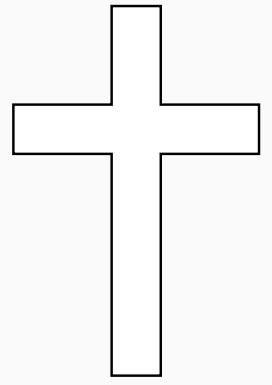
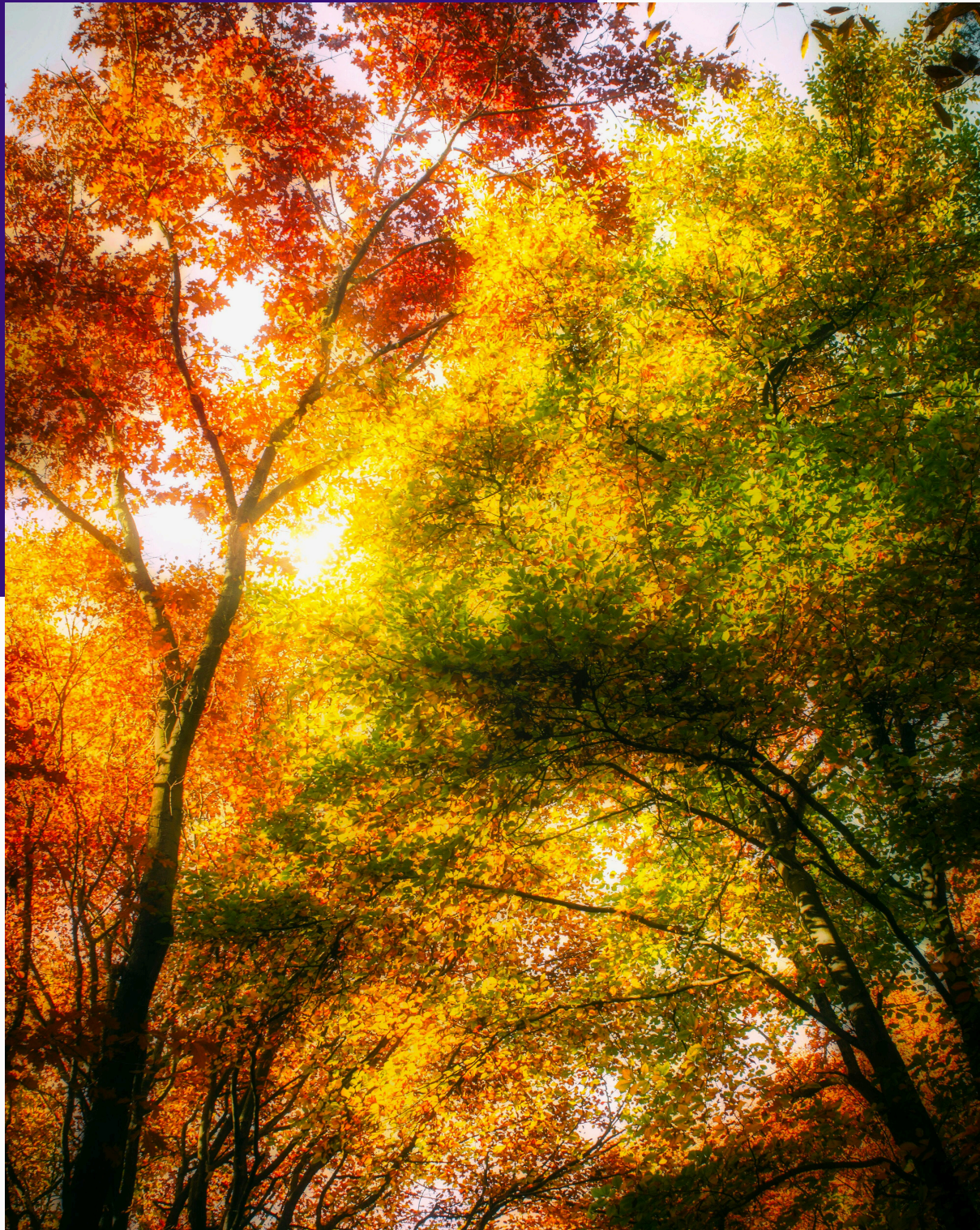


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SEPTEMBER 2026



ALL SAINTS, MICKLEOVER
ST ANDREW'S, RADBOURNE
ST JOHN'S, MICKLEOVER



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USUAL SERVICE TIMES

1st Sunday:

Holy Communion, 10am - All Saints

Morning Praise, 10am - St John's

2nd Sunday:

