### St Andrew's Psalter Lane Church







Open Hearts, Open Minds

Exploring the Mystery of God

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SAPLC is an Anglican Methodist Local Ecumenical Partnership. A place where everyone is encouraged to be themselves, wherever they might find themselves in life; wherever they might find themselves on a journey of faith.

We are a congregation seeking to follow the way of Jesus. We ask questions and wonder at answers, as we celebrate life in all it fullness and travel deeper into exploring the mystery of God.

We are an inclusive church – a church which celebrates and affirms every person and does not discriminate.

We are on a journey of faith. Come and join us.

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### **Letter from Naomi**

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart, Be all else but naught to me save that thou art; Be thou my best thought in the day and the night, both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.

#### **Dear Friends**

Like many others, I live with atrial fibrillation, and when it first started some years ago I decided it would be a good idea to purchase a Fitbit. Worn on the wrist, it monitors the rhythm of the heart: the rate at which it rests, the increase when out walking or on the bike. But it also has several other functions. And one which I find quite fascinating is how it monitors my sleep. Each morning it analyses my deep sleep, my light sleep and how much of the night was spent in REM 'dream' sleep. It also tells me how often I was awake. Sometimes this correlates with what I remember of the night and sometimes it does not!

I don't know about you, but there are some nights I feel as though I have lain awake for what seems like an age, worrying about things I need to do, situations which are bothering me, concerns about people and their needs. The night can be a time of great uneasiness ... which is amplified by the darkness and its discombobulation; indeed, things can seem way worse than they perhaps truly are, and frustration builds as a peek at the clock reveals time ticking on and still no return to sleep.

Darkness. Dis – ease. Distraction. Despair. As we journey through Lent, a time when we examine ourselves and our world as honestly as we can and come before God with the truth of who we are, the darkness can descend. And in these times of deep unrest as we watch the political madness and turmoil in the US spill across the world, with so much distress surrounding us, we may experience many a sleepless night.

One of my daily devotion resources says this: Darkness is the covering of God: it is where God lives. God is light; and the light in the darkness is a greater light than a light at day. It is in the dark we can see stars...

In the middle of the night, as you turn and turn again, turn your thoughts to the One who holds you and hears you. The One who brings illumination to your body, mind and soul. The One who embraces the whole world in the eternal arms of love. Be reminded of the words of the hymn quoted above: our comfort, our hope and our salvation lie in our best thought being always of God, be it night or day, be we awake or asleep.

It does the heart good. Fitbit or no.

Pray with me:

Lord, in your presence is fullness of joy. You make sense of the darkness. You understand it. Even my darkness is no surprise to you, and your presence is my light.

With every blessing.

Naomi

### **Getting to Know You**

A series where we interview a member of our community. This month it is Kweku Ackom-Mensah (known as Q).

### What brought you to Sheffield?

I am originally from Ghana and came to the UK in 1972 with my brother. I was given the option to stay in Ghana but I wanted to study dentistry which wasn't possible in Ghana at the time. After my A levels I was offered a place to study dentistry at the The University of Sheffield. When I qualified, I got a job as a dentist in Doncaster where I practiced for ten years and then, in 1989, when I was looking



for a new job, a friend of mine asked me to join a new practice he was setting up in Sheffield.

What keeps you in Sheffield?

I just love the city and its people.

Why St Andrew's Psalter Lane?

I was a member at Endcliffe Methodist Church and had been to a number of joint services with St Andrew's Psalter Lane, so when Endcliffe closed it was an easy move to make.

#### What work did you do?

I practiced dentistry, but I was always most interested in the people and trying to solve their problems. I didn't want to see people keep on coming back to me for the same reasons. I liked to work with mothers, saying that if we can get the care of their children's teeth right now, they won't have any problems in the future. And I would sometimes ask reluctant teenagers (who could be quite vocal about not wanting to be there) why they would be like that with someone who was there to help them. I would send them away without any treatment that day and they would often come back in a very different frame of mind.

I did a lot of courses because I was endlessly curious about how the body works. We are wonderfully made, but we don't have the manual!

What do you do with your time?

I retired in 2015 but have remained curious about the world. I joined a volleyball group which also does other things, such as trips to cities in the UK and Europe. I was part of a walking group, enjoying the local countryside we are blessed with. And I have been learning some practical skills such as refurbishing windows, pointing and clearing drains.

