



St Helen's Church

Loving God, loving others, loving the world

Notices for 24th March 2024:

Palm Sunday

THE WEEK AHEAD

Palm Sunday 24th March

- 10am Donkey procession around St Helen's Churchyard
- 10:30am Holy Communion and reading of the Passion Narrative at St Helen's. Children's activities will be available in the Heritage Centre.
- 3:30pm Messy Church in St Helen's Heritage Centre
- 6pm Palm Sunday reflection at St Helen's

Monday 25 March

- 7.30pm Service of Compline (Night Prayer) at St. Matthew's, Worthington

Tuesday 26 March

- 2:30pm Faith, Friendship and Fellowship at 26 Uppingham Drive.
- 7.30pm Service of Compline at St. Matthew's, Worthington
- 7:30pm Heritage Talk – see additional notice

Wednesday 27 March

- 10:30am Holy Communion at St Helen's
- 7.30pm Service of Compline at St. Matthew's, Worthington

Maundy Thursday 28th March

- 10am Café Church at St Matthew's, Worthington – until 11:15
- 7:30pm Holy Communion at St Helen's

Good Friday 29th March

- 10am Children's Service at St Helen's
- 11am Walk of Witness, starting from St Helen's War Memorial
- 1-4pm Warm-Hearted Space in Community Heritage Centre
- 2pm Hour at the Cross at Breedon.
- 7.30pm "At the foot of the Cross" service of readings and reflection at St Helen's

Easter Eve, Saturday 30th March

- 9:30 am Morning Prayer in Hastings Chapel
- 2-4pm Experience Easter at Breedon, including Easter Egg hunt and short service.

Easter Sunday 31st March

- 10.30am Holy Communion at St Helen's
- 10:30am Holy Communion at St Matthew's, Worthington

PALM SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE – "Hear Your Children".

Please join us this evening for a contemplative service to lead us into Holy Week.

Through word, prayer, song, and silence, we'll reflect on the starkly contrasting emotions of the first Palm Sunday.

All are welcome, we start at 6.00 p.m. in the Hastings Chapel.

Collect for Palm Sunday

True and humble king,
hailed by the crowd as Messiah:
grant us the faith to know you and love
you,
that we may be found beside you
on the way of the cross,
which is the path of glory.

TUESDAY 26th MARCH

7:30pm Community Heritage Centre

Our final Heritage Talk of the season is on Puritanism in Leicestershire 1560-1640. For nearly a century life in Leicestershire, and Ashby in particular, was shaped by puritan influences. This talk will consider the role played by three leading figures - Henry Hastings, Third Earl of Huntingdon, Anthony Gilby and Arthur Hildersham [a previous Rector of St Helen's] - in the establishment of a 'puritan county.'

FURTHER AHEAD:

Sunday 7th April

10:30am Team Service of Holy Communion at Breedon, with children's activities [outside, weather permitting]

3:30pm All-Age Service at St Helen's,

6pm No Evensong this month

APCM: TUESDAY 16th APRIL

7pm in St Helen's Heritage Centre

As our APCM approaches, please prayerfully consider the possibility of whether you could stand for election as a member of PCC or as Church Warden. If you would like to know more about either of these roles, please speak to either of our Wardens, to Rev Sue or to anyone on PCC.

Also a reminder that you can only stand for election to PCC and vote at the APCM if you are on the Electoral Roll – the closing date to be added is 31st March.

CIVIC SERVICE: SUNDAY 21st APRIL

On Sunday 21st April at our 10:30 morning service we will be hosting the annual Ashby Civic Service and giving thanks for the work of the Town Council and Avril Wilson as Mayor over the past year.

AND REQUEST FOR CAKES!

It would be wonderful to have a few home-baked cakes to serve with coffee after our Civic Service. If you are able to provide a cake, please let Caroline know.

It would also be most helpful to have some help with serving and clearing up afterwards – again, please let Caroline know if you can help.

PRG BOOK SALE – every Sunday after St Helen's morning service

A table with books for sale is available after the service every Sunday. Our Priest Room Gang of young people, having read the diary of Anne Frank, are fund-raising for a trip to Amsterdam. Have a browse and see if there is something for you!



GIVING

You can make donations to the work of St Helen's through the Collectin card reader at the back of church any time. Alternatively, donations can be made via the open plate at the back of church after our Sunday services, the wall safe at the back of church or via our website: <https://www.sthelensashby.net/Groups/327469/Giving.aspx>

Deadline for next week's Notice Sheet: : 5pm Thursday evening, sent to either Judith or the Parish Office.

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