Morning Worship, 10am - All Saints

Holy Communion, 10am - St John's

Holy Communion, 11am - St Andrew's

3rd Sunday:

Holy Communion, 10am - All Saints

Morning Praise with JACK, 10am - St John's

4th Sunday:

Morning Worship, 10am - All Saints

Holy Communion, 10am - St John's

BCP Evening Prayer, 4pm - St Andrew's

5th Sunday:

Holy Communion, 10am

alternating between

All Saints and St John's

Tuesdays:

Morning Prayers, 8am - All Saints Vicarage

Wednesdays:

Holy Communion, 9.30am - All Saints

*Please see the website/newsletters for
occasional service details*

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EDITOR'S SCRIBBLES

Welcome to our September issue of Threefold, and thank you to all our contributors who have provided items that celebrate past events, tell us about future activities, and provide thoughtful reflections prompting us to think about life and faith. It is salutary to reflect on this range of content demonstrating all that goes on in our churches: our worship, fellowship, community events, support for charities, work with young people and much else.

Writing in the middle of August the shift from summer to autumn is beginning with the start of the football season, exam results, the prospect of a new school term, the restart of activities after a July/August break, and of course the change in weather as at last it's a little cooler and we have had significant rain. Another sign of the end of summer is of course hospitality venues starting to advertise their Christmas meal offerings!

The coverage of church affairs in our national media often seems depressingly ill-informed and negative. It is however encouraging to sometimes see a thoughtful piece. A recent Sunday Times article by the Roman Catholic writer Catherine Pepinster on the state of the Church of England concluded with: *"you might walk past your church regularly, yet only pop in for a carol service, you might give it tins for its foodbank. Could you more fully support its contribution, and embrace the values it expresses that you take for granted?"*

Richard

The deadline for the next magazine will be 21st September

PRAYER CHAIN

All Saints

Marion Godlington -
Denise Martin -
Helen Walley -
Steph Brinklow -

St John's - Please text or call
Helen Walley (Co-ordinator)

*There is also a book and prayer
board at the back of Church for
you to add a person's name.
Those in the book will be included
in our prayers on a Sunday
morning during the service.*



Lord, we praise you for the
autumn wildflowers that bloom
beautifully even in dry
conditions.

Their roots go deep to gain
nourishment from underground
streams.

May we also trust fully in you,
gaining nourishment each day
from your Word to guide and
strengthen us.

Amen.



CTiM PRAYER WALK



Date: Thursday 3rd September

Time: 10.15am

Meeting at: All Saints Car Park

We will walk for about an hour
praying God's blessing upon
the people and businesses in
the area, and listening to God's
Holy Spirit as we go. If you are
unable to walk but willing to
pray, join with others at St.
John's Devonshire Drive.

