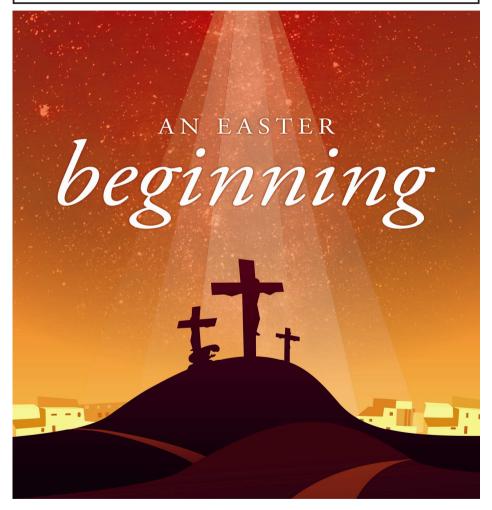
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Aston-Cum-Aughton with Swallownest and Ulley



April 2020

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Re: update mailing from the Bishop of Sheffield



My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

God did not give us a spirit of timidity, but of power and of love and of self-control. (2 Timothy 1.7)

Today the Archbishops have issued clear but challenging guidance for the Church of England, and I am writing to reinforce their message for the Diocese of Sheffield. These are difficult days and we are entering uncharted waters but we have the Spirit of the Living God as our strength and our guide.

The Archbishops' letter can be found here. They make five essential points:

- In the light of the advice of the Prime Minister yesterday, and the application to faith communities made by the Health Secretary, public worship in the Church of England is to be suspended. Further advice will follow in the coming days with regard to baptisms, weddings and funeral, but for now we must assume that Sunday gatherings and midweek meetings will not happen in the usual way.
- 2. However, meetings of small numbers of healthy Christians to pray in church buildings, to feed on the Word of God, to share in Holy Communion, and to intercede for the nation this can and should continue in ways that are safe for all involved and creative. Numbers all times; and obviously only those in good health should take part.
- 3. Every effort should be made to enable others, including older people and those with underlying health conditions, to pray at home, whether by accessing worship by live-streaming or using printed materials or other resources, such as those which can be found here.
- 4. Meanwhile, Christians have a God-given responsibility to serve neighbours and neighbou-hoods, and to care especially for the most vulnerable and for the bereaved. As many of our ordinary church routines are suspended, I hope many of us will be able to seize the opportunity taking the initiative to make phone calls, to organise support networks, to ensure provision for food banks and so on.
- 5. In particular, the Archbishops are calling us to a day of prayer and action this coming Sunday (22nd March), to hold before God the sick and the anxious and all involved in healthcare. The Archbishops are inviting us all to place a lighted candle in a window at 7.00 p.m. as a sign of solidarity and hope in the light of Christ that can never be extinguished.

The Archbishops have also today published an appeal in the Yorkshire Post and the Daily Mail



In addition, I would like to communicate the following points:

Yesterday morning, I had already asked my PA, Wendy, to clear my diary as far as possible between now and Easter, to enable me to be as present to you and to our Diocese as I can be. In the event, over the past 24 hours, developments have been such as to free up my diary anyway! But I want you to know that my first priority in the next month, is to ensure that across this Diocese we meet these extraordinary challenges as effectively as we can, for the sake of the Gospel and of the coming kingdom of God.

To that end, I have convened a Coronavirus Response Team, which will meet online every morning and will issue a daily communications update. In addition to myself, the CRT will consist of the Dean of Sheffield, the Archdeacon of Sheffield and Rotherham, the Interim Diocesan Secretary, the Diocesan Director of Education and the Communications Manager. We will of course be drawing on the help and expertise of other staff in Church House and around the Diocese. If you have a questions, please write to CRT@sheffield.anglican.org - we may not be able to respond to every query, but we will include some responses in our daily update.

Church House staff and staff here at Bishopscroft are being encouraged to work as far as possible from home. At present we plan for Church House to remain open for a skeleton staff each day, but to visitors only by appointment. We are making arrangements for the reception phone line to be monitored remotely.

