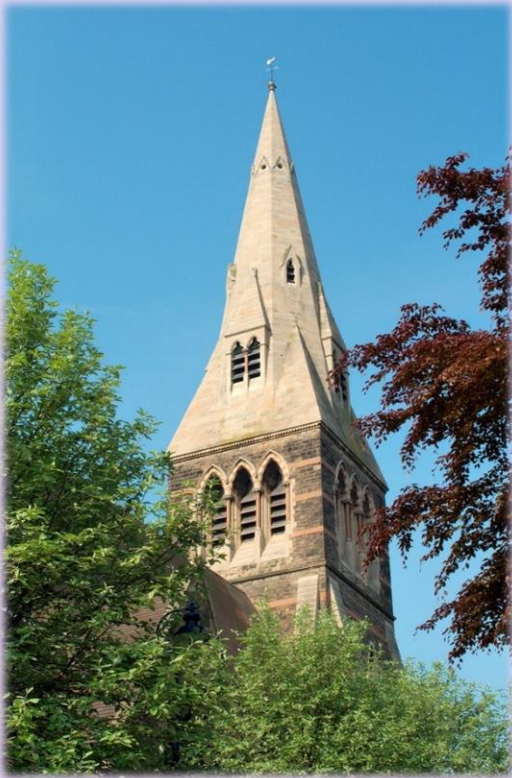


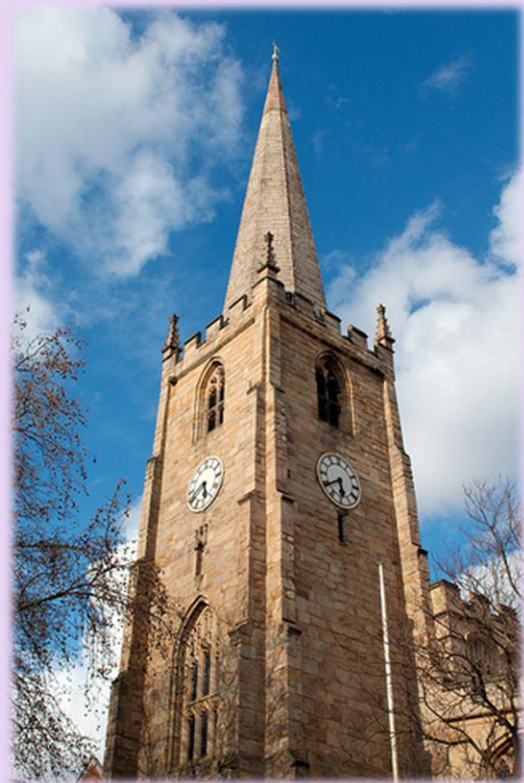


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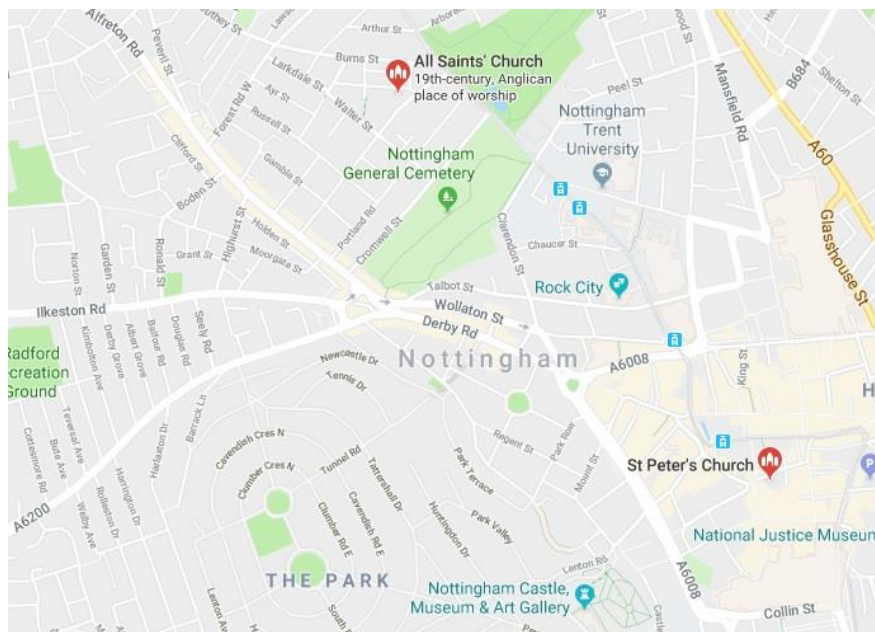
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I wonder how many of you have already forgotten that we are now in the season of Lent. After the Ash Wednesday services, at which we resolved to be more disciplined in prayer, fasting and spiritual reflection, it's all too easy to slide back into one's usual patterns of life and to continue these until our celebration of Easter. This is one reason why it's good to give up something for Lent, however small, as it serves as a reminder of our Ash Wednesday resolutions. I was once vicar of a church in London at which I was delighted to learn that their tradition was to give up meetings for Lent. Yes, it may seem unbelievable, but it was true. This was just before the internet and smart phones began to dominate so much of life, when life seemed so different from what it's like now. But at that church there really was a sense that we were making an effort to find more time for prayer, study, and discussion of spiritual issues, as well as hearing the needs of those in difficulty in order to support them better.



