

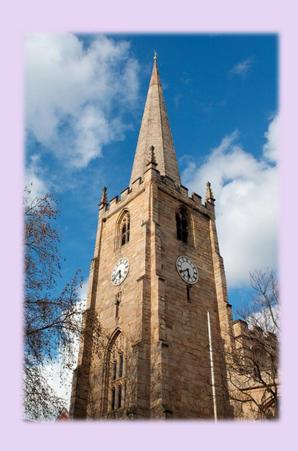
# ST PETER & ALL SAINTS NOTTINGHAM





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## Parish Magazine



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## THE PARISH OF ST PETER AND ALL SAINTS, NOTTINGHAM



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#### **CHURCHES**

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On the first Sunday of Lent, the readings traditionally include the passage from the gospels which describes the temptations faced by Jesus in the wilderness. In one of these, Satan takes him to the top of a high mountain and shows him the nations of the world, saying, 'I will give you all this power and their splendour, for it has been handed over to me, for me to give it to anyone I choose. Do homage, then, to me, and it shall all be yours'. Jesus, however, quotes from Deuteronomy 6.13, and replies, 'You must do homage to the Lord your God; him alone you must serve'.



This episode shows how Jesus resisted the temptation to take earthly power and become like a human ruler. Even though he lived during a time when the Roman empire was massive and dominated much of Europe, he knew that his kingdom was not of this world. At a time when Europe is once again thrown into confusion and an outrageous act of aggression is being perpetrated upon the people of the Ukraine, it is sobering to realise that the temptation to seek greater and greater earthly power, even at the cost of taking over a whole nation and its people, remains a reality even today. There is surely something profoundly evil about Russia's actions, and it is frightening to see how the leader of a superpower has been able so far to get away with inflicting such huge costs to lives and livelihoods upon the people of a weaker nation.

Lent is a time for us to renew our prayerfulness, and to devote increased time to the study of scripture and to our spiritual lives. It is a period of self-discipline in which we are invited to give up certain things in order to remind ourselves of the everyday items (foods, sources of comfort, or luxury items), which we can all too easily take for granted, and which many people in the world can only dream of. This year, however, all this has become overshadowed by the war in the Ukraine which has suddenly erupted. While we give thanks for the peace which we have enjoyed in this country over so many years now, we are acutely aware of the sufferings and enormous hardships being faced by our sisters and brothers in the Ukraine. Why does anyone deserve to bear the brunt of such wanton and unprovoked aggression? Why should anyone have to flee hundreds of miles for safety in order to protect themselves and their families? Or why should they have sacrifice their own life in order to defend their country from attack by a megalomanic who is completely unscrupulous in his readiness to use huge military force to steal a nation from its people?

In liaison with Dorothy Mountford, chair of our Overseas Committee, I have made contact with the leaders of the Ukrainian Catholic church in Sneinton and the Polish Catholic Church in Sherwood, offering our support for the effort to help those who have become victims of the war, including those who are fleeing into Poland. Both priests are deeply grateful that we have been in touch and would welcome any financial aid we can give which they can send directly to their contacts in the churches in the Ukraine and Poland. I therefore ask all church members to respond as generously as you can to this emergency appeal, which will enable us to play our own part in showing solidarity with the victims of this horrendous act of aggression?

Father David Senyk, leader of the Ukrainian church in Sneinton, says 'A Russian invasion will be catastrophic for the civilian people of the Ukraine. The elderly, vulnerable, children and families are at risk of losing access to their homes and access to medical and other vital services. The psychological trauma of war will affect generations'. The aid effort in which his church is participating, with partner charities in the Ukraine, will ensure that donations are channelled to the people in most need:

- £8 will provide two blankets
- £23 will provide a food and hygiene pack for an adult for a month
- £ 70 will provide a food and hygiene pack for a family for a month
- Other services being provided include medical and pharmaceutical packs, counselling services and support services for children.

Father Ksiądz Kawczyński of the Polish Catholic church has told me that they have held a special collection for refugees from the Ukraine at their Ash Wednesday service, and the money raised will go to support refugees.

You can make your donation using the link on our parish website at <a href="https://www.nottinghamchurches.org/giving-to-the-parish">https://www.nottinghamchurches.org/giving-to-the-parish</a>; if you do this, please make sure to email <a href="https://organish.org">office@nottinghamchurches.org</a> saying how much you have given and that this is for our Ukraine appeal.

Otherwise it will not be possible to allocate your gift to the appeal. Alternatively, please use the collection plates which will be available at our services during the coming weeks.

