

Old House Museum	01629 813642
Oxfam (Bakewell Group)	01629 636477
Peak Chamber Orchestra	07954 146049
Peak District Mines Historical Society	01629 583834
Peak Lapidary Mineral Society	01433 620304
Peak Music Society	01629 640470
Peak Performance Theatre School	07721 995050
Peak Rail Society	01629 580381
Photographic Circle	01629 813376
Photographic Club for Beginners U3A	07922 004930
Poppy Appeal Organiser	07970 326971
Probus Club (Bakewell & District)	01629 640132
Ramblers' Association, Derbyshire Dales	
Relate (marriage Guidance)	01246 31010 (Chesterfield) Or 01332 49177
Rotary Club	01629 57445
Royal British Legion	07718 374951
Royal British Legion (Welfare)	07710 171300
Royal British Legion Women's Section	01629 813925
Royal National Lifeboat Institution	01629 650522
Rugby Club, Mannerians (Seniors & Juniors)	01629 814299
St. John Ambulance (Bkwl Quad)	01629 813257
Samaritans	01246 27000 or 01142 767277
Scouts	07974 197663
Sustainable Bakewell c.i.c.	01629 815123
SVB (All Saints Visiting Group)	01629 81400
Tools for Self-Reliance (Third World)	01629 733944
University of the Third Age	01629 636477
Victim Support Services	08006 126505
Village Aid	07432 053964
Well Dressings	01629 815827
Working Men's Club	01629 812826
Young Farmers' Club	01773 853821
Youth Theatre	01629 814630

## Christmas Good News

From Bakewell Churches Together Issue 3. December 2019

### Bakewell Quakers - message for Christmas edition of Churches Together in Bakewell 'Good News'

Quakers take many approaches to celebrating Christmas. The underlying conviction is that all of life is sacramental and each and every day is sacred; that what God has done for us should always be remembered and not only at Christmas, Easter and Pentecost.

At Christmas 2016 a number of Bakewell Quakers wrote about what Christmas meant to them. Here are excerpts from those comments:

'What the Christmas stories offer is the Christian Gospel in miniature, another way of seeing life and of living our lives. They are pregnant with the theme of Light – Light in a dark world, Light illuminating the way for the people of God. They offer Hope, new birth, new possibilities.

They bring good news of great Joy because they bring a new Hope. The Gospel message of incarnation – God becoming man – is also a message about the possibilities and potential of human life and human nature.'

'Christmas reminds us to see things in a new way. Among the first witnesses to Jesus' birth were shepherds. They were outcasts., but they were the ones who heard the message of the angels:

*'Glory to God in highest heaven and on earth peace to all in whom he delights.'*

And the Magi were gentiles, showing that the Christmas message is for the whole world – outcasts and gentiles.'

Undoubtedly there was a birth...and every birth is itself a new miracle.... so with joy! But there were journeys as well, prompting reflection on those journeys but also on our own journeys, and those of others...very real, spiritual or metaphorical. And there were gifts, and a star, and shepherds with their lambs...so we should not eschew the magic of Christmas, give and receive, laugh and love and share....

But above all, carve that time out for reflection, so that through the frantic excitement of it all may breathe that "still small voice of calm".

As you read this edition of 'Good News' you might like to compose your own

comments about what Christmas means to you.

Marcus Borg, the 20th century theologian wrote: “The Christmas birth stories are not a pipe dream but a proclamation that what we see revealed in Jesus is *the* way – the way to a different kind of life and a different future.”

However you celebrate Christmas, may it be to you ‘good news of great joy’.

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## Editorial

Welcome to the Christmas 2019 issue of the Good News. Thank you to everyone who has helped with the content of this issue. First, I’d like to look at a few of the points that were raised from the last issue:

**Anyone** can write an article. It can be anonymous if you wish. All you need to do is write as if you were telling your friend the story and yes, I will correct your spelling if you are worried.

**You can write about anything in any way** (we have a poem this )

**Yes, I will type your article out** for you if you do not have access to a computer.

**Any age** can send in something (it was suggested that children may wish to write too. Will parents please vet what is sent!). It could also be something a child has said to you.

**Good News** for those with access to a computer (or a friend who has) - you can now print/read the Good News at home. This is what you do....

1. Go to [www.medwaycentre.co.uk](http://www.medwaycentre.co.uk)
2. Click on **Bakewell Good News**
3. Click on the issue you want to read and print or read

**Don’t panic**...there will still be printed versions in all Churches, the library, Medical Centre, Medway Centre, Care Homes, etc.

In this issue you will find news about our Churches, recent visitors to the town, events that have happened, Special Needs, what the Town Hall is doing and what local societies have been doing. Perhaps you’ll see information about a society you would be interested in joining. You may have information about something from the past (like the Friday Group article).