Interestingly, the word 'Lent' did not originally have a religious meaning. It is derived from the old English word 'Lencten', which is related to the modern word 'lengthen', and described the time when the days started to become longer and spring arrived. There was an old Teutonic word which was similar in meaning. The Latin word, used in the Medieval Church for the period of forty days before Easter, was 'Quadragesima'; in the English language Lent came to be preferred as the name for this period as it was simpler. Alongside these origins of the word 'Lent', I rather like its similarity to the musical term 'Lento', which means 'slow' or 'slowly' (from the Italian). This reminds us that Lent is a time for trying to do things more reflectively, more gently, and without undue haste or panic. Now of course sometimes life just isn't like that, and we have to meet deadlines and be brisk in all that we do. But if we can find time to reduce life's tempo when possible, we rediscover the art of inner stillness, of taking in the beauty of the world around us, and of listening to those around us rather than just wanting to get on with saying whatever we have to say to them. This may of course also help us make fewer mistakes in the things we do, and to do them better. Several times the Gospels tell us how Jesus withdrew into a quiet place to be still and to pray; maybe even he had to make time to slow things down and to open his heart and mind afresh to God.

This year, our Lent discussion meetings, once again on Zoom (details below), will be on the theme of 'My faith, my work'. I do hope that you will take part in these sessions, as they will be a good way for us to reflect upon how our faith relates to the world of work and to society in general. In the secular world it is not always easy to be true to our faith, especially when we are involved in activities which we feel are not consistent with our faith. Do we speak out? Do we refuse to do things which we feel are wrong? This isn't always easy when we are paid to do a particular job. All our five speakers, however, work in fields in which there are some clear possibilities for a positive relationship between work and faith. Helen Hall, with her academic colleague Javier Garcia Oliva, works in a range of areas related to law, many of which connect with justice, human rights and historical expressions of faith. Freddie Kofi writes and presents gospel music but also works in the wider music industry. James Pacey, previously vicar of Carrington, works in the NHS as a hospital chaplain. Jo Tatum has connections with many different fields of work through her role as workplace chaplain for Nottingham. Ian Wright has worked in counselling services and other roles to do with supporting vulnerable people. I am confident that the discussions will be lively and stimulating, and if you need help with Zoom please ask someone who might be able to set things up for you on your phone or computer.

However slowly we try to take the season of Lent, before we know it we will have reached Holy Week and then Easter. Let us therefore not allow Lent just to slip by, but let us engage fully and actively with all that it offers for our spiritual renewal and refreshment.

- Thursday 9th March: Freddie Kofi
- Thursday 16th March: The Rev'd Jo Tatum
- **Wednesday** 22nd March: The Rev'd James Pacey
- Thursday 30th March: Ian Wright

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86119926929?pwd=QkxrZFo1dE4yUGRrdjM4emlHanZZdz09>

Meeting ID: 861 1992 6929

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Prayers for March

Ian Wright

As we still ourselves in mind and heart and open our souls to God in prayer, let us pray:

Loving God, thank you for the gift of our hearts, minds, souls and bodies.

Thank you for the gifts of our families, friends and neighbours.

Thank you for the gifts of this, our worshipping community.

We ask that you help us always to offer and receive a tender word, a supportive hand and value all the gifts that those around us bring. Help us live by your word loving God - and wait upon you.

Loving God, thank you for the care you have for all those who suffer in any way.

We particularly hold in your loving Light those known to us that we are concerned and worried about and who we hold in our hearts.

We remember with love our friend Bryan and thank you for his life of service. We ask Loving God that you watch over his wife Pat and family at this sad time. May Bryan rest in your loving peace.

We are very mindful that there are friends here who are very concerned about loved ones they are separated from - by geographical distance, by political or religious difficulties that are beyond control, or disagreements and hostility. We ask you to watch over all those and that they may know your comfort and presence. Help us live by your word Loving God - and wait upon you.

