





ASHBOURNE GROUP OF CHURCHES







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Everyone is WELCOME at any of the Services in our Churches

Day	OCT	Time 10.30	Church	Service
Thursday	3rd	10.30	St Mary's Mappleton	Morning Prayer record
Sunday	6th	9.15 9.15	St John's, Buxton Hill St Peter's, Snelston	Harvest Festival United Holy Communion
		10.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Holy Communion
		18.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Evensong
Thursday	10th	10.30	St Mary's Mappleton	Morning Prayer record
Saturday	12th	18.00	St Mary's Mappleton	Harvest Festival
Sunday	13th	9.00	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Breakfast Church
		10.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Holy Communion
		11.00	St Mary & St Barlock, Norbury	United Harvest Festival
		18.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Choral Evensong
Thursday	17th	10.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Morning Prayer record
Sunday	20th	9.15	St John's, Buxton Hill	Holy Communion
		10.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Holy Communion
		18.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Evensong
Thursday	24th	10.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Holy Communion record
Sunday	27th	10.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Holy Communion
		10.45	Holy Trinity, Clifton	United Holy Communion
		18.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Evensong
Thursday	31st	10.30	St Mary's Mappleton	Morning Prayer record

ONLINE SERVICES

Daily Morning & Evening Prayer and Sunday Morning Service available on: ashbournechurch.org.uk

WEDDING and BAPTISM ENQUIRIES Please call Parish Office on 01335 343052

PASTORAL CONTACT To speak to a member of the Clergy call 07891 887845

The Registers for September 2024

Baptisms

Sat 21st Hudson John Dexter St Oswald's

Sun 22nd Ezra Palmer St Oswald's

Weddings

Sun 1st Lauen-Annabel Pain & William Simpson St Oswald's

Funerals

Mon 23rd Grace Ann Burford 88 St Oswald's

Readings at St Oswald's Services in October 2024

6 th October	10.30	Genesis 2:18-24	Mark 10:2-16
6 th October	18.30	Joshua 3:7- end	Matthew 10:1-22
13 th October	10.30	Amos 5:6-7, 10-15	Mark 10:17-31
13 th October	18.30	Joshua 5:13- 6:20	Matthew 11:20-end
20 th October	10.30	Isaiah 53:4-12	Mark10:35-45
20 th October	18.30	Joshua 14:6-14	Matthew 12:1-21
27 th October	10.30	Psalm 19:7-14	John 5:36b-47
27 th October	18.30	2 Timothy 2:1-7	John 14:15-26

October readings notes

October 6th Trinity 19

Genesis 2:18-24 The second, but older account of creation, is centred on human beings and their place in God's world. God recognises man's need for companionship. He first creates animals, then forms woman from man's rib to be his equal and bound together for life.

Mark 10:2-16

Jewish law on marriage and divorce was open to different interpretations, and the Pharisees wanted to know what Jesus thought about the verses in Deuteronomy 24:1-4 which laid down grounds for the divorce of a woman from her husband; a woman could not legally divorce her husband. Jesus insisted on loyalty of both partners to each other. In those days, children were not valued for themselves and the qualities that we find in them, but as a promise for the continuity of the family. Jesus's blessing of them was given to them to receive there and then.

October 13th Trinity 20

Amos 5:6-7, 10-15 Amos laments the wrongs in society like the total lack of concern for the poor, and injustice in the courts which were situated in the gate of the town. He calls the people to repent and return to God who may forgive them

Mark 10:17-31

On his travels, Jesus was asked a standard question someone might ask a rabbi or teacher. Jesus's reply summarised the last six of the ten commandments, which the young man had faithfully kept - but his wealth meant too much to him. The disciples challenged Jesus's reply and were given the promise of reward with the reminder of the need for humility.

October 20th Trinity 21

Isaiah 53:4-12 The prophet, on several occasions has described the figure of 'the servant of the Lord'. He concludes with this account of the suffering of the innocent victim who will be vindicated by God.

