

Hallaton, Whatborough and Loddington Newsletter

Edition Date: 31st October 2024

Services & Events – In Church & on Zoom:

Saturday 2nd November, All Souls' Day

4pm **Tilton**_All Souls Day Commemoration of the Departed_(Revd Jayne Lewis)

<u>Sunday 3rd November, 4th Sunday before Advent, All</u> <u>Saints Day</u>

11am Loddington_Holy Communion_(Revd Alison Myers)
11am Launde Deanery Zoom Service

4pm **Hallaton**_Teatime Service_(Revd Jonathan Dowman) 5pm **Owston** Evening Prayer (Churchwarden led)

5pm **Tugby** All Souls with Holy Communion (Revd Chris Webb)

<u>Sunday 10th November, 3rd Sunday before Advent,</u> <u>Remembrance Sunday</u>

9.45am **Hallaton** Service of Remembrance 10.45am at Memorial (Revd David Faulks)

10.30 **Tugby** Service of Remembrance (Churchwarden led)

10.45am **Tilton**_War Memorial Remembrance Service (Brenda)

10.45am Launde Deanery **Zoom Service** Remembrance Service

10.50 **Loddington** Service of Remembrance (Revd Alison Myers)

10.50am **Cold Overton** Remembrance Service (Congregation led)

10.50am **Knossington** Service of Remembrance (Revd Jayne Lewis)

Sunday 17th November, 2nd Sunday before Advent

10.00am **Owston** Holy Communion (Revd Canon Michael Wilson)

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

11am Launde Deanery Zoom Service

<u>Sunday 24th November, Sunday next before Advent,</u> <u>Christ the King</u>

9.30am **Slawston** Holy Communion (Revd David Palmer) 10am **Tugby** Morning Praise (Congregation led)

10am Cold Overton (with Knossington) Holy

Communion (Revd Jayne Lewis)

11am Launde Deanery Zoom Service

☐ Sunday 27th October 11.00am Zoom

Launde Parishes Zoom Service

Leader & Reflection: Hilary Painter
To Join our Zoom Services, click on this link:

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■ Saturday Mornings

Zoom Prayer Meeting

Every week at 9am (meeting open from 8.45am)

If you would like to join our Zoom Prayers, please email

Hilary Painter: hilarypainter@icloud.com

Collect for Sunday 3rd November Fourth Sunday before Lent

Almighty and eternal God,

you have kindled the flame of love in the hearts of the saints:

grant to us the same faith and power of love, that, as we rejoice in their triumphs,

we may be sustained by their example and fellowship; 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

Reflection: 3rd November 2024

Fourth Sunday before Lent/ All Saints Day

On the west front of Westminster Abbey, there are ten modern statues commemorating Martyrs of the 20th Century. One of them is Janani Luwum, Archbishop of Uganda who was brutally murdered by Idi Amin. I got to know him in 1968 at a conference in a building next to Westminster Abbey and subsequently in Uganda. He was a gentle and loving family man, full of wisdom and courage.

We are remembering people full of love, wisdom and courage this Sunday. We call them saints, but they were ordinary people like us, yet they were called upon to witness their loyalty to Jesus in a wonderful way. Today's Old Testament reading is found in the Apocrypha section of our Bibles (because it was written in Greek, not Hebrew). The Jews were struggling to protect their faith against the Greek rulers of the area. Judas Maccabaeus and his brothers had led the struggle and violence on both sides had called for great heroism. Many died, and now "the souls of the righteous are in the hand of God". Their deaths, as in any conflict, were a disaster yet what they did was heroic and inspiring, and because of God's love, they will "shine forth for ever". In the Revelation to John, the growing Church was surrounded by people who had suffered heroically or their faith yet their witness provided a message of hope. God will "wipe away every tear from their eyes". There will be refreshment for the thirsty, comfort for the sorrowful, and a secure place in the presence of God. For John's readers and for us, here is encouragement and hope in discipleship.

Jesus was showing great courage in coming to Bethany where his friend, Lazarus, had been taken ill. Jesus had told his disciples several times what was awaiting him in Jerusalem and what his did in raising Lazarus resulted in

the warrant for his arrest. But Jesus' courage and witness to the love and power of God gave hope not just to those gathered around him, but to all of us today who are 'called to be Saints'.

