



St Helen's Church

Loving God, loving others,
loving the world

Notices for 12th March 2023 3rd Sunday of Lent

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday 12th March

10:30am Holy Communion at St Helen's
10:30am Holy Communion at St Mary's,
Coleorton

Tuesday 14th March

2:00pm Team Talk at St Helen's
Heritage Centre
7:30pm Team Talk at St Matthew's,
Worthington

Wednesday 15th March

10:30am Morning Prayer at St Helen's

Saturday 18th March

9:30 am Prayer in Hastings Chapel

Sunday 19th March [Mothering Sunday]

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

Readings for 3rd Sunday of Lent

Micah 6 vs 6 to 9
Mark 12 : 28-34

Collect :

Tearfund "Hope for Creation" prayer

Lord, make us people who recognise,
nurture and act towards a more
sustainable world for the benefit of all who
draw life from this planet.

Raise up campaigners who will speak out
for wisdom, restraint and compassion.

And teach us to partner you in protecting
this precious world and the lives of our
most vulnerable global neighbours. Amen

PLEASE BE VIGILANT!

We have been advised of incidents both
in our Deanery and in South Derbyshire
where churches appear to be being
targeted by unwanted visitors. It would
be wise for us not to leave bags or
wallets lying around and to be alert to
distractions from strangers.

TEAM TALK

Team Talk this year is exploring issues
relating to climate change and its
relationship to our faith and responsibilities
as Christians. Future dates are as follows:

Afternoon groups start at 2:00pm

14th March – St Helen's Heritage Centre
21st March - 26 Uppingham Drive
28th March - 26 Uppingham Drive

Evening groups start at 7:30pm

7:30pm - St Matthew's, Worthington
21st March – St Helen's Heritage Centre
28th March – Holy Trinity Church.

Everyone is very warmly welcomed to
either of these groups – there is no
expectation that anyone should come to all
of them.

ALSO IN LENT: COMPLINE ON WEDNESDAYS

There will be a service of Compline at 9pm
every Wednesday in Lent, led by Beth
Lunt, Associate Minister [Trainee] at Holy
Trinity. This will be held on Zoom, with the
room opening at around 8:50. The service
will last about 20 minutes. Please contact
the Holy Trinity office

Office@trinityashby.net for details of the
zoom link

FORTHCOMING EVENTS:

SEW IT DON'T THROW IT – OPEN DAY SATURDAY 11th MARCH 10:30-3:30

Sew It Don't Throw It:

The project launches this Saturday (11th) with an Open Day. There will be lots of demos and opportunities to have a go yourself, to give a flavour of the workshops which will happen during spring, summer and autumn. And when you come along remember to bring some items of clothing for the Clothes Swap!

The sewing machines have arrived and our 3 tutors are raring to go.

You can read more about this exciting project in February's parish magazine (on the website or hard copies at the back of church) or in March's Ashby Life.

SATURDAY 11th MARCH – MEN'S BREAKFAST

Geoff Richman invites us to the next Men's Breakfast which will be held at 8:00am on Saturday 11th March 2023 starting at Wetherspoons in Ashby for breakfast followed by a talk to be presented in the Methodist Church Hall by Andrew Barson titled "Care-ful Whispers - 'Experiences from 7 Years as a professional carer'.

There will NOT be a Men's Breakfast in APRIL; the next one is scheduled for 13th May. Ideas for speakers, topics or even offers of talks are most welcome.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

We are pleased to be hosting concerts for Concordia on Saturday 1st April and Gresley Male Voice Choir with Boundary Singers on Saturday 22nd April. We need a couple of people to assist with 'front of house' duties on both occasions. Please contact Caroline Essex if you are able to help.

Saturday 25th MARCH 7:00pm ST PETER'S CHURCH SWEPSTONE FUNDRAISING EVENT

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Proceeds to My Name's Doddie
Foundation and St Peter's Church.
Refreshments and Raffle available.

ST HELEN'S WARM SPACE

Launch date: Friday April 14th 2023

As part of the Eco Initiative of our church, we are creating a Warm Space EVERY Friday from 1-4pm in the Hastings Hall, Heritage Community Centre. We aim to provide a warm, safe environment where EVERYONE is welcome, to come for tea, coffee, and homemade cakes, befriend others, play board games or just be there to enjoy ...

Volunteers are needed to get this off the ground and to keep it running through the year. If you feel able to give up a few hours of your time once in a while to be part of this invaluable ministry to our community, please let me know. I promise the more volunteers we have, the fewer hours you will have to be on duty.

Eileen Coombs (Co-ordinator)

ECO-TIP OF THE WEEK

“What is this life if, full of care, we have no time to stand and stare” [WH Davies]. As spring approaches, let’s enjoy making time to stand and stare and wonder at the world around us – the last of the snowdrops, the first of the daffodils, the increasing bird song, the swelling buds on the trees.

FOR PRAYER:

This week, you are invited to give thanks and pray for our Eco-Church committee, who continue to explore ideas of how to minimise our carbon footprint and encourage us in having a more sustainable lifestyle.

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:

William Edwin Richards
Joan Morton
Phyllis Anne Eileen Whetton
Frank Harold Moseley
Joan Harding

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:

5:00pm Thursday evening.

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