



## St Helen's Church

Faith, Love, Community

### Notices for 12<sup>th</sup> April 2026 Second Sunday of Easter

COLLECT		READINGS	
Risen Christ, for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred: open the doors of our hearts, that we may seek the good of others and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace, to the praise of God the Father.		1 Peter 1: 3-9 John 20: 19-31	
HYMNS			
839	Ye choirs of new Jerusalem	352	In Christ alone
494	Love's redeeming work is done	798	We have a gospel to proclaim

### THE WEEK AHEAD

#### Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April

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

#### Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April

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

#### Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April

7:30pm Pilgrim Group \*

#### Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April

8:30am Holy Communion, Staunton  
Harold

#### Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> April

10.30am Morning Prayer, St Helen's  
2:00pm We're in Stitches, Heritage  
Centre

10:30am Civic Service, St Helen's

10:30am Holy Communion, Coleorton

#### Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April

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

#### Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April

2-4pm Warm hearted space in the  
Heritage Centre

\* For location information, please contact  
the Parish Office.

## St Helen's Events

**SUNDAY 19<sup>th</sup> APRIL, 10.30AM**

### **Civic Service**

We will be welcoming civic guests including our Mayor, Cllr. Damilola Ojuri to give thanks for her year in office. Please do come to worship and to welcome our visitors.

**SUNDAY 26<sup>th</sup> APRIL, 10:30AM**

### **Hoveraid**

At our morning communion service we will be welcoming a speaker from Hoveraid, one of the charities we have supported, to preach and then to lead a presentation about their latest work in Madagascar. This will be over a lunch in the Heritage Centre – more details later but please keep the date!

**SUNDAY 26<sup>th</sup> APRIL, 7.30pm**

### **Service of Compline**

Many people said how much they appreciated the 20 minute services of Compline during Holy Week. After discussion with the Ministry Team, we would like to offer a service of Compline on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month at 7.30pm in the Chancel at church. This will include a time of silence in which you may like to offer to God the coming week.

**SUNDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> MAY at 6pm**

### **Sunday Soirée**

After Choral Evensong sung by the choir, we will have refreshments then an organ recital by Christopher Ouvry-Johns, Director of Music at Leicester Cathedral. Entrance is free but donations are welcome to cover costs, with any excess going to the fund to renovate the organ.

## St Helen's Notices

**TUESDAY 21<sup>st</sup> April, 7:00PM**

### **St Helen's Annual Meetings**

Our Annual meetings will take place this year on Tuesday 21 April 2026 at 7pm.

**We are looking for one new PCC member and one new Deanery Synod member.** Please speak to Sue if you would like to find out more about what either role entails. We would love to have a full PCC! Nomination forms are available from the office.

Attendance at the Annual Parochial Meeting is for those on the Electoral Roll so please do sign up if you are not a member already.

As well as the acceptance of the Trustees Annual Report for 2025, we will also be updating you on our building issues and looking at our fairly new Vision Statement.

**2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> May**

### **'MADE BY ME' – by the We're in Stitches Group**

There will be an exhibition of work by the We're in Stitches group in church from Saturday 2 May to Monday 4 May. Opening times will be:

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 10am – 4pm

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 1pm – 6pm

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 10am – 12.30pm

Posters and fliers will be available in church from 12 April. We also need stewards from church and people to help serve refreshments. Please sign the list in church if you are able to help. This is a great opportunity to welcome people into our beautiful church. Entrance to the weekend is free but donations will be to the church.

There will be a Soirée on the Sunday (3 May) – see previous notice and the

weekend will end with a recital by our very own Anna Haines (soprano) and Andrew Chapman (piano) on **Monday 4 May at 12.30pm.**

## Other Notices

### WITNESSES TO THE PASSION

Many of us appreciated the dramatic Walk of Witness we held this year. All of the scenes were repeated with music at Ashby Baptist Church on Good Friday evening. You might like to watch this. It is available [here](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FbWEq9IWqiM)  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FbWEq9IWqiM>

Thanks to Nigel Roberts from Ashby Baptist Church for arranging all of this.

### CAFÉ CHURCH at BREEDON Saturday 9 May, 10am – 11.30am

We are starting a Café Church at Breedon which will happen every 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month at 10am. It will be a coffee morning with a short 'thought for the day' at 11am.

### 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' – 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