Revd Philip Norwood

Bible Readings:

Sunday 3rd November 2024 Fourth Sunday before Lent

Deuteronomy 6.1-9

New Revised Standard Version, Anglicised

6 Now this is the commandment-the statutes and the ordinances-that the Lord your God charged me to teach you to observe in the land that you are about to cross into and occupy,

2 so that you and your children and your children's children may fear the Lord your God all the days of your life, and keep all his decrees and his commandments that I am commanding you, so that your days may be long.

3 Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe them diligently, so that it may go well with you, and so that you may multiply greatly in a land flowing with milk and honey, as the Lord, the God of your ancestors, has promised you.

- 4 Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.
- 5 You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might.
- 6 Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart.

7 Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.

8 Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead,

9 and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

Hebrews 9.11-14

New Revised Standard Version, Anglicised

11 But when Christ came as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation),

12 he entered once for all into the Holy Place, not with the blood of goats and calves, but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption.

13 For if the blood of goats and bulls, with the sprinkling of the ashes of a heifer, sanctifies those who have been defiled so that their flesh is purified,

14 how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to worship the living God!

Mark 12.28-34

New Revised Standard Version, Anglicised

28 One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he

answered them well, he asked him, 'Which commandment is the first of all?'

29 Jesus answered, 'The first is, "Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one;

30 you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength."

31 The second is this, "You shall love your neighbour as yourself." There is no other commandment greater than these.'

32 Then the scribe said to him, 'You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that "he is one, and besides him there is no other",

33 and "to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength", and "to love one's neighbour as oneself", -this is much more important than all whole burnt-offerings and sacrifices.' 34 When Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, 'You are not far from the kingdom of God.' After that no one dared to ask him any question.

Additional Prayer for Sunday 3rd

November

Fourth Sunday before Advent

God of glory,

touch our lips with the fire of your Spirit, that we with all creation may rejoice to sing your praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Bible Readings:

Sunday 3rd November 2024

All Saints Day

Wisdom 3.1-9

New Revised Standard Version, Anglicised

1 But the souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them.

- 2 In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be a disaster,
- 3 and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace.
- 4 For though in the sight of others they were punished, their hope is full of immortality.
- 5 Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself;
- 6 like gold in the furnace he tried them, and like a sacrificial burnt-offering he accepted them.
- 7 In the time of their visitation they will shine forth, and will run like sparks through the stubble.
- 8 They will govern nations and rule over peoples, and the Lord will reign over them for ever.
- 9 Those who trust in him will understand truth, and the faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones, and he watches over his elect.

Alternative Reading to Wisdom 3.1-9:

Isaiah 25.6-9

New Revised Standard Version, Anglicised

- 6 On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples
- a feast of rich food, a feast of well-matured wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-matured wines strained clear.
- 7 And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations;
- 8 he will swallow up death for ever. Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces,
- and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,

for the Lord has spoken.

- 9 It will be said on that day,
- Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.

This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Revelation 21.1-6a

New Revised Standard Version, Anglicised

- 1 Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more.
- 2 And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.
- 3 And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them;
- 4 he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.'
- 5 And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.'
- 6 Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

John 11.32-44

New Revised Standard Version, Anglicised

- 32 When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.'
- 33 When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved.
- 34 He said, 'Where have you laid him?' They said to him, 'Lord, come and see.'
- 35 Jesus began to weep.
- 36 So the Jews said, 'See how he loved him!'

- 37 But some of them said, 'Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?'
- 38 Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it.
 39 Jesus said, 'Take away the stone.' Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, 'Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead for four days.'
 40 Jesus said to her, 'Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?'
 41 So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upwards and said, 'Father, I thank you for having heard me.
- 42 I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.'
- 43 When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, 'Lazarus, come out!'
- 44 The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, and let him go.'

Collect for Sunday 3rd November All Saints Day

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; 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

Additional Prayer for Sunday 3rd November All Saints Day

God of holiness, your glory is proclaimed in every age: as we rejoice in the faith of your saints, inspire us to follow their example with boldness and joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

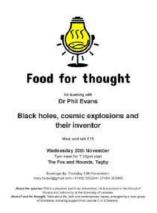
Jeff's Ride + Stride

All the sponsorship money is now in and amounts to a very satisfactory £985. Since almost all of this has been gift aided, I will have raised an amazing total of over £1,200. Thank you all so much for your sponsorship. Ride + Stride is the Leicestershire Historic Churches Trust's major fundraiser and enable us to give grants for church repairs throughout the city and county. Indeed, many of our village churches have been beneficiaries in the past. **Revd Jeff Hopewell**



Food for Thought

Wednesday 20th November at 7pm The Fox & Hounds, Tugby



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:

