

Ashbourne Church News 10/05/2026



Welcome to this Week's Newsletter

Church and Parish Office Opening Times

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

- *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

- *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.

Ministry Thought for the Week

Crochet

Well, I've recently taken up crochet as a hobby. It's difficult, it's challenging, and it's enjoyable. We need a certain degree of challenge in the tasks we do, otherwise we wouldn't have any sense of achievement or accomplishment in the things we do, and life would be pretty boring.

However, too much of a challenge isn't a good thing either, for that's when we start to get disheartened. So, getting the balance right is important.

So yes, my crochet is full of mistakes, and I'm learning step by step, but that's fine because I'm enjoying the process. It's a bit like our Christian life really, each stitch is like a day, some are better than others, but stitch by stitch, day by day, the garment grows, and one stitch leads on to another, and one row, depends on the next, and gradually a pattern emerges. So it is in our life of faith, prayer and reflection, study and discipleship grows, it changes us, we become a new person in Christ.

Saint Paul writes in Galatians 3:27 NIVUK:

'All of you who were baptised into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.'

And again in Colossians 3:12-14 NIVUK Saint Paul says:

'As God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.'

In the final verse we hear how love binds everything together - even when mistakes are made and, in the same way that the stitches are bound together in love, so must we be if we are in Christ.

And, so, when I look at the wool on my crochet hook it reminds me of love, as being the common thread that binds us together in our lives our faith.

So yes, I'm enjoying my crochet, I'm not very good at it, it is a work in progress, a bit like our lives of faith.

God Bless

Lynda



What's New

Teddy Bear Parachuting 20th June - Asking for Help

We need a bigger BBQ to operate outside where the aroma of bacon entices the crowds and, this year, we need willing helpers to do the cooking.

Can you help?

We are also in need of one or two gazebos if anyone can help us with these, please?

Please contact Lindsay via the Parish Office.

Taking our faith and hope and love to people in Ashbourne

A few of us from the Ashbourne Churches are planning to start a Healing Room in the renewed Methodist Church. A Healing Room is a place and a time when Christian prayer ministry is available to anyone. e.g. Thursdays 4.30 to 6 at Costa, Chellaston. Ashbourne Churches Together Committee have given the idea an enthusiastic welcome.

Healing Rooms UK is a long-established umbrella organisation which has helped start up Healing Rooms in many towns, and which gives Guidelines and Training. [Home - The Healing Rooms](#) We will be overseen by them and by a local Board of Reference.

We will have a banner inviting people to come in to pray with someone for a friend or for themselves. In my experience as a Vicar and Prison Chaplain, not everyone receives healing but most are grateful for a touch of something, usually of peace.

Three of us are from St Oswald's, with three from other churches. We would love a few more people to join us. We will always have two people praying; one more comfortable with praying out loud, one more comfortable praying quietly. We will receive training from the

National Healing Rooms and locally. Might you like to make yourself available to join us praying for others for their peace?

Contact Roger Harper-Allen for more details harperrog@gmail.com



Carers Count at Fairways Garden Centre



If you care for a loved one and would like to meet others in a similar situation for a chat over a cup of tea or coffee, you would be so welcome. Just pop along.

Usually the meetings are on the first Wednesday of the month in The Church Hall, 10 am until 12 noon. But, due to holidays, our NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON 13th MAY at Fairways Garden Centre, 10 am until 12 noon in the restaurant.

Messy Church Volunteers

Would you like to volunteer to support Messy Church? Taking place once a month on the fourth Sunday from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m., you could help with the activities or cooking and service food. No preparation required beforehand. Please speak to Ash Toombs or Dwayne if you would like to find out more.



Bells for Birds

Bells are rung on a specific date in early May, between 2nd - 10th, across Derbyshire, to highlight the Swifts' return to the UK after their long migration. St Oswald's dedicated the ringing of the bells last Sunday evening to the return of the Swifts.

Find out more about [Bells for Birds](#).

Together, we can celebrate Swifts
returning to Derbyshire.



Credit: Nick Upton

How to celebrate Swifts this year:

- Eyes to the skies – watch for Swifts arriving from Africa in May
- Let us know you have spotted a Swift by posting a picture on social media with #BellsforBirds
- Log your sightings on our Swift Map (head to our webpage using the QR code below)
- Encourage your local church, school or community group to celebrate - And ring their bells!
- We'd love to see local parades, posters and art celebrating Swifts
- Give a Swift a home – install nest boxes, Swift bricks, and grow insect-friendly gardens



For more information
scan here

<https://www.derbyshirewildlifetrust.org.uk/bells-birds>



Derby Diocesan Association

On Sunday, 3 May 2026

Ashbourne, Derbyshire

St Oswald

Tenor: 13-1-21 in F

300 Plain Bob Minor

Rung on the front 6 with a tenor cover.

