

**Richard's Ramble**

Monday is my prep day. I usually spend most of it writing sermons, shaping talks, and getting things ready for the week ahead. The hope is that, by the end of Monday, I will be ready to take on everything I am doing in that particular week. Sometimes, I am successful in this task but sometimes I am not. Any sermon usually takes me about three hours to prepare and can be mentally and spiritually tiring. However, this work is essential if I am to deliver what God wants me to say in a way that it can be understood.

Whatever we do in life, there is no substitute for good preparation. Some people have the gift of being able to deliver things 'off the cuff', but that is usually because they have invested time in learning and studying previously. In this, Jesus is our supreme example. He spent 30 years preparing himself for his earthly ministry; he spent 40 days in the wilderness before his first sermon; he spent the night in prayer before selecting his twelve disciples. He frequently went to places alone in order to prepare himself for the next phase of his work.

If we are to be useful to God and to fulfil our destiny, there is no substitute for preparation. We prepare ourselves in the knowledge of the word, in prayer and in working with the Holy Spirit to shape our character. In the words of the scouts, "Be Prepared" and who knows what God will do through you. God bless, **Richard**

**Freedom in Christ Course**

The purpose of The Freedom In Christ course is to help each one of us to live as the people God created us to be, and to do all the things that God has prepared for us to do- to be fruitful!

During the 10 week course, we will be exploring how to: believe what the Bible says is true even when it doesn't feel like it; resolve issues from the past that may be holding you back; and getting rid of patterns of negative thinking that can stop you growing. Finally, you will be equipped with tools to mature as a Christian and live a life that really has an impact for Jesus in this world.

It's starting on **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November at 7:30pm**. There will be 6 sessions before the Christmas break, an Away Day in January to go through. The Steps to Freedom followed by a further 3 sessions in January. **Maxine**



**What's on:**

**Be Still.**

**Worship & Reflective Prayer**

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> November 7:30pm-8:30pm**

Venue: St Mary's Parish Hall.

A time to praise God and rest in His presence.

**Christmas Pottery Evening!**

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November 6:30pm**

Venue: Molescroft Pavilion. £25 a person

We are having a Christmas pottery making night.

*(This is now full, but you can be added to the waiting list).*



**What The Dickens Book Club**

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> November 7:30pm**

Venue: Parkway Cinema

We are reading: The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie.

# Chosen Women Retreat 2022 – SAVE THE DATE

Fri 6<sup>th</sup> – Sun 8<sup>th</sup> May 2022

Wyedale Hall, Wyedale

Join us for a weekend of ministry, friendship and fun, making memories together in beautiful surroundings.

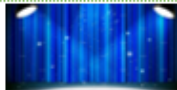




There will be worship, prayer, teaching and of course time to enjoy together.

More details and forms to be released soon...



## Christmas

Special Events completing 2021.

<b>Sunday 28 November</b> 10:30am	First Sunday in Advent Followed by a <b>Lunch</b>	
<b>Saturday 11 December</b> 6:30pm (for food)	BCC Cabaret Acts 7pm	
<b>Sunday 12 December</b> 12pm	Food Hamper Packing (After the AM service)	
<b>Sunday 19 December</b> 10:30am	BCC Carol Service	
6:30pm	 CTB Service @ Beverley Minster	
<b>Christmas Day</b> 11am	Reflection (Online)	
<b>Boxing Day</b>	No service this Sunday	
<b>Sunday 02 January (2022!)</b> 10:30am	Celebration Service	

All these events are being held at **Beverley Memorial Hall** (unless otherwise stated).

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### Articles please!

Please could we have articles for this newsletter which will be very much welcomed to help fill the spaces and make a more informative read. Please email to [helen@bashford.me](mailto:helen@bashford.me) by 25<sup>th</sup> of each month.

Thank you. **Helen**

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