**Please send articles to me at [theresanuttall217@binternet.com](mailto:theresanuttall217@binternet.com) or to Cherry Trees, Wyedale Drive, Bakewell, DE45 1BB by 29<sup>th</sup> February 2020.**

People said they would like to see an up to date version of the useful telephone numbers that were in the old Good News. If you have more recent updates or numbers you want added, let me know.

*Terry Nuttall*

*John Henry Newman wrote: “A man would do nothing if he waited until he could do it so well that no one could find fault.”.*

Chatsworth Players	07425 919965
Carnival Committee	01629 812110
Children's Society	01629 812657
Choral Society	01629 814520
Club 52	01298 821151
Christian Aid	01629 640345
Citizens' Advice Bureau (Mon 9.30am-2.00pm Agric B Centre) (Mon 900am-12 noon Medway Comm. Centre)	08443 752712 01629 813638
Community Education Council	01629 813747
Community Health Council, North Derbyshire	01246 233042
Community Transport	01629 641920
CVS (Derbyshire Dales)	01629 812154
Cricket Club	01629 813665
Cubs (Monday Pack)	01629 732173
Derbyshire Alert	03332 007304
Deaf & Hearing Support (CAMTAD N.Derbys)	01629 813316
Derbyshire Carers Association	01773 833833
Derbyshire Child Protection Team	01773 533190
Derbyshire Wildlife Trust	01773 881188
Derwent Rural Counselling Service	01629 812710
Disabled Club (Bakewell & District)	01629 810550
Electricity Regulation (OFFER)	01159 508738
Family History Group	01629 812327
Friday Group	01629 813153
Gideons International (Peak Dist)	01629 812921
Golf Club	01629 814133
Golf Club house	01629 812307
Guide Dogs for the Blind	01629 815384
Guides-1 <sup>st</sup> Bakewell Parish Church	01246 81046
Historical Society, Old House Museum	01629 813642
Home Help & Social Services	01629 584927
Hospitals of Bakewell Supporters	01629 813153
Masonic Lodge (Dorothy Vernon)	01246 583477
Medway Centre	01629 813638
Mothers' Union	01629 813232

## Bakewell Local Organisations

***Please check your entry and let me know if there are any updates***

Age Concern	01629 814920
Agricultural & Horticultural Society	01629 812736
Armed Forces (Veterans) Breakfast Club	07718 374951
Alzheimer's Society (NW Derbys)	01629 761194
Asylum Seekers & Refugees	01629 810172
Bakewell Cricket Club	01629 813665
Bakewell Croquet Club	01629 813665
Bakewell & District Civic Society	01629 813586
Bakewell & District Comm. Choir	01629 814167
Bakewell Floral Art Club	01509 673451
Bakewell Flower Club	01629 312427
Bakewell Gardening Ass. (BGA)	01629 812154
Bakewell Juniors Football Club	07808 716096
Bakewell in Bloom	01629 580295
Bakewell Pre-School Play Group	07976 740475
Bakewell Town Hall (events/bookings)	01629 810152
Bakewell Townswoman's Guild	01629 815196
Bakewell WI	07093259557
Band, Bakewell Silver	01629 813119
BASH Film Society	01629 814770
Beating the Bounds	01629 812979
Beavers (Thursday)	07808 946956
Beavers (Friday)	01629 812706
Bellringing (Parish Church)	01629 814521
Bird Study Group	07768 928432
Bowling Club	01433 639935
Bridge Club	01246 590623
British Red Cross	01629 813279
Brownies (1 <sup>st</sup> Bakewell – Tuesday)	01629 810369
Cancer Research UK	01629 735851

## Bakewell's Hidden Gem

The Medway Centre in Bakewell is proud to be a vital community hub, hosting many local groups in our modern and comfortable centre. The new Medway Centre was built to replace the old prefabricated building that had to be demolished in 1992. After years of fundraising and planning, work on the new Centre began in February 1998. Eighteen months and thousands of hours of voluntary labour later, the Centre was officially opened by the Duchess of Devonshire on the 17<sup>th</sup> July 1999.

The Centre is owned and managed by its members and volunteers and employs two part time Administrators and a part time cleaner. We therefore rely very heavily on volunteer support to help with the management, maintenance and fundraising.

We offer modern, attractive facilities for all forms of leisure activities, exercise, dance and drama classes and events, theatrical and musical productions, as well as group meetings, training and conferences.

In this our twentieth year we are starting a programme of works to upgrade some of the fixtures and fittings, which were begged and borrowed when we first opened. We are also pleased to say we will be hosting the "Good News" on our website so you can access the latest edition at the click of a button.

