

Ashbourne Church News 04/10/2026



Welcome to this Week's Newsletter

Church and Parish Office Opening Times

St Oswald's Church is open daily from 10am to 5pm

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- *Bell Ringing Practice: Wednesday evenings from 19.30 to 21.00*
 - *Choir Practice: Friday evenings from 19.00 to 20.00*
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The Parish Office is open

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- *Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10:00 to 12:00*
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Telephone: 01335 343052

If you need a priest urgently, please call 01335 664159.

Pastoral Contact

If you would like to contact a member of the clergy team to discuss any pastoral matter please telephone 01335 664159.

Due to holidays, please submit newsletter content no later than Wednesday 7th October, 11:00 a.m. for next week's newsletter. Many thanks.

Ministry Thought for the Week

Have you ever watched a film expecting nothing more than a quiet evening on the sofa, only to find yourself still thinking about it days later? That was ***The Staircase*** for me.

Inspired by the story of the remarkable staircase at the Loretto Chapel in Santa Fe, the sisters discover a rather significant problem. Their beautiful chapel is finished... but there is no way to reach the choir loft. It's a bit like building a house and then realising you've forgotten the stairs. Not ideal!

At first, they react much as we probably would. There's frustration, confusion and plenty of wondering whose fault it is. Surely somebody should have noticed!

It's very human. First we blame everyone else, then we eventually recognise that perhaps we have some responsibility too.

The Sisters then stop looking backwards, turn towards God and do what Christians have done for centuries when faced with the seemingly impossible: **they pray, they trust and they wait.**

Then a mysterious carpenter arrives. He quietly builds an extraordinary spiral staircase and disappears before anyone can properly thank him.

Whether we see it as miracle, mystery or legend, there's something beautiful in the message. We would love God to hand us the complete blueprint for our lives, preferably with the difficult bits clearly marked! Instead, He often gives us enough for just the next step.

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding." (Proverbs 3:5)

Faith isn't about seeing the whole staircase. Sometimes it's simply trusting God enough to take the next step.

But there's another part of the film that stayed with me.

The young Apache boy, Rolling Thunder, is treated with suspicion and contempt by the Reverend Mother. Not because he is different, but because she judges him by the actions and reputation of others from his tribe and those who came before him.

His story has effectively been written before anyone has taken the time to know him.

Uncomfortable though as it might be to admit, we can do the same.

We see someone's background, family, nationality, appearance, beliefs or their past and think, *"Oh, they're one of those."* We fill in the gaps before we've heard their story.

Jesus continually challenged this.

Others saw a Samaritan; Jesus saw a person. People saw a tax collector; Jesus saw a disciple. Those at the foot of the cross saw a criminal by Jesus' side, but Jesus saw someone worthy of grace.

Jesus tells us:

"Do not judge, or you too will be judged." (Matthew 7:1)

When life doesn't go according to plan, instead of immediately asking **"Whose fault is this?"**, perhaps we might ask **"Lord, what are you teaching me?"**

And when we meet someone whose story, background or experience is different from ours, perhaps we should resist writing their story for them and take the time to discover who they really are.

Perhaps *The Staircase* leaves us with two simple challenges:

- Trust God when you cannot see the whole staircase.
- Don't judge someone simply because you don't understand the journey they've travelled.

May God give us humility instead of pride, faith instead of fear, trust for the journey ahead, and eyes that see others through the love and grace of Christ.

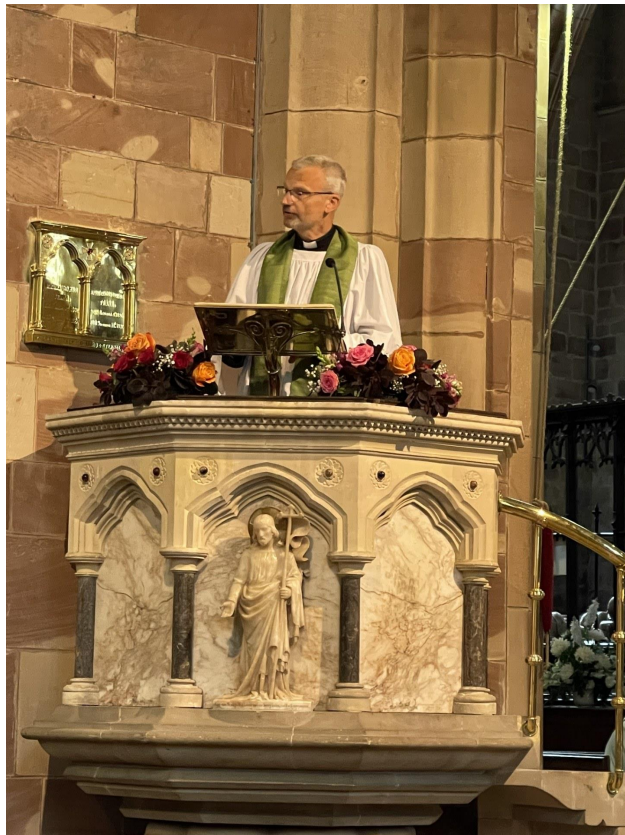
Have a blessed week.

