

The logo for the Diocese of Derby, featuring a purple outline of the diocese's geographical shape.

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Our Diocese Together

Uniting the Diocese of Derby during the Covid-19 pandemic

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A photograph of Bishop Malcolm, wearing a white mitre, a gold and black vestment with a red sash, and a gold cross necklace. He is holding a silver crozier. The background is a blurred interior of a cathedral.

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NamuRunGo for St Giles' Normanton

In February, St Giles' set a community challenge called 'NamuRunGo'. The challenge was that together as a church community we travel 6,408 miles, the distance between St Giles', Normanton to Namugongo, Uganda where our mission partners are based. The goal was three-fold. Firstly, to celebrate being part of God's global church and mission team and our mission partnership which makes disciples through training and equipping church leaders to minister and make more disciples in lots of different communities across Uganda and across East Africa. Secondly, we are increasingly aware of the challenge our current times are placing on people's mental health and well-being, so encouraging exercise could only be a helpful thing. Thirdly, we simply wanted to encourage some focused fun for the church family at a difficult time.

Young and old have taken part and have been adding their miles each week to our NamuRunGo calculator. So far, we've travelled down through Europe, North Africa and are currently located in the Central African Republic. Even in this time of 'staying at home' it's been a fun and helpful reminder for us as a community that God's mission is for us to go into all the world and make disciples.

RSCM Certificate of Special Service award

Many congratulations to Michael Halls, Director of Music at St Oswald's, Ashbourne who has been awarded a Certificate of Special Service by the Royal School of Church Music. This is a great honour and is in recognition of over 40 year's association with the RSCM. As well as all the work he does at St Oswald's, Michael has served for many years on the Derbyshire Area Committee – including 14 years as Treasurer - working to promote church music throughout Derbyshire and the wider area. This has meant organising workshops, courses, concerts and services; all with the aim of encouraging church musicians young and old. Michael will be presented with his certificate at a special service in Durham Cathedral on October 9th.



Vocations Exploration Day

Explore how God is calling you

Saturday, 8 May 2021

More information at derby.anglican.org



Crich Willow Weavers

Revd Anette Love has sent in these photos showing what the 'Willow Weavers' have been up to in Crich.

These beautiful, woven willow crosses and angel formed part of the Crich Easter Experience.

Stations were made around the village for families to visit, complete a quiz and learn more about the Easter story. Children were rewarded at the end with an Easter egg.

Find out more in St Mary's news sheet (11 April)
<https://www.crichstmarys.org.uk/all-saints-info-page/>



Bishop Malcolm installed at Derby Cathedral

Malcolm Macnaughton has been installed as the Bishop of Repton in a special Evensong at Derby Cathedral.

During the same Evensong, the Revd Nicky Fenton, formerly Vicar of Shottle, Holbrook, and Hazelwood and Milford, was installed as Residentiary Canon as she takes up her new role as Chaplain to the Bishop of Derby.

Bishop Malcolm's installation followed his consecration as bishop at Lambeth Palace on Wednesday, 14th April.

The Bishop of London, the Rt Revd Sarah Mullally, presided, and the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Revd Justin Welby, was the preacher.

The Right Revd Libby Lane, Bishop of Derby, was present to receive Malcolm as the Bishop of Repton on behalf of the Diocese of Derby.

Covid restrictions meant that the original date for Malcolm's consecration had to be postponed – and both his consecration and installation were subject to government restrictions and guidance.

Bishop Malcolm delivered his first sermon as a bishop at his installation; Canon Nicky Fenton led the intercessions.

Malcolm said: "Over recent weeks I have enjoyed beginning to get to know colleagues lay and ordained from across the Diocese of Derby, but I am now really looking forward to

making a proper start, especially as we will now be able to get out and meet people where they are. I haven't seen much of Derbyshire yet because of the restrictions, so it is going to be so good to be able to visit communities and churches all over the diocese in the coming months."

"Despite the struggles of the past year the reality is that each day, transformed by our encounter with our risen Lord Jesus Christ, we can find hope for the future, for our churches, for our communities. The Kingdom of God is good news for all – and we are called to proclaim that Kingdom afresh in our generation. There is plenty to encourage us – and there will be much more! Please pray for me as I join you in this, our shared calling."

A key focus for Malcolm's ministry will be to support those engaged in church revitalisation especially through church planting and fresh expressions, particularly with areas of deprivation.

He will also give an episcopal lead to our work across the diocese with young people, schools and with the Derby Diocesan Board of Education.

Malcolm has a background of working in rural, inner city and post-mining areas, and with archdeacons and area deans and their teams he will ensure we work well together to equip and enable local people, lay and ordained, to proclaim the good news of Christ in our diverse communities across the diocese.

Since moving to Derby in December, Malcolm has been working under licence from the Bishop of Derby, the Right Revd Libby Lane.

Bishop Libby said: "Malcolm brings, out of his own deep commitment to sharing the love of Jesus and seeking first the Kingdom of God, a rich and varied experience of ministry.

"We welcome his particular gifts in accompanying people hopefully through change, and his passion for reaching those on the margins, and younger generations.

"We have been delighted to welcome Malcolm and Pam among us-we pray that the people and places of Derbyshire and Derby will be a blessing to them, as they will be a blessing to us."





Who's behind the mask... in Killamarsh?!

Christine Tilbrook and her daughter Julie managed St Giles Charity Shop until it was forced to close in March 2020 due to the pandemic.

