

## GROUPS MEETING AT SINFIN MOOR CHURCH

**Group**                      **Contact**                      **Telephone No.**  
**Asian Men - Over 60's Group**    Mr Pabla                      ☎07845 891442  
 Monday to Friday from 1.00 ~ 5.00 pm.

**Footlights Stage School**                      Faye Elliott    ☎07779 665181  
    Anne George    ☎721108

Various types of dancing classes, for all ages and abilities in the Middle and Back Bays, all day on Saturday and on Tuesday/Friday evenings. See the bottom of page 15 for further details.

**Sinfin Live at Home Group**                      Eve Middleton    ☎07519 863035  
 Wednesday afternoon in the Middle Bay from 1.45 ~ 4.00 pm

**Brownies**                      Helen Chesshire    ☎07763 852278  
 Wednesday in the Back Bay from 6.00 ~ 7.30 pm

**Guides**                      Amanda Jenkins    ☎754770  
 Meet on Wednesday in the Middle Bay from 7.00 ~ 8.30 pm

**Parent and Toddler Group**                      Karen Bailey    ☎762585  
 Thursday in the Back and Middle Bays from 1.15 ~ 2.45 pm  
 Group only meet during school term time and **will restart in September.**

**Scouts** Matt Baker                      E-mail [Scouts119Derby@outlook.com](mailto:Scouts119Derby@outlook.com)  
 Thursday in the Back Bay from 7.15 ~ 8.45 pm

**Cubs (Nelson Pack)** Sam Reynolds E-mail [Cubs119Derby@outlook.com](mailto:Cubs119Derby@outlook.com)  
 Tuesday in the Back Bay from 6.30 ~ 8.00 pm

**Beavers**                      Lesley Holmes    ☎768581  
 Thursday in the Back Bay from 5.30 ~ 6.45 pm

**Slimming World**                      Mark Gadsby    ☎07530 987378  
 Thursday morning in the Back and Middle Bays 8.00 am - 12.00 noon.

**Sinfin Moor Church Music Group** Melanie Sant    ☎721927  
 Thursday in the Front Bay from 6.45 ~ 7.45 pm

**Please advise the Editor if there are any changes.**

# Sinfin Moor Church

*A Local Ecumenical Partnership serving Sinfin Moor and Stenson Fields*  
 Arleston Lane, Sinfin Moor, Derby DE24 3DH



Find us at:  
[www.sinfinmoorchurch.org.uk](http://www.sinfinmoorchurch.org.uk)

**November 2017**

*(Published on the 5<sup>th</sup>)*

10.00 am Taking our **Morning Communion** today is **Rev'd Susan McIvor** who is the Minister at this Church.

**Readings are:** Micah 3 v 5 - 12 and Matthew 23 v 1 - 12.

Bibles are available in the Welcome Area to follow the readings.



The Church building is fitted with an inductive loop system.  
 Hearing aid users should switch to the 'T' position.

We will be celebrating **Holy Communion** and we have an open table and invite all those who love the Lord Jesus Christ to take the bread and wine with us. If you wish to receive a blessing instead, please come forward when asked to do so and tell the Minister that is what you require.

If you do not wish to take communion or have a blessing, please remain in your seats whilst communion is served.

**We extend a warm welcome to those who is worshipping with us for the first time or visiting. Whether you are new or visiting:**

- **Please join us for complimentary refreshments and a chat in the Back Bay or Coffee Bar at the end of the Service.**
- **If you are a tax payer and want to Gift Aid your offering, yellow envelopes are available in the Foyer.**

There are no **Evening Services** planned for SMC.

## SINFIN MOOR CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

"We are a Christian Fellowship (including Anglican, Methodist and United Reformed ministries) committed to serving God and sharing the Good News of Jesus with everyone."

## CHURCH MINISTER AND CONTACT DETAILS 2017/18

<b>Minister*</b>	Rev'd Susan McIvor	765933
<b>Secretary*</b>	Julie Froggatt	722222
<b>Stewards*</b>	Julie Froggatt	Margaret Platt
	Michael Prince	Melanie Sant
	Melvin Worton	Vacancy
	John Archer	Colin Attenborough
<b>Church Council</b>	David Dockray	Eve Dudden
	Amanda Jenkins	Vincent Martin
	Wendy Roe	
<b>Safeguarding</b>	Julie Froggatt	722222
<b>Room Bookings</b>	Melanie Sant	721927
<b>Webmaster</b>	Vincent Martin	728295
<b>Newsletter Editor</b>	Ian Sant	721927 or ian.sant@ntlworld.com
• denotes members of the Church Council along with the Treasurer.		