*If you plan to join us please let
me know by email, or phone or
text.*

Thanks, Ray Lee

LIFE EVENTS

RIP

Gary Ward
Jim Collyer



Congratulations

Lara
on your baptism at
All Saints on
6th September

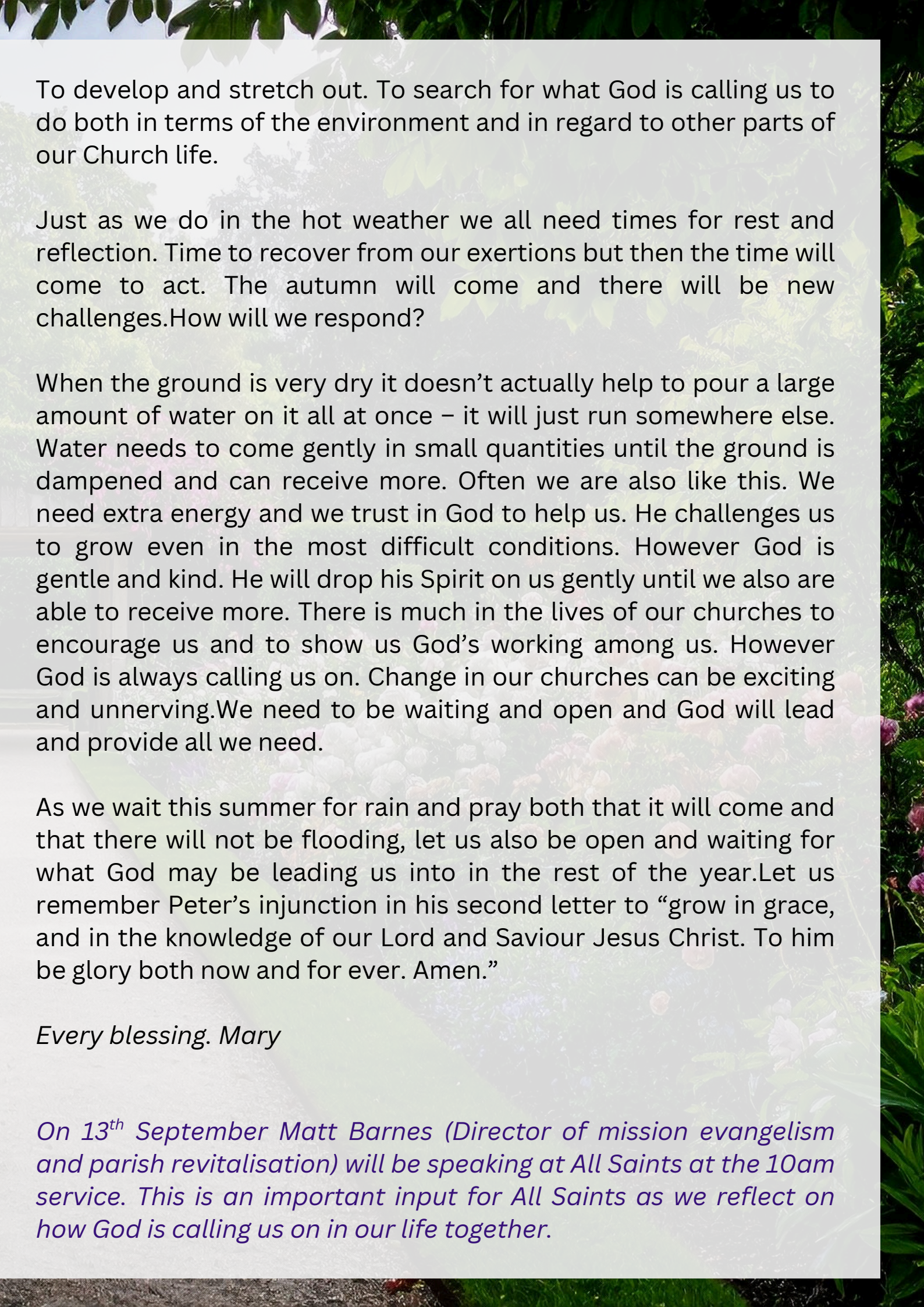


SEPTEMBER	CHURCHES' CALENDAR		
Monday - Friday	9.30 - 3.30pm	Open Church	St John's
	9am - 3pm	Open Church	St Andrew's
Mondays	10am - 12pm	Internet Café	St John's Link
Tuesdays	8am	Morning Prayers	Vicarage
Wednesdays	9.30am	Holy Communion	All Saints
	10am - 12pm	All Saints Café	All Saints
	2pm	Friendship Group	St John's Link
Fridays	10am - 12pm	Rest Stop Café	St John's Link
For more info, please visit the website www.mickleoveranglicans.org.uk			
Thursday 3 rd	10.15am	CTiM Prayer Walk	From All Saints CP
Sunday 6 th	10am	Holy Communion	All Saints
	10am	Morning Praise	St John's
Monday 7 th	7pm	PCC Meeting	All Saints
Thursday 10 th	10.30am	CTiM Bible Study	St John's Link
Saturday 12 th	8.15am	Who Let the Dads Out?	All Saints
Sunday 13 th	8am	Breakfast Church	All Saints
	10am	Morning Worship	All Saints
	10am	Holy Communion	St John's
	11am	Holy Communion	St Andrew's
	2 - 4pm	Paint a 'Something'	St John's Hall
Sunday 20 th	10am	Holy Communion	All Saints
	10am	Morning Praise with JACK	St John's
	2 - 4pm	Sunday Afternoons in the Link	St John's
Wednesday 23 rd	7pm	PCC Meeting	St John's
Thursday 24 th	10.30am	CTiM Bible Study	St John's Link
Sunday 27 th	10am	Harvest	All Saints
	10am	Holy Communion	St John's
	4pm	BCP Evening Prayer	St Andrew's
Wednesday 30 th	2pm	Midweek Matinee - Florence	All Saints Centre

As I write this two-thirds of the country is facing drought and we are entering yet another heatwave. It is unusual for the British (who like to comment on the weather) to be complaining about sunshine but for many of us, myself included, although the sun is lovely, the heat is difficult. Keeping going is a problem. We seek out the coolest part of the house and do as little as possible. We sleep badly. We look out of our windows on gardens that are desperate for rain. The grass is brown, the vegetable crops are failing and, in our case at any rate, the hydrangeas are in great need of water. Who knows what plants will survive the drought – what will even come up next year. We will have to wait patiently to see but perhaps, also, we need to think about changes we might need to make to the way we garden and the plants we grow.