- 1 Val Marston
- 2 Heather Self
- 3 Peter Dickinson (C)
- 4 Celia Dickinson
- 5 Rose Chesshire
- 6 Andrew Burns
- 8 Jonathan Baker

Rung as part of the Derbyshire Wildlife Trust 'Bells for Birds' initiative, welcoming the Swifts back to the UK after their long migration from Africa.

St Aelred's Pilgrim Trail

The walking group has been walking the St Aelred's Pilgrim Trail (1st to 8th May). This is a 41 mile pilgrimage linking the 9 churches of Upper Ryedale and Helmsley with Rievaulx Abbey. Aelred of Hexham was a Cistercian monk and from 1147 – 1167 he was Abbot of Rievaulx. He wrote on Christian friendship and was gifted with wisdom to lead.

We're collating [an album of photos](#) on the website, and will be sharing additional photos from this week's walk. Included here are a small number of photographs taken during the week.











Let's Picnic Together - 12th July



Joining together at Ashbourne
Festival Picnic in the park.

LET'S PICNIC TOGETHER!



PACK YOUR
PICNIC AND JOIN
US FOR A
WONDERFUL
TIME TOGETHER!

**SUNDAY,
12TH JULY**

The picnic will be held
from 1pm

Location:
Ashbourne Memorial Gardens

Free Dementia Training



Become a Dementia Friend

Join us for a free Dementia Friends Session delivered by one of our volunteer Dementia Friends Ambassadors. During this friendly and interactive session, you'll learn more about dementia, how it affects a person and what you can do to help people affected by dementia in your community.

Date	Tuesday 19th May 2026	Wheelchair accessible?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Start time	19:00	Other information	
Duration	1h 30m		Paid Parking is available in the Leisure Centre Car Park, Clifton Road, DE6 1DR
Venue	The Link Centre Station Road Ashbourne DE6 1AA		Refreshments will be available from 6.30pm

How to book onto the session:

Booking is required by midday on Friday 15th May so that we can ensure we have enough resources for everyone. Contact Ruth at booking@ashbournemethodist.org.uk for more information or to book your place.

Furniture Donations for our new curate!

Our new curate, Rachel Knight, will move into the diocesan property in Clifton in late May. She and her husband (Alan) are moving from a canal boat, so they will have no furniture. They won't need crockery or kitchen items, just large furniture (as all the furniture in a canal boat is fitted and secured to the walls). Do you have any furniture sitting around that you might want to donate? This might be the time to consider refurbishing a room, getting that new sofa or new bed, and then donating the old one to Rachel and Alan! Please let Nicola in the office know if you have anything you can donate. We'll work out how to pick that up/collect it once we have a comprehensive list closer to the date. Thank you for supporting Rachel as she joins us!

Bishop Francis from the Church of North India visiting on Sunday 12 July

The Ashbourne Churches Together (ACT) have an ecumenical partnership with the Diocese of Patna. Bishop Francis, their bishop, is joining us in July for two weeks. He'll be with us on Sunday 12 July and with Ashbourne Methodists on Sunday 19 July. The Church of North India (CNI) is a United Church formed when the Anglican, Methodist Baptist and Presbyterian Churches in North India joined together. CNI calls on a mixture of traditions from the joining Churches for its governance and its worship. More info to come soon as we look to actively relaunch St Oswald's involvement supporting the ACT – Patna partnership!

Hosting Diocesan Choral Festival

Plan to join us at Evensong on Sunday 14 June for the Diocesan Choral Festival with choirs from across the diocese, including the Derby Cathedral choirs, will be with us!

Christian Aid Week

It's coming up to **Christian Aid week 2026** and the cake stall at **Tissington Well Dressings**, both in the same week!

This is our shared moment to come together with friends from other Ashbourne churches to stand alongside people living in poverty around the world.

Would you be able to help again this year? Or for the first time if you've not been involved before? There are lots of ways to help.

