



## St Helen's Church

Faith, Love, Community

### Notices for 8<sup>th</sup> February 2026 Second Sunday Before Lent

COLLECT	READINGS
Almighty God, give us reverence for all creation and respect for every person, that we may mirror your likeness in Jesus Christ our Lord.	Romans v8.18–25 Matthew v6.25–34

#### THE WEEK AHEAD

##### Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> February

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

##### Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> February

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

##### Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February

7:30pm Pilgrim Group\*

##### Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> February

10.30am Holy Communion at Prior Park

##### Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February

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

##### Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February

2-4pm Warm hearted space in the  
Heritage Centre

##### Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> February

9:30 am Morning Prayer in Hastings  
Chapel, St Helen's

\*Please contact the Parish Office for  
location information

## St Helen's Events

### **TUESDAY 24<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY, 7:30PM**

#### **Heritage Talk**

Our February Heritage Talk will be given by Peter Liddle. He will be talking about 'The Archaeology of Bradgate Park (and was it really Lady Jane Grey's house?)'

Come along on Tuesday 24th February at 7.30pm in the Heritage Centre to hear what Peter has to say about the findings of a five year archaeological project in Bradgate Park. Tickets on the door (£4 including light refreshments - cash or card).

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### **LENTWISE LENT COURSE 2026**

This will run on Wednesday evenings from 25<sup>th</sup> February to 25<sup>th</sup> March inclusive. The sessions will be in the Community Heritage Centre, starting at 7.30 p.m. and lasting about 90 minutes (we will finish by 9.00). The sessions will be led by various combinations of Sue Field, Liz Smith & Andy Smith.

The course is based on the book "Lent Wise – Spiritual Essentials for Real Life" by Paula Gooder, and having a personal copy (or one between couples) will enable you to get the most out of the course. The book is published by Church House Publishing and this link will take you directly to it <https://www.chpublishing.co.uk/books/9781781405451/lentwise>

CHP have reduced the price of the book from £9.99 to £8.99.

There is no discount for bulk publishing, so if you want to attend the course please buy your own copy, and please let Andy Smith know if you'd like to attend the course – there's no issue with capacity just yet ...

## Other Notices

### **A request for help from Ashby Youth For Christ Trustees**

A heartfelt thank you to those of you who donate to AYFC on a regular basis. Without your support, our work serving young people would not be possible, and it would be difficult for us to plan for the future. But we need your help. From the end of February, Lloyds bank will be closing our original bank account due to new government legislation; any donations to this account will not be received and we would hate to lose your generous support. As donations cannot be moved across to our business account automatically, please could you take the time to update your standing order to the following bank account details:

**Account Name:** Ashby de la Zouch Youth For Christ

**Sort Code:** 30-90-89

**Number:** 36821260

If you have any questions or concerns about this, please contact our Treasurer, Ed Holbrook- [treasurer.ayfc@gmail.com](mailto:treasurer.ayfc@gmail.com)  
Thanks and blessings,  
AYFC Trustees

**SATURDAY 14<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY, 10:00AM**  
**Ashby JOY (young adults) charity**  
**coffee morning**

Please come along to a coffee and cake morning at Ashby Baptist Church, from 10am-12pm on Saturday 14th February. This is being run by young adults from across Ashby's churches, with proceeds going to Open Doors' 'Africa Arise' project, which is specifically supporting persecuted Christians in Nigeria at this time. All welcome and please do spread the word!

**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](mailto:noticesheet@sthelensashby.net)

## 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](http://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/>