At home we discuss how much extra mulching we need to do of our plants in the autumn – the answer is a lot more than usual, I suspect. We also debate the things we grow in pots (including some vegetables). This week on Gardener's World Monty Don talked about the changes he plans to make in his garden for next year, particularly in growing plants that need less water. We perhaps need to ask ourselves some questions. Are the plants worth it? Are we making the right choices over what we grow? How much water do we give them? Is the water wasted? Do we have the energy to keep watering?

The world and life changes and although we might prefer stability, yet we are called to adapt and change with it. These questions of change and adaptation are wider than what happens in our own homes. and gardens. God has called us to look after our world and increasingly we must ask "how are we to do that?" In Genesis chapters 1 and 2 we see God as creator making everything including people and putting humankind in charge of creation to tend it. How we respond to this call will affect how we see our country and how we view the world at large. The choices we make are also likely to affect what we are doing in our own lives as well as the local community and in our churches. God never stands still. He is always leading us on, calling us to grow as individuals and as churches.



To develop and stretch out. To search for what God is calling us to do both in terms of the environment and in regard to other parts of our Church life.

Just as we do in the hot weather we all need times for rest and reflection. Time to recover from our exertions but then the time will come to act. The autumn will come and there will be new challenges. How will we respond?

When the ground is very dry it doesn't actually help to pour a large amount of water on it all at once – it will just run somewhere else. Water needs to come gently in small quantities until the ground is dampened and can receive more. Often we are also like this. We need extra energy and we trust in God to help us. He challenges us to grow even in the most difficult conditions. However God is gentle and kind. He will drop his Spirit on us gently until we also are able to receive more. There is much in the lives of our churches to encourage us and to show us God's working among us. However God is always calling us on. Change in our churches can be exciting and unnerving. We need to be waiting and open and God will lead and provide all we need.

As we wait this summer for rain and pray both that it will come and that there will not be flooding, let us also be open and waiting for what God may be leading us into in the rest of the year. Let us remember Peter's injunction in his second letter to "grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen."

Every blessing. Mary

On 13th September Matt Barnes (Director of mission evangelism and parish revitalisation) will be speaking at All Saints at the 10am service. This is an important input for All Saints as we reflect on how God is calling us on in our life together.

BEETLE DRIVE & THEMED QUIZ



All Saints Centre

Saturday 3rd October at 6.30pm

£5 each - light refreshments incl

Teams of 4

contact the office for information

bring your own alcohol

Craft for a Cure ^B

September is Blood Cancer Awareness Month,
help us raise money at St John's for

Blood Cancer UK

and let's craft for a cure!

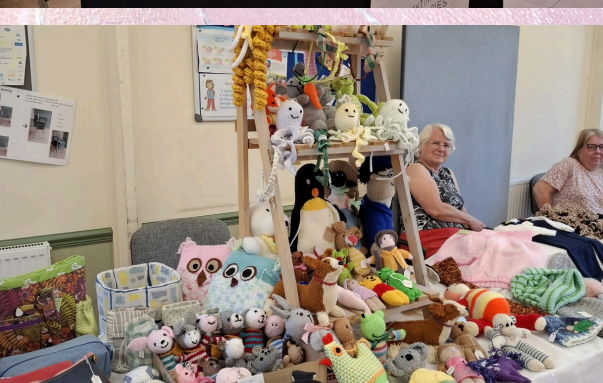
During Rest Stop Café at St John's
Friday 18th September, 10am - 12pm

there will be simple crafts for everyone,
including jewellery making

Alongside Afternoons in the Link at St John's
Sunday 20th September, 2 - 4pm



bloodcanceruk.org.uk



MAKERS MARKET

15th August 2026

All Saints Church & Centre

After planning and praying for a successful event, I am very happy to write that our amazing first ever Makers Market was just that. An incredible £500 was raised.

There was a wonderful array of artisan crafters showcasing and selling their wares, and delicious cakes and refreshments in church. Many of the stall holders asked if we would be running the event again, so watch this space!!!

Thank you to all those who contributed in any way to make the Market happen. And I promise to be more optimistic and less grumpy next time.