We are always looking for people willing to help out every so often on painting days or spring cleans. Can you spare a few hours? If so please get in touch. Call Margie or Niki on 01629 813638 and they will add your name to the helper list.

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### **The Crafty Kids Club**

The Crafty Kids Club started in 2009 and runs every Tuesday mornings from 10.00am to 12.00pm during term-time at the Medway Centre in Bakewell. It aims to provide art and craft activities for very young children (babies to pre-school) and their carers (which include parents, grandparents and other carers). The group not only provides a 'way in' for carers and children to share and enjoy art and craft activities together but also provides valuable support and advice, as well as a point of social contact for what could be isolated parents or carers.

To this end we have a group leader, Jane Law, who is a retired childminder, very experienced in childcare and planned activities as well as having information and insight which new carers can use. She also has a Level 3 B.Tec in Childcare and Early years and is CRB checked. Jane feels the group gives children the opportunity to enjoy doing crafts with all the equipment provided, making friends and joining in with a group which is very much part of the local community.

If you are in charge of a youngster, baby, toddler or pre-schooler, come along and have a go, or just play if you prefer. The £3.00 charge (optional) per family covers a drink and biscuits and all are welcome. For further information please call the Medway Centre on 01629 813638, or just come along.

## Christmas Preparations

It was in September that I noticed the mince pies in the supermarket. Is it that near Christmas, I thought, feeling that perhaps my ageing brain had missed out on a month or two. But it was simply another example of cashing in on the seasons as early as possible. Beach balls out, mince pies in! And in January the Easter eggs will be on the shelves. Is time really going so fast or am I just slowing down?

Christmas preparations start early in the shops, but by now they should be high on our spiritual list too. As Lent is our little pilgrimage towards Easter, so Advent is our path to Christmas. That birth we celebrate with reverence, joy and awe leads inevitably towards the death on the cross, and our Advent should reflect the close connection between the two great feasts. The resurrection of the Lord is the centre of our faith, and without His birth there would be no death or resurrection.

So our preparation should not consist of running round like headless chickens, filling our time with Christmas card lists, decorations and the turkey. These things may be important but they are not the essence of Christmas, are they? What we need to do is prepare ourselves for this great celebration of the Incarnation. We need to sweep out the corners of our hearts, where old resentments lie, polish the daily exercise of our faith, which we may have allowed to become a bit dusty, and dress our souls in suitable garments to greet the coming of Christ. Let us try to practise the two commandments He gave us: Love God and love your neighbour. Pray often, and seek to help those who need our help, particularly perhaps those who, for whatever reason, are not looking forward to the Christmas festivities but dreading them. May they find comfort in the love of those around them.

Anne Shimwell



### My Little Garden

Pansies blue and poppies red  
In my little flower bed  
A mix of flowers of every kind  
Help to soothe a troubled mind  
With butterflies and buzzing bees  
Dancing in the summer breeze  
A spider is spinning a silver web  
Just below the window ledge  
O what beauty can be found  
If only we look around

Margery Gregory

## THE PEAK DISTRICT CHALLENGE 2019

On Saturday 13 July the first Peak District Challenge (part of the Ultra Challenge Series run by a company called Action Challenge) was staged in Bakewell.

Starting just before 7am, approximately 1700 people set off to either run, jog or walk the course, which was either 25km, 50km or 100km through the Peak District. The earlier part of the course went through Manners Wood, Edensor, Chatsworth, Baslow, Calver, Stoney Middleton, Wardlow, Litton, Tideswell, Miller's Dale, Blackwell, Taddington, Monsall Dale and back on the Viaduct and Monsal Trail back into Bakewell.

Those doing 25km finished at Tideswell – the 50km competitors finished back in Bakewell and the very brave then completed another 50km from Bakewell to Over Haddon, Monyash, Parsley Hay, Tissington Trail, Newhaven, Pikehall, Minninglow, Longcliffe, Grangemill, Wensley, Darley Dale, Rowsley and back to Bakewell via Wicksop Wood.

The first competitor to run the 25km course ran it in 2h 41m 4s.

The fastest for the first half 50km was 4h 55m 58s.

And the second 50km was 6h 7m 13s.

The fastest competitor to run the whole 100km continuously did so in 11h 30m 37s.

Many competitors came from all over the UK and were delighted to be running in northern England for a change – as many similar competitions are held – but usually in the southern half of the country.

Locally the Fitism Gym from Bakewell entered 9 competitors – all of whom finished the 50km course within the top 60 out of 591 fellow runners at this distance – despite the fact that the majority had never taken part in an event of this type before. Many congratulations to them all for taking part and raising money for a variety of charities.