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Church Services, Readings and Music

We were delighted to hear Rev Phil Michell deliver his Sermon when visiting us for the Harvest Holy Communion Service on Sunday morning. Following which everyone thoroughly enjoyed the Harvest meal that consisted of Scrumptious Pie and vegetables followed by plenty of Fruit Crumble with lashings of custard!



Weekly Online Service

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Each week a recorded service is prepared which can be streamed from the church [YouTube channel](#).

Recorded Services

Join us in the service. This week's recorded service can be downloaded using the following link:

[Morning Prayer for Trinity 18, from St.Mary's](#)

Services

Find Services and Events in the Calendar

All of the Ashbourne Group of Churches services can be found on the website in the [Calendar](#). You can also see forthcoming events taking place in Church and in the Church Hall.

October Services

ASHBOURNE GROUP OF CHURCHES				
Everyone is WELCOME at any of the Services in our Churches				
Day	OCT 2026	Time	Church	Service
Sunday	4th	9.15	St John's, Buxton Hill	Harvest Festival
		10.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Holy Communion
		11.00	St Peter's, Snelston	Harvest Festival
		18.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Evensong
Saturday	10th	18.00	St Mary's Mappleton	Harvest Festival
Sunday	11th	9.00	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Breakfast Church
		10.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Holy Communion
		11.00	St Mary & St Barlock, Norbury	Harvest Festival
		18.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Choral Evensong
Tuesday	13th	19.30	St Mary's Mappleton	Young Farmers' Harvest
Sunday	18th	10.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Holy Communion
		18.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Evensong
Sunday	25th	10.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Holy Communion
		10.45	Holy Trinity, Clifton	Holy Communion
		16.00	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Messy Church
		18.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Confirmation Service

ON LINE SERVICES

Daily Morning & Evening Prayer and Sunday Morning Service available on :

ashbournechurch.org.uk

WEDDING and BAPTISM ENQUIRIES

Please call Parish Office on 01335 343052

Music in October

October SUNDAY	4th	18th Sunday after Trinity/St Francis	Green
10.30		250 All creatures of our God and King 386 Be thou my vision 449 God of mercy God of grace Gaelic Blessing/Rutter 519 Make me a channel of your peace 468 Lord of the dance	6.30 To Thee O Lord/Rachmaninoff 618 When in our music God is glorified 252 As water to the thirsty Psalm 23 Ave Verum Corpus/Byrd 11 As now the sun's declining rays
SUNDAY	11th	19th Sunday after Trinity	Green
10.30		400 City of God 313 My God and is thy table spread 418 Father Lord of all creation Non Nobis Domini/Quilter 383 Be still for the presence of the Lord 482 Jerusalem the golden	6.30 Choral Evensong Brewer in D Sanders responses Now to God sing praises/ Somerset 415 Eternal light shine in my heart 391 Blest are the pure in heart Psalm 139 vs 1-11 Psalm 23/Goodall 12 At even ere the sun was set (omit 2 and 6)
SUNDAY	18th	20th Sunday after Trinity/St Luke	Green
10.30		368 All my hope on God is founded 562 Put thou thy trust in God 453 Great is thy faithfulness I lift mine eyes to the hills above 295 Deck thyself my soul with gladness (part1) 606 Thy hand O God has guided (vs 1,2,4 and 6)	6.30 If ye love me/Monk 481 Jerusalem my happy home Psalm 103 vs 1-10 209 Lord be thy word my rule Purest and highest/Stanford 597 There is a land of pure delight
Sunday	25th	Last Sunday after Trinity/Bible Sunday	
10.30		546 O worship the King (omit vs 3) 426 Firmly I believe and truly 442 God is Love let heaven adore him I give you a new commandment/Aston 296 Draw nigh and take the body of the Lord 558 Praise to the Lord the Almighty	6.30 604 Through all the changing scenes of life Psalm 119 vs 89-96 321 Rise and hear the Lord is speaking 211 We love the place O God 14 Glory to thee my God this night

Choral Scholarships at St Oswald's

Music is an important part of the life of St Oswald's church in Ashbourne, especially through the musical ministry of the choir. We are developing our choral scholarships here, building on the success of the scheme so far.

