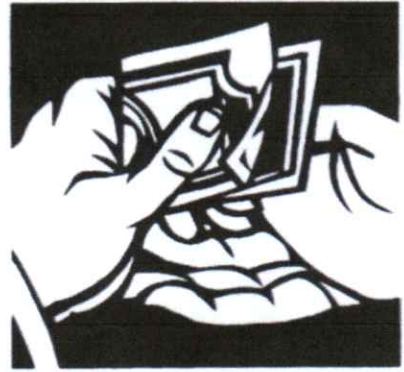


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A.R.T. PARISHES MAGAZINE

Welcome to the February 2024 Edition of the Magazine for the Churches of Anslow, Rolleston-on-Dove and Tutbury.

Dear Friends

Happy New Year of 2024

By the time you read this, it will be the end of January or even into February. I am writing this at Epiphany, as I am going on our post-Christmas break to visit our son in Brazil which will include a short cruise on the Amazon river. The deadline for magazine submissions is halfway through my trip. I want to do no work when I am away!



If you, like me, have family or close friends who do not live locally, we have to make do with Zoom calls, or Facetime, texting, WhatsApp, and emails. The technology is great when it works, but nothing beats the face to face being in the same room with those we love.

14th February is Valentine's day when some people send cards and sometimes gifts as symbols of love and affection to partners, (or potential partners) and spouses. 14th February this year is also Ash Wednesday when we begin Lent, a time of penitence and preparation to remember Good Friday and celebrate Easter Sunday – the greatest sign of God's love towards us; God who became flesh as Jesus of Nazareth Christmas was two weeks ago, whose death and resurrection make the way for us to be forgiven and reconciled to God again. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only son". (*John 3:16*).

If we want to develop our human relationships, then keeping in touch, speaking to each other regularly, is vital. So it is in our relationship with God. That is why our Lent 2024 will be about prayer (different ways of talking to God) and some of our sermons in February and March will be about Prayer and reading our Bibles so getting to know God more.

I commend our Lent courses to you. See advent later in the magazine.

Maybe our New Year resolution, our aim for 2024, be to "grown in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. (*2 Peter 3:18*).

Yours, in my prayers,

Phyllis

Phyllis Bainbridge (Revd). *Rector of the ART Benefice: Anslow, Rolleston and Tutbury.*

A.R.T. CHURCH SERVICES**February 2024**

Please check Facebook and emails, and/or contact Revd Phyllis or the churchwardens for latest information and news .

DATE	ROLLESTON	TUTBURY	ANSLOW
Sunday 4 February	9:15am CW Communion 6:30pm BCP Evensong	10am W4A* Communion	11.15am CW Communion
Sunday 11 February	9:15am CW Communion 6:30pm BCP Evensong	10am CW Communion	11.15am CW Communion
Wednesday 14 February	7pm Ash Wednesday Holy Communion		
Sunday 18th February	9.15am Morning Prayer 6:30pm BCP Evensong	10am CW Communion	11.15am BCP Morning Prayer
Sunday 25 February	9:15am W4A* 6:30pm Communion	10am Morning Prayer	11.15am W4A*

NOTES:

It is increasingly difficult to find retired ministers with PTO (Permission to officiate) to cover clergy holidays and retreat days. The latest version of Canon Law (8th edition 2022) states in Clause B14: - *"The Holy Communion shall be celebrated in at least one church in each Benefice at least on all Sundays and principal Feast Days, and on Ash Wednesday and Maundy Thursday"*.

***W4A** = Worship for All. A service particularly suitable for children to attend. It is in the context of Communion in Tutbury, and Service of the Word in Rolleston and Anslow. There is usually an activity pack (a wordsearch, crossword, a colouring sheet, a craft related to the service theme) to take home or do in church after the service.