Heather Thomas

*When you watch on the television the interviews with some of the folk who have just run the race and they say they did the race for mum who died from a certain disease, do you ever think they are actually also racing for people that they don't and probably never will know. There's something inside everyone of us that makes us do these things so that strangers will not go through what mum did. It's one of those things that make us human. Different people will have names for such a feeling - compassion, human kindness, love? It always warms the heart when there are so many examples of this fellow feeling in and around Bakewell and our country in the midst of world wide indifference.*

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## Bakewell Town Council

The Town Council works hard to make Bakewell a great place to live, work and visit.

We meet on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month and members of the public may make representations during Public Speaking, at the beginning of the meeting.

Clr Bill Storey is the Mayor for 2019-20. The Council has 9 members and is traditionally non-political.

Clr Storey said, "As Mayor again for 2019-20 it is a privilege to chair our meetings and represent Bakewell at a wide variety of events. I am very honoured to be Mayor for a second year and hope we can continue having a positive impact on the town"

The work of the Town Council is wide and varied, and currently includes:

- Making responses, as a statutory consultee on planning applications
- Managing our land and assets including Scot's Garden, Parsonage Field and Endcliffe, Catcliffe and Ball Cross Wood
- Working with County and District Councils, Peak District National Park Authority and many other bodies and groups on matters of common concern
- Leading the Bakewell Partnership which is presently working on the Bakewell Neighbourhood Plan
- Responding to consultations – from road closures to proposed highway changes, car park charges to public toilet closures we provide a "local community voice" to various organisations
- Flood Warden Scheme
- Offering grant assistance to bodies benefiting Bakewell and its residents

Amongst other work we are currently working on preparations for the public celebration of Christmas and the switch on of the Tree in Bath Gardens at 4.45pm on Saturday 23rd November 2019 as part of the Christmas Market weekend.

Our website : [www.bakewelltowncouncil.gov.uk](http://www.bakewelltowncouncil.gov.uk) contains lots of information about what we do and has answers to many frequently asked questions.

The Town Clerk can be contacted at [townclerk@bakewelltowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:townclerk@bakewelltowncouncil.gov.uk) or 01629 813 525. The Clerk's Office is open to the public on Monday (except meeting days), Wednesday and Friday mornings from 9.30am until 12.30pm and at other times by prior appointment

John Rowe: Town Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer

## All Saints, Bakewell and St Anne's, Over Haddon

Vicar - The Rev'd Canon Tony Kaunhoven : Tel: 01629 814462,  
email: [jazzyrector@aol.com](mailto:jazzyrector@aol.com)

Curate – The Rev'd Brenda Jackson:  
email: [rev.brendajackson@gmail.com](mailto:rev.brendajackson@gmail.com)

Curate – The Rev'd Sally-Anne Beecham email: [revsabeecham@gmail.com](mailto:revsabeecham@gmail.com)

Churchwarden - Dorothy Bushen - Tel: 01629 814496

Mothers' Union - Carol Wicksteed - Tel: 01629 813232

PCC Secretary - Sue Marsh - Tel: 01629 812979

Administrator/Treasurer - Joyce Glencross Tel: 01629 640134,

email - [j.glencross@btinternet.com](mailto:j.glencross@btinternet.com)

Tots and Teds - Kath Naylor - Tel: 01629 812457

PA to the Vicar - Emma Raynes Tel: 01629 814462,

email - [bakewelljazzypa@gmail.com](mailto:bakewelljazzypa@gmail.com)



### **Usual Sunday Services at All Saints, Bakewell:**

11am Parish Sung Eucharist (Parish Fusion Eucharist every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday)

6pm Evensong

Holy Communion service on Thursdays at 9:30am

### **Usual Sunday Services at St Anne's, Over Haddon**

10am Eucharist on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays

These are subject to change so please visit our website for up to date services and services in the other churches in the benefice at Sheldon, Ashford in the Water and Rowsley; and details on other regular events including the Christmas Tree Festival and services: [www.bakewellchurch.co.uk](http://www.bakewellchurch.co.uk)

### Christmas 2019

#### **Bakewell All Saints**

Christmas Tree Festival: 12-22 December

1 December - 6pm - Advent Carol Service

12 December - 7pm - Christmas Tree Festival Opening Service

15 December - 6pm - Taize Service

22 December - 6pm - Carol Service

24 December - 4pm - Crib Service

24 December - 11.30pm - Midnight Mass

25 December - 11am – All Age Eucharist

#### **Over Haddon, St Anne**

22 December - 4pm - Carol Service

25 December - 10am - Communion by Extension/Eucharist



## How would you feel if you were born with Different Needs?

*Nowadays we are more aware that we all have individual needs - some more obvious than others - nobody is perfect. Yet we still remain unsure about how we can help people who have different needs to ourselves. Thank you, Natalie, for writing this piece. It is very difficult to open up and say how the attitudes of people can have unpleasant repercussions and how a few well chosen words can lift spirits. What we need is to accept people for who they are and not how they look or dress. We should also remember that some disabilities cannot be seen on the outside but are internal or mental and these too need to be understood and recognised.*

**I was born with Cerebral Palsy down the left side of my body that is called hemiplegia. I have weak muscle tone, poor balance and limited use of my left hand with some nerve damage in my right hand, mild learning disability and epilepsy.**

When I was younger, I was in and out of hospital a lot. My school life was very unpleasant because I was bullied and teased because I was different. However, I did have one friend at school. He was my best friend and his name was Bradley. He lived a couple of doors down from me, so we hung around together all the time. I also went to college where I was put on a course that was with people with different disabilities, so I felt safe.