In addition, I have met this morning with the whole senior staff team, to pray and to plan and to address some of the most urgent questions. We have decided the following:

- * The meeting of the Diocesan Synod on Saturday 21 March is postponed
- * The six clergy transition workshops scheduled between 23 March and 2 April are postponed.
- * The meeting of the Bishop's Council on 24 March is postponed.
- * The Leading Well day on Tuesday 31 March is postponed.
- * Gatherings for 'Initial Ministerial Education' for curates are suspended.
- * Gatherings for the School of Ministry are suspended

Meanwhile, we are still considering arrangement for three key acts of worship: the Consecration of Canon Sophie at York Minster on 25 March, her installation as Bishop of Doncaster at the Cathedral on 28 March and the Chrism Eucharists on 6 and 8



April. Obviously, these cannot go ahead in the way that was originally planned. They may ultimately have to be postponed, but we are currently seeking ways to enable them to go ahead in a paired back way, supported by live-streaming.

You are also encouraged to consider whether your church building might be kept open for private prayer and pastoral care. Obviously, great attention will have to be paid to hygiene and physical distancing. But the opportunity to light a candle, or to sit in silence before the Lord, might be a great support to many.

Please ensure that you continue to check the national guidance daily. You can find it here. The content is constantly being updated and is informed by the best available medical and legal advice. We appreciate that it is of necessity sometimes frustratingly vague, and requires local application. We will do our best to assist you if you are unsure what to do - but please trust to your own common sense and godly wisdom. You can help by taking responsibility confidently - you are after all the one who knows the local situation.

It remains the case of course that if you develop symptoms or if you discover you have been in 'close proximity' with someone who has symptoms (as a rule of thumb, that means within 2 metres for at least 15 minutes) you are expected to err on the side of caution and self-isolate for 14 days. If you are doing this, please inform us by email, addressing your message to CRT@sheffield.anglican.org so that we can support you. Please be assured that I intend to exercise discretion in such cases, so that absence in these circumstances will not be formally recorded as sick leave.

As you will be aware, the situation is changing very quickly, and I want you to feel empowered to take whatever decisions you deem necessary locally to ensure the well-being of yourself and your community (within the bounds of common sense and Christian godliness!). For example:

- * Please assume that in these exceptional circumstances, communion by extension even led by church wardens is permitted.
- * Please assume that you have my permission, in these exceptional circumstances, to dispense with the obligation to ensure Holy Communion is celebrated in every benefice every Sunday.
- * Please assume that if it is not possible for you to hold your APCM before the end of May, you have my permission to postpone it.
- * Please encourage couples who had been relying on marriage by banns, to apply instead for a Common Licence. This involves a fee, I'm afraid but with the suspension of public worship we cannot continue to call marriage banns.



In the providence of God, the appointed Psalm for Mothering Sunday (22 March) for the Principal Service is Psalm 23:

The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside still waters; He restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for His name's sake.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for You are with me; Your rod and your staff - they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD my whole life long.

Meanwhile, be kind to yourself and to those around you and be assured of my constant prayers.

With every blessing,

Petr sheffina

The Rt Revd Dr Pete Wilcox Bishop of Sheffield

INTERCESSION By Nigel Beeton

Pray for your neighbours – lift them to the Lord! Thank Him for all that they have done for you! Claim for your friends the promise of His Word; In intercession we find strength anew.

Ask of the Lord, and surely you'll receive Seek now His will, and surely you will find Knock at His door, and truly we believe In intercession we see God is kind.

Come to the Lord, for He is always there! Our worries, cares, and our concerns we bring; O waste no time, just come to Him in prayer In intercession we find God the King!





A short story from the Bible

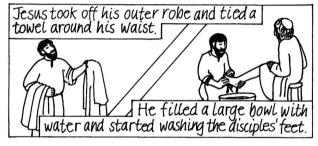
It can be read in the Bible in Luke 22:24, John 13:3-17 Jesus and his disciples were celebrating the Passover with the special meal. The disciples were bickering again.



There was a reason why no one wanted to be the <u>least</u> important the roads were mud and everyone's feet got very dirty.







Peter couldn't believe what he was seeing!



Are you really going to wash my feet?

You will understand later why I am doing this.



If you don't let me, you will no longer be my disciple

Then wash all of me!

If you've had a bath, then you only need your feet washing!



Once Jesus had washed all their feet, he put his robe back on and sat down



understand why I, your teacher, did this? I am setting you the example of how you are to serve each other. Do it, and God will bless you.



