



Hallaton, Whatborough and Loddington Newsletter

Edition Date: 4th July 2024

Services & Events – In Church & on Zoom:

Sunday 7th July Trinity 6

11am **Loddington** Holy Communion (Revd Alison Myers)

11am Launde Parishes **Zoom Service**

5pm **Owston** Evening Prayer (Churchwarden Led)

Sunday 14th July Trinity 7

10am **Hallaton** Informal Gathering

10am **Knossington** Holy Communion (Revd Jayne Lewis)

11am Launde Parishes **Zoom Service**

Sunday 21st July Trinity 8

10am **Owston** Holy Communion (Revd Jayne Lewis)

11am **Tugby** Holy Communion (Revd David Palmer)

11am Launde Parishes **Zoom Service**

Sunday 28th July Trinity 9

9.30am **Slawston** Pet Service (Revd David Palmer)

10am **Tugby** Morning Praise Café Style (Congregation Led)

11am Launde Parishes **Zoom Service**

6pm **Knossington** (With Cold Overton) Sung Evensong (Revd Jayne Lewis)

Sunday 7th July 11.00am Zoom

Launde Parishes Zoom Service

Leader & Reflection: Revd Jayne Lewis

To Join our Zoom Services, click on this link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87679803190?pwd=VzV5d1UwaTd4UnlybDdDbmdVUTZTZz09>

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Collect for Sunday 7th July

Sixth Sunday After Trinity

Merciful God,

you have prepared for those who love you
such good things as pass our understanding;
pour into our hearts such love toward you
that we, loving you in all things and above all things,
may obtain your promises,
which exceed all that we can desire;
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

 Information about the Zoom services (including the Link), and **other information**, can be found on

The Launde Deanery and Minster Community

Website at: <https://launde-minster-community.webador.co.uk/>

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PLACE OF WELCOME AT TUGBY CHURCH: BRINGING PEOPLE TOGETHER

- Regular opening **every Wednesday 3.00 – 4.30pm (term time)**
- Free hot drinks and biscuits
- Parents and children welcome after school

St Peter's Church, Tilton:

Friday Mornings 'Coffee and Chat'

Between 10.30 – 12.00noon

Café Morrell St Michael and All Angels Church,

Hallaton Tuesday Mornings Coffee, Cake and Chat

Between 10.00 to 12.30pm

Reflection for Sunday 7th July 2024

Sixth Sunday After Trinity

"God bless you!" We sometimes say that of when we genuinely want things to go well for those we care about (- not just when a person sneezes!) "What have I done to deserve this?" - that's another thing we say when things go wrong and we feel that we have lost God's blessing and have offended Him in some way.

Success and failure are much in our minds this week with the results of the General Election in. Many people are elated with success but very many more are coping with a sense of disappointment and failure.

Our readings today are all about this too. Ezekiel the Prophet is being sent to a people who may well refuse to listen to him. Jesus comes to his home town and the people whom he has known so well clearly reject him, and he warns the disciples that they are being sent out to people who might not receive them either. Paul, despite his certainty of God's powerful presence with him has failed, despite all his prayers, to be healed of something that he describes as a "thorn in the flesh".

A sense of failure can easily dominate our lives. With our pride dented and our resilience exhausted, we can lose all sense of self-worth and give up the purpose we have accepted for our lives. But Roger Federer said something interesting. He was looking back on a very successful career, and he said that although he had won 80 percent of his matches, he had won only 54 percent of the points during those games. The determination to keep going is what paid off in the end.

Both St. Paul and Jesus are remarkable examples of achievement despite the most aggressive opposition. And the little company of the disciples of Jesus took their message to the whole world. We can take heart from their example of dedication and courage and in the end know the reality of God's blessing if we never give up.

Revd Philip Norwood

Bible Readings:

Sunday 7th July 2024

Sixth Sunday After Trinity

Ezekiel 2.1-5

New Revised Standard Version, Anglicised

1 He said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you.

2 And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me.

3 He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day.

4 The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, 'Thus says the Lord God.'

5 Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

2 Corinthians 12.2-10

New Revised Standard Version, Anglicised

2 I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven-whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows.

3 And I know that such a person-whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows-

4 was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat.

5 On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses.

6 But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me,

7 even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given to me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated.

8 Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me,

9 but he said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.' So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me.

10 Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

Mark 6.1-13

New Revised Standard Version, Anglicised

1 He left that place and came to his home town, and his disciples followed him.

2 On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, 'Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom

that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands!

3 Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?' And they took offence at him.

4 Then Jesus said to them, 'Prophets are not without honour, except in their home town, and among their own kin, and in their own house.'

5 And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them.

6 And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went about among the villages teaching.

7 He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits.

8 He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts;

9 but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics.

