

ASHOVER VILLAGE FILMTIME

Doors open at 7pm for tea/coffee: Film starts 7:30pm

No need to book Suggested donation £3

Thursday 21st March 2019

Tommy's Honour (PG)

Working class father and son rely on skill and business acumen to make Tommy one of the world's first sport superstars and founder of the modern game of golf.

Starring: Peter Mullan, Jack Lowden, Ophelia Lovibond.

Director: Jason Connery

FOREIGN FILMTIME

Thursday 7th March 2019

Where Do We Go Now (PG)

The women in a Lebanese village find inventive ways to stop the men in their Muslim/Christian community from bickering and to keep everyone together - a tonic to counteract division in our world with humour.

In Arabic, Russian and English with English sub-titles.

Yoga for All

A new mixed-ability Hatha Yoga class will be starting on Wednesday 6 March, 6.00 - 7.15pm

in the upstairs Bassett Room

with Julie Millward of Keystone Yoga.

Suitable for beginners as well as those with some experience of yoga. For more information,

email jules@keystoneyoga.co.uk

or call / text 0741 3056364.

Appreciation of Art

Presentations by Sue Lewis-Blake, a local artist and teacher

Each session will look in detail at one famous work to understand why it is considered to be so significant in the history of art.

Ashover Bassett Rooms, 5.30 - 6.30 pm

Thursday 28th March

Michaelangelo - "David"

David has appeared in numerous art works - what makes Maicaelangelo's version so significant

£5 per session, no booking, pay at the door

Contact Mike Steel on 01246 591371

Uppertown Social Centre

Saturday 16th March, 7 pm for 8 pm

Honey Don't - Rock-n-Roll Band

£11 including supper

Saturday 13th April, 7pm for 8 pm

Murphys Marbles - Irish & Folk

£13 including supper

Saturday 11th May 7 pm for 8 pm

The Haleys - Country & 50's

£13 including supper

Call Eddie for tickets on **07966 154798**

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amber news

For the amber churches of
Ashover, Brackenfield, Handley and Wessington
working and playing together, with God, for people

March 2019

Church Services in March

Sunday 3rd March

9.15 am Brackenfield Church Holy Communion
10.45 am Ashover Church Holy Communion
(+ children's activities)

Ash Wednesday 6th March

10.00 am Ashover Church Ash Wednesday Service

Sunday 10th March

9.15 am Brackenfield Church Morning Prayer
9.15 am Wessington Church Holy Communion
10.45 am Ashover Church Family Service
10.45 am Handley Church Morning Worship

Sunday 17th March

9.15 am Wessington Church Holy Communion
10.45 am Ashover Church Holy Communion
(+ children's activities)
10.45 am Handley Church Holy Communion

Sunday 24th March

9.15 am Brackenfield Church Holy Communion
9.15 am Wessington Church Family Service
10.45 am Ashover Church Holy Communion
(+ children's activities)
10.45 am Handley Church Morning Worship

Sunday 31st March

9.15 am Wessington Church Mothering Day Service
10.45 am Ashover Church Mothering Day Service
10.45 am Handley Church Mothering Day Service

Lent Lunches

Enjoy a modest lunch of delicious home-made soup and a roll any Sunday in Lent from 10th March from 12.15 pm in the Bassett Rooms.

Coffee Shop

1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 10 am - noon
Bassett Rooms, Ashover

On 19th March all donations received will go to the charity AQUABOX supplying the possibility of clean water to communities around the world



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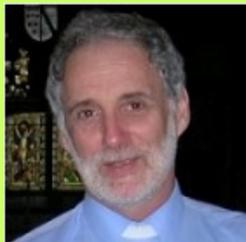
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The Rector Writes ...

Dear Friends,

There is an old Jewish proverb which says "God could not be everywhere, therefore he made mothers". Motherhood, at its best, reflects all that is good, and a good mother is priceless.