**** when there is a 5th Sunday of a month** On 5th Sundays, it is our custom to have a combined Benefice service and we rotate the venue around our 3 congregations. **The next 5th Sunday is Easter Sunday = 31st March.**

Be assured that we are planning to have a separate service of Holy Communion in each of our congregations. The 8am BCP said Holy communion in Rolleston will also recommence after the Winter break on Easter Sunday.

The 5th Sunday after that is 30 June which is also Tutbury Open gardens weekend. It will be our joy to worship as a Benefice together in Tutbury Church at 10am, which also celebrates her 935th birthday this year. (NB. the pronoun is "she" and "her" as the "Church is the bride of Christ" = Ephesians 5:22-33).

Midweek Communion Rolleston Thursdays at 9.30am Common Worship Holy Communion. This is followed by Coffee Club, 10am to 11.30am in the OGSR.

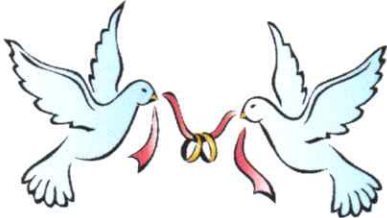
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BAPTISM AND THANKSGIVING SERVICES

30 January Rolleston Thanksgiving for Robyn Redfern

If you are interested in arranging a baptism, or a thanksgiving service please contact Revd Phyllis.



Weddings in our Benefice

The first wedding in 2023 is booked for Friday 26 April.

Recent Deaths and Funeral Services: 2024

The following are people whose families requested a church funeral, burial of ashes or who have had contact with our churches around the death of their loved one.



Deceased's Name	Died on	Service	Details
Ian Baxter	15.11.23	8.12.23	Tutbury Church then Cemetery
Helen Alexander	01.09.22	14.12.23	Ashes into Rolleston Cemetery
Janice Lynn Drew	25.10.23	16.12.23	Ashes into Tutbury Cemetery
John James Restall	26.06.23	16.12.23	Ashes into Tutbury Cemetery
Brian Newton	09.12.23	05.01.24	Tutbury Church then Cemetery
Eileen May Davies	11.12.23	08.01.24	Rolleston Church then Bretby Crematorium
Dorothy Joan Reeve	12.10.23	13.01.24	Ashes into Rolleston Cemetery
Joan Foster	14.12.23	22.01.24	Rolleston Church then Bretby Crematorium
Pat Partington	13.12.23	26.01.24	Rolleston Church then Bretby Crematorium
Judith Mary Evans	27.12.23	30.01.24	Rolleston Church then Rolleston Cemetery

Thinking Aloud

Dear friends

Lent and Easter 2024: The Prayer Course

We are planning a Benefice Lent course which we anticipate will run on Monday mornings and on Tuesday evenings like in 2023. Do please contact me to book your place or for further information



NB. Ash Wednesday is 14th February.

It is likely to be the Prayer Course by Pete Greig, starting with **Why pray?** then exploring adoration, petition, intercession, listening and contemplation. See later in this magazine.

Lent 2024 Course Dates for your Diary

Week	Monday morning 10am	Tuesday evening 7pm
Lent 1	19 February	20 February
Lent 2	26 February	27 February
Lent 3	4 March	5 March
Lent 4	11 March	12 March
Lent 5	18 March	19 March
Holy Week	25 March*	26 March

The main venue is the Rectory, though we would love to have so many people planning to attend that we move venue or host a third group at a different time in the week. RSVP to me asap, please.

- Monday 8th April this year is the Feast of the Annunciation and is regarded as a High day so we will host a short, said communion service in the Benefice that day at 7pm.

After Easter (31st March), we will continue with the trickier topics of unanswered prayer and spiritual warfare. Post Easter dates – to be confirmed.

- Ascension Thursday is 9 May.
- Pentecost Sunday is 19 May.

The Prayer Course 2024.

Who is the Prayer Course for?

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Thinking Aloud Cont'd

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The Prayer Course is for anyone who wants to grow in their relationship with God. The leaders have designed the course to be used in a small group setting.

What is the format of The Prayer Course?

