

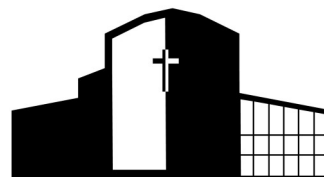
GROUPS MEETING AT SINFIN MOOR CHURCH

<u>Group</u>	<u>Contact</u>	<u>Telephone No.</u>
Asian Men - Over 60's Group Monday to Friday from 1.00 ~ 5.00 pm.	Mr Pabla	☎ 07845 891442
Footlights Stage School	Faye Elliott Anne George	☎ 07779 665181 ☎ 01332 721108
Various types of dancing classes, for all ages and abilities in the Middle and Back Bays, all day on Saturday and on Tuesday/Friday evenings. See the bottom of previous page for further details.		
SMC Friendship Club	Eirlys Smith	☎ TBA
Wednesday afternoon in the Middle Bay from 2.00 ~ 4.00 pm		
Brownies	Helen Chesshire	☎ 07763 852278
Wednesday in the Back Bay from 6.00 ~ 7.30 pm		
Guides	Amanda Jenkins	☎ 01332 754770
Meet on Wednesday in the Middle Bay from 7.00 ~ 9.00 pm		
Parent and Toddler Group	Sarah Liddle	☎ 07468 423807
Thursday in the Back and Middle Bays from 1.15 ~ 2.45 pm		
Scouts Matt Baker	E-mail Scouts119Derby@outlook.com	
Thursday in the Back Bay from 7.15 ~ 8.45 pm		
Cubs (Nelson Pack)	Sam Reynolds E-mail Cubs119Derby@outlook.com	
Tuesday in the Back Bay from 6.30 ~ 8.00 pm		
Beavers	Lesley Holmes	☎ 01332 768581
Thursday in the Back Bay from 5.30 ~ 6.45 pm		
Livewell	Kellie Townes	☎ 01332 641254 or livewell@derby.gov.uk
Monday in the Back Bay from 5.00 ~ 7.00 pm. Free support with losing weight and healthy lifestyle changes for those register with a Derby City GP practice.		

Please advise the Editor if there are any changes.

Sinfin Moor Church

A Local Ecumenical Partnership serving Sinfin Moor and Stenson Fields
Arleston Lane, Sinfin Moor, Derby DE24 3DH



SINFIN MOOR CHURCH

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February 2020 Monthly

(Published on the 2nd)

10.00 am Taking our **Morning Service and Communion** is **Rev'd Raymond Lunt** who is a 'retired' Methodist Minister in the Derby Methodist Circuit.

Readings are: Luke 2 v 22 - 40. (read by **Rita Archer**).

Bibles are available in the Welcome Area..,



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



We will be celebrating **Holy Communion** and we have an open table and invite all those who love the Lord Jesus Christ to take the bread and wine with us. If you wish to receive a blessing instead, please come forward when asked to do so and tell the Minister that is what you require. If you do not wish to take communion or have a blessing, please remain in your seats whilst communion is served.

We extend a warm welcome to those who are worshipping with us for the first time or visiting, here is some information:

- *Please sit anywhere in the Church (there are no reserved seats).*
- *There is a Sunday Club on most Sundays (except all age worship)*
- *Toilets are located off the corridor (go to the Welcome Area and turn left).*
- *If you are a tax payer and want to Gift Aid your offering, yellow envelopes are available in the Welcome Area.*
- *Please join us for complimentary refreshments and a chat in the Back Bay or Coffee Bar at the end of the Service.*

There are no Evening Services at this Church.

SINFIN MOOR CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

"We are a Christian Fellowship (including Anglican, Methodist and United Reformed ministries) committed to serving God and sharing the Good News of Jesus with everyone."

CHURCH MINISTER AND CONTACT DETAILS 2018/19

Minister*	Vacancy	
Secretary*	Julie Froggatt	722222
Stewards*	Amanda Jenkins	Margaret Platt
	Ian Sant	Melanie Sant
	Melvin Worton	
Church Council	John Archer	Colin Attenborough
	Eve Dudden	Vincent Martin
	Wendy Roe	Ivan Vickerstaff
Safeguarding	Julie Froggatt	722222
Room Bookings	Melanie Sant	721927
Webmaster	Vincent Martin	728295
Welcome Centre Manager	Wendy Roe	762664
Prayer Co-Ordinator	Eileen Bangay (Acting)	
Newsletter Editor	Ian Sant	721927 (ian.sant@ntlworld.com)
	• denotes members of the Church Council along with the Treasurer.	