The Editors are always happy to receive contributions for the Monthly and Weekly. However, they reserve the right to edit all contributions and this includes, in some cases, not using the material at all. All articles used are representing the writer's own personal view and they do not necessarily represent the views of the Church.

## PATTERN OF CHURCH WORSHIP AT SMC

10.00 am Morning Worship (Communion 1<sup>st</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday)  
Evening Services are held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month from May until September.

Credit: Cover diagram of SMC by Mike Prince.

## CHURCH DIARY DATES NOVEMBER

Saturday	11 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am	St Stephens Coffee Morning (See page 11)
Sunday	12 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am	Remembrance Sunday Morning Worship
Sunday	19 <sup>th</sup>	1.00 pm	Guides Christmas Meal (See page 13)
Wednesday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	6.30pm	Guides/Brownies Coffee Evening (See page 13)
Saturday	25 <sup>th</sup>	1.00 pm	SCC Christmas Fayre (See page 9)

## OUR SERVICES FOR NOVEMBER ARE:

5 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am	Morning Communion	Rev'd Susan McIvor
12 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am	Morning Worship	Peter Blount
19 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am	Morning Worship	Rev'd Susan McIvor
26 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am	Morning Worship	Rev'd Nigel Elliott

## Normal Weekly Meetings:

Monday	10.00 am - 12.30 pm	Church Coffee Morning
	1.00 - 5.00 pm	Asian Men Meeting
Tuesday	1.00 - 5.00 pm	Asian Men Meeting
	6.30 - 8.00 pm	Cubs
	8.30 - 9.30 pm	Footlights Stage School Adult Fun Tap
Wednesday	1.00 - 5.00 pm	Asian Men Meeting
	1.45 - 4.00 pm	Sinfin Live at Home Scheme
	6.00 - 7.30 pm	Brownies (Term Time)
	7.00 - 8.30 pm	Guides (Term time)
	8.00 am - 12.00 noon	Slimming World
Thursday	1.00 - 5.00 pm	Asian Men Meeting
	1.15 - 2.45 pm	Parent and Toddler Group (Term time)
	5.30 - 6.45 pm	Beavers (Term time)
	7.15 - 8.45 pm	Scouts (Term time)
	6.45 - 7.45 pm	Church Music Group Practice
Friday	1.00 - 5.00 pm	Asian Men Meeting
	7.00 - 8.00 pm	Footlights Stage School - Ballet
Saturday	9.00 am - 2.00 pm	Footlights Stage School (various classes)

For details of contacts, see the back page.

**Sinfin Moor Church Prayers  
November 2017**

*"So I tell you, no matter what you ask in prayer, believe it is yours already, and it will be yours!" (Mark 11 v 24, 'The Truth')*

**Please pray for:**

- **Our Minister:** Revd Susan McIvor as she continues to minister to the Church.

**Short term needs:**

- **Rev'd Mair Bradley** who is recovering well from her broken hip.
- **David Smith** suffering from a sequence of illnesses and a spell in hospital and now undergoing treatment.

**Long term needs:**

- **Marian Bannister** for healing of her eyes.
- **Vincent Martin** who has been in hospital and now receiving Chemotherapy for the Myeloma. The severe pain appears to be much reduced following the operation.
- **Richard Dockray** (David & Verity's son) who is at Bible College continuing his studies and his gardening work.
- **Nathan, Michelle, Lily and Ella Sant** as they continue their lives in Zimbabwe with things there becoming more challenging again.

**General needs for:**

All our Church family who:

- are unable to come to Church on a Sunday due to illness or ill health.
- Are undergoing treatment at this time or recovering from treatment, operations etc.
- All the groups who use our building, may they show respect to the premises and grow to provide an excellent service to those who use them.

Please do let Ken Bates-Wagstaff know of any prayer requests, they can be included in any edition of the Newsletter.

**The Monthly Message by Nathan Sant**

Can I ask you a question?

What's in your past?

Would you say it's good? Or are there some grizzly skeletons in it?

Be honest now, It's just between you and God. He doesn't get shocked! In fact, He already knows the answer.

I know I have done things that I am not proud of!

I guess we all have done things that we really aren't proud of. I think it's worse for us as Christians too, everyone seems to judge us a lot quicker. But everyone is human. What is it that Paul says to the Romans? All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God! (Rom 3:23) So we are all sinners, only God is just.

But I want to talk to you about someone who slipped from a very great height!

