

# News from Ashbourne Group of Churches

## February 2025

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ASHBOURNE GROUP OF CHURCHES



## BREAKFAST CHURCH

St Oswald's Church Centre

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> February

9.00am

Start your Sunday with Breakfast Church!  
Join us for a delicious breakfast of cereal,  
toast, coffee and your choice of bacon or  
sausage butty. Enjoy a warm and welcoming  
atmosphere as we gather for worship and  
fellowship



Please come and give it a try.  
To help with catering, please  
book your place in advance by  
contacting Andy Wright,  
Email [admandjewright@gmail.com](mailto:admandjewright@gmail.com)

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### Church Services in the Ashbourne Group in February 2025

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

Day	FEB 2025	Time	Church	Service
Sunday	2nd	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
Thursday	6th	10.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Record Morning Prayer
Sunday 4 before Lent	9th	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
Wednesday	12th	10.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Record Morning Prayer
Sunday 3 before Lent	16th	10.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Holy Communion
		18.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Evensong
Thursday	20th	10.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Record Morning Prayer
Sunday 2 before Lent	23rd	10.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Holy Communion
		10.45	Holy Trinity, Clifton	Holy Communion
		18.30	St Oswald's	Evensong
Thursday	27th	10.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Record Communion

#### **ON LINE SERVICES**

Daily Morning & Evening Prayer and Sunday Service available on our website

**WEDDING, BAPTISM, ENQUIRIES : phone 0303 300 0498**

**CLERGY PASTORAL CONTACT : phone 01335 664159**

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### Music in St Oswald's Church in February 2025

#### Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> Candlemas

##### 10.30 Parish Communion

- 619 When morning gilds the skies... omit vs 2+4  
 360 Faithful vigil ended...  
 44 Angels from the realms of glory...  
**Like a candle flame/Kendrick**  
**We are marching in the light of God**  
 231 Ye who own the faith of Jesus... omit\*

##### 6.30 Evensong

- If ye love me/Tallis**  
 80 When candles are lighted... omit\*  
 Psalm 18 vs 25-32  
 476 In a world where people walk in darkness  
**When to the temple Mary went/Eccard**  
 16 Hail gladdening light...

#### Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> Fourth Sunday before Lent

##### 10.30 Parish Communion

- 546 O worship the King... omit vs 2+3  
 492 Jesus where're thy people meet...  
 411 Dear Lord and Father of mankind...  
**Lord give me strength/Robson**  
**617 When all thy mercies O my God...**  
 429 Forth in the peace of Christ...

##### 6.30 Choral Evensong

- Sung in A: Smith responses**  
**Day by Day/How**  
 523 My God how wonderful thou art...  
 Psalm 24  
 2 Christ whose glory fills the skies...  
**Grant us thy peace/Mendelssohn**  
 14 Glory to Thee my God this night...

#### Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> Third Sunday before Lent

##### 10.30 Parish Communion

- 368 All my hope on God is founded...  
 260 Morning has broken...  
 505 Lord Jesus Christ...  
**I give to you a new commandment/Nardone**  
**Bread is blessed and broken...**  
 604 Through all the changing scenes of life...

##### 6.30 Evensong

- Blessed are the pure in heart/Walford Davies**  
 618 When in our music God is glorified...  
 Psalm 82  
 209 Lord be thy word my rue...  
**Gaelic Blessing/Rutter**  
 15 God that madest earth and heaven...

#### Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> Second Sunday before Lent

##### 10.30 Parish Communion

- 557 Praise to the holiest...  
 271 God whose hand is all creation...  
 413 Eternal Father strong to save...  
**As water to the thirsty/Barnard**  
**Faithful shepherd feed me...**  
 516 Love divine all loves excelling...

##### 6.30 Evensong

- Think of how God loves you/Macmillan**  
 490 Jesus shall reign...  
 Psalm 147 vs 1-7  
 553 Peace perfect peace...  
**Jesu my way/Archer**  
 17 O gladsome light

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### Readings at St Oswald's Services in February 2025

