



St Helen's Church

Faith, Love, Community

Notices for 15th March 2026
Mothering Sunday

COLLECT	READINGS
God of love, passionate and strong, tender and careful: watch over us and hold us all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.	Exodus 1 vs 22 – Exodus 2 vv1-10 Colossians 3 vv12-17

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday 15th March

8:30am Holy Communion, Staunton
Harold

10:30am Morning Worship, St Helen's

10:30am Holy Communion, Coleorton

Tuesday 17th March

7.30pm St Helen's PCC

Wednesday 18th March

10.30am Morning Prayer, St Helen's

2:00pm 'We're in Stitches' at the
Community Heritage Centre

7:30pm Lentwise Course, Community
Heritage Centre

Thursday 19th March

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

Friday 20th March

2-4pm Warm hearted space in the
Heritage Centre

Saturday 21st March

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

Sunday 22nd March

10:30am Team Communion Service, St
Helen's – see notice further on

St Helen's Events

SUNDAY 22nd MARCH, 10:30AM

Team Service at St. Helen's

Bishop Martyn will be leading our 10.30am Team Communion service. There will be activities for children at the back of church.

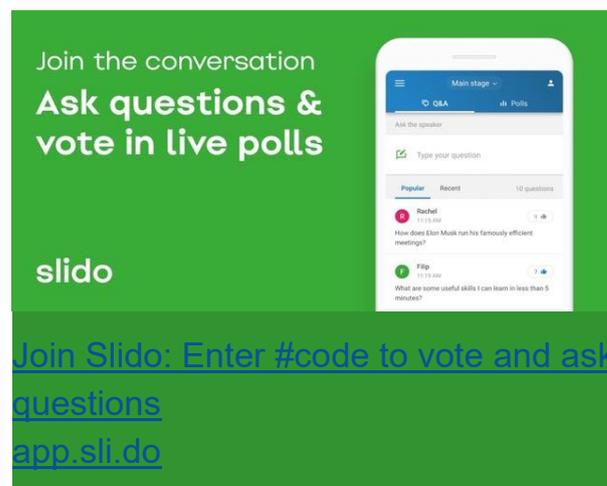
After the service there will be a brief break and Tim and Sue will then interview the Bishop about his life, faith and vocation for about 15 minutes. Following this we will collect our lunch of soup, roll and fruit, (**please remember to sign up for this**) and regather for a Question and Answer session with the Bishop. We aim to finish by 1.15pm.

To facilitate this we will use a tool called Slido which enables you from your mobile phone, to type a question and then vote other people's questions up and down the list! This means that the most 'popular' question is at the top of the list etc. There may be the chance to ask supplementary questions but Slido is a good way of ensuring that quieter voices are heard.

For those who struggle with technology, help will be at hand! Please write your question on a piece of paper or email to Sue (**by Saturday 21 March**) and she will ensure the questions are entered into Slido.

Please do not submit questions if you are not intending to be at the event. We want this to be a genuine conversation with the people in the room! Slido is simply a means of enabling that which we use now at clergy gatherings.

You can reach Slido using trinityashby.net/slido, using the link below or the QR code.



TUESDAY 24th MARCH, 7:30PM

Heritage Talk

Our final winter Heritage talk will be by Wendy Freer, from Pudding Bag Productions, who will be showing 3 period dramas telling fascinating stories from the 17th century plus a hilarious bonus short film about a WI cake baking competition.

Tickets are £4, including light refreshments. You are able to pay on the door (cash or card) on the night.

SUNDAY 29th MARCH PALM SUNDAY

We will begin with a donkey procession around the churchyard starting at **10am**. Our Communion Service at **10.30am** will include the reading of the Passion Narrative by several different voices. There will be children's activities in the Heritage Centre.

SUNDAY 29th MARCH, 6:00PM

Sunday Soirée

Our Sunday Soirées return on Sunday 29th March. This will take a rather different format from usual. Refreshments will be served from 5.30pm and the Soirée will be based on Haydn's 'Seven Last words of the Cross' with movements of this work being played by members of Ashby Strings Orchestra, interspersed by anthems from our choir and readings. We will finish by 7.30pm. Please do come along and bring friends.

Other Notices

SATURDAY 14th MARCH, 8:00AM

Ashby Men's Breakfast

I am inviting you to our next Breakfast meeting to be held at 8:00am on Saturday 14th March at Ashby Wetherspoons followed by a talk to be given by Frank Taylor titled "ADVentures on the Stage" in the Methodist Church Hall. The capitalisation in the title will become clear during the presentation. Partners and friends welcome to hear this presentation.

There will not be a meeting the following month as the second Saturday falls within the Easter weekend. However, we will be meeting again on Saturday 9th May.

SATURDAY 14th MARCH, 7:00PM

The Silver Spade Concert

On Saturday 14th March, Councillor Damilola Ojuri, Mayor of Ashby de la Zouch is hosting a charity event at Holy Trinity Church, Ashby de la Zouch, in aid of her two chosen charities, Rotary Club of Ashby de la Zouch Castle and Inspire Youth Collective.

In collaboration with Calling Time and Roots Community Singers, '**The Silver Spade**' will tell the story of the industrial history of Ashby de la Zouch. This musical event promises to be both an informative and entertaining evening.

If you would like to attend, tickets can be purchased from TicketSource (QR code on attached poster). Refreshments, included in the ticket price, will be served during the interval.

ELECTORAL ROLL 2026

Between 22nd March and 5th April we will be updating the Electoral Roll (ER) for St Helen's. The ER is a register of people who are able to elect other people in the church and to vote on many relevant issues at the annual parochial church meeting (APCM) and stand for election to the Parochial Church Council (PCC).

From March 22nd, applications for enrolment on the ER can be obtained from the church office or at the Welcome Desk and completed forms returned to the office letter box or by email to parishoffice@sthelensashby.net

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

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' – complete the form 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/>



You can also pay in through BACS:

- Account Name: St Helen's PCC
- Account Number: 00018329
- Sort Code: 40-52-40