



April 15<sup>th</sup> 2018

**Welcome to St. Peter's, we hope  
you enjoy your time with us.  
Please stay for some  
refreshments afterwards!**

## **Quick to Listen, Slow to Speak**

The words 'Quick to listen, slow to speak' come from James 1:19 and they struck a chord recently. It is always a good reminder, along with the words that follow... 'and slow to become angry.'

Last month I attended a meeting looking at the response from Emergency Services and Emergency Chaplains if there was an incident causing mass fatalities in Derbyshire, not a very cheerful subject! I was the newcomer and I didn't know anyone nor was I involved in the running of the meeting, whereas I usually lead a meeting or attend with people I know. This was, therefore, a good opportunity to listen and observe the people around the table, and it was fascinating.

I noticed those who contributed too much and too little. I observed the unspoken communication, the little looks, shrugs, smiles or smirks that said so much. I picked up on the undercurrents that were suppressed, but bubbled through every now and then.

Next Sunday during our morning service we are having our Annual Parochial Church Meeting. This is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate all that God is doing in and through the life of St. Peter's as we seek to develop a community of faith, hope and peace in the heart of the City.

Let this be an occasion when we are quick to listen and slow to speak, let it be a time when we all listen carefully and well, and let us keep in mind the words of Steven Covey, author of books on leadership, who says, 'First seek to understand; then seek to be understood.'

Paul

## **Coming soon .....**

### **Today, 12.30, Lunch together after the service**

You are invited to join us, and bring the family – all welcome! Future dates are June 3<sup>rd</sup>, when we will be joined by members of the Durgapur Youth Orchestra, and July 22<sup>nd</sup>, when we will have a BBQ in the Vicarage garden.

### **Friday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2.30, Women's World Day of Prayer Service**

This service, which was cancelled because of the snow last month, has been re-arranged for this date. It will be followed by light refreshments. All are welcome.

### **Sunday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 10.45, Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)**

The APCM will be during our 10.45 service. As well as receiving the Annual Report, we will be electing Churchwardens, who serve a 1 year term, so we have 2 vacancies. We will also be electing one person to be on the PCC, and we also have 3 vacancies for members of the PCC to 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.

### **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 number of meetings have been arranged around the Diocese to explain the process of appointing a new Diocesan Bishop, and the one closest to St. Peter's will be 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.

### **Tuesday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2.30, Afternoon Tea**

With a different theme each month, come and enjoy a tea that has been described as *'just like at The Savoy!'* This is followed by Service of Evening Prayer at 3.45-4.00. Future dates are May 22<sup>nd</sup> and June 12<sup>th</sup>

### **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](mailto:asst@bishopofderby.org)

### **Thursday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, to Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, Thy Kingdom Come**

Thy Kingdom Come is a global movement led by the Archbishop of Canterbury. The aim is to encourage Christians to pray for others to respond to the Good News of Jesus, particularly during the period between Ascension Day, on May 10<sup>th</sup>, and Pentecost Sunday, on May 20<sup>th</sup>. We have some creative and imaginative ideas to encourage prayer that will be available soon.



## **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.

## **Words of thanks and farewell from Jeanette Cummings**

Jeanette and Russ have moved to Exeter, and she sent this letter of appreciation:

*I can truly say that St. Peter's has been perfect for me. St. Peter's was in interregnum at the time I walked in and heard Anita lead the service and the talk and I was hooked. It may not have the wealth of the larger churches but what it has is used wisely, inclusively and to God's glory. I'm sorry if I appear to have sneaked away but the Baptism service on my last Sunday in February was a truly wonderful and lasting memory and God-sent because He knew I wouldn't want a fuss. Thank you to everyone for your love, friendship and faithful prayer, I keep you all in my prayers daily and remembers those in need of God's healing grace and a tangible sense of His presence. I love and miss you all and pray that God will bless and watch over you always.*

## **Service of Confirmation at Derby Cathedral**

Congratulations to members of St. Peter's who were Confirmed by the Bishop of Derby at Derby Cathedral on Easter Eve. Those confirmed were Wayne, Peyman and Sereh, Verya and Robert. They were presented with their Confirmation Certificates at the Easter Sunday Service.

## **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**

**Friday, 12.30: Lunchtime Service**

**Sunday, 4.00-6.00: Table Talk**

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

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