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Everyone is **WELCOME** at any of the Services in our Churches

Day	SEPT	Time	Church	Service
Sunday	1st	9.15	St John's, Buxton Hill	Holy Communion
		9.15	St Peter's, Snelston	Holy Communion
		10.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Holy Communion
		11.00	St Mary & St Barlock, Norbury	Holy Communion
		18.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Evensong
Sunday	8th	9.00	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	BREAKFAST CHURCH
		9.15	St Mary's Mappleton	Holy Communion
		10.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Holy Communion
		18.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Choral Evensong
Sunday	15th	9.30	St John's, Buxton Hill	Taize
		10.30	St Peter's, Snelston	Congregation led
		10.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Holy Communion
		18.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Evensong
Sunday	22nd	10.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Holy Communion
		15.00	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Mayor's Civic Service
		18.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Evensong
Sunday	29th	10.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Harvest Holy Communion
		16.00	Holy Trinity, Clifton	HARVEST
		18.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Choral Evensong

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Readings at St Oswald's Services in September 2024

1 st September	10.30	Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9	Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23
1 st September	18.30	Exodus 12:21-27	Matthew 4:23-5:20
8 th September	10.30	Psalms 146	Mark 7:24-37
8 th September	18.30	Proverbs 8:1-16	Matthew 22:16-22
15 th September	10.30	Isaiah 50:4-9a	Mark 8:27-38
15 th September	18.30	Exodus 18:13-26	Matthew 7:1-14
22 nd September	10.30	Jeremiah 11:18-20	Mark 9:30-37
22 nd September	18.30	Exodus 19:10-end	Matthew 8:23-end
29 th September	10.30	Joel 2:21-27	Matthew 6:25-33
29 th September	18.30	Joel 2:21-27	Matthew 6:25-33

Ministry Thought for the Month

Today, when I look in a mirror I am astounded as to how well the human body recovers and heals itself. Four weekends ago, as a result of my accident following having taken a wedding at Norbury Church, my face was just a swollen mess. Today the swelling and obvious bruising have almost disappeared but I have to continue to be patient for another two to three weeks of rest for the fractured facial bones to fully repair themselves.

In this time of rest and recovery I have reflected and counted so many blessings I have received in connection with, and following, the accident. At least it did not happen during the wedding but there were still people around who wonderfully ministered first aid; not the easiest in a somewhat remote village church with poor internet connection. Despite many an hour in the A&E department I cannot fault the two medical teams that dealt with me and the facial injury department for the subsequent thorough follow up.

I have been overwhelmed and feel very humble at the number of cards, messages and offers of support I, and Maggie, have received from across each of our churches and from across our Diocese. As soon as Bishop Libby got to hear of the news she immediately phoned and offered to cover the Service at St Oswald's on 8th September and called again a few days later to check on my progress. Archdeacon Nicky Fenton also got to hear and offered to cover the Service at St Oswald's the following Sunday 15th September. Meantime thanks go to Norbury, Snelston and Clifton congregations for having held a United Service and to other visiting Clergy who are stepping up to cover Services over the next two Sundays.

All in all, I have so much to be thankful for. I am minded that Jesus taught us that love of our neighbour comes from the heart and, at this time especially, I have been shown so much love for which I am most grateful.

Thank you and God bless
Nigel

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Music for September at St Oswald's

Sunday 1st 14th Sunday after Trinity

10.30 Parish Communion

- 416 Father hear the prayer we offer...
478 In heavenly love abiding...
116 O dearest Lord...
429 Forth in the peace of Christ we go...

Sunday 8th 15th Sunday after Trinity

10.30 Parish Communion

- 546 O worship the King... (omit vs 3)
612 We have a gospel to proclaim...
400 City of God...
Glorious is thy name/Mozart
383 *Be still for the presence of the Lord...*
267 Thou whose almighty word...

Sunday 15th 16th Sunday after Trinity

10.30 Parish Communion

- 618 When in our music God is glorified...
504 Lord I have made thy word my choice...
411 Dear Lord and Father of mankind...
Christ be with me/Rawsthorne
It is well with my soul...
170 Jesus is Lord...

