



St Helen's Church

Loving God, loving others, loving the world

Notices for 4th May 2025

3rd Sunday of Easter

COLLECT	READINGS
Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father.	1 Corinthians 12 vv 4-11 1 Peter 4 vv 10-11.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday 4th May

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 recital
10am-3pm – Embroidery Exhibition

Monday 5th May

10am-2:30pm – Embroidery Exhibition
10:00am Discussion tour with the artist (pre booking required)
1:00pm Lunchtime concert, St Helen's Note – No Pilgrim Group Today

For full details of the Embroidery Exhibition, please go to the St Helen's website.

Wednesday 7th May

10.30am Holy Communion at St Helen's
2:00pm We're in Stitches at the Community Heritage Centre

Thursday 8th May

10:00am Café Church at St Matthew's, Worthington
9:15pm VE Day Service at St Helen's

Friday 9th May

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

Saturday 10th May

9:30 am Morning Prayer in Hastings Chapel

Sunday 11th May

10:30am Holy Communion at St Helen's
6:00pm Holy Communion at Isley Walton

SUNDAY 4th MAY, 3:30PM

All Age Worship

Come and join - everyone is welcome. Please bring along something that has been made for you - jumpers, toys,or maybe a cake! See you at 3.30pm.

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 at the following link:

https://sthelens.churchinsight.com/Groups/439476/Crying_in_the.aspx

We'll also have our normal Soirée on Sunday evening and piano duets by Rev. Canon Sue Field and Andrew Chapman on Monday at 1pm so it should be a great weekend which we hope you can be part of.

FRIDAY 2nd MAY, 6:30PM

Embroidery exhibition preview evening invitation

There will be an exhibition preview evening with drinks and canapes on Friday 2nd May from 6.30 to 8pm. Everyone is welcome but if you'd like to attend please can you let Helen Smith know for catering purposes on:

andhelbexz@talktalk.net

SUNDAY 4th MAY, 6:00PM

Sunday Soirée Choral Evensong followed by refreshments then a recital by the Capriccio Ensemble – Clare Pitchford, Richard Roper, John Bean, Jeremy Kimber. They will perform Brahms Piano Quartet no 1 and excerpts from Mendelssohn's Piano Trio. No charge but a retiring collection to cover costs.

THURSDAY 8th MAY, 9.15pm

VE Day - Ashby Town Council is hosting a service outside the West Door of St Helen's followed by a lighting of the beacon at 9.30pm

SATURDAY 10th MAY, 8:00AM

Ashby Men's Breakfast

You and partners/friends are very welcome to our next Ashby Men's Breakfast at 8:00am on Saturday 10th May at Wetherspoons for breakfast followed by a talk to be given in the Methodist Church Hall by Rev. Graham Heath on "More Adventures on a Harley Davidson". This should prove to be another interesting talk by Graham.

Our June talk will be show about problems encountered during the filming of a Top Gear episode where Jeremy Clarkson attempts to outrun a train comprising several converted caravans pulled by a modified road car on the GCR railway.

THURSDAY 1st AND 8th MAY

Café Church, St Matthews, Worthington

Please note that there will be no Café Church on Thursday 1st May due to local elections.

On Thursday 8th May from 10.00am the weekly Cafe Church will assemble for coffee etc. From 10:55 a.m. we shall hold a short service observing 2 Minutes Silence at 11.00am to mark the 80th Anniversary of VE Day, followed by a time of remembrance until 11.15am.

SUNDAY 10th MAY, 10:30AM-2:00PM VE Day Picnic, St Matthew's Worthington

On Sunday 10th May from 10.30am the morning service will also reflect on the 80th Anniversary of VE Day followed by a picnic lunch 12:00 noon till 2:00 p.m. All visitors are welcome to these special events or if passing.

Extra Stitches

Mary Tuckey is running some sewing workshops in the Heritage Centre in May, June and July. They are called 'Extra Stitches' and will offer tuition in embroidery, patchwork and smocking. All the information is on the website. Link below:

https://www.sthelensashby.net/Groups/441183/Were_In_Stitches.aspx

Volunteers needed for the Soirées

Our Soirée evenings have become an important part of our welcome to the local community and beyond. Part of that welcome has been our serving of refreshments but we only have a few volunteers for this and they are currently not getting a break. If you normally come

to these and could offer to help set up, serve refreshments and clear up, for one or two a season, we would appreciate it. Please contact Eileen Coombs. Thank you.

SUNDAY 22nd JUNE

I shall be preaching at St. James' Palace in my role as a Chaplain to HM the King. If anyone would like to come with me, I have some spare spaces in my car. It would be an early start (c 6.30am) but we would stop for breakfast on the way down. We also plan to have lunch after the service before returning so would be back in Ashby late afternoon. The service will be Choral Matins sung by the choir of the Chapels Royal. Please let me know if you would be interested in coming or finding out more. Sue Field

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: noticesheet@sthelensashby.net
Thank you.

GIVING

<https://www.sthelensashby.net/Groups/327469/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/3jJkom6wKIVdf6uPLphrcw>



In addition, regular donations can be made through the Parish Giving Scheme: www.parishgiving.org.uk.

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:
<https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/ashby-de-la-zouch-st-helen-leicester/>

