

St Helen's Church

Loving God, loving others, loving the world

Notices for 6th April 2025

Passion Sunday

COLLECT	READINGS
Gracious Father,	Isaiah 35
you gave up your Son	Luke 22 vv 1-13
out of love for the world:	
lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion,	
that we may know eternal peace	
through the shedding of Christ's blood,	
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.	

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday 6th April

- 8:30am Holy Communion at Staunton Harold
- 10:30am Holy Communion at Breedon
- 3:30pm All Age Worship at St Helen's
- 6:00pm Sunday Soirée Choral Evensong followed by refreshments and recital

Monday 7th April

7:30pm Pilgrim Group*

Tuesday 8th April

2:30pm Friends, Fellowship and Faith*

Wednesday 9th April

10.30am Holy Communion at Prior Park

Thursday 10th April

10:00am Café Church at St Matthew's, Worthington

Friday 11th April

2-4pm Warm Hearted Space in the Community Heritage Centre

Saturday 12th April

9:30 am Morning Prayer in Hastings Chapel

Sunday 13th April

- 10:00am Procession with donkeys around the churchyard.
- 10:30am Holy Communion at St Helen's, including the reading of the Passion Story and Stepping Stones
- 6:00pm Holy Communion at Isley Walton with a reading of the Passion Story

Monday 14th, Tuesday 15th and Wednesday 16th April

7:30pm Service of Compline for Holy Week at St Helen's.

Thursday 17th April

- 7:30pm Maundy Thursday Communion at St Helen's
- * Contact Parish Office for location.

Holy Week Services

Please see attached the separate leaflet for full details of our Holy Week services.

SATURDAY 5th APRIL, 10.15-12.15 Pause for Paws

St Helen's church. All welcome especially those with 4 paws!

SUNDAY 6th APRIL, 6:00PM SUNDAY SOIRÉE

The first of our Sunday Soirées will be taking place on Sunday 6th April. Choral Evensong sung by the St Helen's Choir will be followed by refreshments and a recital by Hannah Matthews (trumpet) accompanied by Catherine Matthews and Jude Radley. The programme will include music by Goedicke, Gershwin and Hubeau. All are welcome to come.

Spring cleaning – working party

Our dedicated team of church cleaners serve the church faithfully with their weekly cleaning, but it is a big building with lots to do. So, as we approach Easter, wedding season, the return of our Soirees and an exhibition in church we are planning to do some serious spring cleaning. Please join us if you can – there will be lots to do – Friday 4th April 2pm-4pm, and Saturday 5th April 10am to 1pm. Even an hour or two of help will make a difference to our buildings so please come if you can. Thank you.

SATURDAY 12th APRIL, 8:00AM Men's Breakfast Club

You are invited to the next Men's Breakfast at Ashby Wetherspoons for breakfast, to be followed in the Methodist Church Hall for a talk to be given by Roger Bayliss on "The Joys of being the Mayor of Ashby".

SATURDAY 12th APRIL, 10:00AM Gardening Working Party

We are planning to have a working party to tidy and weed the flower borders around the church, and would be grateful for volunteers to help on the day.

If you would like to join us please let Caroline Millward or Susan Boardman-Weston know.

SATURDAY 3rd TO MONDAY 5th May Embroidery Exhibition – Crying in the Silicon Wilderness

We're excited that Romola Parish's embroidery exhibition will be on in church at the beginning of May, coming to us direct from St Albans Cathedral. Please help us to publicise this event – there are fliers at the back of church and Tim has posters if you are able to display one anywhere.

Bookings are now open on the website for a creative workshop with the artist on Saturday and an artist tour of the exhibition on Monday morning – places are limited so book early.

We'll also have our normal Soiree on Sunday evening and piano duets by Rev. Canon Sue Field and Andrew Chapman on Monday lunchtime so it should be a great weekend which we hope you can be part of.

A VERY BIG THANK YOU to everyone who supported the PRG Bake Sale in support of MND. £150.12 was raised!!!!

Do you have a notice that you would like including in the notice sheet?

If you would like to include a notice in the weekly notice sheet, please email the content for the notice, and the dates that you would like it to be included for, by **10pm** each **Tuesday** evening to:

<u>noticesheet@sthelensashby.net</u> Thank you.

GIVING

https://www.sthelensashby.net/Groups/3 27469/Giving.aspx

You can make donations to St Helen's:

- through the Collectin card reader at the back of church
- via the open plate at the back of church after our Sunday services
- via the wall safe at the back of church
- online:

https://givealittle.co/c/ab1795d8-295e-497d-9f23-51b319040fef



In addition, regular donations can be made through the Parish Giving Scheme (<u>www.parishgiving.org.uk</u>). You can set up a Direct Debit to give regularly or increase your contributions:

- via paper 'Gift Form' Contact Cornelia for the form, complete and post to PGS
- via telephone on 0333 002 1271, Monday to Friday, 9am – 5pm
- online: <u>https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/don</u> <u>ors/find-your-parish/ashby-de-la-</u> <u>zouch-st-helen-leicester/</u>