Ideally, 4 students ('scholars') will have mentored places in the choir, alongside more experienced singers. This will optimally be one per voice part (soprano/alto/ tenor/bass); the expectation is that you will be Y10 and upwards (i.e. age 15-18).

Scholars will be expected to regularly attend choir practice, and at least one of the two services on Sunday. You will gain experience of a vast range of repertoire, improved choral singing skills, teamwork with adults, regular gold standard music in services and excellent sight-reading skills. This gives you experience to enable you potentially to apply for a choral scholarship at university, and to add to UCAS forms when applying for university/college. In return, we will offer scholars 30 minutes of tuition, at the end of choir practice. This will cover sight reading, aural skills, and general music perception. A basis for this will be the RSCM Voice for Life Singing Awards – St Oswald's has had a good track record of young singers gaining Bronze, Silver and Gold awards

(NB the Awards are about to be submitted for OFQUAL accreditation giving them value on a UCAS form).

You will receive an honorarium of £100 for the year plus £1 for each practice and service attended. St Oswald's church choir has an excellent reputation for good music sung in our church as well as for weddings elsewhere, services in cathedrals (including York Minster, Salisbury and Hereford) and concerts too.

Please find out more by contacting Catherine Pettingale (Director of Music as from September 1st) at music@ashbournechurch.org.uk. Application forms will be sent to you after the initial contact. I shall look forward to hearing from you soon.

Thank you.

Catherine Pettingale - email: music@ashbournechurch.org.uk

St Oswald's Choir

This is a good time of year for new choristers to join us. Given that no-one in the choir is able to be present for all choral services, it is very helpful when we have more choristers on the books than we need at any one time. Children aged 7 or more will always be made very welcome. Basses, tenors, altos and sopranos will also be welcome. An ability to sing in tune is at least desirable but a sense of humour, a wish to enjoy good music and an enthusiasm to learn new pieces is really helpful. Currently, choir practice is on Fridays for an hour at 7.30. Anthems are sung at both main services on Sunday. Choral Evensong, once a month, requires more complicated music from the choir. Decide on what you think you could offer in terms of time or skills and then have a word with one of us. Don't forget our Choral Scholarship scheme too: you may well know someone who could benefit from this.

October Readings Notes

Sunday 4 October – (18th Sunday after Trinity - Continuous)

Exodus 20.1-4, 7-9, 12-20

When Moses tells the people of what God expects from them in how they respond both to God himself and to their neighbours, they are afraid. Mose reassures them that they need not fear.

Philippians 3.4b-14

Paul reminds the Christians at Philippi that he is proud of his Jewish upbringing, but now his faith in Jesus Christ is of the highest importance to him.

Matthew 21.33-46

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders

As was his custom , like the Rabbis of his day, Jesus told parables -stories set in everyday life which had an underlying meaning. Vineyards and how they were tended were important to their owners and the tenants. In the Old Testament, Isaiah had described Israel as being God's vineyard (Isaiah 5:1-7). The Jewish leaders would have recognised Jesus's criticism of themselves!

For all the readings notes this month, please [visit the website](#).

Readings - 4th October: Trinity 18

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When Moses tells the people of what God expects from them in how they respond both to God himself and to their neighbours, they are afraid. Mose reassures them that they need not fear.

Then God spoke all these words:

I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work.

Honour your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

For all the readings this week, please visit this week's [Readings and Prayers](#) on the website.

Please remember in your prayers this week

Those who are unable to be with us in church.

Those who are ill.

The recently bereaved.

Areas of conflict: the Ukraine, the Middle East, the Sudan and too many others.

Our local churches.

Our Ministry Team: Dwayne, Maggie, Nigel, Rachel, Anne, Ash & Lynda.

