



## St Helen's Church

Loving God, loving others, loving the world

### Notices for 19<sup>th</sup> February 2023 Sunday next before Lent

#### THE WEEK AHEAD

##### Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> February

- 8:30am Morning Prayer at Staunton  
Harold
- 10:30am Morning Worship at St Helen's
- 10:30am Holy Communion at Breedon

##### Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February

- 7:30pm Ash Wednesday service of Holy  
Communion with Imposition of  
Ashes at St Helen's

##### Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> February

- 9:30 am Prayer in Hastings Chapel

##### Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> February

- 10:30am Holy Communion at St Helen's
- 3:30pm Messy Church in St Helen's  
Heritage Centre

#### Readings for Sunday next before Lent

- 2 Peter 1 vs 16-end  
Matt 7 vs 1-9

#### Collect for Sunday next before Lent

Almighty Father,  
whose Son was revealed in majesty  
before he suffered death upon the cross:  
give us grace to perceive his glory,  
that we may be strengthened to suffer  
with him  
and be changed into his likeness, from  
glory to glory;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

#### LENT

Ash Wednesday this year is just round the corner on 22<sup>nd</sup> February. During Lent, we will be exploring issues around climate change and related issues of social justice on Sunday mornings.

#### TEAM TALK

Team Talk this year will also be on themes of climate change, sustainability and social justice, with opportunities to discuss how these relate to our Christian faith and what difference we can make. There will be groups meeting on Tuesday afternoons and evenings – details of venues will follow next week.

#### FORTHCOMING EVENTS:

##### SUNDAY 26<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY

##### LUNCH IN HERITAGE CENTRE

The Eco Initiative Group & PRG will be providing a plant-based vegetarian meal and you are all invited to lunch after Sunday service on 26<sup>th</sup> February. If you are able to attend, please give your names (with any dietary requirements) to Liz Smith or Caroline Millward. We hope you can join us and hear more about the Church's environmental plans & proposals."

**TUESDAY 28<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 7:30pm**  
**NEXT HERITAGE TALK**  
**in the COMMUNITY HERITAGE CENTRE**  
Dr Rachel Askew, Heritage Officer at Breedon Priory Church will be speaking on "Catholic Resistance and Subterfuge at Breedon".

**CONCERT: GALLIARDA**  
**ST HELEN'S,**  
**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> MARCH 7.30pm**

As featured on radio 3's In Tune programme on Feb 9th, Galliarda's "An Enlightened Heart" project highlights the music and performing traditions of women in the 18th century. There will also be two pieces for early instruments specially commissioned from female composers. Tickets priced £10 are now available via the "what's on" tab on our website [www.sthelensashby.net](http://www.sthelensashby.net) or from Caroline Essex on 01530 417056. Also available on the door.

**CONCERT: MOSAIC**  
**ST HELEN'S,**  
**Friday 10th March 7.30pm**

A welcome return of The Vocal Octet, MOSAIC, with a concert entitled "Good News". The programme will be varied, beautiful and entertaining. It will include one item sung by the Women's Voices who, under the name *Tesserae*, have performed a successful lunchtime concert at St Helen's; the men's voices, currently seeking a suitable name, will also contribute an item to the programme, all alongside the richly textured 8-part pieces which make up the bulk of MOSAIC's repertoire. More details about the group can be found at: <https://mosaicocetet.wordpress.com>. A retiring collection will be taken for St Helen's church.

**APCM TUESDAY 18<sup>th</sup> APRIL**

We are already starting to plan and compile reports for our APCM, when we will elect our Church Wardens for the following year and new members of PCC. Please consider prayerfully whether you should stand for election. We especially need a Church Warden, as the job is unmanageable for 1 person, and a Treasurer – this role is now eminently manageable as we outsource our book-keeping and the Treasurer's role is supported by a wider finance team.

**TUESDAY 6<sup>th</sup> JUNE morning**  
**Flagstaff Family Quiet Morning**  
**at St Helen's Heritage Centre and Garden.**

We are starting to begin to think this one through so we would like to share with you a little more detail.

The theme we shall be looking at is "**Prayer Mountains**"

The times will be firmed up later but we are working provisionally on beginning with breakfast together at 8.30am, followed by Morning Prayer and a Reflection. Then Quiet time until sharing Holy Communion at around 12 noon and finishing the Quiet Morning at around 12.30 and home in time for lunch. As before we are hoping to offer some prayer stations and other prayerful activities and reading for those who find that helpful.

Numbers will be limited to 12. More details will be available nearer the time but if you are interested in putting your name down then the booking list is now open. In you have not already done so please contact me via email:

[margaret@ajacques.plus.com](mailto:margaret@ajacques.plus.com)

There is no charge except that voluntary contributions will be welcome towards breakfast and tea and coffee.

Revd. Margaret and Allan.

## **ECO-TIP OF THE WEEK**

Everyone is encouraged to take advantage of our Lent theme – services and sermons addressing issues concerning the environment and social justice; Team Talk to further explore what our response should be; a delicious meat-free lunch in the Heritage Centre after church next Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> February.

## **FOR PRAYER:**

Please pray for those known to you who are ill, including David Harris, John Dennis, Peggy Adams and Teresa Shorthouse.

In love, we remember those whose anniversary of death falls at this time, praying for their families & friends:

Bateman Evans  
Kate Manton  
Pam Toovey  
George Essex Marlow  
John Marshall Slater Mansfield  
John Curtis  
Pamela Cicely Hall  
John Curtis  
Cyril George Woolgrove  
Elizabeth Barbara Owens  
Lucy Ellen Trigger  
Jessie Allan Langrish

## **GIVING:**

You can make donations to the work of St Helen's through 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 Notice Sheet:**

5pm Thursday evening.

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Holy Trinity website  
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