Please can you let **Catherine Green** (catherine@birchlodge.uk) know if:

1. You are available for a few hours between **10th and 16th May** to **deliver Christian Aid envelopes** to houses in Ashbourne?
2. You would be willing for **your letterbox to be used as a drop-off point** for people to bring their filled envelopes to? (The last few years we have not knocked on doors to collect envelopes, but have instead offered a network of local letterboxes that people who want to give can drop their donation off at. We have found that we can raise the same amount of money this way, as long as we cover enough of the town. You'll be given a poster to display near your letterbox to reassure people they have the right house)
 1. You would be willing to also **knock on doors to collect envelopes**? We know that we get a lot more money from certain streets this way, but it does take longer and some people don't like it
 1. You could **bake a tray-bake or cake** to sell at Tissington Well Dressings from 14th to 17th May?

1. You could **staff the cake stall** for a 2-hour slot between **14th to 17th May**? A great opportunity to see the Well Dressings too.

You could also **sponsor Janet Wright**, who will walk **'70K in May'** (Sponsor Form in Church).



The Bereavement Journey at Elim 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:

Starting 11 May 2026
7 - 9pm
at
Ashbourne Elim Church
DE6 1DG

For more info or to book
your place please email:
hope@ashbourneelim.church

Church Services, Readings and Music

Weekly Online Service

Weekly Online Service

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

Recorded Services

This week's recorded service can be downloaded using the following link:

[Morning Prayer for Easter 6, from St.Oswald'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.

May Services

ASHBOURNE GROUP OF CHURCHES

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

Day		Time	Church	Service
	MAY			
Sunday	3rd	9.15	St John's Buxton Hill	Holy Communion
Easter 5		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	10th	9.00	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Breakfast Church
Easter 6		9.15	St Mary's, Mappleton	Holy Communion
		10.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Holy Communion
		18.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Evensong
Thursday	14th	19.00	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Holy Communion
	Ascension			
Sunday	17th	9.15	St John's, Buxton Hill	Congregation Prayers
Easter 7		10.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Holy Communion
		18.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Choral Evensong
Sunday	24th	10.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Holy Communion
	Pentecost	16:00	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Messy Church
		18.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Evensong
Sunday	31st	10.30	St Oswald's, Ashbourne	Holy Communion
	Trinity	16.00	Holy Trinity, Clifton	Family Patronal

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

PASTORAL CONTACT

To speak to a member of the Clergy call 01335 664159

Readings - 10th May: Easter 6

Morning Services

Genesis 8.20-9.17

At the end of the flood, Noah offers a thank offering to God. God promises he will not again destroy the earth, and the rainbow is a sign of this new covenant.

Then Noah built an altar to the Lord, and took of every clean animal and of every clean bird, and offered burnt-offerings on the altar. And when the Lord smelt the pleasing odour, the Lord said in his heart, 'I will never again curse the ground because of humankind, for the inclination of the human heart is evil from youth; nor will I ever again destroy every living creature as I have done. As long as the earth endures, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night, shall not cease.'

God blessed Noah and his sons, and said to them, 'Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth. The fear and dread of you shall rest on every animal of the earth, and on every bird of the air, on everything that creeps on the ground, and on all the fish of the sea; into your hand they are delivered. Every moving thing that lives shall be food for you; and just as I gave you the green plants, I give you everything. Only, you shall not eat flesh with its life, that is, its blood. For your own lifeblood I will surely require a reckoning: from every animal I will require it and from human beings, each one for the blood of another, I will require a reckoning for human life. Whoever sheds the blood of a human, by a human shall that person's blood be shed; for in his own image God made humankind. And you, be fruitful and multiply, abound on the earth and multiply in it.'

Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, 'As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.' God said, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.' God said to Noah, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.'

Acts 17.22-31

Paul visits the great city of Athens and preaches to the crowds, quoting words they would recognise from their own writers. He tells them that he speaks of the true God and his son Jesus.

Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, 'Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, "To an unknown god." What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For "In him we live and move and have our being"; as even some of your own poets have said,

"For we too are his offspring."

Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.'

John 14.15-21

Jesus continued his teaching, reassuring his disciples that after his death and resurrection, they would receive the gift of the Holy Spirit, in Greek, the 'Paraclete'. In a law court, the paraclete's role was to defend the accused. This was fulfilled at Pentecost.

Jesus said to his disciples 'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

'I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.'

Collect

Risen Christ, by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples:

help your Church to obey your command
and draw the nations to the fire of your love,
to the glory of God the Father.

