

DBS Afternoon

We have arranged to hold a DBS check afternoon at the Vicarage on Sunday 4^{th} December at 3.30 pm. Please note that this now includes all Pastoral visitors to have Vulnerable Adult checks. Please see Julie Froggatt if you are not sure or need more information

Church Cleaning

As we draw near to the end of the year we have a lot to be thankful for, our building works have been completed and we have a much warmer, drier and safer building.

During the works a lot of things have been disturbed and the building is now in need of a good deep clean, it is proposed that we do this on Friday 30^{th} and if needed Saturday 31^{st} December 10.00 am - 4.00 pm, can you help for an hour or two? There are plenty of jobs to do and I am sure something suitable for all abilities, if you need more info please just ask, I will be putting up a list in the middle bay for names and preferred days / times. Thanks

Melanie Sant

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Sinfin Moor Church

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10.00 am Rev'd Susan McIvor leads our Morning Service today, she is the resident Minister at this Church.

Readings: Matthew 25 v 31 - 46.

Bibles are available in the Foyer to follow the readings.



The Church building is fitted with an inductive loop system. Hearing aid users should switch to the 'T' position.

We extend a warm welcome to anyone who is worshipping with us for the first time or visiting. If you are new or visiting:

- Please join us for complimentary refreshments and a chat in the Back Bay or Coffee Bar at the end of the Service.
- If you are a tax payer and want to Gift Aid your offering, yellow envelopes are available in the Foyer.

Normally there are no Evening Services at SMC.

Monthly Coffee Morning - Our normal Monthly Coffee Morning takes place NEXT Saturday between 9.30 am and 12.00 noon next Saturday (26th November) and the dedicated team of helpers would be delighted so see you there. We will have all the usual stalls and hopefully there will be bacon cobs and maybe some home-made produce available.

As usual, the money raised will go to our **Building Works Fund** which is currently being used to finance the our refurbishment work.

We are beginning to look like a Church again now that the scaffolding is down, glass in the foyer and new entrance doors all in place.

Derby Churches Nightshelter Carol Service

Monday 5th December at 7.00 pm at the Salvation Army Hall on the Spot followed by a procession to Derby Cathedral. Admission is free though there is a collection for the Derby Nightshelter.

Music by the Living Faith Choir and Salvation Army Band.

For more details see the poster on the Middle Bay Noticeboard.



The floral display in Church has been sponsored today by

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Church Prayer Diary

Sadly, we had no one volunteer to take over the role of the coordinator for this role so it looks like the responsibility will default to the newsletter editor to include any requests. Contact details are at the bottom of the page.

Thank you

Mark and I wish to thank everyone for their thoughts, prayers and sympathy cards we received after Brian's THANK death on the 23rd October.



Our special thanks to Rev'd Susan and all those who helped with the various jobs, flowers and catering on the day of the funeral.

Again, many thanks.

Carol Bates

Our annual **Toy Service** will be on Sunday 11th December; this is where we collect unwrapped presents to go to the needy children in Derby.

Items or articles for the next **Newsletter** to **Ian Sant**, (<u>ian.sant@ntlworld.com</u>) by 6.00 pm on **Thursday 24th November**. If you do not have e-mail then please give Ian a note.

Celebrate a Life

This year we will be having a memorial Christmas tree in our fantastic new porch (or Narthex if you prefer!) to celebrate the life of a loved one. If you would like to remember someone this way I will be selling Angel tags for you to write your own personal message on to hang on the tree. These



tags will be £1 each and all the money raised will go towards the Building Works Fund. The Angel tags will be available every Sunday.

Christmas for many is a difficult time of the year. We should all be full of joy, celebrating the birth of our Lord, but for many of us it is a time when we remember such sad times over the Christmas season and of course through the years. I hope that this tree will be a wonderful sign of remembrance of our loved ones who are no longer with us, but who are always in our hearts.

Thank you to the Church Council for allowing me to do this. I can't wait to see the tree shining brightly in our beautiful new entrance

Anne George

Advent

Next Sunday (27th November) marks the start of Advent, it is as early as it can be this year because Christmas Day falls on a Sunday.

The South Derbyshire Association of United Reformed Churches (of which we are one) have been holding a Service to mark this occasion for almost 20 years.

Each year we go to one of eleven Churches in the Association and this year it is at Mackworth URC starting at 6.00 pm.

If you would like start the preparations for Christmas in this way, why not come along and join us. As an extra incentive, there will be refreshments including mince pies afterwards!

I shall be there and can off 3 folk a lift there and back.

Ian Sant