The Editors are always happy to receive contributions for the Monthly and Weekly. However, they reserve the right to edit all contributions and this includes, in some cases, not using the material at all. All articles used are representing the writer's own personal view and they do not necessarily represent the views of the Church.

PATTERN OF CHURCH WORSHIP AT SMC

10.00 am Morning Worship (Communion 1st and 5th Sunday)
Evening Services are held on the 1st Sunday of the month from May until September.

SMC DIARY DATES - FEBRUARY

Monday	2 rd	10.00 am	Prayer, fellowship and refreshments (see page 7)
Monday	10 th	10.00 am	Prayer, fellowship and refreshments
		7.30 pm	Stewards Meeting.
Monday	17 th	10.00 am	Prayer, fellowship and refreshments
Wednesday	19 th	7.00 pm	Guides Taster Night (See page 9)
Monday	27 th	10.00 am	Communion , Prayer, fellowship etc.
Saturday	29 th	9.30 am	Coffee Morning (see page 9)

Services at SMC in FEBRUARY

2 nd	Morning Communion - Rev'd Raymond Lunt
9 th	Morning Worship - Rev'd Mair Bradley
16 th	Morning Worship - Rev'd David Kirkwood
12 rd	Morning Worship - Beth Honey

Normal Weekly Meetings:

Monday	10.00 am - 12.30 pm	Prayer, Fellowship and Coffee Morning.
	1.00 - 5.00 pm	Asian Men Meeting
Tuesday	1.00 - 5.00 pm	Asian Men Meeting
	6.30 - 8.00 pm	Cubs
	8.30 - 9.30 pm	Footlights Stage School Adult Fun Tap
Wednesday	1.00 - 5.00 pm	Asian Men Meeting
	2.00 - 4.00 pm	Sinfyn Moor Church Friendship Club
	6.00 - 7.30 pm	Brownies (Term Time)
	7.00 - 9.00 pm	Guides (Term time)
Thursday	1.00 - 5.00 pm	Asian Men Meeting
	1.15 - 2.45 pm	Parent and Toddler Group (Term time)
	5.30 - 6.45 pm	Beavers (Term time)
	7.15 - 8.45 pm	Scouts (Term time)
Friday	1.00 - 5.00 pm	Asian Men Meeting
	7.00 - 8.00 pm	Footlights Stage School - Ballet
Saturday	9.00 am - 3.00 pm	Footlights Stage School (various classes)

For details of contacts, see overleaf.

This Month's Sinfin Moor Church Prayers

*"And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people.
(Ephesians 6 v 18 NIV)*



Please pray for:

- **The SMC Inter-regnum (vacancy)**, and the ongoing work to identify a suitable person for SMC.
- **The Derby Nightshelter and Derby Pastors** as they carry on the good work in and around the City Centre during these cold winter nights.

Short term needs:

- **Mark Winstanley** (Linda Martin's brother) undergoing chemotherapy.

Ongoing and Long term needs:

- **Melvin Worton** home again from hospital and **Jacqueline** as she supports him.
- **Vincent Martin** - as he receives treatment.
- **Philip Brown** (Great Nephew of Ellen Treece) continues to give thanks for his progress. Pray that he continues to improve.
- **Richard Dockray** (David & Verity's son) who is at Bible College continuing his studies and his gardening work.
- **Nathan, Michelle, Lily and Ella Sant** as they continue in Zimbabwe.

General needs for:

- those unable to come to Church on a Sunday due to illness or ill health and those undergoing treatment or recovering from treatment.
 - all the groups and organisations who use our building .
 - the Monday Morning Prayers, Fellowship and coffee in the Welcome Area.
 - the SMC Youth Council.
 - the group planning our 50th Anniversary celebrations next year.
- ⇒ *Please put any prayer requests in the box in the Welcome Area and indicate if you want them in the Newsletter.*
- ⇒ *If you have asked for prayers to be added, please ensure you keep either the Newsletter Editor updated otherwise they can become out-of-date.*

The Monthly Message by Howard Smedley

Dear Friends,

The birds were singing, the sky was blue, the traffic friendly and all was well with the world. Classic FM was playing on the car radio (just to show how classy I am) and the thought of settling down to a quiet evening was lovely.

And then it happened! I didn't expect it to happen! How could it happen? I couldn't believe it happened. The whole ambience of the moment was ruined because it really did happen!

You see, a large part of my front tooth fell out. That makes it sound like I only have one front tooth but basically part of one of them dropped out, without warning and I suddenly realised that the whistling noise I could hear wasn't coming from the sound of traffic going by with my window down slightly, but from the gap I now had in the front of my mouth.