I've had a lot of problems in and out of my life – from bullying to hospital visits, and not getting a job was very hard for me. There were four very important people who helped me in my life – my mum and dad, my brother and my boss at Cancer Research, Kelly, who keeps pushing me to be the person I could be. Also, what helped me to cope was music. It was my escape. The minute I put my headphones on, the whole world doesn't matter anymore.

It would be better if people could try to understand and be supportive. Parents could take more time to find out about someone with a disability and teach their children that it is okay to have problems and that they should support children with disabilities so they can have confidence in themselves.

I've recently got myself a job that I enjoy and have made lots of new friends. I have started boxing which has made me more confident in life. I've also met someone else with the same disability and now she's my best friend.

*Natalie Wilson.*

*If anyone has any stories or suggestions they would like to share, please let us know. It is hard in these days of constantly changing, and sometimes misguided, 'PC' expectations, to know exactly how to act or what to say. The best thing to do is to ask the people themselves to suggest what should or should not be said or happen. TN*

## ROTARY BAKEWELL YOUNG CITIZEN 2019

**Rotary Bakewell President Tom Marshall was delighted to have presented the club's Annual Young Citizen Award to Lady Manners student – Ash Kreit.**



Ash is very well regarded by his school as the following statement from one of his teachers shows.

Since entering our Sixth Form, Ash has made a strong impact on the School community. He is an outstanding, hard-working and extremely diligent student with an exemplary record of attendance and punctuality. As well as undertaking the rigours of study at Advanced level, Ash has participated in an enormous number of extra-curricular activities, running the School Debating Society and gaining the Bronze Duke of Edinburgh's award to name but two.

He has been, and is, an active and proactive champion of campaigns addressing climate change and global warming. Ash is highly articulate, informed and persuasive and his ideas for the ways the school can reduce its carbon footprint are being seriously considered and implemented.

He has also organised fund-raising events in school for charities which have been most lucrative and gratefully received.

Staff in school and employers from his work experience placement at a local museum all comment on his reliability, dependability and self-motivation.

Ash has supported and earned the respect of younger students by volunteering to undertake lesson support duties and by acting as a listener in the school's successful "Read On" programme, where he has inspired others to enjoy literature and the pleasures of reading.

When Ash leaves us, his legacy of care, consideration and energetic action will remain to the benefit of all. and we consider him to be an ideal candidate for your prestigious award.

Ash is clearly a worthy recipient of our award. We wish him good fortune for the future.

## Bishop Samuel visits Bakewell

Bishop Samuel Kayinamura, Head of the Free Methodist Church in Rwanda – and one of the working partners of the Goboka Rwanda Trust – was able to spend a few days in Derbyshire in August as part of an invitation visit to the UK by the Queen’s Foundation College in Birmingham.

Whilst here, Bishop Samuel visited the community in Castleton – who had fundraised to buy cows which had been placed in a poor Primary School in Rwanda and in a Reconciliation Scheme – where the cow was gifted to a person sheltered by a neighbour during the Genocide. He/she then immediately gives it to protector and together they share the cow and its milk and manure to fertilize their land. Once the cow has a calf, the cow stays with the protector and the survivor receives the calf. Subsequent calves are then shared between the two families – making a lasting bond of friendship between people who were once enemies.

Approximately 40 people gathered to meet the Bishop and hear him speak about his own experiences in the Genocide and to personally thank them for their support.

During a second day, the Bishop travelled to Sheffield to St John’s Church, Abbeydale who – together with their link Church – Holy Trinity at Millhouses – had supported the Goboka Rwanda Trust in 2018 with their Lent Appeal which raised nearly £3,000, which was given to purchase doors and windows for a newly built Reconciliation Centre in the western province in Rwanda – where Bishop Samuel was raised.

This Centre, when completed later this year, will serve as a place of worship, a community centre, a training centre for health and agriculture and an assembly hall for the nearby primary and secondary schools.

