

## Saturday 29 June

- Church open 10 am to 4 pm for tours, refreshments, children's activities
- "Who would live in a place like Darley Abbey?" - Village Hall Exhibition open 1 to 4
- Historical archives, maps, brochures, newspapers, etc.
- Family History material - look up your Darley ancestors and start your Family Tree. Come and find out about your house in the past
- Darley Abbey WI will provide a Victorian Tea Room to complement the Exhibition, with tea, cakes and Victorian dress



## Sunday 30 June

- Big breakfast served from 9
- Celebration service at 10 am with friends from St Edmund's Allestree (led by the Vicar, Peter Barham)
- Coffee and chat afterwards
- Church open until 4 pm for tours, refreshments, children's activities
- Creative in Darley Park from 2.30 pm
- Hothouse Jazz Concert in St Matthew's at 4 pm - tickets from Hothouse in advance or on the door, in aid of Marie Curie

Celebrations will continue through the year, with other events being planned – see

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## St Matthew's church

Darley Abbey  
is 200 years old this June



Come and celebrate  
the **Bicentenary**  
of your village church

Lots of free events

All welcome



In 1782 Thomas Evans opened Darley Abbey Mill. When he died in 1814 he left a fortune to his son Walter. On 24 June 1819, Walter's 55<sup>th</sup> birthday, St Matthew's church was consecrated, and it has served the Village community ever since.

Services every Sunday - the main one is at 10 am - with a choir, work with children, coffee and chat afterwards. A wide programme of events and activities here and with St Edmund's in Allestree. You are always welcome. We are here for special events too - baptisms, weddings and funerals.

Do contact us if we can help in any way - and come and celebrate this June.

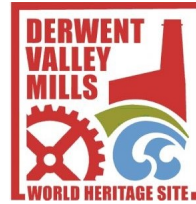
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## Saturday 22 June

- St Matthew's will be open from 10 am to 4 pm – refreshments, tours and children's activities
- BBQ and bar from 12 noon
- Dancing display and drama in the afternoon
- Concert at 7 pm with the church and school choirs – admission free



During the Bicenentenary week St Matthew's will host an eye-catching **Artwork** produced by the children of our schools - all 500 of them! It will be worth coming to see.

St Matthew's church is usually open Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday afternoons (2 to 4 pm) from the end of May through the summer

## Sunday 23 June

- Celebration service at 10 am with the Bishop of Repton
- Coffee and chat with the Bishop – and a celebration cake
- Church open until 4 pm for tours, refreshments, children's activities
- Bring a picnic
- Live Well Walk at 1.30 pm
- String quartet at 3 pm, then strawberries and cream
- Choral Evensong at 5 pm



On Monday 24 June the schools will have a celebration. Church will be open every afternoon (2 to 4) in the week