What was very interesting were the thoughts which immediately went through my mind. You can probably imagine that I had a conversation with myself, as we often all do when something happens suddenly. You perhaps would have assumed that my first thoughts were about how to get it mended or to phone the dentist to ask advise. ***Well actually, my first thoughts were about what others would think about the way I now looked.***

"How could I meet people at work looking like this?" "How could I hide the gap or make sure I didn't smile?" "What would others think of me if they saw it and would they think any the less of me, somehow?" I even had a quick practice at smiling in the car mirror to see if it was obvious.

After all I am paid to safeguard people, not scare them!

It is a real challenge in our day to day lives not to be influenced by the things of the world instead of the ways of the Kingdom. Of course we are ***in*** the world, but we are not ***of*** the world. And yet, in my life, I know of so many times when I have worried more about the way the world sees me, how the world will judge me, whether I have met standards often laid

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down by the world and more importantly, whether I am approved of by the world and its people.

Our worth and value comes from God and the truth is that He is a loving God whose love is unfailing no matter who or what we are, what we do, what we look like and whether we have one tooth or all of them, and he loves us no matter.

More recently these simple truths we probably know so well have come to speak to me powerfully again after so many years of walking with God. I remember often singing, for example, "**The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, His mercies never come to an end**", (**Lamentations 3:22-23**) thinking what a lovely song it is to sing but again in more recent times have come to see the truth, relevance and reassurance of these words.

No matter - you are loved by God, known by God and treasured by God - no matter what you think of yourself! That's all that matters when the world tells us we have to almost earn our value and worth or that we have to be a certain sort of person to get it. Not at all with God who in Christ **is the same yesterday, today and forever (Hebrews 13 verse 8)**

You see, in these challenging days and to bear witness to the truth of the gospel, God wants an army of ordinary people who can go forward and bring light in the darkness, often in very simple ways. But unless we believe that we have the value and worth to be part of that army, then we might miss our opportunity to do God's work. God has invested so much in us that will never be lost in God's sight. **We** might lose sight of it or undervalue it but God doesn't and he will always restore back to us his calling and desires for us.

The end of the story is even more interesting. The night before I was to go to the dentist to get a new tooth (Friday 24th Jan) I was taken into Kings Mill Hospital with an acute stomach problem. (I am fine and home now - too many raspberry ruffles, I think) but whilst there and once on

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Monthly Coffee Morning

to be held at the Church on
Saturday 29th February between
9.30 am until 12.00 noon



Come and enjoy the usual relaxed
friendly atmosphere.

Tea Coffee Books Raffle and
maybe



Breakfast Baps along with homemade Produce.
The volunteer helpers would love to see you there.

Money raised is for Church Funds

Guide Nights

Have you ever wondered what happens at a Guide night?

Would you like to have a go at some of the badge-work? Well now you can, no matter what your age.

The Rangers and Guide Patrols are holding a taster night on Wednesday 19th February from 7.00 - 9.00 pm at Sinfin Moor Church. This is a free event, as part of the Midlands Grow Guiding which our unit are embracing.

Some activities which will be on offer, making edible camp fire, decorating cupcakes, sign language, making emergency stretchers and making marshmallow and pasta towers to name a few. If you would like any more details speak to Amanda Jenkins, Eve Dudden or one of the Guides

Emma, Tia and Emily (Ranger Patrol)

50th Church Anniversary

Important Dates for your Diary

We will be celebrating our Anniversary year with a number of events, here are a few to put into your diary now.



Saturday 14th March at 7.00 pm **Safari Meal** - do you remember the Safari Meals we have held in the past? All full of good food, fun and fellowship.

Tickets will be on sale from mid-February costing £5.00, anyone who would like to attend but needs transport please let Melanie know when you buy your ticket.

Sunday 26th July 12.30ish after the Morning Worship - **Church Barbeque** a now yearly event enjoyed by all more details on this nearer the time

Saturday 19th September 6.30 pm **Church Celebration Party** with Buffet, we are inviting as many people as we can get hold of from our Church's last 50 years, come along and see friends from the past and catch up. Numbers will be needed for catering, so a list for you to add your name to will go up in the middle bay later in the year.

Sunday 20th September 10.00am **50th Celebration Anniversary Service** at which Rev'd Richard Orchard, first Anglican Minister of the Church will be preaching and again we hope that some old friends will be joining us.

Please keep your eye on the Newsletter for updates on events.

Donations Box

Thank you for the money that you place in our donations box located on the counter where you get the refreshments. Your donations can be towards the cost of the Newsletter, the refreshments or just because you feel generous. Thank you.