Sunday 22nd 17th Sunday after Trinity

10.30 Parish Communion

- 523 My God how wonderful thou art...
343 O perfect love...
601 Thou didst leave thy throne...
Ave Maria/Lindley
519 *Make me a channel of your peace...*
443 God is our strength and refuge...

Sunday 29th Harvest Festival: St Michael and All Angels

10.30 Parish Communion

- 270 Come ye thankful people come...
272 Praise and thanksgiving...
275 We plough the fields and scatter...
Thou visitest the earth/Greene
301 *God is here as we his people...*
274 To Thee O Lord our hearts we raise...

6.30 Evensong

- 475 Immortal love for ever full...
Psalm 15
97 Lord Jesus think on me...
428 Forgive our sins...
21 Sun of my soul...

The choir returns from holiday from today.

6.30 Choral Evensong for the Accession

- Dyson in D canticles; Sanders responses
In our service/Hewitt Jones
621 Who would true valour see...
Psalm 121
9 This is the day the Lord hath made
The mountains shall bring peace/Forbes L'Estrange
22 The day thou gavest...

6.30 Evensong

- Day by Day/How*
415 Eternal light shine in my heart...
Psalm 119 vs 73-80
600 Thou art the way...
Ave verum corpus/Mozart
23 The duteous day now closeth...

6.30 Evensong

- I give you a new commandment/Aston*
524 My God I love thee ...
Psalm 119 vs 137-144
359 Rejoice O Lord...
If ye love me/Tallis
10 Abide with me...

6.30 Choral Evensong

- Sumsion in A canticles; Sanders responses
Thou visitest the earth/Greene
254 For the fruits of his creation...
Psalm 126
271 God whose farm is all creation...
Fear not O land/Elgar
626 Ye holy angels bright...

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Music Notes for September

The choir returns from holiday on Sunday 8th September. The Choral Evensong at 6.30 that day will reflect the anniversary of the King's accession. We shall be pleased to welcome new choristers. Practices resume on Friday 6th at 7.00 in church so why not pop along and see what you think. Furthermore we are aiming to set up a mid week children's choir so look out for information about that. It is all very exciting so make sure you spread the word widely.

The ten summer recitals were an outstanding success. Donations alone came to over £2500, an indicator of how much the recitals were enjoyed. The average attendance each week was in excess of 50. The variety of skill level demonstrated was an eye opener. Our recitalist were fabulous.

Thank you for your amazing generosity to support the life and outreach of St Oswald's church. We are already planning for next year, incorporating a few new ideas into the mix. Thank you!

Michael

Breakfast Church

Breakfast Church returns after a summer break on Sunday 8th September.

Breakfast Church begins at 9.00am with breakfast. Share a breakfast of cereal, toast, coffee and bacon / sausage butties. After breakfast, join in with the worship and activity.

Please do come and give it a try. To help with catering, please book your place in advance by contacting Andy Wright, email: admandjewright@gmail.com

Walking Group Walks

We have two walking groups. The Ramblers group meet monthly on the second Monday of the month a walk of approximately 5 miles. The Walking Group normally walk for about 10 miles on the last Saturday of the month

Walking group – future walks

The Walking Group are planning to walk the Hope Pilgrimage in early 2025. This is a 30 mile walk starting in Edale and taking in Mam Tor, Castleton, Hope, Ladybower, Bamford, Stanage Edge and Hathersage before finishing in Eyam. We are looking to complete this over 3 or 4 monthly walks.



If you are interested in joining us for any of our walks please contact paulgillelliott@outlook.com

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BAG 2

St Oswald's Church

Collection Wednesday 2nd October 2024

This is a great fundraiser for St Oswald's Church, Bag2School are a non-profit making organisation who collect unwanted clothing items and recycle them.

Bag 2 Church are booked, last year we raised £400!
If you have any unwanted clothes, paired shoes, belts or bags please bring them to church or the parish office. I am also happy to collect if that helps.
Thank you
Claire

YES PLEASE				NO THANK YOU		
 Clothes	 Paired shoes	 Handbags	 Hats	 Duvets and blankets	 Pillows and cushions	 Carpets, rugs and mats
 Bags	 Scarves and ties	 Bras	 Jewellery	 Soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing	 School uniforms with and without logo	 Corporate clothing and workwear
 Socks	 Belts			 Textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material	 Furniture and large items	 Batteries

Please fill bags (bin liners work best) The bags need to be brought into church or the parish office by Monday 30th September so they are ready for collection.

