

With heartfelt thanks for your kindness and generosity as we start the next stage of our journey.

It has been a great privilege to work for the Gospel in partnership with people across the Diocese.

Every blessing,

# September 2018 OCCSE

A monthly snapshot of Church of England life around, Derbyshire

### Bishop Jan writes...

#### Mind the Gap!



1st September Vacancy in See.

The 1st September is

official day of retirement. We wish him and it will be a good while yet before we plan Caroline every happiness in their new life in the welcome services, and until then it's full Bath.

So what happens next? Well, pretty much My hope and prayer is that we will support, business as usual! I will cover some of Bishop Alastair's duties and legal and pastoral responsibilities, and so will be sharing out some of what I might usually do with colleagues. But I trust that we will, all of us, continue to pray and to ponder and to grow in our discipleship and tend to our churches and reach out to our communities - business as usual - as we wait to see whom God will send to be our next diocesan bishop.

Please pray for the process and for our representatives on the Crown Nominations Commission (CNC):

Canon Mark Titterton Kat Alldread Molly Andrews Revd Alicia Dring Revd Julian Hollywell Very Revd Dr Stephen Hance

They will be meeting with members of the national CNC at the end of September we officially begin our to draw up a shortlist of candidates, and interviews will take place at the end of November,

also Bishop Alastair's The chosen candidate will then have to 70th Birthday so please go through a medical and a safeguarding do remember him in check, get the Prime Minister's approval your prayers as he and pay homage to the Queen, and if they're celebrates this milestone and takes his first. not already a bishop, be consecrated. So steam ahead.

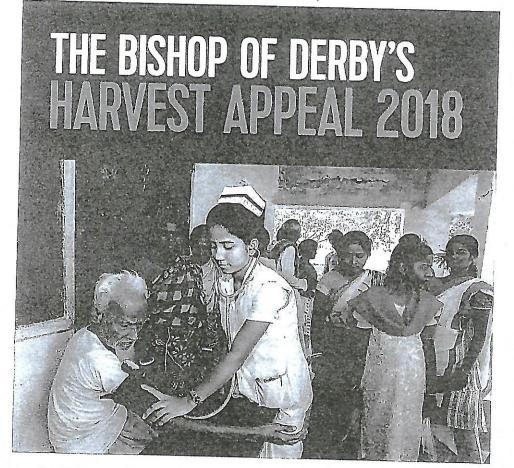
> encourage, challenge and love one another as we 'mind the gap' so that we are ready to greet our new bishop, on our toes with our lamps lit, ready and expectant of all that God has in store for us.

> Almighty God, giver of all good gifts, guide with your heavenly wisdom those who are to choose a faithful pastor and leader for our Diocese; that we may receive one who will speak your word and serve your people according to your will;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



The Rt Revd Jan McFarlane Bishop of Repton (Acting Bishop of Derby)



SARENGA: A hospital and community health project in Durgapur As we in the UK celebrate 70 years of our NHS, please support the Church of North India and USPG to promote community health care and support the 125 bed hospital in Sarenga so more people can experience the healing power of God.

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Diocese of Derby THE CHURCH



## Study for a Certificate in Theology, Mission & Ministry

The Certificate of Higher Education in Learning Programme Theology, Ministry and Mission gives you opportunity to go further, deeper & broader in your understanding of the Christian faith.

The course is designed primarily for participants preparing for, or already involved in, licensed Christian ministry or service. However, the programme is equally suitable for all students wishing to learn at an advanced To gain a Certificate, you must complete 120

This is a vocational award offered by the Termly modules follow the same format: University of Durham (Common Awards) through the All Saints Centre for Mission & Ministry (ASC) in partnership with the Diocese Derby & (subject to numbers) Chesterfield.

#### Entrance Requirements

Entry to the programme is flexible, depending on your experience and education.

Study towards the Certificate requires the 2018-2019 (20 credits each) preparation of assessed work. You are most likely to flourish if you already have study skills • at 'A' level. That said, support and advice is . available to all students and a passion to learn is clearly the most important requirement.

You will need to demonstrate your potential to • benefit from study at this level.

There will be a low-key interview with ASC at the beginning of the course to help you decide which route to take: 'audited' (no formal assessment) or 'for credit'.

Only 'for credit' students will be awarded the Certificate, which is the first step towards a Bachelor's degree.

Credits earned through study for the Certificate can be used towards further advanced study that could lead to a BA.

Much of the learning material used in the course is available online and so basic IT skills and access to the internet would be a distinct advantage.

Candidates for the Certificate need to attend learning hubs where facilitated learning is

These groups will be in Derby and, subject to the minimum number of participants joining the course, also in Chesterfield.

credits.

a combination of online study through an e-learning site, discussion groups once a week, 'Study Days' (Saturdays) led by the of Derby. This part-time course is available in Module leader, independent reading, learning and reflection and two written assessments.

> You should be prepared to commit 100-120 hours of study per module.

#### Modules

- Theology & Practice
- Introduction to the New Testament
- Call & Vocation

### 2019-2020 (20 credits each)

- Mission & Evangelism
- Introduction to the Old Testament
- Christian Doctrine and History

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