, Appointing a Diocesan Bishop, Derby Cathedral The Bishop of Derby, Alastair Redfern, is retiring on August 31<sup>st</sup>. A meeting has been arranged to explain the process of appointing a new Diocesan Bishop with the Archdeacon of Derby, Christopher Cunliffe, Chair of the Vacancy-in-See Committee; Nadine Waldron, Diocesan Registrar and Secretary to the Committee; and members of the Vacancy-in-See Committee. There will also be a meeting on May 15<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm at St. Thomas' Church, Brampton with the Archbishops' Appointments' Secretary for this appointment, Mr. Brad Cook, the Prime Minister's Appointments' Secretary, Mr. Edward Chaplin, as well as Christopher Cunliffe and Nadine Waldron.

Monday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 10.00-4.00, Prayer For Today, St. Francis, Mackworth Led by Bishop Alastair and Revd. Glenn Martin, this is a day to explore and experience prayer in different forms and to introduce the Community of Oblation. Here is an opportunity to renew and refresh your prayer life. Lunch and drinks provided. Book your place through the Bishop's office by Monday April 16<sup>th</sup>: asst@bishopofderby.org

# Sunday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)

The APCM will be during our 10.45 service. Please note:

Electoral Roll: If you have been coming for six months or longer, please fill in an Electoral Roll form, which is a little like becoming a member of St. Peter's. This will enable you to vote at the APCM as well as providing us with a general indication of the number of church members. The deadline is today, April 1<sup>st</sup>.

Elections: Churchwardens serve a 1 year term, and we have 2 vacancies. Parochial Church Council members serve a 3 year term, and we have 1 vacancy. We have 3 vacancies for members of the PCC who represent St. Peter's on the Deanery Synod.

All nominations must be proposed and seconded, but please discuss this with the person concerned before forms are filled in. All forms are on the Tower notice board.

## Lent Project

Please prayerfully consider how you can contribute towards the two projects we are supporting for our Lent Project. They are:

- 1. Bible translation into Balti, in Baltistan, Northern Pakistan. £1000 is required to produce 300 SanDisk that can be inserted into phones.
- 2. Mahamaya Education Centre. The Cathedral Relief Service works in city slums in metropolitan Kolkata and rural villages in surrounding districts. The balance of our donations will go towards the construction of an education and multi-purpose centre in the village of Mahamaya, West Bengal.

## Prayer ...

People wearing a 'Prayer Team' badge would be glad to pray for you. Do not hesitate to ask for prayer, this can be for any concern you have, it needn't be a crisis! We all face difficulties and challenges, and prayer works! Or maybe you would like to thank God for answered prayer. 'Whatever your situation, we'd love to pray with you! In an emergency, call Bren (07967 183601), and those on the prayer chain will pray for you.

#### IN THE WEEK

Monday to Friday, 10.00-3.00: Church is open
Tuesday and Friday, 11.00-12.30: refreshments are served
Sunday, 4.00-6.00: Table Talk

Space to take notes from today's readings, prayers and sermon.

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#### St. Peter's Centre office (01332 360790) is open:

Monday to Thursday from 9.00-2.30 Hilary Streek is Paul's Personal Assistant and St. Peter's Administrator.

Parish Safeguarding Links: Revd. Anita Matthews and Hilary Streek