Loving God, we pray for the gifts of our clergy. We pray for all those who work to support the ministry of our churches, St Peter's and All Saints'. We pray also for the Chinese Church and the Eritrean St Gabriel's Church, which meet at All Saints'.

We pray for all those who visit our churches, seeking the history, shelter, community and those, of course, seeking you O God. Help us always to be a welcoming place of warmth and inclusion. Help us always to see that of you, Loving God, in everyone. Help us live by your word Loving God - and wait upon you.

Loving God, thank you for all those who are striving for peace and reconciliation, often at great personal risk and danger to themselves and their families. In our prayers for the world we pray especially for all the peoples of Palestine/Israel and an end to escalating violence. We are also praying for peace makers on all sides in Ukraine, Russia, Yemen and wherever there is conflict. We also pray for people effected by natural disasters in Turkey and Syria.

Loving God, we pray for all those who carry authority, power or leadership in local and national government and in particular the political situation in Scotland.

We pray for Charles, our King and his councillors. We pray that they may be guided by your wisdom, humility, grace and compassion. Help us to live by your word loving God - and wait upon you.

Loving God, thank you for the whole of creation. Help us to be ever mindful of our intrinsic part and connectedness in you and your creation, rather than seeing ourselves as separate from you, creation and each other. Help us we pray to manage wisely all creations resources for the benefit of all. We ask that our care and your blessing be with those near and far whose share of resources is disproportionate because of lack of food, shelter, finances, education or work. Help us live by your word Loving God - and wait upon you.

We bring all our prayers and supplications, our joys and those things that worry us to you, O God, and your eternal presence in Love, Peace and Wisdom.

We wait upon your word.

Overseas Committee - donations needed

A car boot sale will be held in aid of the Overseas Committee Funds at Colwick Race Course on the morning of Sunday 23rd April. Donations of toys, children's clothes and bric-a-brac are requested to sell.

Please bring your donations to church (but not before the beginning of April because of storage problems).

Thank you for your support!

Book of the month

By 'Bramcote Book Worm'

Small Things Like These
by Claire Keegan

Short listed for the Booker Prize, 'Small Things like These' caught my eye not because of its title or author – to be blunt I had never heard of Claire Keegan before - but by its cover.

'Hunters in the Snow' (Winter), painted in 1565 by Peter Brugel the Elder, has been my favourite painting since aged five years. I saw it every day hanging on the class room wall of my primary school for the first term of my life as a mixed Infant.

Some inspired educationalist had had the vision in the early 50s to provide large scale, good quality reproductions of works of art for schools. Those hunters gave me great comfort and joy in the alien landscape of school. Mistakenly taking them for the shepherds on their way to Bethlehem to see the baby Jesus I felt I knew them intimately; carrying with them the good tidings promised by the angel . But enough of the remembrance of things past....

'Small Things Like These', published on November 30, 2021 by Grove Press, won the Orwell Prize for Political Fiction, and was shortlisted for the Rathbones Folio Prize and the Booker Prize. A dutiful reader of, but up to now never an enthusiast for, any of the Booker short list for me this was a surprise and a delight. Set in Ireland in the mid-1980s the novel, "brings a fresh and sensitive perspective to an awful period of our history" (Sarah Gilmartin, Irish Times).

Many reviewers have commented on the moral storytelling of this novel. One has actually said that it comes across as "a sort of anti-Christmas Carol". I don't go along with that review, as for me it is more a companion volume to Dickens' masterpiece. I do agree with another reviewer who says that "like A Christmas Carol, this novel assures us we are all capable of doing the right thing, that goodness, like misery, can be handed on from person to person." I intend to give it as a Christmas present to several friends.

'Small Things like These' takes just an hour or so to read, but you still feel like you know Bill Furlong by the end and understand why he does what he does. His tale of quiet heroism doesn't require a lengthy tome. Keegan's style is calm and precise with an ear for dialect which enhances rather than distracts.

Born in County Wicklow in 1968, she is the youngest of a large Roman Catholic family. Keegan travelled to the US when she was seventeen and studied English and Political Science at Loyola University. She returned to Ireland in 1992. Keegan's first collection of short stories, *Antarctica* (1999), won many awards, including the Rooney Prize for Irish Literature and the William Trevor Prize, and was one of the *Los Angeles Times* "Best Books of 2001". Her second collection of much-awarded short stories, *Walk the Blue Fields*, was published in 2007. Keegan's acclaimed 'long, short story', *Foster*, won the 2009 Davy Byrnes Short Story Award, where award judge Richard Ford, who selected *Foster* as the winner, wrote of Keegan's "thrilling" instinct for the right words and her "patient attention to life's vast consequence and finality." *Foster* appeared in the February 15, 2010 issue of the *New Yorker* and was listed in that publication's "Best of the Year" list. *Foster* was adapted for film in 2021 and released as the acclaimed 'An Cailín Ciúin' (*The Quiet Girl*) in May 2022.