Mark 10:35-45

As Jesus and his disciples went up to Jerusalem for the feast of the Passover, their thought turned to the future and Jesus's warnings of what might happen. James and John, misunderstanding and hoping Jesus might reveal himself to the crowd as the hoped for Messiah, ask for a share in his triumph. Jesus disabused them and reminded them of the importance of the role of the servant of the Lord.

October 27th Bible Sunday

Psalm 19:7-14 The book of Psalms was the hymn book of the Temple and the Psalmist rejoices in the delights and riches that the Law offers, giving guidance for living the good life.

John 5:36b-47

Jesus said to the Jews

The theme of bearing witness and testifying were important in John's gospel, from the time of the ministry of John the Baptist to the continuing witness of God himself. The Jews however, failed to understand what was written in their scriptures and rejected Jesus.

Music at St Oswald's for October

Sunday	y 6"' 19"' Sunday after Trinity
10.30	Parish Communion
490	Jesus shall reign

517 Loving Shepherd of thy sheep...

301 God is here as we his people...

I give to you a new commandment/Nardone

Faithful Shepherd feed me...

362 Tell out my soul...

6.30 Evensong

Through the day /Morley

496 Lead us heavenly Father lead us...

Psalm 125

475 Immortal love for ever full... Think of how God loves you/Macmillan

605 Through the night of doubt and sorrow...

Sunday 13th 20th Sunday after Trinity

10.30 Parish Communion

God of mercy God of grace...
Lord be thy word my rule...

311 Lord enthroned in heavenly splendour...

I lift my eyes

130 An upper room...

598 There's a wideness in God's mercy...

6.30 Choral Evensong

Canticles Purcell in G minor: Responses Smith

Jesu my way/Archer

338 My God accept my heart this day...

Psalm 127

Hark what a sound...

We praise Thee O God/Ireland

475 Lead kindly light...

Sunday 20th 21st Sunday after Trinity

10.30 Parish Communion

6.30 Evensong

589	The King of love	Lead m	ne Lord/Wesley	
421	Father of heaven	492	Jesus where'er thy people meet	
408	Come to me says Jesus	Psalm	104 vs 1-8	
	Jesu joy of man's desiring/Bach	581	Take my life and let it be	
296	Draw nigh and take the body of the Lord	O Lord	O Lord my God/Arcadelt	
546	O worship the King	11	As now the sun's declining rays	

Sunday	y 27 th Last Sunday after Trinity	Bible Sunday
10.30	Parish Communion	6.30 Evensong
507	Lord of all hopefulness	Make me a light/Wilby
308	Just as I am	457 Hark my soul
470	I the Lord of sea and sky	Psalm 126
	Irish Blessing/Chilcott	96 Jesu lover of my soul
294	Dearest Jesu we are here	Purest and highest/Stanford
482	Jerusalem the golden	12 At even ere the sun was set

Notes for September

"Choral music is not one of life's frills. It's something that goes to the very heart of our humanity, our sense of community, and our souls. You express, when you sing, your soul in song.

John Rutter

Choir

Ros and Gordon Taylor have just moved to Skipton. We shall miss them so much but wish them every happiness in their new home. We look forward to seeing them again from time to time. Do you know of anyone who would like to explore what we have to offer as a choir? You commit to what you can. Please put them in touch if you would like to know more or just turn up at choir practice on a Friday at 7.00p.m. There you will meet real people of all ages who will ensure you feel welcome. If they have not experienced Evensong, it is the perfect way to end the day. Try it and see.

Come and Sing Evensong in St Albans Cathedral

We are excited to be holding our Annual Celebration Day Service in St Albans this year on **Saturday 19 October**. We invite all singers to join us for the rehearsal and service, and all are welcome to swell the congregation and attend this special evensong.