Which person have you found particularly influential or inspiring?

My father was effectively brought up by the church as his family could not have afforded any education. He studied accountancy, went to the USA to further his career, studied at Harvard University and eventually came back to Ghana where he was involved in setting up a stock exchange. My curiosity and endless desire to learn came from him.

After I became a Christian my mother was very influential when I started to back slide. She would remind me about the commitment I made and help me back. I promised her I would never forget that.

What would be a perfect day?

A day of learning, particularly new things and revisiting areas I thought I already knew.

What is your favourite hymn?

A charge to keep I have by Charles Wesley and Who would true valour see by John Bunyan. It is wonderful to sing these hymns that are so close to my heart and the tunes bring back many memories.

Is there a book or film or piece of music you keep going back to?

I have seen the film of Dr Zhivago many times and I find new things in it every time. Similarly, I have read Lord of the Rings by J R R Tolkein four or five times and each time I see something different. I would really like to read the Bible all the way through but I haven't yet.

**United or Wednesday?** 

I like both of them to do well, but really I am a Manchester United supporter.

### **Contemplation**

Easter changes the map of human understanding. It is not so much out with the old and in with the new, as out with the understood and in with the mysterious. We move from great sadness, perhaps sensing despair, on Good Friday to the joyous morning heard all round the world on Easter Day. It is the dawning of a new day, of peace and of extraordinary hope.

Marilyn Godber

### **Good Friday**

You hugged the ground in Gethsemane in an agony of faith and doubt, but your three best friends left you to it. While the future of the world was in the balance, they fell asleep.

Peter and John followed you to the High Priest's house, and there in the charcoal fire Peter denied he'd ever met you. Peter - who had sworn an hour earlier that he was yours forever.

You were whipped half to death, humiliated before the crowd, friendless in a world of power and corruption. And then you heard the people's piercing cry: 'Crucify him!'

You hung on that fierce cross, tortured within and without. The world you came to save had turned against you, and even heaven itself stayed silent in the darkest mystery of all. 'My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?'

And so came the end. You had drunk the dark wine of suffering to the dregs. There was nothing more to give, no more light to shine. 'It is finished.' The light of the world had gone out.

Lord of our stricken world, there is nothing we can do to redeem our blindness in sending you to your death. You only can redeem. But keep us in touch with the pain of the world, where you are still hung out to die, and there may we ease you from your cross, tend your wounds, and offer you the friendship we failed to give on a green hill far away. This we ask in sadness and hope, for your sake and for ours. Amen

Taken from an intercession by John Pritchard

#### **Easter Day**

If you were not risen, Lord Christ, to whom would we go to discover a radiance of the face of God?

If you were not risen,
we would not be together
seeking your communion.
We would not find in your presence forgiveness,
wellspring of a new beginning.

If you were not risen, where would we draw the energy for following you right to the end of our existence, for choosing you again and anew.

Brother Roger of Taizé

#### An Old Irish Blessing

May the light of God surround you
The love of God enfold you
The peace of God protect you
The presence of God watch over you..

### **News from Shirley House Interfaith Centre**



Our January discussion on the theme of 'Love your neighbour' looked at what we mean both by loving and neighbour. There was general agreement that most religions have rules about ensuring that other people are treated fairly: for

example, allowing poor people to 'glean' leftover produce from around the edge of fields, and ensuring a fair day's pay for a fair day's work. In the Hebrew scriptures there are more references to being kind and fair to the stranger than to the neighbour, and 'jubilees' were set, when all debts and enslavements were cancelled. By contrast, Dahlia told us of an Egyptian tradition that a neighbour is someone who can smell your food cooking! Of course, there are also rules about charitable giving (Zakat) in the Qur'an, which might be to needy people near or far.

These themes were also addressed in our film show in February, *The Quiet Girl*, about an Irish child sent for a summer to stay on a farm with distant relatives. There she experienced a loving family for the first time, and learned about helping neighbours when they needed it.

Also in February we hosted a meeting with some Palestinian visitors from Nablus in the West Bank. Amjad Refaie showed a video about life in the city, particularly the New Askar refugee camp, an area housing 7,000 people without most of the facilities of a modern conurbation.