Keegan lives in rural Ireland. 'Small Things Like These' is the shortest book to be shortlisted for the Booker Prize. It is dedicated to the women and children who suffered in Ireland's mother and baby homes and Magdalene Laundries.



Services in March

Sunday 5th	8.15 am	Holy Communion	St Peter's
	10.30 am	Sung Eucharist	All Saints'
	10.45 am	Matins* Responses <i>Ayleward</i> The Lamentations <i>Bairstow</i> Geistliches Lied <i>Brahms</i>	St Peter's
	5.00 pm	Holy Communion with prayers for healing	St Peter's
Monday 6th	1.15 pm	Meditation	St Peter's
Tuesday 7th	11.00 am	Holy Communion	All Saints'
	1.15 pm	Holy Communion	St Peter's
Thursday 9th	11.00 am	Holy Communion	St Peter's
Sunday 12th	8.15 am	Holy Communion	St Peter's
	9.45 am	Family Service	St Peter's
	10.30 am	Sung Eucharist	All Saints'
	10.45 am	Sung Eucharist	St Peter's
	6.00 pm	Choral Evensong* Responses <i>Plainsong</i> Second Service <i>Leighton</i> Ad te levavi <i>Scarlatti</i>	All Saints'
Monday 13th	1.15 pm	Meditation	St Peter's
Tuesday 14th	11.00 am	Holy Communion	All Saints'
	1.15 pm	Holy Communion	St Peter's
Thursday 16th	11.00 am	Holy Communion	St Peter's
Sunday 19th	8.15 am	Holy Communion	St Peter's
	10.30 am	Sung Eucharist	All Saints'
	10.45 am	Sung Eucharist* Missa Brevis <i>McGlade</i> Mother of God <i>Tavener</i>	St Peter's
	5.00 pm	Taizé Service	St Peter's
Monday 20th	1.15 pm	Meditation	St Peter's
Tuesday 21st	11.00 am	Holy Communion	All Saints'
	1.15 pm	Holy Communion	St Peter's
Thursday 23rd	11.00 am	Holy Communion	St Peter's
Sunday 26th	8.15 am	Holy Communion	St Peter's
	10.30 am	Sung Eucharist	All Saints'
	10.45 am	Sung Eucharist* Holy Communion in G <i>Jackson</i> Verily, I say unto you <i>Tallis</i>	St Peter's
	6.00 pm	Compline*	All Saints'
Monday 27th	1.15 pm	Meditation	St Peter's
Tuesday 28th	11.00 am	Holy Communion	All Saints'
	1.15 pm	Holy Communion	St Peter's
Thursday 30th	11.00 am	Holy Communion	St Peter's

Shrove Tuesday Quiz

Media Ministers

'Rev'

1. What is the name of the vicar in the TV series 'Rev':
 - Adam Foot
 - Adam Kneebone
 - Adam Smallbone
2. Who played the role of the Rev:
 - Tom Hollander
 - Dick French
 - Harry Scott
3. Who played the part of his wife?
 - Olivia Coleman
 - Claire Foy
 - Imelda Staunton
4. What links these three female actors?
5. What was the name of Rev's church?
 - St Giles in the fields
 - St Saviours in the marsh
 - St Martin in the fields
6. What church was used to film Rev
 - St Leonards Shoreditch
 - St Clements Dane
 - St Mary le Bow
7. Where are these three churches?
8. Who sang the signature tune, 'I couldn't hear nobody pray'?
9. What does the character Colin call the Rev:
 - Padre
 - Reverend
 - Vicarage
10. Which of the above answers has a pancake day link?

The Vicar of Dibley

1. Who plays the part of the vicar?
2. What is the vicar's name?
3. In which county is Dibley?
4. What is the designation the church?
 - St Peter's
 - St Barnabas'
 - St Mary's
5. What is the theme tune of the series?
6. After the closing credits the vicar usually tell a joke to whom?
7. What is the name so the verger?
8. True or false? Jonny Depp made a guest appearance on TVoD.