Pop in for Prayer with Anna Chaplain, Lindsay Walker

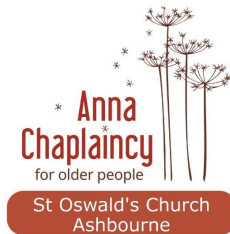
Pop in for Prayer:

Cornerstone Café, Ashbourne on Thursdays from 10.00 am - 12.00 noon

Turnbull Room, St Oswald's Church Hall on Fridays 11.00 am - 12.00 noon

Find out what God is doing and join in - Rowan Williams

**Pop in
for
Prayer**



Join Lindsay on Thursdays from
10:00 am - 12:00 noon
at the Cornerstone Café



Join Lindsay on Fridays from
11:00 am - 12:00 noon
in the Turnbull Room



Investing in the Future of St Oswald's Church, Ashbourne

For Centuries to Come: Why St Oswald's Lead Matters

High above our heads, our church roofs quietly protect centuries of history every single day.

At St Oswald's, our lead roofs serve as a silent guardian, shielding irreplaceable community heritage, ancient architecture, and local memories from the elements.

Today, investing in replacing worn lead is not just a building project; it is a vital act of preservation that ensures this sacred space stands strong for generations to come.

Lead has been the material of choice for historic churches for centuries due to its exceptional weather protection capabilities. It creates a completely watertight barrier against heavy downpours, frost, and gale-force winds.

Furthermore, using traditional lead sheets maintains the historic authenticity of the building, honouring the original craftspeople who built St Oswald's and ensuring its architectural integrity remains intact.

Lead is also totally recyclable. With both roofs being replaced in 2027, the existing lead will be removed, melted down and re-used elsewhere.

Replacing both roofs is also a matter of financial urgency. A failing roof allows water to seep into the structure, and replacing worn lead now succeeds in preventing expensive internal damage. Left unchecked, water ingress threatens historic timber beams, internal artifacts, stained glass windows and our beloved church organ, leading to astronomical repair bills down the line.

The lead on the South Transept and South Aisle roofs have already endured almost 100 summers and winters, and while the initial cost of leadwork requires investment, a well-installed lead roof offers a remarkably long lifespan for at least another 100 years.

By addressing these repairs, we are providing St Oswald's with a sustainable long-term plan that protects the church, well beyond our lives.

We'll be sharing updates weekly in this newsletter, [on our website](#) and with the Derby Diocese.



What's New

Bright Night of Fun - 31st October

Saturday 31st October 2026 5pm – 7.30pm on Shrovetide Walk

A free event aimed at children of primary age (accompanied by parents) as an alternative to Halloween, organised by Ashbourne Churches Together.

It's great fun! Churches are each running stalls with games and prizes. There will be a free snack for children, and hot drinks and snacks for adults to buy. The children are encouraged to dress up as Angels, Fairies and Heroes.

Can you help? We need volunteers to run St Oswald's 3 stalls for all or part of the evening, and people to welcome those who come to Shrovetide Walk.

To volunteer or for more information please see Janet Wright (07484198936)



The Turin Shroud - this weekend

The Knights have brought a replica of The Turin Shroud to Brailsford Church this weekend Friday 2/10, Saturday 3/10 and Sunday 4/10.

All are welcome.

A Story of Women in Musical Theatre - 5th October

You are all invited to a Concert in St Oswald's Church on Monday 5th October @ 7.00pm to listen to the History of Women's Musical Theatre presented in song by Esme Clowes.

Esme Clowes, a chorister here in St Oswald's Choir is also a student in the 6th form at Queen Elizabeth Grammar School and has produced this concert as part of her A level project.

All are very welcome to come and listen.

Concerts in Bradbourne - 17th October, 11th November



Renaissance Roadshow
K'ANTU ENSEMBLE
MUSIC • STORIES • HISTORY • ADVENTURE

Working their magic! (Max Reinhardt, BBC Radio 3)

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ALL SAINTS CHURCH, BRADBOURNE (DE6 1PA)
Saturday 17 October, 7:30pm

£15.00 (Standard)
BOOK NOW: 01335 390080 or bradbourneboxoffice@btinternet.com
or for online tickets visit liveandlocal.org.uk or scan the QR code.



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DERBYSHIRE DATES

ARTS COUNCIL ENGLAND

LIVE & LOCAL

7.30pm Saturday 17th October: Live & Local Renaissance Roadshow by K'antu Ensemble.