His name was David and he dropped the ball big time. (The full story is in 2 Samuel 11&12)

David was a king. In fact, he was THE king, the king who God had chosen to rule His people. David had beaten Goliath, He had won many, many battles and David had bought the Ark of the covenant back to Jerusalem. David was a living legend, he was known as a man after God's own heart. Yet David saw a pretty girl he liked bathing on the roof of a house close to his palace and he slept with her.

Now by today's standards that wasn't very scandalous. But the thing is, Bathsheba was already married. In fact, she was actually married to one of David's soldiers, who was out fighting for him on the frontline at that very moment, and he knew it. My guess is that David thought he could get away with it and that no-one would ever know. But unfortunately for him, Bathsheba became pregnant.

So now David is in a bit of a fix. The scandal that would happen if this got out. So David decides to sort it out himself. He cooks up a plan to have Uriah come home and be with Bathsheba then it will cover it all up and he will be ok. What he didn't account for though, was the fact that Uriah (Bathsheba's husband) was an honourable man who couldn't go and be with his wife while the rest of his men were on the battlefield. Uriah was so committed to his soldiers and his king, that he slept in the doorway of David's palace. David then makes another plan, He decides to send

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Uriah to the frontline and have him killed. The he thinks it will all be ok, and no-one knows.

Believe it or not, that is what happened, Uriah got killed, Bathsheba mourned and then David took her as his wife. I'm pretty sure that David had though he had gotten away with it, but God saw the whole thing, and He was not happy.

God sends the prophet Nathan to confront David. Nathan does this in a way that makes David realise what he has done and confess it.

So why am I telling you all of this? What is my point?

This story is incredibly rich and we could get so much out of it. But did you know that after all of this David is still known today as a man after God's own heart!

But how? He messed up in a monumental way, adultery, murder, lies and deceit are not small things.

The key, is David's response. When God called him out on his sin, David responded by confessing to it, in fact Psalm 51 is David's confession and his appeal to God for mercy.

See the thing is with sin, it loves darkness. It loves to sit inside our hearts, where no one can see it. When sin is in darkness it has all the power over us. Why? Because the devil can come along and use it against us. He can whisper in our ear "do you remember the you did that?", or, "what would people think of you if they knew you had done that?". In doing this he leads us into a prison cell, but this prison cell isn't made up of iron bars. It's made up of bars of guilt and shame. The devil will keep you focused on those bars of guilt and shame, because this cell that he has lead you into isn't locked, the door may be shut, but it isn't locked. The devil doesn't have the authority to lock that door. He isn't the judge, juror or jailer. Jesus is!

If you are a Christian, you have the freedom to walk out of that cell at any point you want. All you have to do is confess your sin. Because then it is bought out into the light and then it has no power over you. You cannot be kept in the cell. In fact, the cell should not exist, because the devil will accuse us in front of Jesus, and Jesus will say: "I know! Yes, they did that! But the price has been paid."

When Jesus died on that cross, all our guilt and shame died with him. The devil is a deceiver and doesn't want you to know that. He wants you

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### 1<sup>st</sup> Sinfin Guides

#### Guides Christmas Weekend

We will be having a weekend preparing for Christmas, yes we know it will be in November but we like to be prepared. We would like to invite you to join us for Christmas lunch on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November about 1.00 pm after church. We do ask for a donation towards the food, a tradition Christmas lunch with all the trimmings. If you would like to join us please book a place by putting your name on the list on the guide notice board or see Amanda Jenkins or Eve Dudden. If you are vegetarian we can accommodate you provided you let us know beforehand.

#### Joint Brownie and Guide Coffee Evening

in aid of Macmillan on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 6.30 - 8.00 pm. there will be cake stall and a variety of games



### Gift Day 2017

With this being launched on Anniversary Sunday we are again back to Monthly updates as to how this appeal is doing.

At the end of October it has risen to £432 towards the cost of installing additional security e.g. CCTV on our building.

### Monday Coffee Mornings

We had our first Coffee Morning in the Welcome Area on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October, Galina made a wonderful cake 🍰 to go with the tea, coffee☕, and biscuits🍪, no specific charge, donations only. I would like to thank Rita too for the lovely biscuits she supplied. We were really encouraged by how it went. This will be a **weekly** Coffee Morning with the exception of the 13<sup>th</sup> November, as we have Safeguarding Training that day. Please let your friends and family know, all are welcome it runs from 10.00 am - 12.30 pm. We would love it to be a real outreach for Christians and non-Christians alike, so if you know of anyone who lives on their own or just wants a place to relax and feel accepted, this is the place to be!