Post Communion

God our Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life:
may we thirst for you, the spring of life and source of goodness,
through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Evensong

Zechariah 8.1-13

The word of the LORD of hosts came to me, saying: Thus says the LORD of hosts: I am jealous for Zion with great jealousy, and I am jealous for her with great wrath. Thus says the LORD: I will return to Zion, and will dwell in the midst of Jerusalem; Jerusalem shall be called the faithful city, and the mountain of the LORD of hosts shall be called the holy mountain. Thus says the LORD of hosts: Old men and old women shall again sit in the streets of Jerusalem, each with staff in hand because of their great age. And the streets of the city shall be full of boys and girls playing in its streets. Thus says the LORD of hosts: Even though it seems impossible to the remnant of this people in these days, should it also seem impossible to me, says the LORD of hosts? Thus says the LORD of hosts: I will save my people from the east country and from the west country; and I will bring them to live in Jerusalem. They shall be my people and I will be their God, in faithfulness and in righteousness.

Thus says the LORD of hosts: Let your hands be strong—you that have recently been hearing these words from the mouths of the prophets who were present when the foundation was laid for the rebuilding of the temple, the house of the LORD of hosts. For before those days there were no wages for people or for animals, nor was there any safety from the foe for those who went out or came in, and I set them all against one another. But now I will not deal with the remnant of this people as in the former days, says the LORD of hosts. For there shall be a sowing of peace; the vine shall yield its fruit, the ground shall give its produce, and the skies shall give their dew; and I will cause the remnant of this people to possess all these things. Just as you have been a cursing among the nations, O house of Judah and house of Israel, so I will save you and you shall be a blessing. Do not be afraid, but let your hands be strong.

Revelation 21.22 - 22.5

I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honour of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practises abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign for ever and ever.

Please remember in your prayers this week

Those who are unable to be with us in church, including Diana & Edmund Urquhart, Linda Torr, Arthur and Barbara Williams.

Those who are ill, especially Graham Price, Pam Phillips, Reina Hammond and Neil Burns.

The recently bereaved, especially the relatives and friends of Cedric Stevenson, Helen Smith, John Tomkinson and Frank Cheadle.

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

Our local churches.

Our Ministry Team: Dwayne, Maggie, Nigel & Lynda.

Music for May at St Oswald's

MUSIC	FOR	May	2026	Year A
SUNDAY	3rd	5th Sunday of Easter	White	
10.30		449 God of mercy, God of grace 369 All people that on earth do dwell 538 O Jesus I have promised Like a candle flame/Kendrick 474 Immortal invisible God only wise 590 The kingdom is upon you	(20th C)	6.30 O come ye servants of the Lord/Tye 455 Guide me O thou great Redeemer Psalm 147 Mag and ND G 343 O perfect love Day by Day/How 11 As now the sun's declining rays
SUNDAY	10th	6th Sunday of Easter	White	Rogation Sunday
10.30		253 For the beauty of the earth 271 God whose form is all creation 262 O Lord my God The Heavens declare the Creator's glory/Beethoven Seek ye first the kingdom of God 437 Go forth and tell! (Woodlands)		6.30 Grant we beseech Thee/Shaw 401 Come let us join our cheerful songs Psalm 36 vs 5-12 Mag and ND H 268 Timeless love! We sing the story The mountains shall bring peace/J Forbes L'Estrange 22 The day thou gavest
THURSDAY	14th	Ascension Day		
7.00		167 Hail the day 490 Jesus shall reign 163 All hail the power Rejoice the Lord is King/Archer 166 Crown him with many crowns		
SUNDAY	17th		White	
10.30		167 Hail the day 172 The head that once was crowned with thorns 163 All hail the power God is gone up/Croft 612 We have a gospel to proclaim 166 Crown him with many crowns	6.30	Choral Evensong Canticles; Murrill in E Responses; Sanders Rejoice the Lord is King/Archer 398 Christ triumphant Psalm 47 612 We have a gospel to proclaim O thou the central orb/Wood 163 All hail the power
SUNDAY	24th	PENTECOST/WHITSUN	Red	
10.30		192 On the day of Pentecost 383 Be still for the presence of the Lord... 176 Come gracious Spirit Come down O Love Divine/Harris 174 Breathe on me breath of God...tune Trentham 175 Come down O Love divine	6.30	Come Holy Ghost/T.Attwood 182 Gracious Spirit Holy Ghost Psalm 67 Mag and ND I 176 Come gracious Spirit Come down O Love Divine/Harris 184 Holy Spirit truth divine
SUNDAY	31st	TRINITY	White	
10.30		Little Organ Mass/Haydn 200 Affirm anew the threefold name 202 Holy Holy Holy 418 Father Lord of all creation Sanctus/F.Schubert 426 Firmly I believe 267 Thou whose almighty word	4.00	Clifton Patronal Festival Songs of Praise No evening service at St Oswald's

