Events for March

- 1st Lent lunch with speaker in the Newark. 12noon
- 2nd The Eucharist. 9.30am
- 3rd World Day of Prayer. Methodist church 2pm
- 5th The Parish Eucharist 10.30am Evensong 6pm
- 6th Stations of the Cross 5pm
- 7th Phone church 10am
- 8th Lent lunch with speaker in the Newark. 12noon
- 9th The Eucharist 9.30am
- 12th Morning Praise 10.30am
- 13th Stations of the Cross 5pm
- 14th Phone church 10am
- 15th Lent lunch with speaker in the Newark 12noon
- 16th The Eucharist 9.30am
- 19th The Parish Eucharist Mothering Sunday 10.30am
- 20th Stations of the Cross 5pm
- 21st Phone church 10am
- 22nd Lent lunch with speaker in the Newark 12noon
- 23rd The Eucharist 9.30am
- 26th The Parish Eucharist 10.30am
- 27th Stations of the Cross 5pm
- 28th Phone church 10am
- 29th Lent lunch with speaker in the Newark 12noon
- 30th The Eucharist 9.30am



Copy for April by 19th March please.



All Saints with St. Anne's Parish Pump MARCH 2023



It is my Lent to break my Lent, To eat when I would fast, To know when slender strength is spent, Take shelter from the blast When I would run with wind and rain, To sleep when I would watch. It is my Lent to smile at pain But not ignore its touch.

It is my Lent to listen well When I would be alone, To talk when I would rather dwell In silence, turn from none Who call on me, to try to see That what is truly meant Is not my choice. If Christ's I'd be It's thus I'll keep my Lent.

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A Word from St Anne's

The month of March heralds that magical time when Winter gives way to Spring, the hours of daylight increase, flowers blossom and birds start nesting - even if the weather can still be cold!

However in the Church calendar this March falls entirely within the season of Lent, a solemn time when St Anne's, along with all other Anglican churches, remains bereft of flowers, and dark purple frontals cover the altar and lectern. We still act as a welcoming church, open 24/7 for all visitors and, from the comments in our visitor's book, those who call in, often from far afield, very much appreciate the open church in a beautiful and peaceful setting. As well as offering a very special atmosphere, which is especially appropriate during the time of Lent, when prayer and contemplation (not just abstinence) is encouraged, we are re-opening our book stall, for exchange, borrowing or buying, inviting people to contribute to the box of food gifts (tins boxes and packets) for the Food Bank, and the use of the toilet!

By contrast to the solemn atmosphere within the church the churchyard is responding, day by day, to nature's rebirth of flowers and greenery. It is an ever popular place for people to sit on the benches sheltered by the south wall of the church, overlooking the churchyard and Lathkill Dale, appreciating the lovely view and, as often as not, eating a picnic! Soon the process of mowing the grass (paid for by Friends of St Anne's) will have to begin, to keep the churchyard attractive and accessible, being careful to avoid cutting the wilder verges and areas of flowers. Lent or not, this is a time when "God's little acre" comes into its own.

100 Club Draw for January
drawn 5th February1st prize£50202nd prize£25413rd prizes£12.5012&25

Additional members always very welcome

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World Day of Prayer

Friday 3rd March In the Methodist Church at 2pm Service prepared by the women of Taiwan

CHRISTIAN AID

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY Saturday 13th May at the Methodist Church Coffee Morning and Gift Day With a stall and videos 10am-12.30 Quiz for sale prior to the event with winner announced on the day.

Weight Watchers will meet at 7 PM at the First Presbyterian Church. Please use large double door at the side entrance.

O M Witherby

Roger Truscott

Bakewell Church Art group

The art group is expanding! More people than last year which is great.

All levels of talent are welcome. Assistance is provided. Please bring your own materials.

We are sociable and friendly so come along and be creative.

(There's no such thing as a bad painting!)

All this and a hot drink for £2.50 a session

Every Tuesday 10am-12 noon in the Newark of All Saints Church





Sunrise on New Year's day

Robin Hoods Bay

(Caroline)

Marlborough Sound N.Z. (Jo) All Saints Church invites you to





All food will be provided Bring your own drinks. Please let us know if you can come and how many there will be Contact: sue.marsh7@yahoo.com

Donations towards the cost are welcome

(the cost includes bap with roast pork, home-made stuffing, apple sauce and two salads, plus recyclable plates, wooden cutlery, equipment and staffing)



Bird's Eye View for March 2023

Notes from the February PCC meeting

Can you remember when the churchyard grass was not cut for ages in 2020? Some people loved it and others hated it. Well, there have been discussions with the supervisor of Green and Clean, DDDC who is in charge of **the mowing regime**. Various churches have also been discussing whether it might work to leave an area uncut to encourage a greater variety of wild flowers. The PCC has agreed that we leave the area along **North Church Street** untouched until the daffodils have finished flowering and the leaves have died down. (The residents planted many bulbs in late 2021, which looked splendid in 2022.)

The other area is a sort of triangle right **at the bottom of the churchyard**. There are already wild daffodils there, planted by George Challenger. The soil is too fertile for a meadow, but the council will cut the grass in November and clear the clippings, as their teams will have more time then. And with another try at planting yellow rattle, to discourage grass, some more interesting flowers may appear.

This will all help as we apply for the Bronze Eco Church Award.

Plans are inching towards agreeing a plan to **refurbish the organ**. A tender has been accepted, but it will still be some months before work will actually start. Continue to watch this space.

Canon Tony and Rev Brenda have worked to make the diocesan **Mission Action Plan** easier for us to get our heads round. Two of us have been assigned to work on each of the six areas of mission and we will then have a chance to discuss our thoughts with the other churches in the benefice at a joint PCC morning in April.

Things are moving again with the **Churches Together in Bakewell**. There will be lent lunches on a Wednesday, with the different churches providing a speaker at 12 noon and some soup.

The **World Day of Prayer** is an interdenominational service at the Methodists' at 2.00pm on Friday 3rd March.

There will be a **Town Passion on Good Friday** from noon till 1.00pm. On a jollier note, there will be a Town Service at 11.30am on Sunday 7th May at All Saints' for the **Coronation, followed by a Hog Roast.**

Use your L.O.A.F



Following on from Peter's excellent article on Fairtrade last month, here are some principles suggested by Green Christian that we might use in preparing our own or Church meals:

Locally Produced: helping community and neighbour

By choosing food that is grown locally, we can provide a good livelihood to local producers, and cut down on fossil fuel emissions. We will also discover the joy of seasonal eating: strawberries and apricots are a summer treat, pears in the autumn and brussel sprouts are a winter speciality. We can remember God's amazing goodness as we think more carefully about where our food has come from

Organically Grown: taking care of the Earth

By choosing organic food we will have healthier soils. We will see meadows rich with wild flowers and rivers full of fish again.



Tip: look for the Soil Association logo:

Animal Friendly: avoiding abuse

All of us, whether vegan, vegetarian or meat-eater, can follow the 'A' of the LOAF principles. We can choose to eat less meat and to buy higher welfare meat. We will be respecting and nurturing the creatures that God made. Tip: With the Farmers' Market and two local butchers, we are well placed here in Bakewell.

Fairly Traded: creating social justice.



Buying fair trade foods means that workers who produce the food get a fair wage and better working conditions.

Tip: act justly by looking for the Fairtrade symbol on tea, coffee sugar and chocolate. Both our local supermarkets have a good range.