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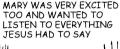


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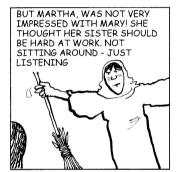








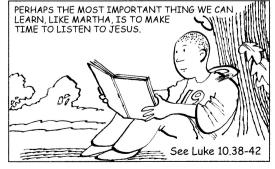
















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The Swallownest Council Junior Mixed and Infants School: Entries in the logbook during the first years of the Second World War



- 1st September 1939 In accordance with evacuation instructions the children assembled at school with their gas masks this morning. After examination of the masks the children were dismissed, registers were not marked.
- **4th September 1939 -** Teachers are in attendance at school this week, but owing to National Emergency children will not be assembled for instruction.
- 11th September 1939 Instructions against the opening of school have been received this morning. Schools in the Aston Parish will not re-open until further instructions are received.
- 19th September 1939 A deputation consisting of Rev. HRR Duncan, Mr. WJ Blewitt, Mr. A Ecclestone and Mr. GT Nicholson visited school today to go into the question of protection against air raids.
- 22^{nd} September 1939 County surveyors and other officials visited here this afternoon for the purpose of Siting Air Raid Shelters for the children.
- **29th September 1939 -** At a meeting held at 4 o'clock today, the local managers of schools in the Aston area decided that schools shall not be open until Air Raid Shelters are provided for the children.
- 10th October 1939 Teachers on the staff of this school are working this week at the Rural District Office, Rotherham in connection with National Registration of Food Control.

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16th October 1939 - A system of homework for the children is to be attempted this week.

18th October 1939 - Work in connection with the Air Raid Shelters to be built in the school playground has been commenced today.

30th October 1939 - In accordance with instructions received on Thursday last, school has reopened in full this morning.

10th May 1940 - A week ago, for the first time, the children were taken through the almost complete Air Raid Shelters. This afternoon the children have again been taken down to the shelters. The children were all down with hats, coats and gas masks in ten minutes, gas masks were put on whilst in the shelter.

31st May 1940 - Air raid drill has been practised five times this week.

20th June 1940 - Owing to an air raid warning during the early hours of this morning many children were, for three or four hours, unable to sleep. And in consequence were absent from school this morning.

25th June 1940 - The attendance has been affected this morning by an air raid warning during the night.

29th **August 1940** - Owing to an air raid last night and early this morning, the attendance is below 20%. Registers therefore have not been marked.

2nd September 1940 - More air raids caused low attendance.

17th September 1940 - More air raids caused low attendance.

11th November 1940 - Poppies were sold in school last week, and a simple service in connection with Poppy Day was held in school today.

17th **December 1940** - Children spent two hours in shelters owing to an air raid warning.

Ann Key Aston-cum-Aughton History Group





A Plea to the Community of All Saints Church

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Our church is run by the Parochial Church Council of All Saints Aston, which comprises elected members of the Congregation, Clergy and Licensed Lay members. The PCC meets every month to discuss our finances and how our money should be spent to benefit and improve our church.

These meetings cover matters from the day to day running of our church, to the safety of every person who enters our church, and the ongoing repairs and maintenance needed to ensure our church is fit for purpose.

We receive many wonderful testaments from visitors who visit our church; from those who have been to a Service, a Wedding, a Baptism, a Funeral or just decided to look around our Church when in the area or staying at Aston Hall Hotel.



Like many other organizations, our Church continues to have challenges to maintain the fabric of the building and the requirements for our Church and Community's future.

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We hope you too would like to consider becoming part of the continuation of our work and the future of our Church by donating whatever you feel you can afford. Being a charity, if you are a tax payer each £1.00 donation you give attracts 25p from the government, which as you can understand is of great help to us.

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About 700AD the people of Aston embraced Christianity and built a church: probably of wattle and wood. After the Norman Conquest in 1066 the Norman Lord erected a Hall and rebuilt the Church in Stone.

Together with your assistance we could help to ensure that our Church will continue into the future



GRANDMA AS POLLUTER?

I once wrote an exciting article on problems caused by leaking fuel tanks at decommissioned petrol stations. The issue was ultimately that former petrol station owners 'grandma and grandad' had not adopted 'best practice'. Fair comment. But the current labelling of older generations as culpable for impending Armageddon is on an entirely different scale. I think some perspective is needed. To help achieve this let's imagine an earthly paradise where:

- * There are no plastic bottles. All glass bottles are returned to the shop pending re-use. You get money back for the pleasure.
- * You have fresh local, milk delivered to your home in, re-usable bottles, before you even wake up. It's a daily service which uses electric vehicles.
- * Used bottles are collected the next day.
- * There are no plastic bags. Everyone uses paper bags for loose fruit and veg.
- * If you visit a sweetshop you pick exactly what you want from I individually priced items inside a glass case. 'Bags for life' don't exist. Reusable wicker, string or linen ones take the load instead.
- * Less than half of all households own a private vehicle:
- * People walk to the local shops pulling a shopping trolley, taking an environmentally friendly electric trolley bus or tram. People stay fit and carry out health promoting, load bearing, exercises by accident.
- * Children walk to and from school often on their own or with siblings and friends making it a healthy, friendly, experience. Nobody uses a 4x4 lorry' to transport a single child.
- * There is no fast food available except fish and chips a weekly treat. The only packaging used is paper polystyrene trays don't exist.
- * People eat freshly cooked meals from seasonal foods. Obesity is rare. Food is pretty boring.

