

NEWSLETTER

ALL SAINTS, SCRAPTOFT & NETHERHALL - June 2022

First ECO Group Meeting and beyond...



On Sunday 22nd May a group of about a dozen people from the church and community met to look at how we might work together, looking at matters to do with the environment and the effects we as humans have on it. We began with a video opening up the topic of *'What the Bible says about the natural world'*, heard that the Church of England, including the Diocese of Leicester, had committed to trying to be carbon-neutral by 2030, and then learned about the work of **A Rocha** and other organisations who are making resources available to help us in our efforts. For those who don't know, **A Rocha** is an international network of environmental organisations with a Christian ethos who have a "vision for all churches to care for creation as an integral part of loving their neighbours and following God faithfully."

We looked at a couple of other resources, including the **Climate Emergency Toolkit** (www.climateemergencytoolkit.com) and began to explore what is already going on in the area and how we might help each other deal with the issues we are all having to face: the cost of and use of fossil fuels, where and how we shop, the transport we use and how we use our land, amongst others.

There will be another meeting on Sunday 26th June at 7.00pm in All Saints to see where we go from here and if you are interested you are most welcome to come along and join in - the more the merrier, as they say. If you want to get involved please have a look at the **Climate Emergency Toolkit** as it will help your thinking beforehand.

As an off-shoot of this, there will be a **Bird Walk** beginning at church and venturing up Covert Lane on Tuesday 7th June at 7.00am (weather permitting). Yes, it's early, but that is the best time to hear and see our feathered friends. If you want to come along do bring binoculars if you have them. The good news, as is often the case with things natural, it's FREE!

We are in the very early days of trying to coordinate our environmental work in the area, but I do hope that you will feel enabled to join in in some way - either coming to the group or joining in with any initiatives that are created. As one protest banner said so eloquently: "**There is no Planet B**". And inspiring this joint effort of church and community is an African proverb: "If you want to go quickly, go alone. If you want to go far, go together." I hope and pray we can pool our varied resources to do some really good work in this part of Leicester.

With every blessing

Fr Martin

Daily Prayer Intentions

1st	Wed	Problem with guns in USA
2nd	Thu	Platinum Jubilee Celebrations
3rd	Fri	Her Majesty the Queen
4th	Sat	Community Picnic
5th	Sun	Our Parish and People
6th	Mon	For the gift of the Holy Spirit
7th	Tue	Wildlife Organisations
8th	Wed	Bishop of Richborough
9th	Thu	Events Committee
10th	Fri	Leicester Sporting Teams
11th	Sat	Those getting married
12th	Sun	Our Parish and People
13th	Mon	Grand and Great grandparents
14th	Tue	Our Archdeacons
15th	Wed	Engagement with other faiths
16th	Thu	The gift of the Eucharist
17th	Fri	Leisure facilities
18th	Sat	The homeless
19th	Sun	Our Parish and People
20th	Mon	The unemployed
21st	Tue	Those attending Coffee pop-in
22nd	Wed	All our volunteers
23rd	Thu	Special schools
24th	Fri	Oncology Departments
25th	Sat	Police
26th	Sun	Our Parish and People
27th	Mon	Religious Orders
28th	Tue	Diocesan Clergy Study Day
29th	Wed	The Society
30th	Thu	House of Bishops

“Waking up this morning, I smile.
Twenty-four brand new hours are
before me. I vow to live fully in each
moment and to look at all beings with
eyes of compassion.”

Thich Nhat Hanh

June Diary

4th	12.00pm	Community Picnic for the Platinum Jubilee
5th	PENTECOST	
	10.00am	Festival Eucharist
	3.00pm	Afternoon Teas
	6.00pm	Songs of Praise
7th	7.00am	Bird Walk
	10.00am	Coffee Pop-in
8th	12.00pm	NO Eucharist
9th	6.30pm	Wedding Rehearsal
	7.00pm	Events Committee
11th	2.00pm	Wedding
12th	TRINITY SUNDAY	
	10.00am	Sung Eucharist
14th	10.00am	Coffee Pop-in
	7.30pm	Archdeacon's Visitation <i>St Theodore, Rushy Mead</i>
16th	CORPUS CHRISTI	
	6.00pm	Wedding Rehearsal
	7.30pm	Sung Festival Eucharist
18th	2.00pm	Wedding
19th	TRINITY 1	
	10.00am	Sung Eucharist
21st	10.00am	Coffee Pop-in
22nd	12.00pm	Eucharist
26th	TRINITY 2	
	10.00am	Sung Eucharist
	7.00pm	ECO Group
28th	10.00am	Coffee Pop-in
29th	12.00pm	Eucharist
	JULY	
2nd	2.00pm	Summer Fete