The significance of motherhood varies in different branches of the Church. This is most obviously seen in the importance that Mary, Jesus' mother, plays. But whatever the attributes accorded to her, the Christian family today all agree that Mary is a good role model. The hymn "Tell out my soul" is a rendering of Mary's utterance on learning of her unique place in God's purpose to become the mother of Jesus. Her innate humility and sensitivity are wonderfully summed up in her reaction to the events that would involve her in the birth of Jesus, events that she is said to have pondered in her heart.

To remember Mary's significance and goodness is an appropriate way of marking Mothering Sunday.

Goodness is, essentially, the expression of God-ness. If God is love, then at the heart of goodness is love. Goodness is not something which we attain. It evolves within us through the miracle of grace, as does so much of life. Goodness is not an achievement, more a product - a fruit from the harvest of grace. It manifests itself in an individual who has been affected or influenced by the goodness they have experienced from others. Such goodness is more visible to others than to ourselves; we influence the world most when we are unaware of the goodness we have given.

Goodness is not a merit we create. It is that which develops in us through grace. And as such, as Mary made clear, it is a matter for profound humility.

Among the many blessings Jesus brought was his shining goodness. As Mothering Sunday comes again it is right to suggest that some of the Lord's goodness was surely the result of the good mother he had.

Yours sincerely, Ralph

A History of Christianity

As a reflection for Lent, Sir Diarmaid MacCulloch's "A History of Christianity" will be screened in the

Bassett Rooms, Ashover
2.00pm – 3.00pm

Wednesday 6th, 13th, 20th,
27th March & 3rd, 10th April.

Further details from Ralph.

From the Registers

ASHOVER

Funeral:

David Chatfield. Aged 85.
Service held 8th February 2019

Doris Frith. Aged 87.
Service held 22nd February 2019

WESSINGTON

Baptism

Noah Christopher Smith.
Service held 10th February 2019

Come - Everything is ready

For the 2019 World Day of Prayer Service

On the first Friday in March Christians from over 120 countries come together in a service prepared by women from a different country every year. It is the largest ecumenical movement including Catholic, Protestant, Orthodox and Evangelical Christians.

In 2019 the women of Slovenia have organised the service based around the parable of the Wedding Banquet when invited guests made so many excuses why they could not come that the King sent his servants out to invite everyone from the streets. It is designed to show that everyone everywhere is invited to God's party - *Come - Everything is ready*.

Our local churches come together in a different church each year and it is the turn of Wingerworth Church to act as host this year.

World Day of Prayer Service for Everyone

Friday 1st March, 10 am

Wingerworth Church

Come - Everything is Ready

No Going Back at Wessington

On Sunday 10th February we welcomed Karen and Chris Smith to Christ Church, Wessington who brought their young son Noah Christopher for Baptism. Ralph gave a good illustration of the Israelites having made the decision to go forward across the Red Sea on dry land but when the water came back in there was no going back. It is the same when we make the decision to be baptised, it is a way forward for the whole of our lives. It was lovely to see so many young families in the church which was beautifully decorated with snowdrops for a very happy occasion.

A date for your diary : Wessington Well Dressings will be held from Saturday 6th to Monday 8th July.

Slovenian Apple Pancakes

Following the Slovenian theme of the World Day of Prayer, here is a recipe to ring the changes on Pancake Day. These are called **šmorn** or **cesarski praženec** which means "Emperor's Mess"!

4 eggs separated
125 ml milk
100 gm castor sugar
Pinch salt
125 gm plain flour
1 tbsp butter
2 tbsp icing sugar
400 gm apple sauce (with 1 tsp cinnamon)

1. Beat the egg whites to soft peaks.
2. Beat the egg yolks in another bowl then mix in milk, sugar, salt and flour.
3. Fold in the egg whites
4. Melt the butter in a large frying pan over medium heat; pour the batter into the pan and cook until golden brown; flip and cook on the other side for 1 minute.
5. Tear the šmorn into pieces using 2 forks and continue cooking until golden brown, about 2 minutes. Sprinkle with icing sugar to garnish and serve with apple sauce and a spoonful of cream, ice cream or yogurt.