Each session of the Prayer Course follows the same format.

Each session is designed to be about one hour long:

- Introduction to the Session
- Video: Each video is a teaching session on the week's theme with Pete Greig and Poppy Williams. The videos are between 20-25 minutes long.
- Discussion: questions that directly relate to the content of the video. The aim is foster good and open group discussion.
- Do it: Each session of the course finishes with a practical prayer activity that directly relates to the theme. This is a great way to develop different types of prayer as a group, before going away and practising them in our individual contexts.

This looks a really good resource and learning experience, whether you have been a Christian for a long time, or relatively new to regular church attendance and faith. We are all on a journey with God. None of us have faith all sorted. We never lose out when we choose to prioritise our relationship with God.

Film Afternoons and Evenings

Further to my articles in the October ART Magazine, some people have expressed an interest in hosting Film Afternoons. It has also been suggested that the afternoon is a venue and opportunity for a "warm space" over the winter, that looks set to be heating, company and financially challenging for many people.

I propose an afternoon a month in EACH of our three churches.

We need at least two church people to host the event with me.

If you are interested in this event, to either attend or be "Church hosting team" ie tea/coffee makers, please contact me asap, so we can put plans in place for February and March.

To date, five people (excluding me) have offered to form a Rolleston team. We are suggesting a Tuesday afternoon. Starting date to be advised soon.

There is still time for other people to form teams and for this to happen in Tutbury and Anslow.

Thank you. Phyllis

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Regular Church Opening Times

Thursdays - 10am—12pm, Priory Crafters

Saturdays - 10am - 12pm, Priory Pantry

Sundays - 9.30am—12.30pm, Service at 10am

Priory Pantry every Saturday 10am to 12pm.

Priory Crafters every Thursday from 9.30am

Diary for St Mary's Tutbury

Forthcoming Events

Sunday Feb 11th— February Fellowship Feast – Jacket potatoes with Cheese, beans or Chilli (and salad), + Puds. - Tickets £10.

Thursday Feb 29th – Ladies' Pamper and Shopping Evening - Tickets £6 including glass of fizz

Monday May 6th – Organist Entertains.

Saturday May 18th – Plant Sale

Saturday May 25th – Uttoxeter Choral Society

Monday May 27th – Organist Entertains.

Friday June 28th – Lesley Smith as Peggy Knight - Wartime SOE Operative - at Church
Saturday August 17th – Tutbury Day Celebration - 935 years since the Tutbury Priory was founded (in 1089)

CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX APPEAL

This annual Appeal is where people kindly donate a mixture of toys and basic essentials contained in a shoebox and these are distributed at Christmas to very needy children of all ages overseas. This year, over 20 boxes were donated by our Church congregation.

Boxes which were collected on the 16th November and, this year, they have subsequently made their way to Ukraine, Moldova, Georgia, Bosnia and Romania in time for Christmas. We have heard of many people in those countries who are without gas, electricity and water. For us it may seem a small gesture, but the joy they bring is immeasurable to the recipients.

HOLY ROLLERS in the Churchyard

You will no doubt be aware that the volunteers now known as "The Holy Rollers" have been working very hard in the churchyard since this summer. The churchyard place looks brilliant. Not only have they been maintaining the newer and easier to maintain parts of the churchyard, they have been tackling the overgrown areas. Clearing new areas to use is quite evidently becoming urgent and the area nearest the road is nearly full.

All of this has been achieved with an ever-growing team of volunteers who have formed a WhatsApp group, which is working well.

They would welcome more willing workers, thus helping to keep our lovely, peaceful green space for all in our village and visitors to enjoy. If you are interested to know more, ask one of the volunteers - they are easy to spot in the churchyard with their green fleecy jackets embroidered with "Holy Roller."



Dear Friends; By the time you read this we will have held our first meeting of 2024. It is the time of year for renewing membership fees, writing reports, getting accounts checked etc etc. Above all though, it is a time for looking forward and making plans not just for 2024 but also for the years ahead. Therefore please remember not only our members in your prayers but also members around the world. Finally if you would like to find out more please don't hesitate to **contact me** or any Mothers' Union member.