10 He said to them, 'Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place.

11 If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.'

12 So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent.

13 They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

Additional Prayer for Sunday 7th July Sixth Sunday After Trinity

Creator God,
you made us all in your image;
may we discern you in all that we see,
and serve you in all that we do;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

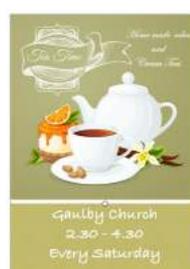
Food Bank Appeal:

Our Churches continue to support local Foodbanks.

Jubilee Foodbank Market Harborough You can drop off donations at **Hallaton Church** or to Linda Jones at **25, Eastgate, Hallaton at any time.**

Please note that all food collected is non-perishable, long-life or tinned.

Urgently needed items are: Cordial/ long life Fruit Juice; Sandwich Paste; Tinned Fruit; Tinned Beans with Sausages; Jam or Marmalade, Tinned Sweetcorn; Tinned/ jarred Hot Dogs; Tinned Ham/ Corned Beef; Packet Rice; Tinned Rice Pudding; Teabags; Porridge Oats



Pilgrimage Walks in the Launde Minster Community

After the popularity of our Palm Sunday Pilgrimage (this year and in 2023), we are pleased to announce a series of mini pilgrimages this spring and summer across the Minster community.

The schedule of Pilgrimage walks for this summer:

11th August: Welham to Hallaton (4 miles with a stop in Slawston)

15th September: Goadby to Gaulby (5 miles with a stop in Illston)

So why not walk with us and perhaps invite others to share the journey.

Pray your Part on Election Day

The Church of England's **#PrayYourPart** Campaign is promoting prayer and participation in the run-up to the General Election.

With Election Day this week, please continue to pray. You can still sign up for the daily reflections via email at www.cofe.io/PrayYourPart



EXPLORING FESTIVAL CHURCH
9th July 7pm
Tilton Church

There are several churches in the Minster Community who are looking to explore what being a Festival Church might look like.

Join us for an evening with Gill Elliot (Diocesan Buildings Development Enabler) to see what being a good Festival Church means and how to become one.

This gathering is open to anyone from the Minster Community.

Tuesday 9th July 7pm
Tilton Church

launde-minster-community.webador.co.uk

Mothers' Union Coffee Morning Tuesday 16th July 10.30-12.00



Mothers' Union
Coffee Morning
Tuesday 16th July 10.30-12.00
Welford, 16 Loddipole Lane
Bathon in Welford LE12 9SLA

Bring a Tray Cases & Muffins - Cook Dry Please

Refreshments by Mrs. Barbara Smith
Friends to Mothers' Union Family Night Meetings

Hallaton Festival of Archaeology 13 – 28 July



HALLATON MUSEUM
Two Thousand Years of History

Have you seen our programme of events for this year's Festival of Archaeology?

We have some great talks which include: "A Landscape of Learning" by Matthew Harris, "The Battle of Bosworth" by Peter Goffs, and "Increasing Britain's Great Country House" by Helen Shone. There are all fascinating subjects with great speakers.

Peter's talk gives the view from inside of this ancient story of how the Battle of Bosworth, fought, executed, and then hidden again, and you can see how Matthew's tale with a guided walk around the castle site or consider Helen's talk with a visit to Hallaton Roman earthwork site are great to display our archaeological edge of the festival.

The Festival of Archaeology runs from 13th to 28th July 2024 at St Michael's Church, Hallaton where you can also see the story of the Roman Pilgrims and how they lived on our Gold Pit-Work. What's up to do?

Tickets for most events are still available on Eventbrite at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/hallaton-festival-of-archaeology-2024-tickets-75511759> and more tickets for the Castle walk will be released as they're sold.

We look forward to seeing you in Hallaton next month.



Taking the Next Steps in Your Journey in Faith

The course is delivered over three terms and looks at: Exploring Faith, God's Call and Our Response, and The Development of the Church.

Revd Liz Rawlings, Diocesan Discipleship and Vocations Enabler, who co-ordinates JiF, says: "It doesn't matter if you are exploring faith, new to faith or have been in church for many years. You don't need to have done any learning before but come eager to learn and willing to share your own questions and experience."

There are five courses running on weekday evenings in venues around the diocese, starting with an introductory session on Saturday 28 September.

For more information and to book your place:

<https://www.leicester.anglican.org/news/taking-the-next-steps-on-your-journey-in-faith.php>

A number of changes are being proposed for the use of St Martins House Conference Centre, Leicester, over the coming months

These plans are intended to increase the financial contribution that our commercial activities make towards maintaining the wider mission and ministry of the diocese and come in response to our current operating deficits. We are therefore sorry to announce the proposed closure of the Christian Resources Shop at St Martins House.