As these desperately tragic events continue to unfold, let's all continue to keep the people of the Ukraine in our prayers, and let's be resourceful in finding ways to support them. Europe has not seen anything like this for decades; may God bless all those who are working for peace and may the people of the Ukraine be protected and preserved from all harm and danger.

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### Lent discussion groups

This year we will again hold a series of online discussion groups in Lent. These will take place on Thursdays, beginning on 10th March: the discussions will start at 7.30 pm but you are invited to log in from 7.15 for a brief social time, using this link:

Meeting ID: 861 1992 6929

Passcode: 226259

The theme of this year's discussions will be 'How can we make our churches truly inclusive?' We will use material for small group study from the organisation 'Inclusive Church', of which our parish is a member; you can find the materials at <a href="https://www.inclusive-church.org/resources/small-study-resources/">https://www.inclusive-church.org/resources/small-study-resources/</a>. Do look at each week's materials in advance, and in particular to watch the video(s) which are included (although it's not a problem if you can't do this). The six sessions are on Disability, Ethnicity, Gender, Mental Health, Poverty, and Sexuality. Do make every effort to join the discussions, which will help us to understand one another better and enable us all to share our stories.

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## **Prayers for March**

Amen.

We pray for the leaders of the nations, that you will guide them in the ways of freedom, justice and truth.

We pray for those who bear arms on behalf of the nation, that they may have discipline and discernment, courage and compassion.

We pray for our enemies, and those who wish us harm, that you will turn the hearts of all to kindness and friendship.

We pray for the wounded and the captive, the grieving and the homeless, that in all their trials they may know your love and support.

Most holy God and Father, hear our prayers for all who strive for peace and all who fight for justice.
Help us, who today remember the cost of war, to work for a better tomorrow; and, as we commend to you lives lost in terror and conflict, bring us all, in the end, to the peace of your presence; through Christ our Lord.



#### Book of the month

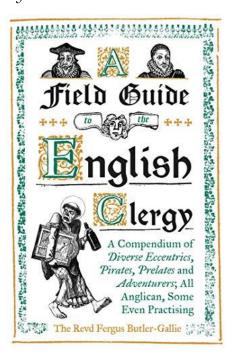
'A Field Guide to the English Clergy. A Compendium of Divers Eccentrics, Pirates, Prelates and Adventurers. All Anglican, Some Even Practising' *The Revd Fergus Butler-Gallie, MA (Oxon), BA (Cantab), Clerk in Holy Orders.* 

The Revd Fergus Butler-Gallie is a Curate in the C of E and a young fogie. He describes himself as 'a Bon Viveur first and foremost, with a soupçon of Roguishness and Prodigality'. A couple of reviews give a taste of what to expect:

The Times: 'A group biography of ecclesiastical nuttiness... All gloriously mad"

New Stateman: 'A humorous compendium of some of the oddball clergy who have served the church over the centuries. These thumbnail portraits reveal a very broad church indeed'

The state of the church of England in its first reformed 400 years provided the ideal conditions in which such eccentrics could flourish. Often very wealthy, all exposed to a good education – even though it may have had little impact-with power and position - these Clerks in Holy Orders had everything going for the indulgence of their flights of fancies. Times - as we know – have changed.



The Revd Fergus places his clerics into six categories:

- Eccentrics: for example The Revd Robert Hawker (1803–75), Vicar of Morwenstow, Cornwall. Deciding that he had a joint calling as priest and mermaid, he fashioned a wig out of seaweed and, naked apart from an oilskin round his legs, rowed out to a rock in Bude harbour, sat on it and began to sing.
- Nutty Professors: My all-time favourite has to be The Reverend Dr William Spooner, Warden of New College Oxford, who addressed one of his students thus: 'you have tasted the work and must leave Oxford on the town drain.' He is also alleged to have addressed God from the pulpit as a 'Shoving Leopard'. Interesting side note he was a hugely talented child from a middle class background and the first boy not to have previously gone to Winchester and to attend New College.
- Bon Viveurs: Two are particularly worthy of mention in this category. Canon Brian Brindley (1931–2001), Vicar of Holy Trinity, Reading, liked to wear hand-painted, red high heels under his cassock in the supermarket; and died at his seven-course 70th birthday dinner at the Athenaeum, between the dressed crab and the boeuf en croûte. And Rev Jack Russel who squandered his wife's fortune on the hunting field and whose name is immortalised in a breed of dog.
- Prodigal Sons: among the ten prodigals, The Right Revd Douglas Feaver stands out not least as erstwhile Vicar of St Mary's Nottingham, and remembered with affection by Book Worms of a certain age.
- Rogues in the preface to this gallery: Some of the figures in this section were emphatically bad the wolves in sheep's clothing warned of by the Bible. Others ended up living lives of roguery and adventure simply because they had a low boredom threshold!