Yours in friendship -

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ART Magazine

Subscriptions are now due please for the magazine. It is **£3 per year for 10 copies**. Thank you to all those who have the magazine, we know how much you enjoy reading all the news.

Brian Newton - R.I.P.

It was with great sadness that we gathered at the Church on 5th January for the funeral of one of the stalwarts of our Church. The church was full with his family, friends and the church congregation to join Shirley, his wife to mourn his passing and to celebrate his life.

Brian will be sorely missed. Rest in Peace Brian in the presence of God's glory.

A Reminder about Car Parking at the Church

As you will all know, there is no designated car park at the Church and no likelihood of one ever being constructed. The usual practice is to park on the few spaces on Castle Street near the Tutbury Castle Gates or for disabled persons parking on the space in front of the West Door or on the path.

Normally, this not a problem in practice for normal services, but we are increasingly running events at the Church where the footfall is much greater.

The Castle have on occasion, had problems with maintaining their access when they have events at the same time as at the church, such as at funerals. Understandably, the Church has been asked to manage the parking at these times.

Therefore the message is simple - Please do park carefully and not on double yellow lines. The able-bodied amongst us will just have to keep toiling up the hill!



Tutbury WI

Our New Year started off with a very good speaker in January. Paul Newsham gave an excellent talk on "The Streets of London". He had created a Monopoly Board which had various streets, prisons and places on and we all journeyed around the board. Starting off with the Old Kent Road, Paul gave us a history about the area with photographs. He continued this with each place.

Paul also had four lots of questions to ask us about a particular area i.e. how many languages were spoken in London and how long it would take to commute across it. He said that it had taken him 200 hours in total to put this talk together. All of the ladies agreed it was a very interesting and educational evening. February's speaker is Peter Wildsmith giving a talk on "My Life as a Nurse".

We meet on the second Thursday of the month at 7:15pm in Tutbury Village Hall and we are always looking for newcomers. We are a very friendly group, and all ladies are welcome. We not only have monthly meetings, but we also go out for lunches and trips.

Please contact pres.tutburywi@gmail.com for more information.

Online Payments/Donations

We are now firmly in the 21st Century where you can make contactless payments at the Priory Pantry and other events, make donations using your mobile on our Sumup Terminal (Or just scan the QR Code below to "give a little")



No Cash ?

Scan the QR Code with your phone camera to donate online with a GiftAid option via "Give a Little" to Our Church



Thinking Aloud (Continued)

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January 2023 Who is Jesus?

February Why did Jesus die?

March How can we be sure of our faith?

Then after Easter leading to Pentecost 2023, we thought about...

May Who is the Holy Spirit?

June What does the Holy Spirit do?

In 2024, we will continue this series asking ...

February Why and how do we pray?

March Why and how do we read the Bible?

May Why and how do I share my faith?

June What about the church?

The same sermon will be preached in main service in each of our 4 congregations, with related themes, and other reflections on other Sundays of those months.

Benefice Matters

Opportunities for Ministry and Serving in our Benefice.

A PCC Secretary for Tutbury Church.

This much valued role will, include taking minutes at PCC meetings and other leadership meetings including the APCM (Annual Parish Church meeting) dealing with correspondence for and behalf of Tutbury Church. For further information please speak with Margaret or Jackie, the Tutbury churchwardens

Tutbury Team Members Team for Sunday Morning Refreshments.

More welcomers and Sides-people for Sundays in Tutbury are needed. For the above please speak with Margaret or Jackie, the Tutbury churchwardens

Team for Priory Pantry in Tutbury: Saturday Mornings

You would be on a rota as a team member not as team leader. The job involves setting up, making and /

/.... serving. You would always be on rota with a more experienced team member. refreshments, clearing the kitchen and setting down ready for church on Sunday. For more information, please see Margaret Pyle, Churchwarden.

