

Three Churches Newsletter

July 2018

St John Baptist, Hugglescote

St Christopher's, Ellistown

St. Mary's, Snibston



Congratulations to Chris!

Chris was ordained priest at Leicester cathedral yesterday on a glorious sunny day in a moving service with a good number of people from our churches there to support him. It was wonderful that so many from the parish came along to witness his vows and to affirm his calling. Every ordination service tells the story of God at work in people's lives calling them to serve God and his people – but also the story of the men and women who respond and who in faithfulness and willingness say yes to God – here I am send me. We are reminded that God calls each of us and has a purpose for each of us in building his kingdom, we are encouraged to seek that purpose and offer ourselves and our lives to God. There is something very special in being chosen – and we are all chosen – God doesn't leave people out! I wonder what God has in store for you?



The ordination service took place under the art installation by Arabella Dorman called 'SUSPENDED.' It is created from the garments abandoned on the beaches of the Island of Lesbos by refugees who fled from Turkey across the Aegean Sea in 2015 and 2016. The clothes of young and old. It speaks of their plight and reminds us that their lives are suspended between the former life which they can't return to and which they fled in fear and the new life which they are not able to embrace - as they are detained or as they struggle with systems and authorities to find the way to begin again.

Bishop Guli, in her sermon, reminded us that we are clothed with Christ. That to follow Christ means wearing the clothes of the least, the marginalised, the ones who are our society refuses to listen to because it means hearing their pain and struggle. Jesus stands with them. In his compassion he is in the midst of them - but they will not know it unless we show them. This is how we are Christian, not just by speaking the gospel but by acting it out in listening, compassion and care, being willing to ache with those who ache.

Those people are in our parish. How we are there for them will teach them of Jesus. Actions speak louder than words. Let us put on the Lord Jesus Christ as a garment and tend his needy people especially the children.

With every blessing - *Olwen*



Diary for July 2018

Sunday 1st July 2018 – 5th after Trinity

8:00 am Holy Communion at St. John's
10:30 am United Parish Communion at St. John's
Chris' Celebration of his first Eucharist followed by lunch at 12:30 pm at Hugglescote Community Centre

Mon. 2nd July
1:30 pm Mission Partnership meeting, Ibstock Rectory
7:30 pm Explore Group, St. Christopher's

Tues. 3rd July
2:00 pm Mothers' Union Strawberry Tea, Rectory
6:00 pm Evening Prayer, St. John's

Weds. 4th July
12:30 pm Clergy Chapter Meeting, Broom Leys
7:30 pm Hugglescote Churches Together A.G.M.
Oasis Café

Thurs. 5th July
9:30 am Holy Communion, St. Christopher's
3:00 pm After School Club, St. Christopher's
7:30 pm Open Meeting to explore Confirmation, Rectory

Sunday 8th July – 6th after Trinity
8:30 am Holy Communion, St. Mary's
9:30 am Parish Communion, St. John's
11:15 am Parish Communion, St. Christopher's
3:00 pm Holy Baptism, St. John's

Mon. 9th July
7:30 pm Explore Group, St. Christopher's

Tues. 10th July
6:00 pm Evening Prayer at St. John's
7:00 pm Hugglescote Remembers Meeting, Hugglescote Community Centre

Weds. 11th July
10:30 am Holy Communion, St. John's
7.30pm Pastoral Team Meeting. Rectory

Thurs. 12th July
3:00 pm After School Club at St. Christopher's
7:30 pm P.C.C. Meeting. Hugg Comm Centre.

Sat. 14th July
9-10:00 am Coalville Churches Praying Together, St. David's, Broom Leys

Sunday 15th July – 7th after Trinity

8:00 am Holy Communion at St. John's
9:30 am Parish Communion at St. John's
11:15 am Parish Communion at St. Christopher's
6:30 pm Jacob's Ladder, Hugglescote Social Club

Mon. 16th July
7:30 pm Explore Group at St. Christopher's

Tues. 17th July
6:00 pm Evening Prayer at St. John's
7:30 pm St. Christopher's Project Meeting, St. Christopher's

Thurs. 19th July
9:30 am Holy Communion & Coffee Morning at St. Christopher's
6:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal at St. John's

Sat. 21st July
1:30 Wedding at St. John's

Sunday 22nd July – Mary Magdalene – 8th after Trinity

8:00 am Holy Communion at St. John's
9:30 am Parish Communion at St. John's
11:15 am Parish Communion & Holy Baptism at St. Christopher's

Tues. 24th July
6:00 pm Evening Prayer at St. John's

Weds. 25th July
10:30 am Holy Communion, St. John's
2:00 pm Ellistown Afternoon Social Group, St. Christopher's

Sunday 29th July – 9th after Trinity

8:00 am Holy Communion at St. John's
9:30 am Parish Communion at St. John's
11:15 am Parish Communion at St. Christopher's

FROM THE REGISTERS

BAPTISMS at St. John's

17th June Caitlin Louise Benn aged 6 years
17th June Cody James Benn aged 2 years

FUNERALS

At St. John's and Bretby Crematorium

13th June Gordon Cooke aged 90 years

At Loughborough Crematorium

19th June Donald Leitch Crighton aged 79 years