

## COMMUNITY SUPPORT

'Act justly, love tenderly, walk humbly with your God' (Micah 6:8)

### THANK YOU FROM DERWENTSIDE IRC

Recently we collected toiletries to make 'Friendship packs' and the Visitors' Group at Derwentside Immigration Removal Centre has now delivered packs to 30 women. The next prayer vigil at the site is this Sunday and an update will be given to tell us if more packs are needed. The following message was received from one of the women:

*'To whom it may concern.*

*It's \_\_\_\_\_ from Derwentside IRC. I am a detainee here in the centre. I just want to say thank you very much for your kindness to give us such wonderful things for us to use here in the centre this afternoon. My fellow detainees were very happy. We never expect all of this. I hope you will continue helping especially to those people like us. All the best God bless you All.*

*Many thanks, \_\_\_\_\_ Derwentside IRC'*

### FOOD COOP

Over the last week we have seen 83 people collecting food representing 52 families/couples and 31 single people ( 123 adults and 110 children). Twenty two people from the local community collected food. Donations were received from several local churches and individual supporters. Many thanks to all who've donated and to those who've taken time to deliver them. It is very much appreciated by members and volunteers alike. Also, thanks to those who spread the word about the Food Coop which leads to unexpected donations from new sources. This week we were given a generous quantity of dates that will be very well received.

The Fareshare donation included carrots, parsnips, potatoes and plums which supplemented the regular generous donations from our local supporters. All people left with a couple of bags of assorted dried, tins and fresh food. Many thanks for your support and commitment. Kath

### A MORNING OF REFLECTION: FINDING CHRIST IN THE EUCHARIST, THE POOR AND CREATION

As part of the Diocesan Year of the Eucharist, the Justice and Peace Co-ordinating Council invites you to a time of reflection on **Saturday 9th April 10.30 – 12.30pm via zoom .**

This morning of reflection aims at widening our understanding about the connection between the Eucharist, food justice and the ecological crisis we are in. It will explore how we are nourished by the Eucharist and are invited to nourish others and the whole of creation.

The Speaker is Fr. Chris Hughes and there will be an opportunity for sharing. Please register below.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/finding-jesus-in-the-eucharist-the-poor-and-creation-tickets-276896313327>

### RED MISSION BOXES

Please bring in any mission money by next weekend. Hopefully, collections will be back to normal in September. Thanks for your continued support.

### SUNDAY COFFEE AT ST PETER'S

Sunday coffee will start again after St Peter's 11am Mass beginning on Easter Sunday. Please sign the list at the back of church if you are willing to help on a rota basis (Mandy Fenwick)

### ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS (AA)

'Do you have a problem with Alcohol?' Call FREE on 0800 9177 650 [help@aamail.org](mailto:help@aamail.org)

Locally, you can contact the following in confidence: Paul 07554665116 or Ryan 07745 273686

### PARISH WEBSITES:

[corpuschristigateshead.wordpress.com](http://corpuschristigateshead.wordpress.com)

<https://www.stpetersparish.org.uk>