He is fundraising for a medical clinic, as there are checkpoints to pass in any direction to reach a hospital from the camp. Seham Hasanain, an activist working with women, children and disabled people of all ages in the camp, spoke about the need for facilities for all these groups and the devastating effect of Israel's decision to close all UNRWA provision. About half of all children in the camp attended UNRWA schools, so if they switch to other, mostly private, schools that would double the class sizes and impact everyone's learning. There is also the loss of UNRWA jobs, plus jobs in Israel itself, as Palestinians are no longer allowed to cross borders out of the West Bank.

The visitors were excited to meet our multi-faith group, especially several Jews, and a Pakistani Muslim.

### **Forthcoming Events**

There will be no Shirley House Interfaith meeting in March because of Ramadan (1-30 March), but all are invited to the Dialogue Society Iftar dinner on 13 March at Sheffield Cathedral. Booking is essential (<a href="www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/dialogue-society-iftar-dinner-tickets-1247587871909?aff=oddtdtcreator">www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/dialogue-society-iftar-dinner-tickets-1247587871909?aff=oddtdtcreator</a>).

Jewish Passover (Pesach) coincides with Holy Week (13-20 April), as both are based on a combination of the Solar and Lunar Calendars.

• Tuesday 29 April, 7:30 pm. Suzanne from Chesterfield Pagan group will talk about her new book on Paganism.

All Shirley House Interfaith meetings are live in Shirley House but include a Zoom link for those unable to attend in person. Links are available by contacting: shirleyhouseinterfaith@gmail.com.

See www.sheffieldinterfaith.org.uk, the noticeboard outside Shirley House, or SAPLC weekly newsletters and website for more information.

Caroline Cripps

### **Changing Churches**

Christine Hisom (the subject of a recent Getting to Know You feature) reflects on the many churches to which she has belonged.

When I joined St Andrew's Church Psalter Lane (SAPL) last year, I added up the number of churches I'd been a member of - it came to twelve, not counting the many churches I visited with the Anglican Society of Nottingham University. Many people I've known have belonged to one church all their lives.

My Christian journey began in 1939 when I was baptised at Queen Street Methodist Church, West Bromwich. My father's family were Methodists and he was one of eleven children. My mother was an Anglican and one Godmother a Christian Scientist so I have an ecumenical background! We were evacuated to Worcestershire and my mother joined the village church where I was confirmed aged thirteen. Later, I joined St John's Church in Kidderminster where we then lived. My parents had retired to Clent when I was married there at St Leonard's Church.

When my husband and I moved to Manchester, I became a member of St Wilfred's Church, Northenden. 1965 took me to Ulverston and Holy Trinity Church which closed soon after and I transferred to the Parish Church; 1992 in Arnside saw me a member of their Parish Church and as a keen supporter of the Ecumenical movement, I also joined the Methodist Church there. Some years later the two churches in the neighbouring village merged and became known as 'The Village Church', overseen by the minister and priest from Arnside. I saw this as such an important venture that I worshipped there. In 2018 I moved to Edgedale Road and joined Carterknowle Methodist Church; from there I transferred to St Andrew's when I came to live at Southcroft.

As I reflect on my 85 years of church membership I recall the many changes I have experienced within the Anglican church - uncomfortable pews have often been replaced by moveable chairs so

that the nave can be used for concerts and other activities. Kitchens and toilets may be installed in the building; sound systems and screens are often included, the altar is now usually freestanding so that the celebrant is facing the congregation. A large eagle lectern may have been replaced by a smaller wooden one and pulpits not used at all. An ancient church in Cumbria has a three tiered pulpit - I wonder when the top deck was last used!

Apart from the building, church life has changed so much. As I was growing up the main services were Choral Mattins and Evensong with a robed chair and an 8:00am Holy Communion Service. After I was confirmed my mother took me to this once a month and we also went to Evensong. Nowadays, there is much more freedom of worship together with the type of music offered. Until I was in my 30's I had only experienced the organ in church. Now we have music groups, recorded music and any individual instruments you may name together with the congregation and percussion items.

