



Faiths engage

Monthly Newsletter—Issue 72—September 2025

Welcome to the latest edition of Faiths Engage

After a month break from the newsletter, we are back and ready to go for what is promising to be a busy autumn. In this issue, you can meet our new office manager, Jacqui, read about training we ran for the cricket club's community foundation, and find out about some of our upcoming events.

With every good wish.

Revd Canon Dr Tom Wilson
Director, St Philips Centre

Corporate Work

While the final test series between England and India took place, we ran our Religion and Belief staff training day for Leicestershire Cricket Foundation. Thanks to all for a fabulous day of welcome, learning and ideas for engagement.





Connecting Communities

An interactive and engaging opportunity to discuss in pairs your views on life, the universe and everything!

6:30 to 8:00pm, Tuesday 16th September
at Mayflower Methodist Church
Ethel Road, Leicester, LE5 5ND

Cake provided!

Booking:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/connecting-communities-tickets-1544627645869?>



Did Paul stop "being a Jew"?
10:00am,
Tues 9 Sept

Did Paul lie when evangelising?
10:00am,
Tues 14 Oct

Did Paul call Jewish people dogs?
10:00am,
Tues 11 Nov

Who were the weak and the strong in Corinth?
10:00am,
Tues 9 Dec

All sessions at
St Philip's Centre,
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Coming up in the Autumn

Goodbye from Viv

As I approach my final final retirement it's an appropriate time to reflect on my 10 years of close association with St Phillips Centre. When I first joined SPC back in October 2015 it was as the Education Assistant where I enjoyed a fruitful and fun collaboration with Dr Margaret Bonney. The mentoring I received from Margaret and John Mac and many others provided a firm foundation on which to flourish in my subsequent roles in Near Neighbours, the Faith Database project and Memories of Living Well Together Oral History project, not to mention in my personal church life. One of the many joys of being part of SPC family off and on during the last 10 years has been working alongside so many fabulous individuals. Tom, all the wonderful SPC family along with the team of incredible faith practitioners have all demonstrated what collaborative, mutually supportive and fun teamwork looks like. Thank you all.



I have been privileged to meet so many interesting people from all faiths and backgrounds which has greatly contributed to the richness of my life in general. Leicester is a dynamic, complicated and cosmopolitan city in which SPC plays a central role by promoting mutual understanding and peaceful encounters amongst all the citizens - actively facilitating all communities, faiths and ethnicities to live well together. As a citizen of Leicester I pray that long may it continue.

I'm off to find out where I am and where I'm going!
Viv Froggatt

Welcome to Jacqui Dean

I'm thrilled to be joining St Philip's Centre and wanted to take a moment to introduce myself. I come to this new role with experience in similar jobs at Leicestershire County Cricket Club and the Leicestershire Tennis and Squash Club. Outside of work, I'm a keen runner—there's nothing like a good trail to clear the mind—and I love to travel whenever time allows. I'm really looking forward to getting to know everyone and contributing to the fantastic work happening here at St Philip's Centre.



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