Tinned Fruit; Tinned Peas; Tinned Red Meat (e.g. Bolognese, mince, chilli, stew), Cartons of UHT Milk;

Tinned Custard; Soap; Strong clean Carrier Bags; Cordial/
Long Life Fruit Juice; Tinned Sweetcorn; Tinned/ Jarred
Hot Dogs; Tinned Ham /Corned Beef; Packet Rice;
Teabags; Porridge Oats; Jam or Marmalade; Tinned
Beans with Sausages; Sandwich Paste; Tinned Rice
Pudding; Tinned chickpeas, mixed chilli beans, red
kidney beans, lentils; Dried Potato/ Smash

St Peter's Church Tilton

There will be a service of commemoration in St Peter's Church on Saturday 2nd November at

4pm for anyone who wishes to remember a loved one. There will be an opportunity to light a candle and have their name remembered in prayers, but people are also welcome to remember privately. The service will be led by Revd Jayne Lewis. If you want a name read out in the prayers please let Brenda Cox know. You can message privately email coxes2008@coxnet.co.uk **All are welcome.**



Coffee Morning in aid of Jeel Al Amal Orphanage and School, Al Shorooq School for Blind Children and Rehabilitation Hospital, BETHLEHEM

Saturday 9th November 10.30am to 12 noon The Old School, Church Street, Billesdon



'Shakespeare in Song' by the Harborough Singers St Andrew's Church, Lyddington on Saturday 2nd November at 7.30pm



World Day of Prayer 2025

St Michael & All Angels Church, Hallaton
Friday 7th March – Would you like to be involved?





St Peter's Church, Tilton:

Friday Mornings 'Coffee and Chat' Between 10.30 – 12.00noon

<u>Café Morrell</u> St Michael and All Angels Church, Hallaton Tuesday Mornings *Coffee, Cake and Chat* Between 10.00 to 12.30pm



Modern Slavery Workshop

Wednesday 6 November, 9.30am-12pm – St Martins House, Leicester

Modern slavery touches all our lives. This workshop aims to help us better understand the complex national and local scenarios and to explore how we may better work together to combat slavery.

Speakers will include Jim Hatton from Leicestershire Police and Bishop Alastair Redfern, who has long held a national brief for the Church on this issue. **Book here for your free place:** https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/modern-slavery-workshop-tickets-1034697487037

Leading Worship – for Everyone

Saturday 16 November, 10am-3.15pm, All Saints Parish Centre, Blaby

A workshop for any church member wanting to grow in skills and confidence leading others in worship, prayer and engaging with the Bible. The session will be interactive and practical with opportunities to share experiences and grow together. *Refreshments from 9.30am. Please bring a packed lunch.* Visit our Learning Hub to register:

https://thehub.leicester.anglican.org/learning-resources/leading-worship-for-everyone-3/

'The Challenge of the Margins'- Chaplaincy Lecture by the Rt Hon The Lord Paul Boateng CVO

Thursday 7 November, 6pm (doors 5.30pm) – Loughborough University

A lecture given by the Rt Hon The Lord Paul Boateng CVO entitled 'The Challenge of the Margins – The Role of Church and State in Addressing the Needs of the Overlooked at Home and Abroad' as part of the new Chaplaincy Lectures – a joint initiative between the diocese and the universities in Leicester and Loughborough.

Lord Boateng is a former Chief Secretary to the Treasury and High Commissioner to South Africa, currently the Chairman of The Archbishops Commission on Racial Justice, and Co-Chair of the Grenfell Tower Memorial Commission. **Further**

information and booking:

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/bishop-of-leicesterschaplaincy-lectures-with-loughborough-university-tickets-1038744291137

Anti Racism Training: Embrace the Diversity

Saturday 2 November, 9.30am-3.30pm – St Martin's House, Leicester

'Embrace the Diversity' is a chance to enhance your awareness of contemporary, systemic, and interpersonal racial discrimination. Its aim is to delve into the challenges that may impede the development of healthy intercultural relationships and work towards promoting one of the diocesan strategic priorities: fostering Intercultural worshipping communities.

In this training programme, you will learn: some of the language used to discuss racism and anti-racism, to make the distinction between being 'not racist' and anti-racist, the roots of racist ideologies and their impact on the Church & society today, about practical actions aimed at promoting racial unity in the church community This training is free of cost and open to all. Lunch will be provided.

To book your space

email Dinta.Chauhan@LeicesterCofE.org