Karen Cowgill



Midweek Matinee

at
All Saints Centre



Showing:
Florence

Wednesday
30th September
at 2pm



£5 Adults, £2 Children
Theatre snacks included

St John's Church Micklegate

Craft & Tabletop Sale

Saturday 17th October 2026
10am – 1pm

TO BOOK A TABLE: Contact Joy via ☎ 01332 515293 or
[Email: events-stjohns@mickleoveranglicans.org.uk](mailto:events-stjohns@mickleoveranglicans.org.uk)

FREE ENTRY

Over 20 different stalls, including a wide range of crafts, books & jigsaws
Refreshments available throughout

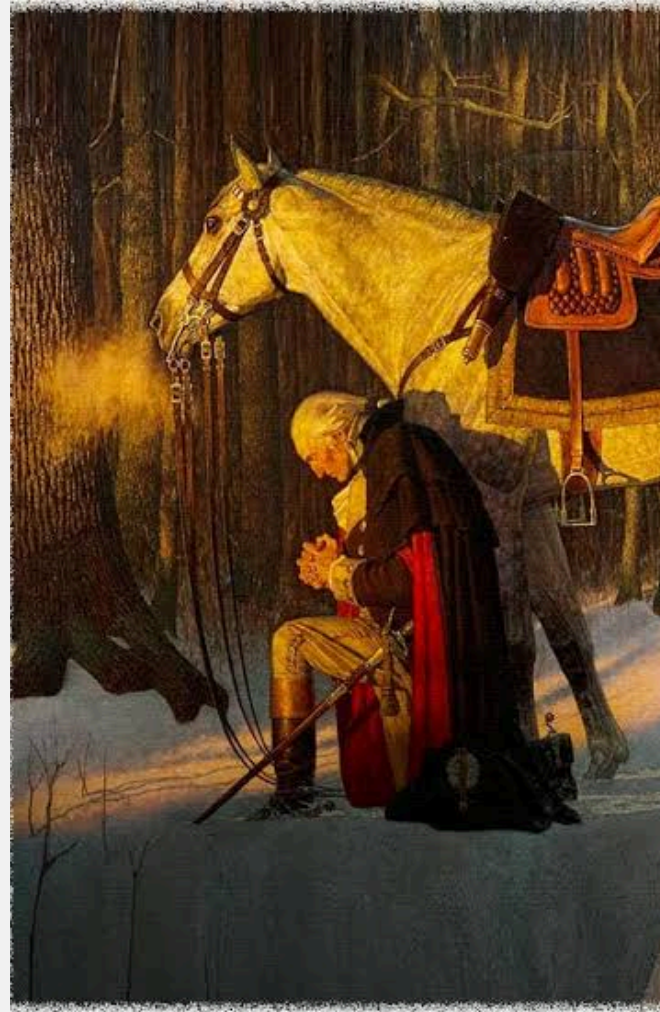
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"I TRUST IN GOD, SO WHY SHOULD I BE AFRAID"

Psalm 56:11 (NLT)

In the early days of America, a stranger asked how he might identify George Washington among those present at Congress. He was told, 'You can easily distinguish him when Congress goes to prayer. Washington is the gentleman who kneels down.' Washington was known as a man who prayed. When the fate of the new nation hung in the balance at Valley Forge, he frequently found rest and relief in prayer. One day, a farmer approaching Washington's military camp heard an earnest voice. When he drew nearer, he saw Washington on his knees, his cheeks wet with tears. The farmer returned home

and told his wife: 'George Washington will succeed, and the Americans will secure their independence.' His wife said, 'Isaac, what makes you think so?' He replied, 'I heard him pray out in the woods today, and the Lord will surely hear his prayer. He will, Hannah, rest assured, He will!' When we have less, we're more aware of our need and pray more. But as we acquire and achieve more, we become more self-sufficient and pray less. That's a mistake. The more God entrusts to you, the more you need His strength, His wisdom, His guidance, and His grace. David sat on a throne and ruled Israel. Was he proud or arrogant? No. ***'This I know: God is on my side! I praise God for what he has promised; yes, I praise the LORD for what he has promised. I trust in God, so why should I be afraid?'*** (Psalm 56.v9-11 NLT).



Taken from Word of the Day

Join us at All Saints
for
- Harvest -

27th September at 10am

Paul Brookhouse will be speaking.
Any donations of non-perishable food will be
given to **Derby Food 4 Thought** the list of
items needed are at the back of church.
Any monetary donations will be given to
AJEVUDE in Burundi.

Harvest Lunch

In the Centre at 12.30pm, bring your own
picnic! Tea and coffee will be served.