Dates for your Diary

- Sunday 10th May @ 09:00 - Breakfast Church
- Tuesday 12th May @ 16:00 - Ossie's Kitchen
- Wednesday 13th May @ 10:00 - Carers Count at Fairways Garden Centre Restaurant
- Thursday 14th May @ 19:00 - Ascension Day Holy Communion
- Tuesday 19th May @ 13:00 - Ossie's Potters
- Tuesday 26th May @ 16:00 - Ossie's Kitchen
- Sunday 21st June @ 15:00 - New Curate Welcome Tea

Get Involved

- Saturday 1st August - Young Adults Pilgrimage to Taizé

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

Rachel Knight, our new curate

All are invited to come and welcome the new curate, Rachel Knight, Sunday 21st June at 15.00 for a Welcome Tea at St Oswald's. (We will also need help with cakes, please)! She will be ordained at Derby Cathedral that morning at their 10.45am service. Please keep her in your prayers.



There are many men and women in our community who are caring for a loved one and it is very seldom realised just how little recognition they get for fulfilling such an important but lonely role. If you, or someone you know, is caring for a loved one, for whatever reason, and would like the chance just to have somewhere you can have an hour or so respite with coffee and chat with people who understand the challenges you face daily, then come along to 'Carers Count'.

'Carers Count' meet on the first Wednesday of every month between 10am and 12 noon at St Oswald's Church Hall in School Lane, Ashbourne where you are assured of a warm welcome, a friendly face and a listening ear.

We work with Derbyshire Carers Association who give advice regarding practical support to which one might be entitled. They also support our meetings with the occasional special event.

For more information and to let us know that you would like to come along, then call Maggie or Nigel on 01335 664159



 Ashbourne Group
of Churches

JOIN US FOR
**BREAKFAST
CHURCH**
AT ST OSWALD'S, ASHBOURNE

EVERY SECOND SUNDAY FROM 09:00 - 09:45

Bacon butties, cereal, toast and
a short all age service

A warm welcome is awaiting you.

ashbournechurch.org.uk

V&A at Wedgwood

Thursday 25th June.

Coach outing to V&A at Wedgwood and then onto Trentham gardens for lunch. Stroll round the gardens, explore the lake and wire Fairies, take a trip down the lake on the boat or just sit and watch the world go by. Don't forget you can also look around the shopping village and explore the garden centre.

Coach will leave Ashbourne at 9.30 and return approx. 4.00.

Cost - £25 to include the coach and admission to Trentham gardens.

Please email gillianelliott@live.co.uk for a place.



**Thursday 25th June
Coach Outing to
V&A at Wedgewood**



**Continuing to
Trentham Gardens**



**The coach will leave Ashbourne at 9.30am
and return at approximately 4.00pm**

**Cost - £25 to include the coach and
admission to Trentham gardens**

**Please email gillianelliott@live.co.uk for a
place.**

Car Boot and Table Top Sale

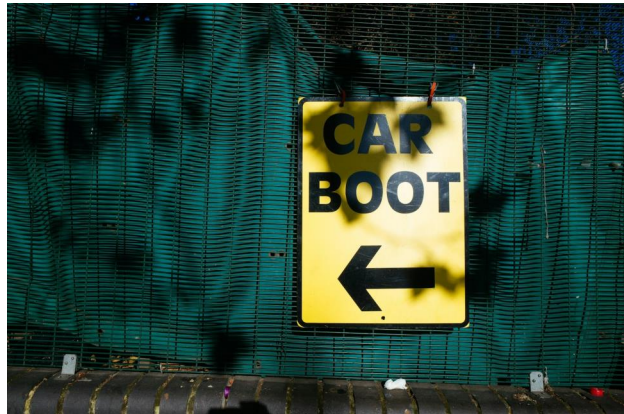
Saturday 4th July.

St Oswald's church hall and car park.

Car boot and table top sale.

More information to follow.

Please check the newsletter for further details.



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 11th May 2026. Starting at Parwich car park, grid ref 191 542.

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

- Saturday 30th May 2026

Gill

Email : paulgillelliott@outlook.com

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 over £400, and that is with only 27 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.

The contact details are:

Celia Dickinson, Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO)

Mobile: 07754 883935

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

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