Julie identified that wearing face masks could become compulsory in shops and was inspired to make some masks after seeing some brightly coloured ones online and was hoping to sell a few for charity. Christine and Julie agreed that any sales revenue would go to the St Giles Church Charity Shop.

With pattern in hand, work started in June 2020 on the triple-layered 100% cotton masks in a range of sizes for adults and children. These soon grew in popularity, initially being sold to a few friends and neighbours but quickly to a much wider circle of customers. As word spread, enquiries started to come in for customised patterned masks. One example was from the mother of a teenage boy in hospital who asked for masks in Harry Potter fabric to match his bedding. Julie and Christine were happy to oblige and were

delighted to learn that he was much happier than wearing standard hospital-issue masks.

Requests also came in for special masks for special occasions, so masks were produced with beads or sequins sown on and in specially chosen patterned fabrics. A Christmas collection proved very popular.

At the end of March 2021, they had raised £2,250 – a truly wonderful achievement. Over the past twelve months, they have worn out a sewing machine, an iron and an iPad! Word has also spread as orders have been sent all over the UK and even overseas.

Rev'd Canon Helen Guest, Rector of Killamarsh, said their hard work in support of St Giles Church was magnificent and greatly appreciated and, as a customer herself, knew how well the masks had been received.

Christine and Julie have already been asking when the Charity Shop will reopen – perhaps they are looking for a well-earned respite from making masks.

Thy Kingdom Come

Thy Kingdom Come is a global prayer movement that invites Christians around the world to pray from Ascension to Pentecost for more people to come to know Jesus.

Since its start in May 2016, God has grown Thy Kingdom Come from a dream of possibility into a movement. Christians from 172 countries have taken part in praying 'Come Holy Spirit', so that friends and family, neighbours and colleagues might come to faith in Jesus Christ.

This year there are some exciting new resources available to download from thykingdomcome.global

Highlights for this year include:

- The Cheeky Pandas (11-part series & accompanying resources)- for children aged 3 and over
- 11 video youth reflections produced in partnership with the Archbishop of York's Youth Trust and an Escape Room
- The Prayer Journal, written by Archbishop Stephen Cottrell
- The Novena – Praying the Psalms from Ascension to Pentecost (A large print version is also available)

Free Resources giveaway for churches

100,000 free copies of this year's Prayer Journal, written by Archbishop Stephen Cottrell and the printed Digital Family Prayer Adventure Map for children are available, you will only need to pay for postage & packaging. For more information, visit: www.cpo.org.uk/ThyKingdomCome

What's happening in our diocese?

A group of lay people from around the diocese will be offering a daily reflection on our social media channels, you can find us [@dioceseofderby](#) on Facebook and Twitter.

We are also encouraging churches and individuals to take part in prayer walks, perhaps combining them with a litter pick. This Covid-safe activity is great for local groups, families or individuals (within national restrictions). If you'd like to take part you'll find more information on our website, derby.anglican.org. Please let us know if you are planning to take part by emailing information to: communications@derby.anglican.org so we can add your event to our list. As always we'd love to see photos / videos from your events that we can share around the diocese, please email them to the address above.



Light up the world
with prayer

Will you join us?

13th - 23rd May 2021

thykingdomcome.global

Acting Archdeacon of Derby Revd Peter Walley writes



A number of churches have over the years had links overseas through different charities and this story which emerged last week in Derby seemed to me to be a real encouragement to pray and trust God for his provision.

For the past fifteen years a small Derby charity supported by local churches, has been supporting a school in Eldoret, Kenya. Having first financed the building of the school, it now helps the school to become self-sufficient. This support has included funding a minibus to collect the students from some of the local slum areas, providing for solar panels for their power needs, computer tablets to receive the new state curriculum and to provide running water from a well, instead of having to rely on inconsistent, expensive tanker loads of water delivered three times a week. Drilling started at the beginning of April, but by the 10th, the drillers were becoming very concerned that they had passed the level where potable water was predicted. On Sunday 11th, Revd Paul Pritchard who was taking the Zoom service asked people in Mickleover to pray for a successful outcome. This is what happened next.

The drillers were struggling with what they thought was a dry well when a complete stranger walked onto the site who asked what was happening and then appeared to know a lot about drilling and the underlying rocks in Eldoret. He told them to drill to a depth well beyond what they considered to be possible, and described the stages of rock they would find before they hit clean water. He then left. They followed his advice and sure enough what he described took place. He reappeared and talked them through the last stages until water gushed out. Everyone looked around for him to thank him but he had disappeared into thin air. No one knew him or had seen him around the town before; the school director (equivalent to a Chair of Governors), Pastor Kenneth, described the experience as an Angel appearing to help them in their need. Kenneth continued "Now we have the water that will transform the lives of our school and the community – thank you all for your love and prayers."

Paul reflected on the story in these words: "All I could think of was our Lord telling Simon Peter to put down his nets when they had been fishing all night without success" - Simon replied, "we worked hard all last night and didn't catch a thing. But if you say so, I'll let the nets down again." And this time their nets were so full of fish they began to tear! Luke 5.5

How many of us, like Peter, have the feeling that we have very little for our efforts? We may even think that changing the structures of our diocese or engaging with the Vision will be more of the same? It may be, but we worship a God who is not only Almighty but is well aware of our needs, and who helps those who call on His name. Our exit from Covid 19 will be an opportunity, not to simply go back to what we have always been doing, but to ask God, where, how and when should we let our nets down again. This story, hot off the press from Kenya, really encourages me that there can be a more fruitful future. God can send his Angels here too. Let's be open to His leading as we journey on.