



## Thought for the Week

The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases;  
his mercies never come to an end;  
<sup>23</sup> they are new every morning;  
great is your faithfulness.

Lamentations 3:22-23

I don't know about you, but I love a fresh start, there is something I find really exciting about a new beginning. As you know, we have moved offices in the last week and for many of us in the team this is a new beginning, having never worked in these offices before. We've been able to spend (a little bit of) time making the space our own and working out what goes where to make us as efficient as possible, and while it has been hard work it feels lovely and fresh and new for us.

Often, we think of fresh starts at the beginning of a term, the start of a new year or even just the beginning of the week. I mean, who starts healthy eating on a Thursday, it has to be a Monday, doesn't it? However, there is something lovely about this verse, that for God his mercies for us are new every single morning, we don't need to wait. I'd love to know who has managed to keep up their New Year's resolutions now we are in March. If they have fallen by the wayside for you, are you going to wait until next January to start them up again? This verse talks about God's new mercies every day, that every day can be a fresh start, we don't have to wait for next week, next term or next year. His love and mercies are there every day, for a fresh start. So, if today has been hard, something has gone wrong and mistakes have been made, remember every morning is a fresh start. Just as we are certain that the sun will rise, we can be certain that God's love, faithfulness and mercies will be renewed every morning.

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## Important Updates and Messages

### Diocese of Gloucester – Easter Reflections

Please find attached to this email – some materials from the Diocese of Gloucester relating to the Easter story.

### Earth Month

The Dirt Is Good Schools Programme has launched Earth Month!

The [Dirt Is Good Schools Programme](#) is dedicating the entire month of April to celebrate and take action for Earth Day, which is taking place on April 22nd. They are calling for Changemakers across the UK to come together, unite in compassion and take collective action for our Earth!

They have created free, educational, and action-orientated resources, that will empower young people (aged 7-14) to make positive environmental change, no matter how big or small. They have been designed for schools, youth groups and parents to deliver to young people, and can be used during school/group time or at home during the Easter holidays. [Click here to view the resource page](#)

They have also created a [media pack](#) to help you share the activity on your social media channels if you would like to.

### Empowering Voices - Culham St Gabriel's Summer Showcase

Our RE and SIAMS Advisor Gillian Georgiou is giving an update at the above event on the *Empowering Voices* project.

**Grants Summer Showcase 2022 on Wednesday 22nd June 7-9pm via Zoom:**

The programme and registration is now live -

<https://www.cstg.org.uk/activities/events/virtual-grant-showcase/>

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