We are delighted that distinguished conductor, Dr David Hill will be leading the massed voices. Featuring music by C V Stanford*, this will be a wonderful opportunity to celebrate his huge and influential contribution to church music as well as learning about the work of all our award recipients

Esther is receiving Gold Award at St Albans. We do not have a Cathedral visit for us lined up so this might be a very good alternative for us to support. The music is the same all bar the shouting as the Stanford day we had at St Oswald's back in June. I suggest you book to go and advise me. There are at least two cars already heading there with empty seats to fill.

Thank you Michael







St Oswald's Ramblers

Ramblers.

Monday 14th October. The walk will start from Clifton Church at 10.00 and is approx. 5 miles long.

Walking group.

After 9 successful long distance walks the walking group are planning to walk the Friends way 2 in 2025. The Friends way 2 starts in Sedburgh and ends in Ulverston, a total distance of 48 miles. We will be based in Kendal from 9th – 16thMay 2025.

Would you like to join us? Don't worry if the 48 miles is a step to far, there are options during the week. The group will be staying in

cottages, usually we have one large cottage and then smaller ones for just a couple of people, there are also some members who will be camping, we usually have a bring and share evening during the week and celebrate at the end of the week with a meal out. Some members of the group will walk the daily part of the Friends way, which over the week vary from 5 – 8.5 miles a day. Others will join on some days and opt out on others. There are also short walks on offer of up to 5 miles a day, usually circles and often taking in part of the Friends way. Alternatively join with others for a day out to visit a town, a castle, a national trust property, a garden or just meet up for a coffee and a chat. Interested?

On Sunday morning this week (06/10/24) we will have a table at coffee, come and join us to discuss possibilities and find out more about the holiday..

For any further information please contact paulgillelliott@outlook.com.

Two Awards Recognise Long Service to St Oswald's Church.

Last Sunday afternoon saw Michael Hyde and Michael Halls attended a very memorable occasion where they both received the Bishop's Badge at Derby Cathedral from Bishop Libby. This was the second such service this year which saw the Bishop's Badge being presented to those nominated in recognition for work they have contributed to their Church.

Prior to presentation of the award each recipient was introduced by The Dean, who read for Michael Hyde the citation "In recognition of 50 years of faithful and dedicated service as Treasurer and assistant Verger." Michael Halls received his award "In recognition of 26 years as Director of Music." Both Michael Hyde and Michael Halls having individually given outstanding service at St Oswald's Church, Ashbourne. To add to this occasion they were both accompanied by their spouses, Michael Hyde by Jane and Michael Halls with Sally.

MAY WE ALL ADD OUR CONGRATULATIONS TO MICHAEL HYDE AND MICHAEL HALLS ON RECEIVING THEIR BISHOP'S BADGE!





Carers Count Meeting

Members of the Carers Count group were enthralled this month by Simon Mahoney who is a blind author, veteran campaigner and consultant for sight loss awareness. He spoke regarding his recent spell as an inpatient at a city teaching Hospital, the challenges he experienced whilst there, ranging from frustration to isolation.

However, not to be beaten, and on his return home, he considered how things could be improved! He set about producing an essential training guide for staff caring for patients with severe sight loss or blindness. In his guide he shows how important communication is to the patient and how everyday tasks can be managed successfully with the application of thought and empathy. To date, he has been asked to assist in the training of Medical and Nursing staff to ensure his findings are put into practice.



Simon was thanked for his lively talk that was much appreciated by all his audience, when he acknowledged that he always concentrates on the things in life that he can do and not the things he cannot do!

If you care for someone and would like to come along to the Carers Count group, you would be made most welcome! Our next meeting is on Wednesday, 6th November in The Church Hall, 10am until 12 noon. You can contact Nigel or Maggie on 01335 664159, or just pop along......