As well as church services changing, I have felt the dynamics of church life moving - refreshments after the service give us a chance to know each other at a deeper level and to reflect together on that day's message. The laity are involved much more in planning and taking part each week. Social concerns are being taken on board with a strong desire to reach into the community and so obey Jesus' words "whatever you did for one of these brothers you did for me." ECO concerns are reflected in the buildings and grounds. Eighty five years ago there was no place for women to be ordained. There have been changing attitudes to divorce and marriage. When I was married, the vicar said, "This is the first time I have married two bachelors!" (ie a BA and a BSc). Nowadays he would have plenty of opportunities.

Now in my 86<sup>th</sup> year, SAPL is my final church. I said last year "I feel as if I have come home." My vision of what I believe a church to be is being fulfilled.

Christine Hisom (to be continued)

PS If you know any of the places I have mentioned, do let me know.

### **Gardening Notes**

Winter, when it got going was long and cold. Did you manage to make the structural changes you promised yourself? Or have they gone onto the ever extending 'to-do' list. Repairs that won't get done until they force



themselves to the front of the queue, then take up twice as much time as they would have done if done on time. Procrastinating is something I mastered years ago!



Two different species of Snowdrop

I have struggled to remove a clump of bamboo. Must be 15 years since I put in a small piece. I cut it occasionally for plant supports. I wondered why there was a step between two flagstones. Lifted one and exposed a cross between a basket and a wire fence had pushed up the 3x2 flag. A solid 4 inch depth of interlocking hard rhizomes. Like couch grass on steroids. A pickaxe has been the tool of choice. Bags of this have gone to the dumpit site.

The snowdrops were beautiful. The down facing flowers cope with the cold wet

weather. Crocus tried but there wasn't enough sun for them to open often. Dark February has done this before.

The cold hurt the pollinating insects too. Keep any mulch you put down over winter clear of the stems of fruit trees. Make sure that the graft of the variety you like, onto the rootstock it is on so that it will fit into

your garden, is visible and clear of the surface. If it overgrows the graft it will be too big.

Keep tidying up the herb plants. Bay leaves that are curled up will have an insect inside the curl that is sucking sap. Pick off individual leaves and put them in the bin. Assuming you can reach all of your Bay tree - I have seen some very big ones recently! Sage and Rosemary will need pruning back to a side shoot that is still growing. If you just cut to old wood the branch will die. Clean out your cold frame as you will need the space to harden off the early sewn plants from the greenhouse or windowsill. Don't rush planting out potatoes unless you have protection from frost. Onions will bolt if frosted when the base is over an



Lenten Rose, a Hellebore best viewed from below

inch and a half. So buy small sets if you can find them. The last frost here used to be mid-May. Who know what we will get this year.

There are now podcasts about gardening, not just history and politics. I listen to *The Organic Gardening Podcast*. Information from people who really know what they are doing, not just some local nutter like me. The item about composting shows how little and how much there is to know on this subject. And what to give to a partner who has everything, if "everything" includes a big garden. A pair of Bokashi compost buckets and the bran. (Not shown)

compost buckets and the bran. (Not cheap.)

Have a good summer.

Bill

PS The temperature rose and we had occasional sunshine in the last days of February.

### Sacred Space at SAPL

Sacred Space is a service, offered on the last Thursday of the month, which could also be described as 'church at the edge'. An invitation not only for our regular churchgoers but for those who may not usually walk through the doors of this building for a variety of reasons.

Many of us find sustenance within a 'space' where we can be still, breathe and remember the love which holds us all.

A small, dedicated team plan a themed service for all of us to experience a quiet contemplative hour, being guided to reflect with some meditative self-inquiry, readings, poetry and music. A sacred space to help us reconnect with the inner wisdom of our hearts and cultivate both a sense of calm and self-care for body, mind and soul.

When we nurture ourselves with gentleness, we are revived and feel safely held. As a result, we ultimately have greater capacity to love and give to others in all the ways we feel called to.

Please feel warmly welcome to join us on the last Thursday of each month (keeping a check on dates via SAPL newletter/website).

To express your interest, or for further information, please contact Fiona Watson (wildgustfiona@gmail.com) or Nessa Hargraves (nessahargraves@gmail.com).

Our next date will be Thursday 24 April at 7:30pm.

### Taizé Dates in Lent

A peaceful half hour of prayer, gentle repetitive chants and silence on Thursdays at 7:00pm in church. There will not be one on 17 April as there will be a Maundy Thursday service at St Augustine's, Brocco Bank.