Peak District Mighty Hike Half Marathon

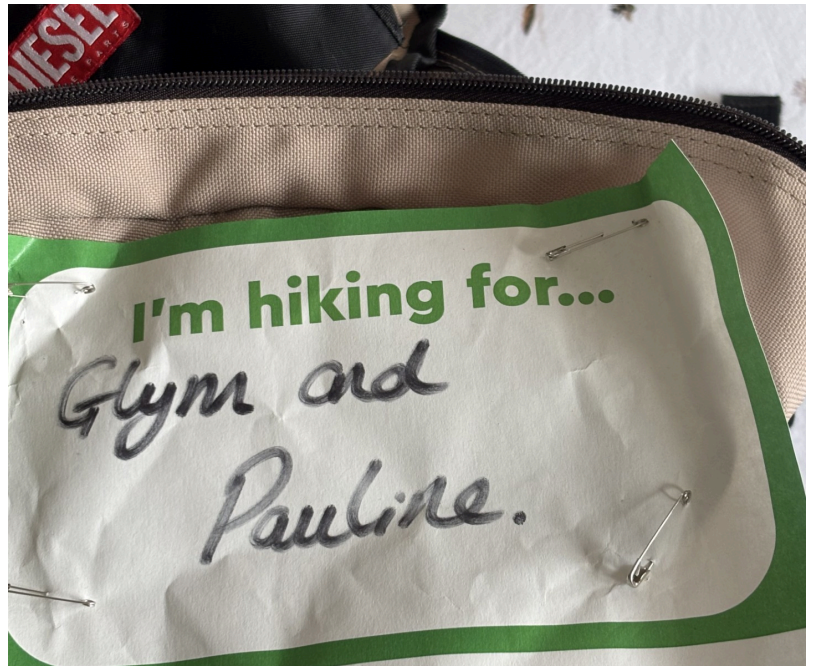
Susan Bevan

Thank you to everyone for supporting me during my Macmillan Hike.

I raised over **£1700** as I covered my son's page and my own - he was unable to walk for personal reasons.

I really appreciate all the support given - it has meant a lot to me.

In my early twenties I was very ill with agoraphobia and couldn't walk down the road. I walked 15 miles and to me I was blessed. It was a journey to raise money for MacMillan but also to celebrate that God helped me in dark times.



Paint a 'Something'

St John's Church Hall

Sunday 13th September
from 2 - 4pm

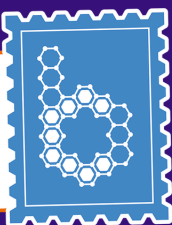
Enjoy a relaxing afternoon
painting bags, hats, stones,
pots and more!

£6
on the door

Refreshments included

SUPPORT THE...

**BONE
CANCER**
STAMP APPEAL



Recent breakthroughs in bone cancer research—specifically for osteosarcoma—are shifting away from standard chemotherapies towards targeted precision medicine.

A major milestone involves cellular immunotherapy: newly engineered "OSM CAR-T" cells are showing immense promise in successfully destroying solid bone tumours and preventing them from spreading to other organs. Additionally, radiotheranostic therapy is entering human trials. This approach uses specialized monoclonal antibodies (like DUNP19) paired with radioactive isotopes to simultaneously map out tumours and deliver high-precision radiation directly inside the cancer cells.

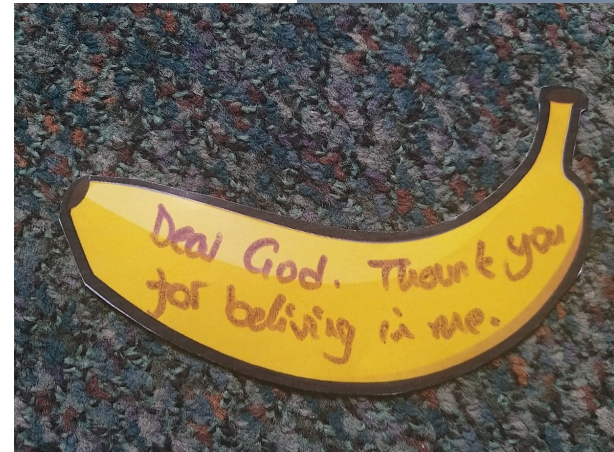
Coupled with AI-driven surgical mapping and 3D-printed implants, these therapies are drastically improving targeted destruction while sparing healthy tissue.

Your stamps DO make a difference.thank you

HOLIDAY FUN AT ST JOHN'S

This month, Churches Together in Mickleover, held two fun-filled Monday mornings for young people in the church hall at St John's. The first Monday we were treated to a circus skills workshop hosted by 'Magical Mayhem', where everyone was invited to try their hand at a variety of activities, including plate spinning, juggling, riding a unicycle, stilt walking, and spinning a diablo. Some of us even tried to balance a peacock feather on the end of our noses (you had to be there to understand why that was relevant). We were also amazed by the Diablo skills of one of the top performers in the country. Everyone had a wonderful time, and rumour has it that three members of the CofE and Methodist ministry teams could even be seen having a go at stilt walking! The second Monday morning was filled with craft activities as we hosted a Messy Church morning enjoyed by all.