Clifton Harvest Festival

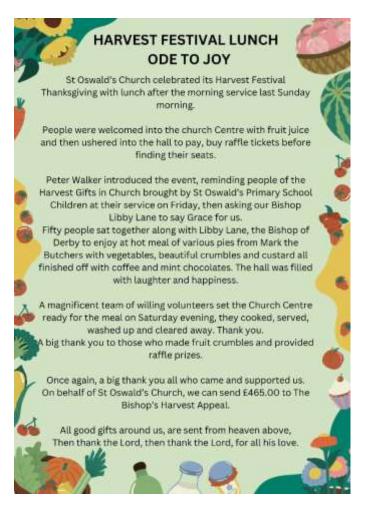


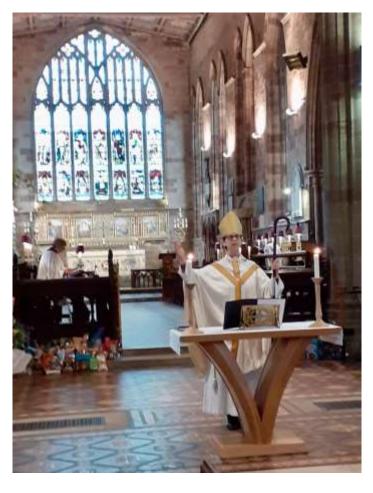
What a wonderful turn out we had for our Harvest Service; the Church was full!

A beautiful service, led by our pupils with Rev Nigel based upon two of our Christian Vaules- Generosity and Thankfulness, finished off with a celebration of achievements, birthdays and fundraising efforts.

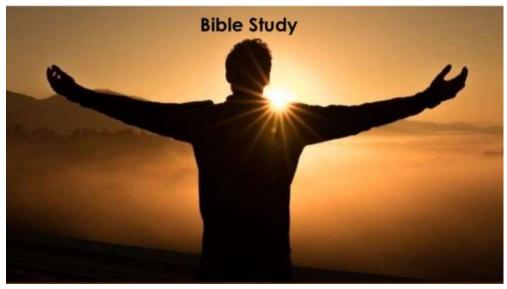
Well done to all our pupils and a huge thank you to everyone that joined us and donated items to Ashbourne Foodbank!

HARVEST AT ST OSWALDS









Official Start Date - Thursday 31st October 14.30

Lindsay and Peter Walker's, 12 Derwent Gardens, Ashbourne DE61DJ Please check with Rev Maggie Rode if you wish come

Revmaggier@gmail.com and 01335 664159.

We will continue to focus on strong personalities in the Bible.

The group really enjoyed the experience of coming together and sharing its views and look forward on a regular monthly basis to continue the journey.



Calling all young singers!

Get ready for an epic after-school adventure at St Oswald's Church in Ashbourne. Join Dan and Ellie, two of our amazing singers and long-time members of our church choir, with Rev. Nicola and Michael (Music Director)for a fun-filled session filled with singing, in our incredible historical building.

Let's make music together and create some unforgettable memories!"

Please do share this with your friends and families

You may have seen this event advertised in the October newsletter. Organised by Churches Together in Ashbourne, it is a free event aimed at children of primary age as an alternative to Halloween. Churches are each running stalls with games and lots of prizes (sweets!). There will be a free snack for children, and hot drinks and snacks for adults to buy. The children are encouraged to dress up as Angels, Fairies and Heroes. Can you help? We need volunteers to run St Oswald's stall for all or part of the evening, and people to welcome those who come to the Shawcroft entrance to Shrovetide Walk (and hand out bags to collect their prizes).



If you are unable to help on the night, would you make a donation towards the running costs?

To volunteer or for more information please see Janet Wright (07484198936)



Journey through the rich tapestry of Renaissance music with the Sitwell Singers!

Whether you're moved by the solemn beauty of religious works or the lively rhythms of party music, don't miss this unique evening of contrasts and harmonies. This concert is a clever mix of sacred and fun 'street' music from the Renaissance period.

Secure your seat today!

Date: Saturday 2nd November at 7:30pm Venue: St Joh n's Church, Ashbourne, Derbyshire DE6 1EX.

