NEWS AND EVENTS



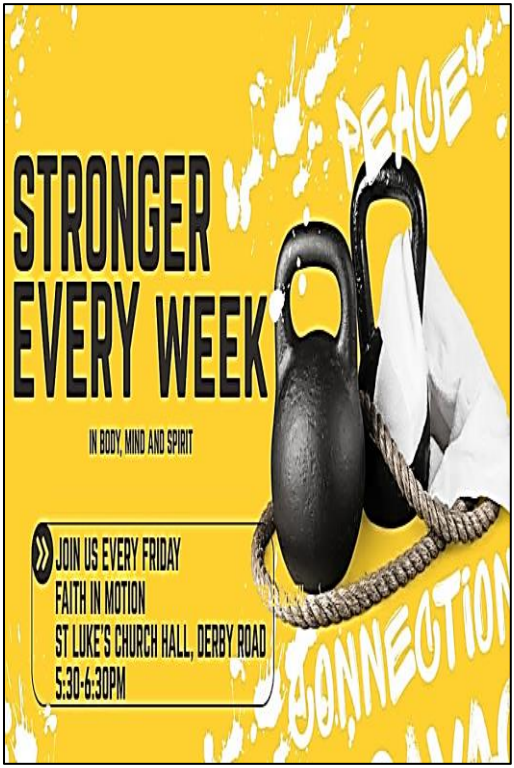
"Eco Church is a scheme to help church communities improve their Environmental impact.
A Rocha has developed Eco Church, an award scheme for churches of all denominations in England and Wales who want to demonstrate that they care for God's earth."

Fairtrade & Eco

The Real Advent Calendars are here on the stall today! They are a great way to share the message of Jesus' birth - a real missional opportunity. At the same time you would be supporting Fairtrade farmers and contributing to donations to mother and baby clinics in a part of Africa. They are only £4.95, so there is no increase on last year.

The 5 minute Bell - ***is a call to pause, reflect and remind us of God's presence.***
When the bell rings before the start of the Service, could we all observe five minutes of silence please. God bless.





St Thomas' Church - Handrail on the Chancel

We are in the final stages of arranging for a handrail to be installed up the chancel steps to the altar to help everyone access the altar more easily and to minimise the risk of anyone falling.

The cost is not yet finalised but is expected to be in the region of at least £1,000. The church is already struggling to meet its daily costs and so the PCC is asking if members of the congregation would kindly consider making a donation towards the cost of the handrail.

If so, or for more information, please see Lee, Chris, Maria or Anne. Thank you in advance for your help and generosity.





Advent Course

We will have an Advent Course at St Thomas', beginning from the 24th November so look out for that.
If Tuesday evenings won't work for you, I will be also be leading an Advent Course at Emmanuel at a similar time on a Wednesday evening. If you're not sure which one to go for it will be the same material, but they will be having a fish and chip supper at Emmanuel before starting each week so I will leave you to make your own judgement!

Peter

100 Club

Nichola Deas has won the St Thomas' 100 Club prize for October

St Luke's - Coffee & Craft Morning

Bring your craft with you and we will provide the warm space, friendly chat and a hot drink.

Every Wednesday from 10:30-12pm