St John’s is a Church supporting reconciliation programmes through the world-wide Community of the Cross of Nails – and were delighted to hear first-hand how after the genocide, the Bishop had firstly to forgive those who had killed most of his family and many of his friends, before starting to work for reconciliation in his country. This Reconciliation Centre has been a dream of his in bringing a large community together to share in the many events which will take place there in the country – and again to thank the 100 strong congregation for their support.

The third and final day for Bishop Samuel was to visit Café Rwanda in Bakewell where he met and thanked all those who volunteer to help each month to raise funds for Rwanda. The Café is held the second Monday of each month in the Court Room at the Town Hall in Bakewell and gives regular income to the Trust.

The Bishop then left to continue his UK visit by returning to Birmingham to hold talks at Queen’s Foundation College about possible future partnership working with Rwanda.

## BAKEWELL METHODIST CHURCH

[www.bakewellmethodist.org.uk](http://www.bakewellmethodist.org.uk)



**Minister:** Rev. **Adrian Perry**, The Manse, Bakewell 812195  
(email: [superintendent@peakmethodist.co.uk](mailto:superintendent@peakmethodist.co.uk))  
**Contact:** Mrs Heather Thomas, 1 Holme Court, Matlock St.,  
Bakewell. DE45 1GQ 813824

### Coffee in the Wesley Hall – 10.00 am to Noon:

#### Charity Stalls:

Dec:	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Flower Club	Mar:	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Cancer Research
	16 <sup>th</sup>	Available		9 <sup>th</sup>	Methodist Women in Britain
	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Closed		16 <sup>th</sup>	Derwent Lions
	30 <sup>th</sup>	Closed		23 <sup>rd</sup>	Bakewell WI
Jan:	6 <sup>th</sup>	Bakewell Methodist Church		30 <sup>th</sup>	Save a Life
	13 <sup>th</sup>	Aqua Box	Apr:	6 <sup>th</sup>	Friday Group
	20 <sup>th</sup>	Wounded in Action Grenadier Guards		13 <sup>th</sup>	Bank Holiday Easter Monday
	27 <sup>th</sup>	Available		20 <sup>th</sup>	Parkinsons
Feb:	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Available		27 <sup>th</sup>	Goboka Rwanda Trust
	10 <sup>th</sup>	Available	May:	4 <sup>th</sup>	Available
	17 <sup>th</sup>	Available		11 <sup>th</sup>	HOBS
	24 <sup>th</sup>	Junior Diabetes Research Foundation		18 <sup>th</sup>	Bakewell Methodist Church

### Healing Place:

This takes place in Bakewell Methodist Church lounge on the **first Monday of the month - 10am to 12 noon**. There will be an opportunity for anyone to come and receive prayer for healing in Jesus’ name. Prayers for healing are not limited to physical problems. The wholeness that Jesus wants to give includes the relief of anxiety, stress or guilt. For further information, please contact Rev. May Gladwin on 01629 815169

### Groups

**Keep Fit:** Mondays 7.00 pm – 8.00 pm. Gentle exercise for all ages and sexes.

**Bakewell Choral Society:** Mondays in term time – 7.15 to 9.30 pm

**Peak Patchworkers:** Tuesdays in term time – 9.00 to noon

**Carer and Toddler Group:** Thursdays - 10.00 am to 11.45 am

### SPECIAL EVENTS (Please feel free to join us at any of the following events)

December:	13 <sup>th</sup>	WI Carol Service at 7.30pm
	21 <sup>st</sup>	Town Nativity 2-00pm to 3.15pm
	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Choir Service at 10.30am
	24 <sup>th</sup>	Carol Service at 6.00pm
	25 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Day Service at 10.30am

## St Anne's Church Over Haddon

The warm days of Summer are now a (pleasant) memory and the relentless rains of Autumn are well and truly with us! But the "season of mists and mellow fruitfulness" is also the time we traditionally celebrate harvest and the last service we had at St Anne's in September was our Harvest Festival. This is always a happy occasion with the church looking beautiful with the windows filled with arrangements of flowers, foliage, fruits and berries, the singing of the harvest-time hymns and the opportunity after the service to chat while we eat delicious cakes and drink tea or coffee. So many thanks to the ladies who decorated the church, to those who provided refreshments and to Fiona who played the organ. I hope that those of you who didn't get to the service managed to pop in to enjoy the beauty of the church at this time of the year. Indeed, as I write this, the church still has lovely displays of flowers to enjoy.

As well as the offerings of fresh fruit to accompany flowers, etc., the church also received lots of canned, packaged and bottled foodstuffs. This is good because we are able to distribute them more easily to those in need. This year we were able to take seven large bags to the High Peak foodbank in Buxton, which was much appreciated, so many thanks to those who contributed. Fresh foods were mainly apples, so after about a week we put them in a box at the church gate for passers-by to help themselves. St Anne's attracts quite a lot of walkers throughout the year as they call in while walking up or down Dale Road, so this can be seen as an extra welcome for them.