More positively, in response to the growing demand for our conferencing facilities, we will be rearranging and repurposing rooms within the building – along with the current shop space – to accommodate more income-generating external bookings. This potential rise in income will go some way towards protecting front-line parish ministries. We are also pleased that the Cathedral's new Heritage and Learning Centre is scheduled for opening in November, as we refocus activities and welcome in the Cathedral Quarter. It is planned that these changes will be implemented by the end of 2024, and we will continue to share news and progress as things develop. You can read the statement here:

<https://leicester.anglican.org/news/changes-at-st-martins-house-conference-centre-and-the-christian-resources-shop.php>

Sunday 21 July, 5pm – St Mary Magdalene Church, Kilby

This year's Derek Lewin Annual Lecture will be given by the Revd Dr Tom Wilson, Director of the St Philip's Centre, Leicester. It will be followed by refreshments and conclude with a short service of compline at 6.30pm.

All welcome.

Holy Listening Course at Launde Abbey The Derek Lewin Annual Lecture

Are you interested in helping people deepen their spiritual lives? Could God be calling you to be a spiritual director?

Spiritual direction is the practice of being with people as they attempt to deepen their relationship with God, a prayerful ministry by which one Christian accompanies another as they discern the place and work of God in their life.

Holy Listening is a Launde Abbey training course which will help you develop skills and reflective practice for this ministry. You'll explore core aspects of Christian spirituality, and how we create and hold spaces that enable other people to hear God speaking in their lives.

Launde Abbey is seeking interested applicants to form its cohort for 2025 and 2026. Applications must be submitted by Friday 27 September, with interviews to be held on 14 & 16 October.

Find out more about the ministry of spiritual direction and about *Holy Listening*:

<https://www.laundeabbey.org.uk/holy-listening/>

Children and Youth Listening Exercise on Climate Change

This summer, the Bishops' Children and Youth Council (BCYC) are running their next listening exercise, this time on climate change.

You can get involved by facilitating a 20-30 min session with children or young people and feeding back their responses.

Download the facilitators' guidebook here, along with reports from previous listening exercises:

<https://www.leicester.anglican.org/info-for-parishes/children-families-and-young-people/bishops-children-and-youth-council-bcyc/>

If you have any questions or would like to know more, please contact Matt Long, Youth Engagement & Intergenerational Communities Enabler, on Matt.Long@LeicesterCofE.org

For Everyone Workshops are practical sessions led by our Ministry Development team to develop basic skills, knowledge and experience in different aspects of church life.

We have workshops available in Leading Worship, Pastoral Care, Welcome and Hospitality, Holy Habits, Faith Conversations and Storytelling.

The following session is currently available to book onto:

Welcome and Hospitality For Everyone

Saturday 6 July, 10am-3.15pm – St Andrew's Church, Countesthorpe, LE8 5QX.

Refreshments served from 9.30am at both. Please bring a packed lunch.

To book a place or to request a workshop in your parish, contact Liz.Rawlings@LeicesterCofE.org

Outdoor Church Gathering – Let's go for a Walk

Saturday 7 September, 9.30am-1.30pm, Launde Abbey.

Whether you're a regular Forest Church leader or just interested in exploring worship outside for the first time, this day is for you. **Download the flyer for more information:**

<https://thehub.leicester.anglican.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/walk-flyer-aw-240524.pdf> The aims of the gathering are to:

- Celebrate and share Outdoor Worship which is already established
- Support and encourage leaders of all ages within Outdoor Worshipping communities
- Inspire and birth new Outdoor Worshipping communities

There will also be an opportunity for an informal retreat after lunch, finishing at 4pm. **Book Now**

Early Bird Tickets cost £10 (including lunch) and are available until 8 July (regular price £12). We are also looking to welcome Young Leaders (14-18) at £8 each. **Book your place:**

<https://htl.churchsuite.com/events/t2as1ynm>

Following Christ: ACross Culture

Saturday 13 July, 9.30am-2.30pm – Leicester Cathedral and St Martins House

What is intercultural discipleship? What does it mean to disciple people across different cultures? What can we learn about discipleship from the perspectives of people from around the world?

Join us for workshops, guest speakers, reflection, networking and worship as we practically explore how we can more inclusively journey in faith together.

This event is delivered in partnership between Leicester Cathedral and Leicester Diocese's Intercultural Worshipping Communities. Tickets are free, but donations will be very gratefully received.

Lunch will be provided. **Visit Eventbrite to book:**

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/following-christ-across-culture-tickets-922855494627> or

contact Jude.Taylor@LeicesterCofE.org

Intercultural Preaching Workshops

Wednesday 24 July, 6-8pm, St Martin's House

Bishop Saju is leading a workshop for all who preach or are interested in preaching.

Why and how do we preach interculturally

What habits do we cultivate so that our preaching will bridge the gaps between cultures?

How can we effectively share the Scriptures with people from various cultural backgrounds? *Food will be provided.*

For further information and booking

contact Dinta.Chauhan@LeicesterCofE.org