Renaissance Roadshow is a richly varied concert experience inspired by the traveling minstrels of Shakespearean England, bringing Renaissance music to life with colour, rhythm, and personality.



Riot
String Trio

Adam Summerhayes - violin Carmen Flores - viola Toby White - cello

Ernő Dohnányi - Serenade in C major
Beethoven - String trio in G, opus 9, no 1
Summerhayes - String Trio no. 1, 'Unfounded'

"To die for" (The Strad)
"Utterly compelling" (BBC Music Magazine)
"Intoxicating ... virtuoso fiddle playing" (The Times)

ALL SAINTS CHURCH, BRADBOURNE DE6 1PA
Wednesday 11th November 7.30 pm
Tickets £15
www.ticketsource.com/all-saints-bradbourn
<mailto:bradbournboxoffice@btinternet.com> or 01335 390080

7.30pm Wednesday 11th November: 'Riot' in concert (string trios by Ernő Dohnányi, Adam Summerhayes and Ludwig van Beethoven). The trio will showcase masterworks of the past as well as one of Adam's own compositions, to be released on CD this Autumn. Described as "To die for" (The Strad), "Utterly compelling" (BBC Music Magazine), and "Intoxicating... virtuoso fiddle playing" (The Times) we're in for a treat as the nights draw in!

Tickets for both events are £15, available now from www.ticketsource.com/all-saints-bradbourn or bradbournboxoffice@btinternet.com or 01335 390080

Christmas Tree Festival - December 2026



St Oswald's Church will be holding our Christmas Tree Festival commencing on Saturday 5th December 2026 and continuing through Advent and Christmas until Saturday 2nd January 2027.

The church will organise the provision of the Christmas trees and stands and a donation of £35 by your organisation will secure a tree and stand.

The theme for this year is **Pantomimes**.

Trees will be available for decoration from Tuesday 1st December 2026 and should be decorated by Friday 4th December 2026.

The trees will be dedicated during the 10:30 am morning service on Sunday 6th December.

For further information and to book a tree please contact Paul and Gill Elliott by emailing paulgillelliott@outlook.com.

Ashbourne Gospel

We are excited to launch the Ashbourne Gospel as a creative visitor project throughout the Summer.

We're creating the Ashbourne Gospel, a church and community project in Ashbourne.

Here's how you can get involved:

Call into St Oswald's Church. We have set up a table and chair under the Crossing, complete with pen and paper.

Press the on button of the light box. You will then see the guidelines underneath the paper.

Choose the next verse from the printed sheet and write that in your best handwriting. Once complete, cross through the verse on the printed sheet and add your name to the list of contributors, if you would like to be listed in the back of the bound book.

[Find out more.](#)



Macmillan Coffee Morning

A very big thank you to everyone who came and supported the coffee morning. A very big thank you too for all the contributions of cake, tombola prizes and energy that make the morning happen.

There was a lovely atmosphere in the Church as we set out the morning, following on from St Oswald's Primary School's Harvest Festival Service. How wonderful to have our beautiful Church celebrate so many activities.

We are waiting for a final figure to send to Macmillan but it will be in excess of £300.00

Thank you all.

Lindsay Walker







Church Groups

Walking and Rambling with St Oswalds

St Oswald's has a choice of two walking groups.

The Ramblers group meets on the 2nd Monday of the month, starts walking at 10.00am and covers approximately 5 miles.

The Walking group meets on the last Saturday of the month, starts walking at 9.30am and covers approximately 10 miles.

Ramblers Group Dates (All rambles start at 10 a.m.)

- Monday 12th October 2026

Walking Group Dates (All walks start at 9:30 a.m.)

- Saturday 26th September 2026 - St Oswald's walkers will be walking from the village car park in Alton this Saturday, 26th September, starting at 9.30am. The walk should be around 6 miles, and will include a visit to Croxden Abbey.

Gill

Email : paulgillelliott@outlook.com

Walking Report

6 of us met at Alton village hall in beautiful sunshine for our walk last Saturday. We set off through the village and Gallows Green before joining field paths towards Bradley in the Moors, then on towards Great Gate, meeting some rather frisky cows, a pair of horses and some very friendly donkeys. The views towards Weaver Hill were stunning. We turned east towards Croxden, where most of us enjoyed our snacks in the ruins of the Cistercian Abbey while two went for coffee and cake at the MacMillan coffee morning in the church. This was very much a walk of two parts; before the Abbey there were lots of stiles, after our break there was only one; we followed a bridleway and then a country lane back to Alton. Following the walk we adjourned to the Ramblers Retreat for more welcome refreshment.