#### Glossary

'The Field Guide' ends in continuing comic style with a faux academic Glossary and an Appendix entitled "A Pairing of Archbishops with Crisps and Tasting Notes'. If you have ever thought of Rowan Williams in terms of Thai Sweet Chilli Sensations, then this is indeed is the book for you.

On Monday the 21st February, we received a call from Victoria School in the Meadows asking if we could provide them with a heritage session about 'What's in a Church?' for years 1 and 2.

Thanks to the good auspices of our wonderful team of volunteers, by Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> we had the programme agreed and staffed, much to the delight of the school. So, on the afternoon of Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March, 75 children will travel to town on the tram to explore what's in St Peter's Church.

There will be 6 activities on offer:

March, 12 noon.

- Artefacts: a session in the St James's Room where they can handle some of the special treasures in the church.
- What's outside a church: a walk around the outside of the building to spot the tower and the spire and the bricked-up holes in the walls from the Civil War.
- Memorials: reading some of the many names of people who are remembered in our church
- Stories in Windows the Palm Sunday donkey in the south aisle is a favourite with small visitors once they can spot him or her.
- Architecture the naming of parts: nave and chancel, arch and pillar, altar and pulpit, lectern and organ.
- The Font a favourite activity where the children choose a name for the baby and have an opportunity to dress up as guests for the ceremony.

As mentioned in the last edition of the magazine plans are in place for year 3 children from Rosslyn School in Aspley to visit for what we are calling 'Easter Days" in late March. Again, our brilliant volunteers are all ready to go ahead. These 'Easter Days' will include card making for Easter or Mothering Sunday – the children can choose- a last supper re-enactment to share with them the origins of the communion service and two Donkey Stories linking the Nativity with Palm Sunday. That south aisle donkey again!

A range of activities and firm plans are in place for year 1 and year 6 visits in the June and July. More details about those days in the May magazine.

If anyone would like to join the team of volunteers please let me know. Commitment is flexible -you can help for half or a full day or even a day and half.

We are pleased to say that plans are afoot for another photography tutorial. Jagdish Patel is exploring the possibility of working with the homeless women from our Monday Morning drop-in and the photography course which he runs at the Women's Centre .

**St Peter's Coffee Room** wishes to appoint a Catering Assistant, 16 hours a week. For the Job Description and Application Form, please visit: www.nottinghamchurches.org/vacancies. Applications close on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup>

Please support the Coffee Room and Fairtrade shop! The Coffee Room is open Tuesday–Saturday, 10.30 am–2.30 pm. The shop opening times will change slightly from 22<sup>nd</sup> February – Tuesday–Thursday, 11.00 am–2.00 pm.



## Services in March

Sunday 6th	8.15 am	Holy Communion	St Peter's
,	10.30 am	The Eucharist	All Saints'
	10.45 am	Matins*	St Peter's
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		Hear my prayer Mendelssohn	
	5.00 pm	Holy Communion with prayers for	St Peter's
	1	healing	
Tuesday 8th	11.00 am	Holy Communion	All Saints'
	1.15 pm	Holy Communion	St Peter's
Thursday 10th	11.00 am	Holy Communion	St Peter's
Sunday 13th	8.15 am	Holy Communion	St Peter's
	9.45 am	Family Service	St Peter's
	10.30 am	The Eucharist	All Saints'
	10.45 am	Sung Eucharist	St Peter's
	6.00 pm	Evensong*	All Saints'
	1	Responses Reading	
		Fourth Service Batten	
		Lord, let me know mine end Greene	
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	11.00 am	Holy Communion	All Saints'
	1.15 pm	Holy Communion	St Peter's
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup>	11.00 am	Holy Communion	St Peter's
Sunday 20th	8.15 am	Holy Communion	St Peter's
	10.30 am	The Eucharist	All Saints'
	10.45 am	Sung Eucharist*	St Peter's
		Missa Brevis Palestrina	
		Sicut cervus Palestrina	
	5.00 pm	Taizé Service	St Peter's
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	11.00 am	Holy Communion	All Saints'
	1.15 pm	Holy Communion	St Peter's
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup>	11.00 am	Holy Communion	St Peter's
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup>	8.15 am	Holy Communion	St Peter's
Mothering Sunday	10.30 am	The Eucharist	All Saints'
	10.45 am	Sung Eucharist*	St Peter's
		Missa Brevis Britten	
		I sing of a maiden Hadley	
	6.00 pm	Compline*	All Saints'
		Ego sum resurrectio et vita <i>Lassus</i>	
		Nunc dimittis (First Service) <i>Moore</i>	
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Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup>	11.00 am	Holy Communion	All Saints'
	1.15 pm	Holy Communion	St Peter's
Thursday 31st	11.00 am	Holy Communion	St Peter's

#### **Overseas Committee**

After a fallow two years, where fund raising was difficult, the Overseas Committee now has a full programme of activities to try to generate enough money to donate to charities abroad. The Silver Smarties Appeal is in full swing, with Smartie tubes full of 20p pieces gradually being collected. A concert, in the summer, is being organised and a Zoom pancake party for all took place on Shrove Tuesday. All this activity does not happen without the Committee working to organise fund raising events.