A huge thank you goes out to all involved in making the events a success, particularly those who volunteered to help or made wonderful cakes, Paula (church, community, and outreach worker from Mickleover Methodist Church) who coordinated the events, and Tesco, who once again kindly donated healthy snacks. Keep an eye out for other activities and events coming up during the next few months, and please let anyone who you think might be interested, know.



Toad is Becoming a Tenor

Toad is giving up boats

He wants to become a composer so he's

Messing About with Notes

Join Toad and Stephen Johns for some organ and piano music and a 'singalong', exploring how exactly music works



Entry £6, refreshments will be served



Derby Choral Union



Autumn Fayre



Saturday 3rd October 2026

10am - 2pm

St John the Evangelist Church

Devonshire Drive, Mickleover, Derby, DE3 9HD

Cake stall



Refreshments

Preserves



Honey



Books

Tombola



Puzzles



Sweets and more!



SUNDAY AFTERNOONS in the Link



Spend a couple of hours relaxing with others at the **Games Afternoon** on the

3rd Sunday of the month from 2 - 4pm in the St John's Link

Games for all ages and abilities, or bring your own game.

Or just come to chat with others.

Cakes and unlimited tea, coffee or squash will be served throughout, along with a good selection of cakes or biscuits.



As part of All Saints' annual charitable giving, each month a donation is given to A.JE.VUDE. in Burundi. Fuller information regarding the charity is available at the All Saints Harvest Festival. The below was received following our August donation.

REPUBLIC OF BURUNDI

KAGWEMA, 8th August 2026

Submitted to: All Saints Mickleover Church

FOOD RELIEF DISTRIBUTION REPORT

We would like to express our heartfelt gratitude for your generous gift and for the kindness and love you have shown to our community. Your continuous support has made a meaningful difference in the lives of families who are facing severe food shortages.

1. **Purpose of the Donation** - The funds you generously provided were used to purchase and distribute food to vulnerable families in our community. the beneficiaries included widows, elderly people, families living in extreme poverty, and households with many children who were struggling to meet their daily food needs. A significant number of the families we support belong to the BATWA. an Indigenous and historically marginalised ethnic group who are suffering from hunger in the community.
2. **Food Purchased** - Cassava flour, beans, bottles of milk and soap.
3. **Beneficiaries** - 46 of 63 families in the village of KAGWEMA. The beneficiaries were carefully identified through local church leaders and community representatives to ensure that the assistance reached those most in need.
4. **Distribution Process** - The food distributed was conducted in an orderly and transparent manner. Before distributing the food, we gathered the beneficiaries for a time of prayer and encouragement, reminding them that God has not forgotten them and that He often works through the generosity of faithful people. Each family received food of 7kg of beans, 10kg cassava flour, 5 soap and milk for children.
(This is intended to feed them for a week - the usual family size is 6 or 7 people.)
5. **Financial Accountability** - We are committed to ensuring that every contribution entrusted to our organisation is used responsibly, transparently, and for its intended purpose. Below is a summary of the funds received and how they were utilized.



Exchange Rate: \$1 = 2994 Francs

A. Food Items Purchased

Item Purchased	Quantity	Unit Price (Francs)	Total Cost (Francs)
Cassava Flour	460kg	1600	736 000
Beans	322kg	3100	998 200
Bottle of Milk	100 bottles	1000	100 000
Total Cost of Food Purchased			1 834 200

B. Other Project Expenses

Description	Amount (Francs)
Transportation of food	165 000
Packaging Materials	73 600
Soap	90000
Total	3 28 600



Total donation received from U.K. supporters in Francs = 1 643 706 Fbu

Local Contribution from other Organisation = 519 094 Fbu

We are sincerely grateful for your continued generosity and support. Your assistance is changing the lives of families especially in the BATWA community, giving them hope and helping them improve their living conditions. We kindly ask you to continue supporting them so that, over time, they can become more self-reliant and find sustainable ways to provide for themselves.

At the same time, the community continues to face serious challenges in accessing clean and safe water. This has increased the risk of waterborne diseases, particularly during the current cholera outbreak. We therefore kindly ask you to consider supporting access to clean water, which would greatly improve the health and well-being of these families.

On behalf of all the families benefitting from your support, we extend our sincere gratitude.

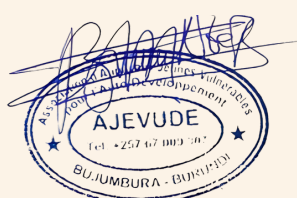
Financial Manager of the Association

UWAMAHORO Justine

A handwritten signature in blue ink, likely belonging to Justine Uwamahoro, the Financial Manager of the Association.