Dates for your Diary

- 6 October - Ossie's Potters
- 7 October - Carers Count
- 12 October - Ramblers Group
- 13 October - Ossie's Kitchen
- 20 October - Ossie's Potters
- 20 October - Mothers' Union
- 27 October - Ossie's Kitchen

See [Forthcoming Events](#) on the website.

Concerts at St John's



**DERBYSHIRE
COMMUNITY MALE
VOICE CHOIR**

Saturday October 10th
7.30pm - St John's Church
Tickets £10 adults, under 18s £5
Tickets available in advance from Natural
Choice or on the door.
Licensed bar available.
Proceeds towards the upkeep of St John's

October is going to be a busy month at St. John's Church with two fabulous concerts planned.

We are delighted to be welcoming the Derbyshire Community Male Voice Choir on Saturday October 10th.

Tickets are available from Natural Choice and from Julie Hughes (Jules) as well as on the door.

Jules can be contacted by email on stjohn.ashbourne@btinternet.com.

Then on October 31st Lumos return to wow us with their Candlelight Concert featuring Fleetwood Mac inspired music.

Tickets available from Lumos on www.lumos-experiences.com



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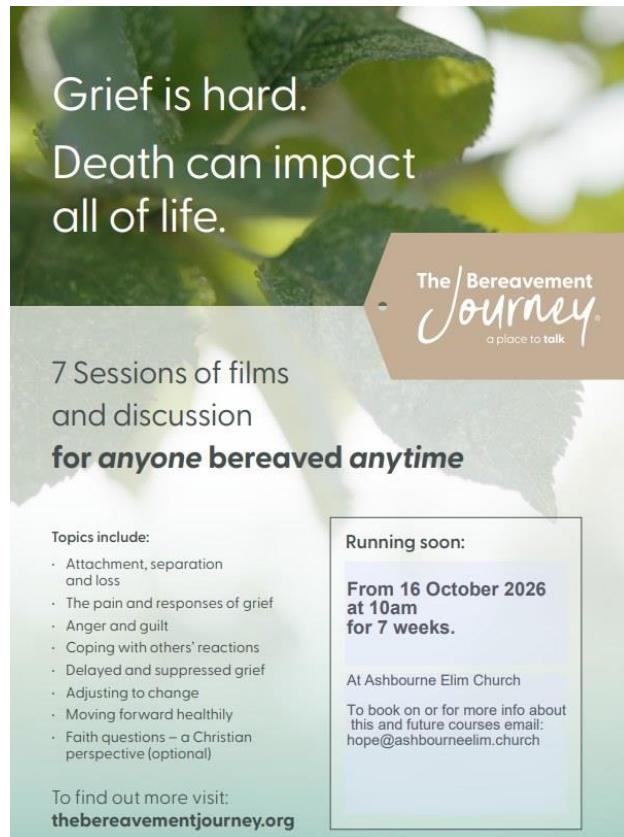
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**A Fleetwood Mac Candlelight Experience
In Ashbourne - Saturday 31st October**

🕒 Sat 31st Oct at 7:00 pm until Sat 31st Oct at 10:00 pm
📖 St. John's Church (C of E)
👤 Age Restrictions: 8+

Bereavement Journey Course - 16th October

A daytime Bereavement Journey course starts on 16 October at 10 am at Ashbourne Elim Church. For further details, email hope@ashbourneelim.church.



Grief is hard.
Death can impact
all of life.

The Bereavement Journey
a place to talk

7 Sessions of films
and discussion
for anyone bereaved anytime

Topics include:

- Attachment, separation and loss
- The pain and responses of grief
- Anger and guilt
- Coping with others' reactions
- Delayed and suppressed grief
- Adjusting to change
- Moving forward healthily
- Faith questions – a Christian perspective (optional)

To find out more visit:
thebereavementjourney.org

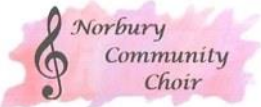
Running soon:

**From 16 October 2026
at 10am
for 7 weeks.**

At Ashbourne Elim Church

To book on or for more info about
this and future courses email:
hope@ashbourneelim.church