13, 20, 27 March; 3, 10 April

### **God at Work Among Us**

There is a verse in the Old Testament in the book of Exodus (33:23) and it runs like this: 'You shall see my back, but my face you shall not see.' Sometimes we may be too close to daily world events, or historical events in the past, to see God at work. It is only as we are able to stand away from them that we get a clearer view of her hand in them. Similarly in our personal lives, only as we reflect at a distance do we see that God was active all the time. My back you will see, but my face you will not see.

We are living in an age of turmoil and upheaval. We see around us moral decay and witness appalling things. We might, and I say might, be forgiven for looking round us with utmost dismay and despondency. But how different is this age to any other age in history, of change and upheaval? The sixteenth century for instance, was in many ways a glorious period in history. A New World had been discovered, the Reformation produced theological giants like Calvin, Luther and Knox. The Renaissance was filled with people whose genius has never been surpassed. But there is evidence to show that for a great many it was anything but a glorious time. There were rumours that the end of the world was near, that a Spanish Armada was coming, and there were many other unpleasant aspects of life. We in hindsight can see how wonderfully God was working there, but those in the midst of it at the time had difficulty seeing see God's hand at work anywhere.

We can't be too critical either, of increasing numbers of good folk who find it difficult to see that God is at work in their lives today. It was the philosopher Kierkegaard who said, 'We live forwards, but we understand backwards.' What I am trying briefly to say is that it is so often impossible for us to see God at work in the present time. We are too close to see his vast purposes at work in our world or in own lives. We must learn the lesson of history, and not let the turmoil and upheaval convince us that God has abandoned things. God 'is working

his purpose out as year succeeds to year,' we sing each new year, for our world and ourselves just as he always was. God has not abandoned us no matter how it must sometimes seem in the midst of grief or frustration. The very fact that we can't see God is perhaps a sign of his presence, that God is just too close for us to see him.

I am old now, but I hope, and believe, that I can promise you that God's purposes, vast, yet personal, as they are, will one day by God's grace be made clear to us, and we shall see, and know, and understand. Until then St Paul says, 'Now we see through a glass darkly, but then we shall see face to face, and know even as we are known'. I think I know now in whom I have believed these many years. I believe Jesus is the stuff of God, but in the meantime I continue with my many questions. Nevertheless, I put my hope and trust in Him now and in the hereafter.

I wonder, to whom else shall we go?

Mike W

### **Church and Community**

#### **Knit and Knatter**

Mondays, 10-12:00, Shirley House Contact: Alison Gregg, 266 5638

#### 17th Sheffield Brownies

Mondays, 17:45-19:15, St Andrew's

Hall

Contact: Chris Venables, 07950 432487

#### The Tuesday Café

Tuesday 14:00-16:00 Shirley House



The woodpecker might have to go.

The Tuesday Café is our café for people living with memory loss or dementia and their carers.

### **Church Family**

We pray for those with health concerns: Pam Frost, Q Ackom-Mensah, Helen Mannion (Barbara and John Booler's daughter), Tom Reavey, Hilary Jowett, Mark Stone, Blanca and Fiona, Trevor Mann, Maggie and Pete, Luke, May, Leon, Jan Birch and Janet Clarke.

Congratulations to Barbara Charles who celebrated her 108<sup>th</sup> birthday in February. She was a member at Endcliffe Methodist Church, and moved to SAPLC after it closed.

We were sad to learn of the deaths of a number of people connected with our church:

Thildy Lowe's youngest son Peter, suddenly in December

John Harding's mother, in December after a long illness

John Thompson, husband of Josephine Thompson, who was caretaker at SAPL 1966-97

May Swaby's son Leon in January after a long illness

Peter Roberts, suddenly in January. Peter was a much loved and valued member of Psalter Lane Methodist Church and SAPL. Peter operated the sound system in church almost single-handedly for many years. His quiet friendly presence will be badly missed.

We send our love and condolences to all who loved them.

Finally, special greetings to all those of you who can't get to church but who join us online for worship or who keep in touch with us through your Church Links visitor. We do think of you and value your prayers and support.