Clerk for the Parishes of the Benefice

Based in Rolleston, duties will include maintaining the Diary for the churches and Old Grammar School.

Liaising with Funeral Directors, Wedding organisers etc for Church availability
Maintaining records and stocks of consumables

Printing as required for services and Parish Magazine

Working hours flexible, 8 hours per week envisaged at £12/hr

In first instance contact Bryan Pickering

By text to **07983 471583** or email

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Benefice Matters (Continued)-

Benefice Recipes

To date, we have had recipes for a Rocky Road tray bake, a lemon Drizzle cake and in September, great flapjacks, stilton biscuits, a GF Victoria Sponge and Granny's Buns . This month's the recipe is one of my (Editor's) favourite snack/ light meal. This simple French dish goes well with salad, French bread and a glass or two of red wine. It is meant to serve 4 if you are not feeling needy.

Tartiflette

1kg waxy potatoes
(Charlottes are suggested as being easily available)

400g Lardons (or diced smoked bacon)

2 large onions

1 small glass of white wine

125g cream or crème fraiche

3 cloves of garlic

500g Reblochon cheese, sliced

Sourcing the cheese should not be difficult - Waitrose in Uttoxeter, for example, are known to stock it .

Method

- Peel and cook the potatoes, let them cool, and then slice them into thin slices (approx 1cm or 1/2")
- Preheat the oven to 200deg C



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- Slice the onions thinly and put them into a frying pan with a little oil.
- Sweat the onions for about 5 minutes and add the bacon. Continue to cook for another 5 minutes
- When the mixture is ready, add a small glass of wine and continue cooking until it has evaporated
- Butter an oven dish. Add a layer of potatoes, then some onion/bacon mixture. Then repeat until you have run out of mixture. Cover with the cream/crème fraiche.
- Layer slices of Reblochon over the top of the mixture and then place in the oven until the cheese melts and the rind darkens.

Believe me, the result is very tasty - Enjoy.

Do keep sending in your favourite recipes to share with our readers. The editor's details are on the back cover.

Answers from Crossword - Page 18

ACROSS: 1, Prosperity. 7, Raisins. 8, Admit. 10, View. 11, Confetti. 13, Distil. 15, Groyne. 17, Navigate. 18, Whit. 21, Enoch. 22, Trodden. 23, Prophetess.

DOWN: 1, Pride. 2, Ovid. 3, Pastor. 4, Reaffirm. 5, Timothy. 6, Providence. 9, Tridentine. 12, Kingship. 14, Saviour. 16, Statue. 19, Hades. 20, Rome.

NEWS

Statement from the House of Bishops on the Ongoing War in Gaza

The following are extracts from the Statement.

“We are dismayed that the place of our Saviour’s birth is once again wracked by violence, death and destruction.

We grieve that innocent children have been disproportionately affected by this conflict.

Of the 1,300 people killed in the abhorrent terrorist attacks of Hamas on 7th October, 33 were children. Of the 250 hostages taken, 34 were children. In Israel’s exercising its right to self-defence, more than 18,000 people have reportedly been killed, over 40 per cent of whom were children. Thousands more have been injured.

We re-affirm our position of last autumn (31st October) that there is no equivalence between the atrocities of Hamas against Israeli civilians, and the right and duty of Israel to defend itself. We also want to be clear that we do not believe that the devastating loss of civilian life and humanitarian catastrophe resulting from Israel’s bombardment and siege of Gaza can be morally justified.

The nature and scale of death and destruction we are witnessing across the region is horrific and is inconsistent with the obligations of international humanitarian law as affirmed most recently by United Nations Security Council Resolution 2712. (15th November 2023).

“This war has claimed too many lives and destroyed too many homes. We appeal for the bloodshed and destruction to stop. An alternative strategy needs to be found that closes down on attacks on Israel from Gaza and ends the violence and blockade undertaken by Israel.