Charity Concert - 17th October, Norbury



Charity Concert

Sat 17th October
2 pm
St. Mary & St Barlok's Church
Norbury DE6 2EQ

Community Choir
Special Guests
Singalong Songs
Refreshments to follow

Please scan QR
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to this wonder-
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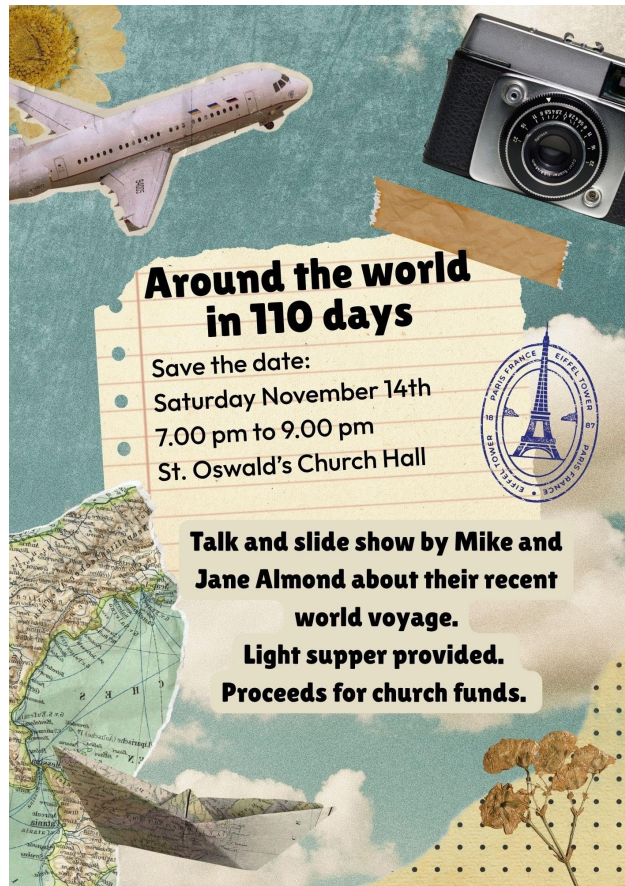
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Around the World in 110 Days - 14th November



A Landmark in Ashbourne

The Spire of St Oswald's Church emerges beautifully in the distance



Giving and Donations

Donate to St Oswald's

If you would like to set up a regular payment to St Oswald's Church then you can do so through the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS).. You can find out more information on [the PGS website](#) where you can also set up a regular payment.

Alternatively you can telephone the Parish Giving Scheme on 0333 002 1260 to set up a payment. (The PGS code for St Oswald's Church is 120612186).



Give a Little

St Oswald's church is open every day of the week. If you would like to make a donation to the work of St Oswald's Church you can do so from the [Give a Little website](#).



Easyfundraising

St Oswald's Church is registered with easyfundraising, which means you can raise FREE donations for us every time you shop online. Since joining we have raised £500, and that is with only 29 supporters.

Over 7,000 brands will donate to us when you use easyfundraising to shop with them – at no extra cost to yourself! These donations really mount up and make a BIG difference to us, so we'd really appreciate it if you could take a moment to sign up and support us. It's completely FREE and only takes a moment. You can find our easyfundraising page by [>> CLICKING HERE](#)



Safeguarding

Keeping People Safe

We are committed to ensuring that our church is a safe place for everyone and take the safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults very seriously. We adhere to safeguarding rules laid down by the Church of England and the diocese of Derby.

Report a Safeguarding Concern: Protecting children, young people and vulnerable adults is the responsibility of us all, whether they are in the communities in which we live or part of our Christian family. If you have a concern about a child, young person or adult who may be at risk of harm please speak to the Parish Safeguarding Coordinator via the Parish Office.

If you have concerns about a member of the clergy or an employee of the church please contact the Diocesan Safeguarding. To confidentially report a safeguarding concern please complete the [Safeguarding Concern Form](#) or call 01332 388678. You can also report any concerns to the Police or Social Care. The important thing is that your concerns are shared with someone in a position to help.

Footnotes

If you have any comments about this newsletter or wish to submit any material to be included, please email: parishoffice@ashbournechurch.org.uk.

If you have not already subscribed to receive an email reminder when a new update to the newsletter is available, you can [subscribe here](#).

To keep up with the latest church news, please follow us on our [Facebook Page](#).

We now have a new [Instagram](#) account too.