God Bless

Wendy Roe



### Sunday Morning Refreshments

We welcome all contributions of tea, coffee and biscuits which we use to serve refreshments after our Morning Service. So, whenever you are feeling generous and would like to donate any of these items, we would be most grateful.

### Concerns, worries etc. about our Church

We thought we would take this opportunity whilst we have the space to remind that you can approach the Minister, Stewards or any member of Church Council if you have any concerns, worries or require any help or advice about any aspect of what goes on at our Church.

A list of names and contact details can be found on page 2 of this copy of our Monthly newsletter.

### Prayer after the Morning Service

We continue to offer the opportunity for private prayer after the service should you require this; please see either Mary Davis or Verity Dockray who will be happy to pray with you.



Last Sunday, the Church flowers were sponsored by:

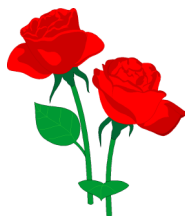
Madeleine and Mike Prince

as they celebrated their 46<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary

This week the flowers in Church are sponsored by

John and Rita Archer

in memory of Sue Keith.



**Closing Date** for the next newsletter  
**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November** please.

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locked up in that cell of guilt and shame. Why? Because you are dangerous, and you are powerful when you know the truth.

David confessed his sin and he also suffered the consequences of his sin. But he went on to do great and amazing things for God, his guilt and shame didn't hold him back.

1John 1:9 says

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness."

We have a God who is faithful. He does what He says. Don't hold onto you guilt and shame. Nail it to the cross and walk away.

May you have a blessed November.

*Nathan*

**Remembrance Sunday** - It is Remembrance Sunday next Sunday and we will be having our usual Morning Worship at 10.00 am and we will have a 2 minute silence at 11 o'clock. Please do try to join us for this important event.



## Monthly Coffee Morning

to be held at the Church on  
Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December between  
9.30 am until 12.00 noon



Come and enjoy the usual relaxed  
friendly atmosphere.



Tea Coffee Books Raffle  
and maybe

Breakfast Baps Homemade Produce

The volunteer helpers would love to see you there.

**Money raised is for the Building Works Fund**

### Building Works Fund (BWF)

This fund continues to be blessed with your generosity and at the end of October stood at an impressive £40,829.

That said, we must remind ourselves that we are in debt to the tune of £35,000 though we do have to pay the first instalment of £2,000 to the Bishop of Derby this coming week (the loan was £10,000 over 5 years paying £2,000 a year for 5 years).

In November, the Church Council will be making decisions on paying back some of our loans and in December we will have to pay the final payment (around £4,400) for the new roof and Welcome Area.

This means that by the end of the year we will know exactly where we stand and we can then plan for any future developments.

We will continue to keep you up-to-date with what is happening with this fund.



### £1 Coins

You will all be aware that the circular £1 coins ceased to be legal tender on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> October so you can no longer spend them in the shops. You will still be able to put them in your offering on a Sunday because the banks will still accept them. Make sure to check all your places you keep money so that you are NOT left with any of these coins.

### Relief Cleaner Required

We are in need of someone to be a relief cleaner to cover for holidays, sickness etc. If you are interested in this, have a word with Melanie Sant or in her absence, Ian.. Thanks.



### St Stephen's Church

Sinfin Lane

invite you to their

## Coffee Morning Christmas Bazaar

on

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November

between

10.00 am and 12.00 noon

All the usual stalls including cakes, tea, toast etc.

Come along and join us!



### Coffee Morning Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> October

Many thanks to the team and to everyone who came along to support us. A impressive total of £270.00 has been passed into the Church Building Works Fund.

Bric-a-Brac (Jacque, Chris, John) £99.91. Cakes, (Violet, Mandy, Eve, Mary) £56.29. Refreshments (Nina, Amanda, Katriona, Mary) £73.30. Raffle (Gill, Margaret) £40.50. Setting the Coffee Morning up (Jacque, David).

Due to a concert being held in the Church on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December, it's not possible to hold the December Coffee Morning on the 15<sup>th</sup>. Due to this the November Coffee Morning will now move to **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December**. The Guides will be having a stall at this Coffee Morning.

Thank you.

Colin Attenborough

### Harvest Festival Gifts

We told you in last week's Newsletter that you harvest gifts have been delivered to the Derby Refugee Advice Centre (DRAC) for distribution to their clients. We have had the following from thanks from Ruth Long who is their Volunteer coordinator/Administration Assistant.

