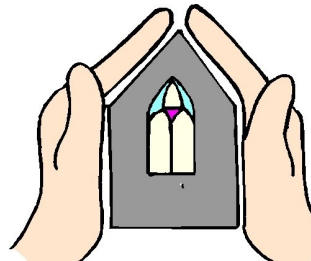


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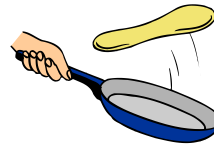
- 2nd - The Parish Eucharist 10.30am
Evensong 6pm
- 4th - Shrove Tuesday supper (see inside)
- 5th - Ash Wednesday. Said Eucharist and Ashing 12 noon
- 6th - The Eucharist 9.30am
- 7th - World Day of Prayer (see inside)
- 9th - Morning Praise (in the Newark) 10.30am
- 12th - Lent lunch (see inside)
- 16th - The Parish Eucharist 10.30am
Evensong 6pm
- 19th - Lent lunch
- 20th - The Eucharist 9.30am
- 23rd - Benefice Eucharist **10am** All Saints
- 26 th - Lent lunch
- 30th - Mothering Sunday All Age Parish Eucharist 10.30am

Informal prayer in church each Friday 9-9.30am
Everyone welcome



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All Saints with St. Anne's

Parish Pump

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Shrove Tuesday

There will be a bring and share supper
in the Newark at 6.30pm
Everyone is most welcome.
Bring your own drinks



Ash Wednesday

Said Eucharist and Ashing 12 noon



Lent

At 5pm each Monday during Lent commencing 10th March
The Stations of the Cross will be followed

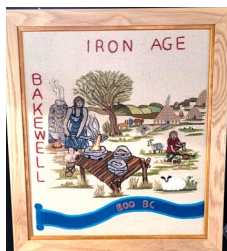




"Stitches in Time"

**Bakewell and Area U3A Craft Group
A Time Line of Bakewell Embroideries**

in 28 panels



Gill Roberts has spent the last four years Co-ordinating the creation of these panels assisted by 28 people who love to sew by of embroidery. Each person has created one panel. The Group had guidance and tuition from a professional embroiderer.

Alan Reeves made 28 embroidery frames, 25 local people made donations, and the Rev. Robert Parker paid for the framing.

The embroideries will be on display at the information Centre until the end of March and then, hopefully will move onto another venue. Being that they tell a story it is hoped that they can stay together rather be fragmented around the town.

They are to be registered at the National Needlework Archive.

Please do go along and see them- you are in for a great treat.

Admission is free. There is a lift in the Information Centre if you are unable to use the stairs.



Mary Chaplin

Canon Tony's licensing 25.2.25

It may have heralded one of the shortest priest-in-charge stints ever, but it was done in style and with warmth and a certain informality. This was the licensing of Canon Tony to be priest-in-charge of *Great Longstone*, which has now officially joined our benefice. It is hoped that the expansion of the benefice to seven churches now will smooth the transition as we consider who we would like to attract to be our next vicar.

Malcolm, the Bishop of Repton, got through the necessary legalities, whilst keeping the feel relaxed and welcoming. He, Tony and the Archdeacon Nicky (who installed Tony in his stall) put oil on our foreheads, saying a Taize blessing:

'Lord, keep us in the joy, simplicity and compassion of your Gospel.'

The bishop thought this summed up well Tony's approach to ministry.

The choirs of Ashford and Bakewell joined *Great Longstone* to help swell the hymns. And then we all enjoyed *Great Longstone's* hospitality and as much cake as we could eat.

Angela Bird



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Friday 7 March. 2.00pm at the Methodist Church, Bakewell

This is a reminder for this year's interdenominational service. A word about the logo: it's a bit difficult to make out, but the cross consists of four people praying from the four corners of the earth, all held in one circle, which does encapsulate the idea of a world day of prayer.

Do join us if you can at the Methodists' at 2.00pm on Friday 7th March.

ALL WELCOME



Open Day

Open Day for the Peak Wesley Way at the chapel in Great Longstone, Thursday 6 March, 2.00pm to 5.00. A trail connects six rural chapels from Matlock to Edale. They offer accommodation for groups from two to six and this is a chance to see what one of the chapels looks like. More next month.

Angela Bird

Lent Lunch

On Wednesdays, 12, 19th, 26th and 2nd April, Bakewell Churches Together will be hosting Lent Lunches in the Newark.

This will be a simple soup lunch, with a reflection, led by each of the Bakewell churches in turn and will commence at 12 noon.

An additional session may be arranged; if this so, this will be announced in the next edition of Parish Pump and on the pew sheet.



One day the vicar was visiting one of his parishioners and was greeted by a boy and a dog. The vicar said to the boy, "Does your dog bite?" "No," replied the boy. Just then the dog bit the vicar. The vicar yelled, "I thought you said your dog doesn't bite!" "He doesn't," replied the boy, "that's not my dog!"

O M Witherby

A Word from St Anne's

March is the month when Spring begins. So although it may still feel cold, it will probably be windy, and it will certainly rain, flowers are appearing in profusion in gardens and under hedgerows and new green shoots are emerging on trees and shrubs. It is a time of hope and re-birth, as the days lengthen and the shine shines more brightly.

It is also, this year, in the Church calendar, the season of Lent, starting on the 5th (Ash Wednesday) and so, although there will be no flowers inside our village church in Over Haddon, there will be plenty outside, in the south-facing churchyard.

How we celebrate (perhaps "observe" is a better term to use?) Lent varies between individuals. Many people, including non churchgoers, use it as a time of abstinence, denying themselves something (usually of the food/drink variety) that they normally enjoy. This is a good thing, because as well as acting as a discipline for personal behaviour it is usually good for our health and well being and, for Christians at least, it acts as a commemoration of Jesus' time in the wilderness before beginning his Ministry.

Lent is also seen as a time for reflexion and discussion about matters of spiritual and ethical importance. This can be done individually or in groups, and probably the latter is better because different views can emerge to help us clarify what we each think about them.

There is certainly no shortage of topics to consider at present. Among "home" topics I would suggest the growing levels of *poverty*

the growing levels of *poverty* which have resulted in a surge in the demand for 'food Banks.' is worthy of consideration.

At St Anne's church we are renewing our appeal for donations to the High Peak food bank at Buxton, by putting gifts of non-perishable foodstuffs in a large box at the rear of the church.

There are many others, of course. The hideous phenomenon of *knife crime* is just one, together with the disaffection of some groups of young people. At the other end of the age scale is the growing crisis in the *health and social care* sectors, which particularly affects older people.

If we look at the wider world context, again there is no shortage of subjects to reflect upon. *Warfare and violence* is an obvious choice, if we think of Ukraine, the Holy Land, Sudan, and so many other places. What exactly we could hope to *do* about it, of course, is more difficult to say, other than urging our elected leaders to stand up for peace and justice in the face of bullies and tyrants. And, of course, there are the on-going problems of *climate change and ecological destruction*, and we know by now what we should be doing and voting for....

It sounds as if Lent could be a time of campaigning for what is right and good?

That's not a bad idea!

Roger Truscott