9. True or false? Sarah, Duchess of York made a guest appearance in TVoD

10. True or false? Fiona Bruce made a guest appearance in TVoD

The Archers (2 marks each)

1. What is the name of the village where the programme is set?

2. What is the name of the village pub?

- The Dog and gun
- The Bull
- The Farmer's Rest

3. What is the name the church?

- St Peter's
- St Stephen's
- St Mary's

4. What is the name of the vicar? Clue: he shares the name with one of our choir members

5. When was the programme first broadcast?

- 1950
- 1952
- 1953

Some Literary Clerics

1. Where does Brother Cadfael solve his mysteries?

- Malmsbury Abbey
- Shrewsbury Abbey
- Westminster Abbey

2. Name G K Chesterton's famous clerical sleuth

- Reverend Green
- Father Brown
- Cannon White

3. Name the clerical creator of the clerical sleuth Cannon Daniel Clement

- Rev Richard Davey
- Rev Richard Coles
- Rev Richard Leadbetter

4. Name the book / series about the clerical sleuth the Rev Sidney Chambers

- Manchester
- Grantchester
- Winchester

5. What clerical connections does this author have?

6. Who played the part of Rev Sidney Chambers first in the TV adaptation?

7. Where has he appeared, less happily perhaps, more recently on TV

8. 'The Lily Connor Mysteries' - who is she?

- A church flower lady
- A country parson's wife
- An Episcopalian priest

9. 'A Divine Mystery' - what is the profession of Kathryn Koerney?

- A Franciscan nun
- A church flower lady
- An Episcopalian priest

10. Where and when does Sister Fidelma solve her mysteries?

- 19th century Spain
- Medieval Ireland
- 21st Century New York

By Popular request

This is last line (or two) of a hymn - what is the first line?

1. Saviour take thy power and glory
Claim the kingdom as thy own.
2. When like stars his children crowned
All in white shall wait around.
3. Ye who now do bless the poor shall yourself find blessing.
4. There forever may we sing Alleluias to our king.
5. Love so amazing so divine demands my soul my life my all.
6. Now above the sky he's king, Alleluia,
where the angels ever sing, Alleluia.
7. Give them thy salvation Lord, give them joys that never end.
8. Thy kingdom stands and grows for ever till all thy creatures own thy sway
9. Oh, hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea
10. Then I shall sing in humble adoration
and then proclaim, My God, how great thou art.

Answers can be found at the back of this magazine!

EASTER BREAKFAST

Monday 10th April, 10am
at the home of Lina and Wilfred Morgan
in aid of Mercy Ships.

Further details from any member of the Overseas Committee.

*There will be a sign-up sheet at the back of both churches
to help with catering.*



Hong Kong Dialogue

Members of the Hong Kong Dialogue group, which meets on Wednesday mornings to build their confidence in English, created banners for the church for Christmas, New Year and Easter. They also helped to decorate the choir stalls with ribbons.

Members of the Wednesday morning Hong Kong Dialogue sessions on Wednesday mornings, with Ian our Ministry assistant, putting up 'Happy Christmas' banners in All Saints Church in December.



A special Easter Message in Chinese and English from the HongKongers with some of the group, Ian our Ministry Assistant and Dorothy Churchwarden at St Peter's.

Photos courtesy of Lorraine Smedley, Churchwarden at All Saints'

Shrove Tuesday Quiz - answers

'Rev'

1. Adam Smallbone
2. Tom Hollander
3. Olivia Coleman
4. They all play the Queen in The Crown
5. St Saviours in the Marsh
6. St Leonards Shoreditch
7. London
8. Nat King Cole
9. Vicarage
10. Q 6

'The Vicar of Dibley'

1. Dawn French
2. Geraldine Granger

3. Oxfordshire
4. St Barnabas
5. The Lord is my Shepherd – Howard Goodall
6. Alice
7. Alice
8. True - Comic Relief 1999
9. True
- 10 True

'The Archers'

1. Ambridge
2. The Bull
3. St Stephens
4. Alan Franks
5. 1950

Some Literary Clerics

1. Shrewsbury Abbey
2. Father Brown
3. Rev Richard Coles
4. Grantchester
5. James Runcie, son of Robert Archbishop of Canterbury
6. James Norton
7. Happy Valley
8. An episcopal priest based in Boston
9. An episcopal priest
10. Medieval Ireland

By Popular request

1. Lo he comes with clouds descending
2. Once in Royal David's city
3. Good King Wenceslas looked out on the feast of Stephen
4. As with Gladness men of old
5. When I survey the wondrous cross
6. Jesus Christ is risen today
7. Come, thou Holy spirit, come
8. The day Thou gravest Lord is ended
9. Eternal Father strong to save
10. Oh Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder

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:

- 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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