### **Services**

Services are held in the Church every Sunday and are also livestreamed and recorded. The links to online services will be sent by email on Saturday evening or Sunday morning to all on our list, and are also on the Home Page of the SAPLC website.

#### **Sunday Services Each Month**

1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	<b>Holy Communion</b>	10:30 am
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	Morning Worship	10:30 am
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	<b>Holy Communion</b>	10:30 am
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	<b>Holy Communion</b>	9:15 am
	Morning Worship	10:30 am
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	<b>Holy Communion</b>	10:30 am

Please note that this is not a set pattern – please check the list below, the church website or the weekly newsletter for up-to-date details.

Gluten free bread is always available in our Sunday communion services. Both fermented and unfermented communion wines are normally used.

Junior Church takes place during the main 10:30 am services (except All Age Worship services). Children between 2 and 3 can join in with a parent/carer.

#### **Wednesday Services**

Every Wednesday 10:30 am

See separate article for details of a new midweek evening service

# **Church Diary**

### **Services**

2 March	Church Action on Poverty Sunday	
10:30 am	Morning Worship	Jenny Carpenter
5 March	Ash Wednesday	, ,
7:00 pm	,	
	Ash Wednesday Service at St Peter	
	Peter and St Oswald's	
9 March	1st Sunday of Lent	
10:30 am	Holy Communion	Rev Naomi Cooke
4:00 pm	Choral Evensong with the Steel City	
	Choristers	
13 March		
7:00 pm	Taizé Prayer for Lent	
16 March	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent	
10:30 am	Morning Worship	Chris Sissons
20 March		
7:00 pm	Taizé Prayer for Lent	
23 March	3rd Sunday of Lent	
10:30 am	All Age Holy Communion	Rev Naomi Cooke
27 March		
7:00 pm	Taizé Prayer for Lent	
30 March	Mothering Sunday	
9:15 am	Holy Communion	Rev Cheryl Collins
10:30 am	Morning Worship	Rev Naomi Cooke
3 April		
7:00 pm	Taizé Prayer for Lent	
6 April	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent	
10:30 am	Holy Communion	Rev Naomi Cooke
10 April		
7:00 pm	Taizé Prayer for Lent	
13 April	Palm Sunday	
10:30 am	Morning Worship	Ian Cloke
17 April	Maundy Thursday	
7:00 pm		

	Agape meal and stripping of the	
	altars at St Augustine's Brocco Bank	
18 April		
12 noon – 3.00	Good Friday meditation	
pm		
20 April	Easter Day	
10:30 am	Holy Communion	Rev Naomi Cooke
27 April	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter	
9:15 am	Holy Communion	Rev Cheryl Collins
10:30 am	Morning Worship followed by Annual	Rev Naomi Cooke
	Church Meeting	
4 May	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter	
10:30 am	Holy Communion	Rev Frances
		Young
11 May	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	
10:30 am	Morning Worship	John Harding
18 May	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	
9:15 am	Holy Communion	Rev Cheryl Collins
10:30 am	Morning Worship	Judith Roberts
25 May	6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	
10:30 am	All Age Holy Communion	Rev Naomi Cooke

### **Other Events**

Saturday 1	9:30 am	Working Party	Church
March	onwards		Grounds
Tuesday 11	7:30 pm	Eco Group meeting	Interfaith
March			Room
Monday 17	7:30 pm	Worship Planning Meeting	Room 3
March			
Sunday 23	12 noon	Soup and Puddings Lunch	Shirley House
March			
Sunday 23	12 noon	NENG Farmers Market	
March			
Saturday 5	9:30 am	Working Party	Church
April	onwards		Grounds

Wednesday 9	7:30 pm	Property & Finance Meeting	Shirley House
April			landing
Sunday 27	12:00	Annual Church Meeting.	Church
April	noon		
Tuesday 29	7:30 pm	Interfaith meeting –	Shirley House
April		Presentation on a book about	landing
		Paganism	
Saturday 3	9:30 am	Working Party	Church
May	onwards		Grounds
Saturday 10	10:00 am	Repair Café: a Sheffield	Church
May	– 2:00 pm	Environment Weeks event	
Sunday 11 –			
Saturday 17		Christian Aid Week	
May			
Monday 19	7:30 pm	ECC meeting	Room 3
May			

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