We continue to have regular services at 10am on the second and fourth weeks of each month and it looks as if they will become more varied in future, with "Communion by Extension" or "Morning Prayer" replacing some of the more traditional "Eucharist" services. This is mainly as a result of changes to the availability of clergy locally. Our vicar, Tony, has five churches to look after in the Bakewell Benefice and has two curates; Brenda, who will remain part of the Bakewell team and Sally-Ann, who is on temporary secondment from Chesterfield. Both will be ordained next year. We also have Nigel, a retired vicar, whom some of you know, but John Hargreaves, another retired vicar living locally, is no longer available. He has taken many services at St Anne's in recent years and is loved by the congregation, so we send him warm wishes for his "real" retirement and look forward to seeing him and Judith from time to time. The next special service will be the Remembrance Day service at 10 minutes to 11 on Sunday the 10<sup>th</sup> of November at the War Memorial on Main Street. This will be taken by Pat Bryant and we hope to see another good turnout of locals for this beautifully poignant service. After that we move into the Christmas season, with Advent beginning on the 1<sup>st</sup> of December.

Our Carol service will take place at 4pm on Sunday the 22<sup>nd</sup> of December, with some good rousing singing and traditional readings, with sherry and mince pies to share

**New Year's Day:** 11.00am Mass in Hassop

**Ash Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2020**

Mass at 10am and 6pm in Hassop with the distribution of ashes.

**Other events:**

**Parish Christmas Fair** in Hassop on Saturday and Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November/1<sup>st</sup> December 2019.

The Saturday evening Vigil Mass will be in Hassop that weekend.

Refreshments in the Parish Rooms after Sunday Mass

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### Bakewell Area Asylum Seekers and Refugees Programme

#### Schools of Sanctuary

We are endeavouring to get local schools to work towards becoming 'schools of sanctuary' - that is they seek to make hospitality and friendship to all within and beyond the school a prominent part of their ethos. Curbar and Great Longstone Primary Schools are the first to come on board to bring this commitment centre stage in their life and curriculum.

**LOVE 'EM!**

*a collection of favourite recipes sold in aid of refugees*

This recipe book will cost £5 and be available in December from Sue Clark (01629 810172 or sue@clark58.eclipse.co.uk) and elsewhere. It will include quotes and prayers to raise awareness of the plight of many asylum seekers and refugees in a very hostile world.

#### Christmas tree in the parish church

The programme's advocacy group will be decorating a Christmas tree with notes about the concerns and needs of asylum seekers and refugees.



**All Saints Church, Hassop, DE45 1NS**



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**Vigil Masses in Bakewell take place in the Bakewell Methodist Church, DE45 1EE unless otherwise mentioned.**

**Usual Weekend Masses:**

Saturday Vigil Mass at 6pm in Bakewell  
Sunday Mass at 10am in Hassop  
Second Sunday of the month – Children’s Liturgy  
Last Sunday of the month - Family Mass

**Reconciliation:** 5.30pm before the 6pm Vigil Mass in Bakewell or by request in Hassop.

**Weekday Mass:**

**Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday:** 9.30am in Hassop  
**Thursday:** 10am House Mass in Bakewell - see Newsletter or website for venue each week.  
**Friday:** 11am Adoration followed by Mass at 11.30am

Please check the parish newsletter or parish website just in case changes have to be made. You can do this by going to the website: [www.allsaintshassop.org](http://www.allsaintshassop.org) and follow links to the current newsletter.

**All Saints’ Day**

31<sup>st</sup> October - Vigil Mass at 6pm in Hassop  
1<sup>st</sup> November - Mass at 10am in Hassop  
2<sup>nd</sup> November - All Souls’ Day: Mass at 10am in Hassop

**Christmas - all Services in Hassop**

**24<sup>th</sup> December:** 5.30pm Family Mass  
9.30pm ‘Midnight’ Mass  
**25<sup>th</sup> December:** 10.00am Mass of Christmas Day

afterwards, and there will be a Christmas Communion service at 10am on Christmas Day. The church will be decorated during the week beforehand with the greens and reds of the season, making it warmly welcoming at the darkest time of the year.

There is a lot going on but we need to think about adapting St Anne's church for the future, to ensure that it can continue to play a central part in the life of the community, which includes our many visitors, walkers and pilgrims. With this in mind we are considering making changes to the rear of the church (where you come in from the porch) to provide more flexible space and room for information and exhibition panels, not just about the church but about the village and the Dale. *Watch this space!*

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Roger Truscott

**Bakewell Quakers**

The Meeting House  
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Quakers affirm that every person has ‘that of God’ within them; that every person can directly experience God in their own way; that in our silent worship and in living in community we discover together what truth and love mean for us.