President of the Association

Revd NOE BUKURU



Pause & Ponder

As you walk through the All Saints churchyard, take a moment to pause and ponder at our 16 stations with photographs and quotes.

ALL SAINTS CAFE

Wednesdays
10am - 12pm
All Saints Centre

Come for a friendly chat, tea/coffee with delicious home-made cakes and biscuits

Everyone welcome!



WHO LET THE DADS OUT?

2nd Saturday of the month
8.15 - 9.45am
All Saints Church Centre

A group for fathers, father figures and their children to have fun, form friendships and find support



01332 510446

admin@mickleoveranglicans.org.uk

Breakfast Church



2nd Sunday of the month
(full weekend)

Join us at 8am for breakfast, crafts, games and worship

All ages welcome!



St John's-on-Sea

Café and Fish & Chip Lunch

Friday 21st August
at St John's Church Hall



Rest Stop Café took a trip to St John's-on-Sea!
We enjoyed fish and chips and ice cream, and even a game of bingo.



Breast Cancer Now Coffee Morning

THANK YOU!

To everyone who came to and supported the Breast Cancer Now coffee morning at St John's Rest Stop Café on Friday 14th August.

Thank you to Tesco for donating prizes for the raffle.

We raised an amazing **£281.28** for the charity.

**BREAST
CANCER
NOW**



JACK

Jesus And Cool Kids

AT JOHNS

Join us for our interactive
family-friendly service on
the 3rd Sunday of the month
St John's Church at 10am.

Enjoy crafts, worship
and games with other
children and families as the
central part of the service.

INTERNET CAFE

Mondays 10am - 12pm
St John's Link



Help and advice for computers,
laptops, smart phones, and tablets

*Our helpers don't guarantee to
have all the answers, but we may
know where to start looking!*

Bring along your own tablets, iPads
and laptops or borrow one from us.

Refreshments served mid-morning.



*Our friendly team
is happy to help!*

Rest Stop Café

10AM - 12PM
every Friday at
St John's

Join us for a cup of tea or
coffee, friendly conversation,
and of course, delicious cakes!

EVERYONE WELCOME



CTiM

Churches Together in Mickleover

BIBLE STUDY



Meeting every 2nd and 4th
Thursday of the month
at St John's Link
10.30am - 12.00pm

For more information, contact Judi
Witcomb on 07531495891
see calendar for dates

The Festival of Creation in Christ

As I write this at the beginning of August, which one of us has not been thinking about the impact of global warming and environmental sustainability? Our garden lawns are brown, almost grey, starved of water for so long. As we drive through Derbyshire, we see fields not just brown but bare of crops as a second round of planting is not yet possible.



In July, at its summer meeting in York, the General Synod of the Church of England passed a motion establishing the Festival of Creation in Christ, to be celebrated on the first Sunday of September. This development has ecumenical roots in the worldwide Church. The Catholic Church has for long time celebrated the Season of Creation from the beginning of September until the Feast Day of St Francis of Assisi on 4th October, and many Anglican parishes have followed this lead.

At Derby Cathedral, in our ecumenical Lent Groups over the past few years we have read carefully two documents written by the late Pope Francis, namely *Laudato Sí* and *Fratelli Tutti*, both drawing the world's attention to the interconnectedness of the whole of creation and establishing an integral ecology that has helped us to see more clearly the impact of the current crisis in declining biodiversity, adverse weather conditions and the unjust impact of climate change on disadvantaged communities.

The new Festival which at Derby Cathedral we plan to celebrate on Sunday 6th September will give us the opportunity to offer thanks to God for his creation and for the redemption of the world, and it will help us reflect on how we might best act and take responsibility for the care of a broken creation. The papers presented to General Synod in July said this: "The title 'Creation in Christ' emphasizes that creation is understood through the person and work of Jesus Christ: created through him, sustained in him and destined for renewal in him."

One way to respond is invite parishioners to read the helpful new publication, a teaching document from the Church of England's bishops, *Hope for All creation: A theological response to the environmental crisis*. It's accessible, easy to read and makes many links between what we might think and what we might do. It's a small step to read such a document but do it together in small groups – then we can only imagine what might emerge in terms of collective action!

May we use our experience and our learning from these recent weeks to shape a church response to the huge challenge that our generation faces so that we can support our children and grandchildren in the generations to come. Why not celebrate the Festival of Creation in Christ this year as a first step?

The Very Revd Dr Peter Robinson, Dean of Derby