*"Sorry I missed you on Thursday but thank you so much for the donation - it certainly will get put to good use. Could you also pass on our thanks to all those involved and who contributed."*

*The food store is much appreciated by the people who come for support at Derby Refugee Advice Centre. The food donated is given to those who are completely destitute either over a short period or even longer term. We try to solve issues leading to destitution and lack of support, but it takes time for responses to be received and money to come through from Government agencies. This may be their only help. Many have come back and said that they could not have managed without us."*

In case you wonder, this is the DRAC logo.



*You're Invited!*

### Church Christmas Party

This year's party is to be held on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December starting at 7.00 pm.

Tickets will be £5.00 per person and will be available from Melanie in mid-November. We will have a buffet, games, quizzes and carols, come along bring a friend ~ or even the whole family and join in the fun.

### Church Weekend

Next years booking forms are on the back table for our weekend away at Willersley Castle, Cromford on:

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> August to Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> August**

### COFFEE MORNING EVERY

**MONDAY  
FROM 30TH  
OCTOBER  
10:00-12:30**

**AT SINFIN  
MOOR  
CHURCH**

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Serdecznie zapraszamy do naszej

Kawy rano, Który

Zaczyna się 30 października. 10-12:30

Prayer room also available

**At Sinfyn Moor  
Church all are  
welcome**

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ويشاركنا الدعوة لشرب القهوة صباحا  
في كنيسة سنفن مور يوم الاثنين  
المصادف 30/10/2017 من الساعة  
العاشرة صباحا الى الساعة الثانية عشر  
ظهرا واحلا وسهلا بالجميع

**Come and join us**

Arleston Lane  
DE24 3HD

**Every  
Monday**



### Vincent Martin - An Update (in his own words!)

**My dear friends,** I first of all want to take this opportunity to thank each and everyone of you from the bottom of my heart, for all of the cards and well wishes I have received since the onset of my illness and subsequent time spent in hospital. I can't deny that it has been tough but your thoughts and prayers have sustained me through this difficult time so far and will continue to do so no matter what the future has in store. Just to keep you in the picture I spent the best part of nearly 2 weeks in hospital, the first was particularly difficult as I had a terrible reaction to some of the medication, particularly morphine (I had been on a lot) causing me to spend just over a week in and out of consciousness. Once I was fully recovered from this nightmare period I was then admitted for surgery on my back, after a further scan on my spine revealed three crumbling vertebrae that previously went undiscovered and also suspected myeloma activity in my spine. The procedure is known as balloon kyphoplasty with cement augmentation, basically a small balloon is inflated within each of the crumbling vertebrae areas creating a cavity which is then filled with a special cement in order to maintain structural integrity. The operation took just over four hours and I was brought around successfully with only a dry mouth and a sore back to show for it and a huge chicken dinner waiting for me. There were six neat stitches, three either side which have now been removed successfully and there's hardly any scarring. I'm now trying to get around as best as I can but it is proving difficult, I am still experiencing lower back spasms which are causing some issues, particularly mornings, but also sometimes throughout the day. Due to the progress of the myeloma and the discovery of activity in my spine I have now commenced chemotherapy and have had my first sessions this week. The chemotherapy is administered in cycles and should take approximately 4 to 6 months with regular checks at the hospital to see how the myeloma is responding to treatment. After Christmas there will be talk of a stem cell transplant which is the hardest part of the process, but if it goes well should give me a longer remission time without the disease. Unfortunately it always comes back and there is no cure, but it can be treated and controlled with further tablets as maintenance doses. If it comes back too aggressively we start again. Please



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understand that I will get to church as often as possible but some days are better than others and often I find some are just too difficult. I do miss you all very much, the singing, the communion, the chance to be amongst friends, and everything else about our wonderful church. I'm not sitting here letting things get the better of me, but I'm praying for strength, guidance and help from God to get through each day. I am always here for visitors if any of you would like to come and see me, it's really great to see you and you would be very welcome, however you may have to make your own tea and coffee. I have it in but I'm not very good on my feet sometimes. Thank you once again from the bottom of my heart for all of your prayers that continue to give me great strength at this time and will serve me well for the future. I am both positive and optimistic. Please continue to pray for my family as well as this has taken a huge toll on them and I'm acutely aware of this. They need help just as much as I do. God works wonders in this world and it never ceases to amaze me just how marvellous He is. Thank you again, hope to see you all again soon.

God bless, Vincent

**Sinfin Community centre**

are holding our annual

**Christmas Fayre...**

**Saturday 25th November**

**1-4pm**

Santa's Grotto, Crafts, Gifts, Sweets,  
Cakes, Decorations, Great ideas to  
help you celebrate .....

All Welcome  
(Stalls still available)

50 Swallowdale Road Sinfin, DE24 9NT