Bag2School will weigh them and pay church, an amount depending on the total weight of items collected.

Please ask friends and relatives if they have any suitable items to donate.

Many thanks for your help!

in conjunction with



Safeguarding Training will take place in the St Oswald's church hall Ashbourne on Monday 16th September.

Basic & Foundation courses combined are from 09:15 to 11:30

Awareness of Domestic Abuse training is from 12:00 - 13:30. These courses are required by the Church of England for many of the roles working in our parishes.

Tea & coffee will be available but please bring your own lunch.
Booking is via Amanda Clarke in Church House, Derby 01332 388 687



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The Ossie's Potters have been busy yet again!.....

Endeavours included clearing the surfaces of the flat gravestones situated at the East end of the graveyard and also tidying the magnificent Bamford memorial tomb. Whilst undertaking this task the group had a visitor, Mr Samuel Ojok, Diocesan Environmental Engagement Officer who has heard of the work of Ossie's Potters and spent time working with the group and over the well earned refreshments gave an insight into the Eco Church Project.

Eco Church is a scheme that is run by A Rocha UK and guides churches in caring for God's creation. It looks at several different categories including Worship and Teaching, Buildings, Land, Community Engagement and Individual Lifestyle. By taking part and completing the survey churches can be considered for an Eco Church Award - bronze, silver and gold. The Ossie's Potters are only one facet of this journey, but it is a journey for the good of all.

If you would like to pop along to the next session to be held on 3rd September 1pm - pm you will find us pottering in the Church graveyard or car park, and would be made very welcome.... It is refreshing to be in the fresh air with friends whatever your ability And if you just want to have a chat you would also be very welcome. Contact Anne 07807413671 if you would like any further details.



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AQUABOX - UPDATE

A big 'thank you' to those people who have kindly put used clean towels into the AQUA BOX in the Edward Bear area of Church.

Towels are a necessary part of the contents that go into AQUA BOXES (often run out of them) - sent to disaster areas anywhere in the world.

Peter will be taking the towels to the distribution centre of Aqua Box in Wirksworth.

The blue AQUA BOX will remain in Church throughout the summer, please feel free to pop an old clean towel in.

Lindsay and Peter



Bible Study

A very successful Lent group was held leading up to Easter where we studied Women in the Bible. All those who attended were very keen to continue. It has been agreed to start up again on the last Thursday in September (26th) at 2.30pm at Jane and Jim Edwards's home.

Jane and Jim are willing to continue to host these meetings and if you are interested to join us, please let Maggie know. We will continue to focus on strong personalities in the Bible.

The group really enjoyed the experience of coming together and sharing its views and look forward on a regular monthly basis to continuing along the journey it has already started.

Peter Walker

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

You are invited to attend the Macmillan coffee Morning on **Friday 27th September 2024 between 10.00 am and 12.00 noon.**

We will be asking for contributions of raffle prizes, cakes and scones nearer the time.

Lindsay Walker – 07971802671/Chris Haycock 07798561312

HARVEST FESTIVAL LUNCH

We will be celebrating Harvest at St Oswald's Church once again this year with our Harvest Festival Lunch on Sunday 29th September 12.00 noon. Our special guest will be the Rt Revd Libby Lane, the Lord Bishop of Derby.

Please look out for a signing up sheet in Church which will have menu options and the cost of tickets.

We will be asking for raffle prizes nearer the time.

For more information contact Peter and Lindsay Walker 07971802671/Chris Haycock 07798561312

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St Oswald's and St Mary's churches are open every day of the week. If you would like to make a donation to the work of St Oswald's or St Mary's you can do so by scanning the following relevant QR Code below and making a donation:



St Oswald's Church



St Mary's Church



If you would like to set up a regular payment to St Oswald's or St Mary's Church then you can do so through the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS).

You can find out more information on the PGS website at:

<https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/>

where you can also set up a regular payment.

Alternatively you can telephone the Parish Giving Scheme on **0333 002 1260**

The PGS code for St Oswald's Church is **120612186**