Date	Service	1 <sup>st</sup> Lesson	Gospel
2 <sup>nd</sup> February	10:30	Malachi 3:1-5	Luke 2:22-40
2 <sup>nd</sup> February	18:30	Haggai 2:1-9	John 2:18-22
9 <sup>th</sup> February	10:30	Isaiah 6:1-8	Luke 5:1-11
9 <sup>th</sup> February	18:30	Hosea 1	Colossians 3:1-22
16 <sup>th</sup> February	10:30	Jeremiah 17:5-10	Luke 6:17-26
16 <sup>th</sup> February	18:30	Hosea 10:1-8, 12	Galatians 4:8-20
23 <sup>rd</sup> February	10:30	Genesis 2:4b-9, 15-25	Luke 8:22-25
23 <sup>rd</sup> February	18:30	Genesis 1:1-23	Matthew 6:25-end

### Giving Generously in 2025

Earlier this month I reported in the weekly newsletter that the pledges I had received amounted to nearly half of our target of increasing our income by £25,000 in 2025. I'm delighted to report that, following receipt of a few more pledges, we have now passed the halfway mark. Thank you to all those who have pledged their support and if you haven't got around to making a pledge yet, don't worry - it's not too late!

This month I would like to celebrate a different form of generosity. A few weeks ago we started to put a collection plate by the crates of M&S food which you may have seen in the Church or Church hall after services, the intention being that we use the money collected to support our mission giving. It seems that this is proving very popular; since the start of December we have already raised over £500 for good causes! For me this is a perfect example of how a small act of generosity can make a difference in so many ways. Produce which would otherwise have gone to waste is now reaching the tables of those in need, bringing a smile to someone's face, and raising money for charity at the same time. Do please continue to support our M&S mission giving initiative whether through leaving a donation, or perhaps by taking food or flowers to someone you know would appreciate receiving them. It is just one more way in which we are trying to make a difference here in Ashbourne.

Of course all of this would not be possible without the tireless dedication of Irene and the other small group of volunteers who do the M&S collection every night of the week. Thank you to you all!

Andrew

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**Priest-in-Charge of Ashbourne with Mappleton, Ashbourne St John, Clifton and Norbury with Snelston**

The vacancy for the Priest-in-Charge for Ashbourne Group of Churches was previously advertised in 2024 without finding a suitable candidate. The position is now being readvertised in the Church Times during January and February 2025 and we hope that some suitable candidates will apply.



### **Caring for God's Creation supported by Eco Church.**

St Oswald's has registered to become an Eco Church and is working to obtain the Bronze Award.

Caring for God's creation at St Oswald's Church is supported by the framework supplied by Eco Church. Criteria are specified within this journey and the care pathway survey looks at several areas of Church life including:-

- \*Worship and Teaching
- \*Buildings and Energy
- \*Land and Nature
- \*Community and Global Engagement
- \*Lifestyle

The Eco Church framework survey informs and supports us to take practical steps to enable positive choices to be made to eventually 'go green' in the care of God's creation. As we progress awards are given, bronze, silver and eventually gold.

Over a number of weeks a small group have been meeting taking a look at the questions posed in the survey, gaining lots of information and we are now in a position where we will hopefully be submitting our application to gain our bronze award very soon..... Let's All Keep Our Fingers Crossed!

Anne

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**VALENTINE FISH AND CHIP BINGO**

**St Oswald's Church Centre  
Saturday 15<sup>TH</sup> February 2025, 5.30pm - 8.30pm**

**Bingo with Prizes and a Raffle  
Fish & Chips from Ashbourne's Market Place  
Fish and Chip Shop**

**Adult Tickets £10.00  
to include fish or fishcake & chips + a book of  
BINGO tickets and an entrance fee.**

**Children's Tickets (Under 16) £5.00  
to include a 'Meal Deal' - nuggets or sausage  
or finger of fish & chips & a Fruit Shoot.**

**You can choose to buy more Bingo and Raffle tickets  
on the day**

**All monies raised will go into  
St Oswald's Church Special Purposes Fund  
including a set amount for our Defibrillator Fund.**

**Add your name to the signing up sheet in  
Church and pay on the day.**

**Raffle Prizes will be gratefully received**

**For more information contact  
Irene Wilson 07990 922442/Chris Haycock 07798561312**

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*Community Café in Ashbourne*

# OSSIE'S KITCHEN



**Why eat alone ?**

**Come and join us for a three course meal**

**In the company of others**

**Family friendly**

**Open to All**

**between 4pm and 6pm**

**on Tuesdays**

**January 4<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>**

**St Oswald's Church Centre, School Lane, DE6 1AN**



Suggested donations of

£4 per adult and £2 per child

For enquiries & to request transport

call Ossie's Kitchen on 07437 377345

**St Oswald's Church, Derbyshire CC & FareShare**

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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**