Charities benefitting from donations are for example: CMS, Afghanistan midwives through the auspices of Médecins Sans Frontières, Five Talents, Mercy Ships to name but a few. When disasters happen the Committee tries to make a one off donation always through well recognised channels. The Committee welcomes new ideas to raise funds and if you would like to join us you will be made very welcome. Meetings happen approximately every two months with the next meeting on Tuesday 29th March by Zoom. If you would like to join the Committee please contact Dorothy Mountford.

#### **Pancake Party**

If you were unable to join but would like to have a go at the Quiz, here it is!

#### A to E Names from the Bible

- 1. A prophet whose name begins with A?
- 2. An Old Testament King whose name begins with A
- 3. A disciple whose name begins with B?
- 4. An Old Testament tower beginning with B
- 5. A New Testament priest whose name begins with C
- 6. One of the places where Jesus lived beginning with C
- 7. A woman in the New Testament whose name begins with D
- 8. An Old Testament Judge whose name begins with D
- 9. An Old Testament Queen whose name begins with E
- 10. An Epistle beginning with E

#### This is last line of the hymn- what is the first line?

- 1. For thus it was in now and shall be evermore
- 2. All good gifts around us are sent from Heaven above Then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord for all his love
- 3. And fit us for heaven to live with thee there
- 4. Begin and never cease
- 5. Be thou our guide while troubles last and our eternal home
- 6. Disperse the gloomy clouds of night and death's dark shadow out to flight
- 7. That with thee we may appear at the eternal Eastertide
- 8. And trust in his redeeming love and try his works to do
- 9. Bow thy meek head to mortal pain then take O God thy power and reign
- 10. In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me

#### St David's Day

- 1. Of which country is St David the patron saint?
- 2. What is the name of that country in its native tongue?
- 3. What are the two symbols of that country
- 4. Where is St David buried?
- 5. In what county is he buried
- 6. What bird is associated with St David?
- 7. What is St David's name in his native tongue?
- 8. Which county council voted to make St David's Day a public holiday in 2022
- 9. March 1st is the 60th day of the year. How may are left?
- 10. 1st March is also which of the following: Zero Discrimination Day or World Civil Defence Day?

#### St Peter's

- 1. When is St Peter's day?
- 2. Of which city is St Peter the Patron saint?
- 3. What creature is depicted in the stained-glass window in the south aisle
- 4. Name the washerwoman who donated a bell to St Peter's in 1544?
- 5. How many names are on the new memorial on the north wall of the church.
- 6. What creature is carved on the font cover?
- 7. What is the name of the Queen whose troops destroyed the first church on the site of St Peter's?
- 8. Who occupied the church during the English Civil War? The roundheads or the Royalists?
- 9. Which is the newest window in St Peter's Church?
- 10. The full designation of St Peter's Church is St Peter's and St James'

Where was St James' Church situated before it was demolished?

## St Peter's Family Service

All are very welcome to attend the Family Service at St Peter's Church, which takes place on the Second Sunday of the month, 9.45 am. Following an informal time of worship, crafts and refreshments are enjoyed in the Coffee Room.



The children produced their own version of a Jesse Tree in December

#### Intercessions at St Peter's Church

Leading the intercessions in the Sunday service is a valued ministry, and enables those who do so to make an important contribution to worship. It would be good, however, if there were more people who could do this as part of the intercessors' rota. Could you consider offering to help in this way? While intercessors usually prepare their own prayers, it is also possible to use resources, including books of intercessions which are suggested for each Sunday of the year; these can be adapted and developed as appropriate. It would also be possible to read intercessions which had been drafted by a member of the clergy or another member of the church. If you might be able to do this, please approach one or the clergy or churchwardens. Training will be given!