“Intensified diplomatic efforts should seek to secure the release of all remaining hostages, the protection of civilians and full humanitarian access to Gaza, alongside steps to establish a reinvigorated political track to address the overarching conflict.

“The Israel-Palestine conflict is more than another regional conflict, but one with both international and domestic resonances. The current war in Gaza risks sowing the seeds of the next several generations of vengeance and violence unless it is resolved equitably now. For this reason, we call on the British Government to appoint a dedicated Minister “

Editor: February sees the beginning of Lent. It is the time of year when the Church encourages people to take spiritual stock of themselves, and to seek a deeper commitment to God. Your readers may find these observations helpful.

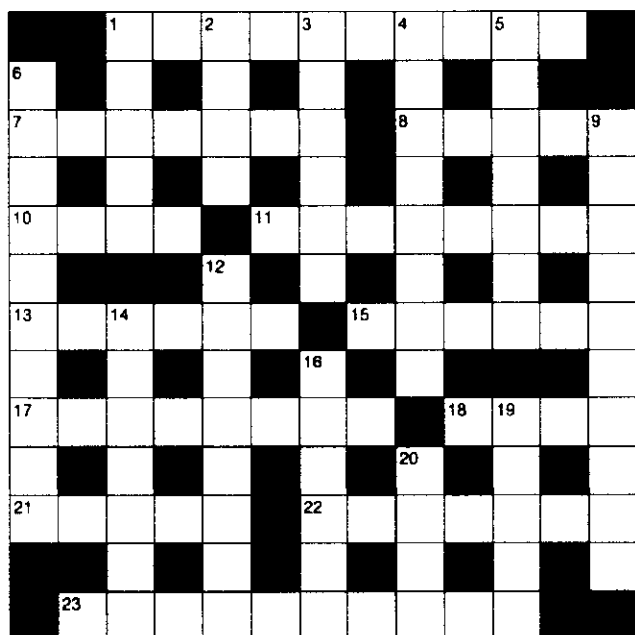
With Lent in mind...

Some Christians are not only like salt that has lost its savour, but like pepper that has lost its pep. – *Albert George Butzer*

Christianity is the total commitment of all I know of me to all I know of Jesus Christ. –

William Temple

CROSSWORD



Across

- 1 Success or wealth (Deuteronomy 28:11) (10)
- 7 Forbidden fruit for Nazirites (Numbers 6:3) (7)
- 8 Concede (Job 27:5) (5)
- 10 Look at (Psalm 48:13) (4)
- 11 Much in evidence after weddings (8)
- 13 Condense (Job 36:27) (6)
- 15 Breakwater (6)
- 17 Give a tan (anag.) (8)
- 18 More usually now called Pentecost, — Sunday (4)
- 21 After living for 365 years, it was said of him that 'he walked with God' (Genesis 5:23–24) (5)
- 22 Trampled (Judges 9:27) (7)
- 23 For example, Miriam, Deborah (Exodus 15:20; Judges 4:4) (10)

Down

- 1 Arrogance (Proverbs 8:13) (5)
- 2 Roman poet from first century BC (4)
- 3 So rapt (anag.) (6)
- 4 Declare again (2 Corinthians 2:8) (8)
- 5 Paul's 'fellow worker', to whom he sent two epistles (Romans 16:21) (7)
- 6 God's foreseeing care and protection (Job 10:12) (10)
- 9 Traditional form of Roman Catholic Mass (10)
- 12 'The Lord... has given the — of Israel to David and his descendants for ever' (2 Chronicles 13:5) (8)
- 14 'My soul glorifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my — ' (Luke 1:46–47) (7)
- 16 The central element in Nebuchadnezzar's dream, identified and interpreted by Daniel (Daniel 2:31) (6)
- 19 'On this rock I will build my church, and the gates of — will not overcome it' (Matthew 16:18) (5)
- 20 City where Paul was under house arrest for two years (Acts 28:16) (4)

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