- * People throw little away and buy few household items each year. New homes are established with hand-me-down-furniture often renovated not replaced. Clothes are passed down the generations. 'You will grow into it'.
- * There is no jetting off abroad. The vast majority holiday in the busy, vibrant, local resorts of Scarborough and Bridlington, often travelling by train. It is boom-time for umbrella manufacturers.

The panacea of eco-friendliness just described was where older people used to live. Let's call it 'Rotherham 1960'. So it looks like 'the problem' is everyone's *current* reliance upon particular types of stuff not the work of evil oldies.

Do pointy-fingered, judgemental, younger types seriously want to live back then; in an era without the technologies, conveniences, good health, relative wealth, liberties, opportunities for women and longevity we now take for granted? I doubt it

We criticise the creators and protectors of current comforts at our peril. It's too easy to dismiss the fact that older people have contributed and still contribute enormously to the practical betterment of billions of lives across the entire planet so that, for the most part, people have truly never had it so good.

Do you remember being warned against 'the arrogance of youth' and that 'It's always easier to tear down than to build up'? It happens in different ways and takes different forms but each younger generation eventually trips over its own hubris on the way to growing older.

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The prayers of Hippolytus (c 190 - c 236), though he lived in the third century, he profoundly influenced 20th century liturgical writers. He was a priest in Rome who was deported to Sardinia during a persecution, where he died. His hymn for Easter was widely used throughout the Western Church.



EASTER, OUR MARRIAGE CEREMONY

A Prayer of Hippolytus

You have protected us, Jesus, from endless disaster.

You spread Your hands over us like wings.

You poured Your blood over the earth,

Because You loved us.

The anger which we deserved You turned away from us And restored us to friendship with God.

The heavens may have Your spirit, paradise Your soul,

But the earth has Your blood.

We celebrate the coming of your Spirit always:

The Spirit leads the mystic dance throughout the year.

But Easter comes and goes.

Power came from heaven to raise You from death,

So that we and all creatures could see You.

All living things gather round You at Easter.

Thee is joy, honour, celebration, delight.

The darkness of death is driven away.

Life is restored everywhere.

The gates of heaven are thrown open.

In You, risen Jesus, God has shown us Himself,

So we can rise to Him as gods.

The gates of hell are shattered.

In you, risen Jesus, those already dead rise to life,

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Now Your promise has been fulfilled.

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At Easter, dear Jesus, You make us Your brides...



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Aston-cum-Aughton History Group

Meetings on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month, 7-9pm, William Layne Reading Room, Aughton Lane, Aston. Visitors welcome.

Aston-cum-Aughton Ladies Group

Meetings on the 3rd Monday of each month at 1.45pm in the Narthex at All Saints Church. New members / visitors welcome (small fee).

Contact Val on 0114 287 3214

Chatterbox Activity Group

for pensioners, carers and over 55's. See pg.23

Tuesdays 10am to 12.30, Central Methodist Church Hall, Lodge Lane, Aston. £2 Transport available. Extra help always welcome. Contact Janet on 07989 370593

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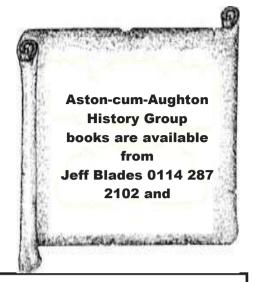
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From the Registers



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9 February Lenny Daniel Franklin

16 February Finley David Holmes

Funerals:

14 February 2020 Winnie Cooper

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ALL SAINTS CHURCH, ASTON



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If you are not yet in a network and would like a friendly call please email our Parish Admin Assistant Hazel on office@allsaintsaston.com

Give her your name, address, telephone number, E-mail and most important of all, your permission to pass this information to a local Team Leader.

Our daily prayers continue and we trust that you will stay safe and healthy.



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MONDAYS:	'Praise and Play' (on 3rd Mon Ulley) (term-time only)	1.30pm
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