



The Churches of
STANTON-BY-DALE with
DALE ABBEY & RISLEY

Saint Michael & All Angels, Stanton-by-Dale | All Saints, Dale Abbey | All Saints, Risley



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6th September 2026

Welcome to our service today, especially if you are a visitor

- Crèche facilities are available throughout the Benefice. Please ask one of the church wardens or welcomers where these can be found. Please also feel no embarrassment if your little ones make noise—we are a church family of all ages!
- There is no collection taken during the service but you are welcome to give towards the work of the church on the plate at the back or through the bank (bank details are on the back of this news sheet). If you do wish to give and are a tax payer please think about completing a Gift Aid declaration which are in the pew or next to the offertory plate at the back.
- If you know of anyone sick or in any sort of need, please pass the details on to one of the church wardens or clergy.
- Refreshments are served after our services. Please do join us for a chat; we are also happy to pray with you after any service.
- JAM Club (Jesus and Me) for children aged 3 to 11, takes place during our services (not All-Age Services) at Stanton and Risley. Details will be given during the service.

Special prayer or collect— The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

This Sunday: 6th September

9.00am Traditional Communion, Risley

10.45am Morning Worship with JAM Club, Stanton (livestreamed)

4.00pm Risley@4 with JAM Club, Risley

Passage: Revelation 12: 1-17 (*page 1241 in the pew bibles*)

Talk: Light at the end of the Tunnel 14:

The woman and the dragon

No service at Dale

Next week: 13th September

9.00am Communion, Dale Abbey

10.45am Communion with JAM Club, Stanton (livestreamed)

4.00pm Risley@4 with JAM Club

Passage: Revelation 13: 1-18 (*page 1242 in the pew bibles*)

Talk: Light at the end of the Tunnel 15:

The Two Beasts

Back to the Book of Revelation

This week we return to the fantastic and fascinating book of Revelation. There is so much for us in this book. Even though it's not an easy book to read, because it is 'apocalyptic' literature, it tells us so much truth about the world around us today and the truth about the future.

The book of Revelation is made up of 7 different visions, each of which have 7 different parts. Each of these visions are different ways of saying the same thing. Think of different camera angles of the same event.

The Apostle John wrote the book whilst he was imprisoned, and he wrote the book to Christians in the early church who were facing extreme persecution.

The hope of the book of Revelation is the triumph of the Lamb who was slain—in other words—Jesus wins! This brings great hope to a broken and damaged world, and to a church facing great opposition. This week's passage, Revelation 12, reminds us of the reality of the Devil and his evil work, and of the great victory of Jesus over him. To catch up on our first sermons from the book of Revelation, visit this link: <https://sdrchurches.org.uk/revelation-sermon-series/> Hopefully see you Sunday! Phil

Sunday October 4th

Join us for an All Age Harvest Celebration at Stanton by Dale, followed by our 'Harvest Lunch for Canaan'

The Harvest Lunch will be a simple 'Soup and a cob' with a simple desert, and hot drinks and squash. Church will provide the food, and we are asking for donations (the cost of what you might usually spend on food for this meal) to go towards the vital work of The Canaan Trust in this area.

We will also be collecting food for the Kings Cupboard food bank as part of this service.

To book your place for the lunch, or to offer help organizing, setting up etc., please email Phil on: phil.selby@sdrchurches.org.uk



Our Mission Partner, Middle East Media are hosting a Christmas Soirée on Thursday 26th November, 6.00pm to 9.00pm at King's House, 242 Pentonville Road, London, N1 9JY (very near to King's Cross and St Pancras stations). There will be live music, entertainment, a guest speaker, festive drinks and Middle Eastern canapés). Dress code is festive! If you would like to attend, please contact MEM on <https://mem.org> and follow the link from Stay Connected to Events. The Christmas Soirée information is there. Tickets cost £12.00 each.

11. Midlands Men's Convention

Booking for the Midlands Men's Convention on 14th November at the Redeemer Church, Old Town Hall, 29 Foster Ave, Nottingham, NG9 1AE is now open. This is a slightly smaller venue than has been used before so book your tickets early! The theme is 'Living & Active, building your life on the word of God'. The speaker is Andrew Sach. Please visit midlandsmensconvention.org.uk for more information and bookings.

This week's news

1.Church Office

The office will be closed until at least 16th September. Elaine will be checking emails etc from home and will get in contact when she is able. Contact: elaine.warren@sdrchurches.org.uk

2. SDR Churches Livestream - Stanton services

Our YouTube page can be accessed by clicking on the YouTube logo on our website or visit www.youtube.com/@sdrchurches – click the 'Live' tab for livestreamed services. Remember, you won't see the livestream until we start streaming (at 10.45am)

3. Midlands Women's Convention

Bookings are now open for MMC East which is being held on Sat 3rd October at the Cornerstone Church, Castle Boulevard, Nottingham, NG7 1JG. Doors open at 9.15am with the first session starting at 10.00am. The convention will finish at 3.30pm. Tickets are £18 pp (concessions £15). Kirsten Guthrie (Assistant Director of Women's Ministry at The Proclamation Trust) will be speaking from the book of Ephesians, considering the glorious reality of a church strong in Christ and how we live in that strength, together as his church. Book online at: midlandswomensconvention.org.uk

4. JAM Club—Stanton

When we get to the last hymn, could the person on the welcome team (or someone that you have asked to do this on your behalf) please phone the Church Office on 0115 9440609 for 3 rings to alert JAM Club that it's time to return to church. Your help with this would be greatly appreciated!

