April Services and Events

- 1st-20th Art Exhibition in the Newark
- 4th The Eucharist 9am
- 7th The Parish Eucharist 10.30am Evensong 6pm
- 10th PCC 7pm
- 11th The Eucharist 9am
- 14th Morning Praise 10.30am
- 18th The Eucharist 9am
- 20th Art Exhibition closes
- 21st The Parish Eucharist 10.30am Evensong 6pm
- 25th The Eucharist 9am
- 28th The Parish Eucharist 10.30am



Copy for May by 20th April please.



All Saints with St. Anne's Parish Pump APRIL 2024



Christian Aid

Christian Aid Week started in 1945 and is a week devoted to raising money for work among those with the most need throughout the World.

Christian Aid helps all people, regardless of religion or race, to improve their lives, helping them to become self-sufficient. We campaign to tackle poverty and injustice. We also work with the Disasters and Emergency Committee' to respond to humanitarian disasters.

This year the focus is on the cost of living crisis faced by so many people around the world.

<u>On Saturday 11th May 11.30 to 2.00pm</u>, venue Bakewell Methodist Church, 'Bakewell Churches Together' will be having a Soup Lunch with a stall and Gift Day. We have been lucky to also get a speaker.

<u>11.30 arrive for coffee,12.00 Speaker followed by lunch</u> <u>Sunday 5th May 6.00pm</u> United Service at the Parish Church. We look forward to your support.

Together we can make a difference



A Word from St Anne's

We are in that wonderful time of the year of new beginnings. Re-birth is all around us, as Winter is banished and Springs bursts out with growth and greenery, hope and promise. It is there in a spiritual sense too of course, because it is also the time of Easter when Christ was re-born after dying, with a promise of the same for all believers.

Here in Over Haddon St Anne's church is filled with flowers again, after the bare solemnity of Lent, and looking a more cheerful and welcoming place for it! As you come through the gates to the church, from Dale Road, you will see a cluster of new flowers - bright golden daffodils - which have been planted at the foot of the west wall. They are part of a Parish Council scheme to brighten up the whole of Over Haddon by bulb planting. You may have seen them when walking or driving through the village.

The month of April, with its warmer temperatures and longer sunnier days, invite us to step outdoors and experience the natural world. We are all aware (I think) that global climate change is making our weather warmer anyway, as well as (in this country) wetter and windier, at least in the Winter half of the year, but that should not stop us from enjoying a nicer climate for being outside. Perhaps one of the most vivid ways to think of this (especially for us older ones....) is to realise that the climate we now have here in the Peak District is similar to that of southern England fifty years ago...And of course it is imperative that we do all we can to stop the cause of this change our despoiling of the natural world, especially through the burning of fossil fuels - before it is too late to prevent catastrophic change.

	100 Club Results,	
	Drawn 3 March	
	Monthly draw	
1 st Prize	£46.00	54
2 nd Prize	£23.00	7
3 rd Prizes	£11.50	19&10

The Draw normally takes place on the 1st Sunday of the month.

Anyone wishing to join will be most welcome please email j.glencross@btinternet.com or ring 01629 640134.

£1 per week per number, payment in whatever way suits you. Prizes paid on the day of the draw by bank transfer.

Organ Restoration Fund

The application to the Pilling Trust has been rejected. Recently we have received a personal donation of £1,000, bank interest of £280 & the regular book stall and 100 club amounts. The 2^{nd} instalment of the scheduled payments has been made. An application to the Listed Building scheme for repayment of the VAT on the repairs has been made.

Allowing for contingencies the shortfall is now expected to be in the region of $\pm 7,800$.

Joyce Glencross

Reminder

The paintings by a local Derbyshire artist which are o display in the Newark, will remain there until 20th April.

So plenty of time for you to view them and to bring your friends along too, and if you wish to purchase one of the paintings, there will be a box available all through the exhibition in which to place your closed best bid. The person with the highest bid for each painting will be contacted after the exhibition closes. All proceeds from sales are to go the organ fund.

This is going to be a unique opportunity to see and perhaps have for yourself, some truly outstanding art work. Don't miss it!







But meanwhile, let is enjoy the lovely weather, and the seasonal renewal of our lovely green environment that this time of the year brings. If you come to St Anne's church when the weather is nice, sit for a while on a bench sheltered by the south-facing wall of the church, looking down over the peaceful churchyard (currently dotted with daffodils and primroses) to the trees of Lathkil Dale and the fields beyond. It is truly an idyllic scene. You may also notice that one or two of the benches need repair or replacement...and if you know of someone who would like to sponsor a bench in memory of a loved one who enjoyed this place that would be most welcome!

Roger Truscott

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Eco Tip

Now the weather is improving, we hope, can you fit more active travel into your day and daily routine? Reevaluate your journeys: explore walking or cycling options, or modify your route to include some form of active travel, eg get off the bus a stop early and complete the remaining part of your journey on foot, indulge in a leisurely stroll, or opt for a bike ride along the Monsal Trail.

Join the church walking group on the second Thursday of each month (Rick and Kath 01629 812457) or one of the many U3A groups for shared experiences. Use the extra steps or the changed travel arrangements as a prompt to pray for God's creation, nature's preservation and the reduction in fossil fuel usage.

For more practical ways to enjoy, nurture and defend nature, sign up to A Rocha UK's Wild Christian email: <u>arocha.org.uk/wild-christian</u>

Alison Davidson

(who wouldn't want to be a wild Christian! Ed.)

As we go into Spring and the hope of drier, sunnier weather, perhaps we all should give a thought to our own wellbeing and the wellbeing of the planet we have been given to live on.

Can you walk more; use the car less? Can you dig over even a small patch and plant your own veg? If you haven't the space for that, a window box will yield you tasty, home-grown tomatoes.

A small herb bed will help with your cooking and the bees love flowing herbs

If you have more space, is there room to plant a tree? Perhaps even a fruit-bearing one. If we all do one thing, we are helping.

Art Group

The art group meets every Tuesday, 10am-12 noon with coffee and biscuits thrown in. This year has been successful with a group of ten very friendly people.

Helpful advice is always available. Come along and be creative. It's good for the soul!

The group will take a short Easter break on 2nd April.



Bluebells in Rowsley Wood by Steve

The vicar was walking through the village; the flowers were coming out and the birds were singing.

He reached the cottage where old George was sitting outside, resting.

"Spring in the air this morning, George!" he said cheerily. "Why should I?" came the reply.

O M Witherby