## Dates for your diary

- Sunday 13th March, 9.45 am at St Peter's Family Service
- Sunday 10th April Palm Sunday
- Thursday 14th April Maundy Thursday.
  - \* 12 noon Holy Communion at All Saints'
  - \* 7.30 pm Sung Eucharist with vigil at St Peter's
- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> April Good Friday
  - \* 12 noon The Three Hours at St Peter's
  - \* 1.30 pm Good Friday Service at All Saints'
- Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> April Easter Sunday
  - \* Easter Vigil & Dawn Eucharist at St Peter's (time tbc)
  - \* 8.15 am Holy Communion at St Peter's
  - \* 10.30 am Sung Eucharist at All Saints'
  - \* 10.45 am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's



When we were first alerted to the links between the Reverend White Almond and the enslaved people of the three plantations of Vauxhall, Russell Place and Hanley in Jamaica a group got together to explore the history. Lead by Christopher Harrison our Rector we were a group of interested people:

Anne Hardy – whose idea it was to create a memorial to the enslaved people.

Sarah Clemson - the Heritage officer who researched the slave registers and liaised with the Notional Justice Museum for the loan of the shackle which forms part of the display.

Emma Such - from NTU who did a lot of research on slave ownership in the city and the Transatlantic Slave Economy in general

Resil Jarrett and Wilfred Morgan - who contributed wise and balanced advice about Black History Dorothy Mountford - as project lead for the heritage outreach and churchwarden.

This group played a major part in the blessing of the Memorial by Bishop Paul in October 2021 and are now working with Dave Groom, a local events manager and friend of Mike Chappell our senior verger, who alerted him to the memorial. Dave's interest was such that he has now accessed funding from East Midlands Jazz to help fund a Gala Day and Tribute Concert to the 220 People named on the memorial. This will take place in the church and grounds on Bank Holiday Monday, 29th August. Keep the Date. Dave has also approached the Arts Council about a grant. He and I will be putting in a bid to them for funding for professional musicians in the next couple of weeks.

Since Anne has taken a well-deserved retirement, Sarah Clemson has now moved onto pastures new at Southwell Minster and Emma has a full-time job we would love to have some new members. We meet on Zoom every month so please let me know if you are interested in joining us.

Rachel Dyer-Williams is hoping to join us in the Autumn to share her research on Abigail Gawtherne, the late 18th Century Nottingham diarist, whose letters include an account of the Nottingham Reform Bill Riots of 1831, and who was a member of St Peter's Congregation. She was sometimes known as Nottingham's Jane Austen.



Nottingham Castle burns during the Reform Bill riots of 1831

## Recycling at St Peter's

The Boots web site says "we're trialing a recycling scheme where you can bring your empty beauty, health, wellness and dental products, from any brand, that can't be recycled at home". This scheme can be linked to the Boots Advantage loyalty card which means that customers can get loyalty points for their recycling. <a href="https://www.boots.com/how-to-recycle-at-boots">www.boots.com/how-to-recycle-at-boots</a>

Rymans offers pen recycling and ink and toner cartridge recycling in all its stores.

Erewash Borough Council will accept (tin) foil in its household recycling service.

Its web site says "recycle foil in your green bags and blue bins. Many foil items can be recycled such as takeaway trays, pie and quiche cases and oven-ready meal trays. Remember to clean foil before you recycle it". A word of caution from the recycling team at St Peter's is that not everything that is shiny and silver is actually foil. In addition, small foil items such as glass milk bottle tops are probably too small to handle at the recycling centre.

The Council's household recycling service will also accept Tetra Pak cartons. www.erewash.gov.uk/pages-within-bins-and-recycling/a-to-z-of-recycling.html

McDonald's will accept its own coffee cups for recycling in addition to other items of McDonald's packaging.

Costa will accept any brand of COFFEE CUP for recycling (and the staff do so with a smile). www.costa.co.uk/behind-the-beans/planet/cups-and-packaging

## **Regular Activities in our Churches**

#### All Saints'

- Coffee and Fellowship (part of the Places of Welcome network): Tuesdays from 11.30 am 1.00 pm
- The Nottingham University Society of Change Ringers (Bell Ringers): Tuesdays in term time, 7.00 8.30 pm
- The Nottingham Enlightening Word Church (Chinese) meets in All Saints' Church on Sundays from 2.00 4.00 pm and on Friday evenings from 7.30 pm.

#### St Peter's:

- Rough Sleepers' Drop-in: Mondays (women only) from 10.30am 12noon;
- The Thursday communion service at 11.00 is followed by coffee and fellowship
- St Peter's Bell Ringers: Thursdays 7.00 9.00 pm

The Parish Overseas Committee meets every other month; the Caring for our Common Home working group also meets on a regular basis. Please contact the Rector if you would like to know more about these. Our churches also support the work of the Mount Zion foodbank at Bobbers Mill; collection boxes for gifts of food are available in the churches.

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