Bakewell Quakers meet for Worship every Sunday at 10.30 am at the Quaker Meeting House in Chapel Row, off Matlock Street. Our Meeting for Worship creates a space of gathered stillness. We come together where we can listen to the promptings of truth and love in our hearts, which we understand as rising from God. The silence may be broken by anyone who feels compelled to speak, pray or read.

Over the Christmas period, these meetings will take place at the Meeting House.

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December, 6.30 pm, Carols by Candlelight  
Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December, 10.30 am, Meeting for Worship  
Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> December, **10.00 am**, Meeting for Worship  
Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> December, 10.30 am, Meeting for Worship

## Christmases Remembered

*At Christmas, when families and friends gather to together, we often turn to reminiscing about well-known events that took place in the past. We remember times that may have seemed traumatic at the time, but now we can laugh about. The following is my memory of such an event....*

I would like you to imagine a country church nestling in the middle of a village just at it had for many years. Inside an expectant congregation is waiting with badly contained excitement. Mothers are clutching handkerchiefs - an essential on these occasions to help mask tears and giggles - while grandads are in charge of the photography.

The organist plays 'Little Donkey' and the nativity starts. Mary and Joseph walk down the aisle to the front of the church, hand in hand (Joseph isn't too sure about the holding hands bit) and settle behind the crib. In a flurry of tea towels, dressing gowns and tinsel haloes, the angels followed by the shepherds, who have heard the wonderful news about the birth of a very special baby, make their way to Bethlehem taking with them some two-legged sheep wearing fluffy hats. They tip toe down the aisle between the enchanted adults and utter the much practised "We've brought a gift for the special baby", at which point the woolly sheep sit crossed legged with much shuffling next to the crib. Mary says, "Thank you very much" in a quiet voice. "Ah" goes the congregation in unison and out come the hankies.

Then the three wise men (well, two wise men and one disgruntled wise woman who at the last minute was demoted from being an angel because the second king has spots), followed by their pages, walk solemnly down the aisle carrying a shiny paper covered box, a coloured biscuit tin that belongs to the caretaker and a fancy bottle that was snapped up at the last jumble sale. More hankies appear. The kings shout out their words (they've been told to speak loudly so everyone can hear) and the disgruntled queen gives her gift but only mutters because she didn't want to say any words in the first place! Then silence..... The congregation fidgets and waits expectantly. More silence.... A helpful angel whispers in Joseph's ear who shakes his head as all the colour drains from his face. Stage (or is it stable) fright. The nearest sheep gives Joseph a nudge or two, all to no avail. Then the donkey with cardboard ears says the unforgettable words "Mrs. Nuttall, Joseph has wet himself". More hankies to stifle laughs. Joseph's mum looks to the ceiling as if looking for divine intervention. Joseph stands extremely still hoping he can't be seen if he doesn't move. The angel sitting at his side tugs his dressing gown and says "Don't worry, baby Jesus won't mind". More hankies.

Well, the show must go on, so the organist immediately launches into 'Away in the Manger' and the cast sings with gusto. The Vicar steps forward to thank all and sundry and finishes the performance with a prayer. Children are collected, Joseph's mother promises to clean the carpet and the Head Teacher goes to find a calming

cup of tea. The unanimous decision was that this performance was one of the most memorable nativity services for ages. Poor Joseph was struck dumb in Church when he saw all those faces looking at him, waiting for him to speak. I sometimes wonder how the real Joseph felt all those years ago when he realised the enormity of the job that God had given him to do.

Another story I remember but can't remember where it came from, was when the school decided to let the children ad lib some lines in the Nativity Service instead of learning words. One young shepherd (who had just been given a new baby sister) repeated what he had heard at home. He looked deeply into the crib and said in a loud voice "What a lovely baby. He looks just like his dad". Time for hankies I think.

*Terry Nuttall*

*Have you any stories you would like to share?*

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**CHRISTIAN AID**



Christian Aid stands for dignity, equality and justice, believing everyone is equal in the sight of God and that poverty is an outrage against humanity, robbing people of their dignity. Christian Aid works with people of all faiths and none, both by working with partners to lift people out of poverty, helping when disasters strike, and challenging the structures and systems that favour the rich and powerful over the poor and marginalised.

Here in Bakewell we endeavour to raise money to help the work of Christian Aid. Last year we raised £2,524 with events such as the quiz, a charity stall, a Street Collection and a very successful Soup Lunch. The latter taking place just before Christian Aid Week in May, an informative and social occasion, not to be missed!

We recognize that not everyone can attend events but if anyone would like a personal collection box for that small change that makes your purse or pocket heavy, don't hesitate to ask, as we know 'every little helps'.