5. What's on at/Welcome Cards

The 'What's on at' leaflet with a welcome card for new residents in our benefice is now ready for distribution. To save us from all posting a pack through a new residents door, Ralph Homer has offered to post them in Stanton and Helen Groome has offered to post them in Risley. If a volunteer for Dale Abbey is available, that would be really helpful (please let either Phil or Elaine know, thank you). Do please let these volunteers know if you are aware of any new residents moving in to these villages so that we can make an initial introduction of who we are to them. Not all house sales are public through For Sale and Sold boards so some new residents may be missed.

6. All Together Prayer Meeting

The next All Together Prayer Meeting will be on Wednesday 9th September, 7.45pm at Risley.

7. Joint PCC Meeting

The next Joint PCC meeting is on Tuesday 15th September, 7.15pm at the Old School, Stanton. We will be joined by Steve Johnson, the Living Generously Advisor for Derby Diocese.

8. Tea & Company—Everyone is welcome!

Tea & Company will meet again on Friday 18th September, 3.30pm to 5.00pm at the Gateway.

9. Dates for your Diary

Available at the back of church (first handed out at Dale last week on 9th August) is a list of all the services and events happening in our three churches from September through to the end of December! Do please pick yourself up a copy! Please note that the list does **NOT** include the dates for carol singing in various locations, village Christmas tree lighting dates etc. These will follow in due course and will be advertised in the news sheets.

10. Diocesan Lay Ministry conference – “Generous Faith” Saturday 12th September 2026, Cliff College, Calver.

This free day conference is open to all those in lay ministry roles, not only Readers/Licensed Lay Ministers. It is an opportunity to celebrate lay ministry, be encouraged, worship together. Please speak/contact Rachel Hobbs (rachel.hobbs@sdrchurches.org / 07932609106) for more details and website link to book.

Please check with your group leaders to find out when those groups that you go to (or your children go to) are starting back after the school holiday summer break.

Dates for your diary in the coming weeks:

Wednesday 9th September— 7.45pm All Together Prayer Meeting, Risley

Saturday 12th September—'Generous Faith', Cliff College, Calver

Tuesday 15th September —7.15pm Joint PCC Meeting, Old School, Stanton with Steve Johnson

Friday 18th September—3.30pm Tea & Company, the Gateway, Dale Abbey

Monday 28th & Tuesday 29th September—ReNew Conference, Trent Conference Centre, Nottingham

Saturday 3rd October —Doors open 9.15am to 3.30pm Midlands Women's Convention, Cornerstone Church, Nottingham

Sunday 4th October—Harvest Lunch for the Canaan Trust after the morning service at The Old School

Saturday 18th October —9.30am to 12noon Risley churchyard works party

Saturday 14th November—Midlands Men's Convention, Redeemer Church, Nottingham

Do you need someone to chat to, or pray with? If so, get in touch, we'd love to help! Email: elaine.warren@sdrchurches.org.uk

See and Know (Toddlers) - Tues mornings during term time, starting at 9.30am, The Old School, Stanton.

Heroes (7-11s) (6-7pm) and **Impact (11-16s)** (7-8:15pm) on Thursdays, both at The Old School, Stanton.

Ignite (14-18s) - (6.00pm—7.30pm) Sunday evenings. Speak to Phil, Nick, Ali or Holly for further details.

Bank Details- Giving: Thank you to all who continue to support the gospel work and ministry of the Benefice financially, your support is *much appreciated*. If you would like to consider giving your donation direct to a church bank account, or passing on a cheque to either Phil or the church office, the account details are below:

Risley: Bank: NatWest; Sort code: 60 13 23; Account number: 96350199; Account name: PCC All Saints Risley (please make cheques payable to the account name)

Stanton: Bank: NatWest; Sort code: 60 11 37; Account number: 96512067; Account name: Stanton by Dale PCC (please make cheques payable to the account name)

Dale: Bank: NatWest; Sort code: 60 11 37; Account number: 96529903; Account name: Dale Abbey Church (please make cheques payable to the account name).

Mission Partner Prayers— Middle East Media

Give thanks that a recent trip was able to take place where MEM staff went to Maruritania to train local Christian Mauritanian believers in media ministry. Pleas pray:

- 1) Give thanks for a safe trip. It's never easy for family members when their loved ones are away. Praise God that he kept everyone safe and well.
- 2) Pray for this group of Mauritians as they establish a media ministry to their own people, asking for wisdom, discernment, creativity and spiritual protection as well as physical protection.
- 3) Pray for our team as they provide ongoing support from a distance. Pray for them to have good rapport, communication (speaking different dialects can make things challenging) and patience when needed.
- 4) Pray for the people of Mauritania. Pray that we'll soon be hearing wonderful stories of Jesus reaching Mauritians through this group, expanding his kingdom and glorifying his name across the land.

Street Prayers: Pray for businesses and residents on The Spinney, Woodpecker Hill an No Mans Lane.

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