The Sitwell Singers are coming to Ashbourne! https://sitwellsingers.org.uk

Buy tickets now (save money by buying in advance!)

Tickets are now available at Natural Choice as well as online.

Ossie's Potters

While we are working in the churchyard we meet many interesting people from all over the world who often come over to chat and compliment us on our beautiful church and churchyard. They often tell us their reason for visiting or share a memory or point out something we hadn't noticed. There was the couple married in our church over fifty years ago who have visited every year since. It made me think how knowledge in people's heads is being lost as it was never written down. So many questions pop up that I know Charles would have known the answer to. I know Miss Horlick knew every variety of Snowdrop in the churchyard but nothing was ever recorded. While he was verger my father-in - law Bill rescued some railings from a scrap heap in the 1960s and put them in front of the Haycock's office. Charles always said they had been removed from the Boothby chapel but I never thought to ask him where they had been located.

On visiting Gerald today I learned that he and his first wife Jean donated the trees behind the church centre to commemorate their Golden wedding. I already knew that the beautiful Magnolia by the kitchen door was planted in memory of Jean. I was digging the bed to the left of the priest's door one day and someone told me Daly Atkinson's ashes were in there below his beloved organ.

Do you have any information about special things in the church grounds? If you let me know I will collate the information for future reference.

Chris Haycock (chrismhaycock@icloud.com)





ASHBOURNE CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX APPEAL 2024

Ashbourne Rotary Club are again collecting shoeboxes filled with small gifts, toiletries etc for children in parts of the world where they would otherwise receive nothing at Christmas.

In 2023 we collected nearly 500 shoeboxes from the generous residents of Ashbourne and the surrounding area, contributing to over 60,0000 collected nationally.

Shoeboxes are filled for age groups, 3-5, 6-11 and 12+ years with such things as toothbrushes, toothpaste, hair accessories, socks, underwear along with treats such as toys, games and sweets.

Any medium-sized shoebox will be fine. If you would like some ideas on what to put in a Shoebox these videos have some ideas: www.teams4u.com/video-content/

This year's shoeboxes will be going to Eastern Europe; Ukraine, Moldova, Georgia, Bosnia and Romania. We hope you take part in making Christmas special for some children in need of a smile

We are inviting local people, businesses, schools, churches, clubs etc, who would like to take part in filing some shoe boxes. We have arranged for local drop-off points at David Neill Mica, Compton St, or Springfield Stores, Springfield Avenue. The drop-off points will be available from 19 October – 30 November 2024. If you have a large number of boxes, we can collect them from you direct.

Here's a link, if you need any more information about our Charity Partner in the shoebox campaign: www.teams4u.com/shoe-box-appeal-2024

If you need any further information or assistance, please send an e-mail to Kevin Barclay on ashbournerotaryshoeboxappeal@gmail.com

At. John's are collecting for the Love in a Bag Christmas Appeal

If you have any handbags or toiletry bags you no longer use in a reasonable condition and would like to donate them please bring them along to St. John's - there is a collection box in the entrance hall and the church is open from 10.30am to dusk every day.

If you are able to donate toiletries in the bag, please do. If you don't have a bag to donate then toiletries on their own are also very welcome.

Imagine what essentials you might need it you were suddenly having to flee your home due to domestic abuse. Shampoo, shower gel, tooth paste, toothbrush, deodorant, moisturiser and other items are all useful.



St Oswald's and St Mary's churches are open every day of the week. If you would like to make a donation to the work of St Oswald's or St Mary's you can do so by scanning the following relevant QR Code below and making a donation:









St Mary's Church



If you would like to set up a regular payment to St Oswald's or St Mary's Church then you can do so through the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS).

You can find out more information on the PGS website at: https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/ where you can also set up a regular payment.

Alternatively you can telephone the Parish Giving Scheme on 0333 002 1260

The PGS code for St Oswald's Church is 120612186