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the ward, I was told to wear green, knee length surgical stockings with holes in the toes to help blood circulation in my legs. I could feel the whole questions coming into my head again - how can I see anyone looking like this, what will people think etc. etc? I hope no-one visits me wearing these!!

However, I simply smiled, put them on, ate my jelly and ice cream and in my bible, read Psalm 13 verse 5:

"But I have trusted in your steadfast love; my heart shall rejoice in your salvation".

Many blessings, Your friend,

Howard

Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Offering

As we told you last month, these two offerings totalled £175.35 which were given to the Winchester Club who are a Sinfin based organisation providing facilities for disabled people. We have had a lovely email from their Chairman Colin Taylor, thanking us and it will be used towards an activity for their members. We have been asked to pass on a big thank you for your support and wish everyone at SMC a good new year ahead and good luck with any of our activities.

It's nice to be appreciated.

Ministerial Vacancy - latest update

Still no further news though we are assured that there are things happening in the background.

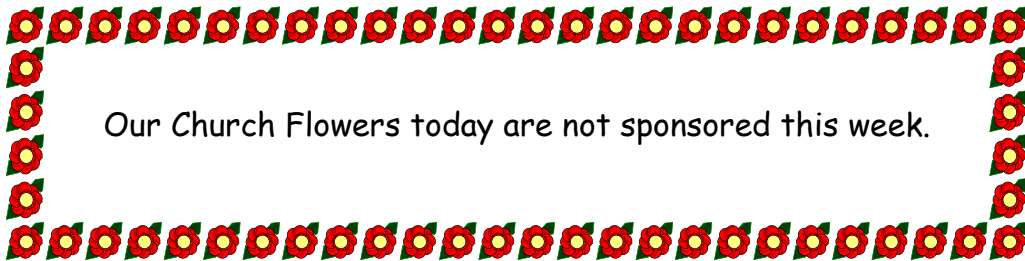
Thank You Card

Following our gift to the Derby Street Pastors, we have received a lovely thank you card from the organisers telling us what they are going to use our money for. It is on the notice board in the middle bay. It is only a small card but please take the time to have a look at it.

Building Works Fund (BWF)

As we start the New Year, the BWF has grown to almost £10,000 Thanks in the main to our envelope scheme. All our bills are paid and so this fund can now grow steadily until it is needed.

Thank you to those who gave regularly.



Our Church Flowers today are not sponsored this week.

Monday Morning Communion

This takes place on the 4th Monday of the month at 9.30 am and will be our Prayer Team monthly Communion. We would welcome any members of our Church Family who would like to join us for this informal service.



Visits and Communion for housebound

Rev'd Eileen Bangay who worships with us at Sinfin Moor Church will do pastoral visits if asked to do so, and provide Communion to the housebound on a monthly basis. Please see her or one of the Church Stewards to arrange this.

Prayer after the Morning Service

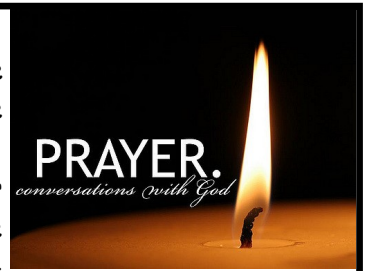
We continue to offer the opportunity for private prayer after the service should you require this; please see either Mary Davis or Ken Bates-Wagstaff who will be happy to pray with you.



Prayer Box

We all know how important prayer is in the life of the Church, so a reminder to everyone about the prayer box in the Welcome Area. We would like to encourage you to place your prayer requests in this box for items to be prayed for at our prayer meeting on a Monday morning.

All items will be treated with the utmost confidentiality. We have seen answers to prayer over the time we have been meeting. God is amazing and really wants us to lift our concerns to Him.



Monday Prayer and Fellowship

This happens every Monday morning between 10.00 am and 12.00 noon for refreshments with time for private and corporate prayer Please do come along and be part of our time of fellowship.

Coffee Morning - Saturday 25th January

Many thanks to the team and to everyone who came along to support us. A total of £220 has been passed into Church Funds.

Bric a Brac (Chris, John) £70.79. Teas and Cobs (Nina, Amanda,Eve,Mary) £78.71. Raffle (Gill, Margaret) £60.50. Setting the Bric a Brac up (Jacqui). Helping to set up and take down the Coffee Morning (David)

A big thank you to everyone who kindly donated raffle prizes.

The next Coffee Morning will be on Saturday 29th February between 9.30 am and 12 noon.

Colin Attenborough

Closing Date for the next newsletter
Thursday 6th February please.