



## St Helen's Church

Faith, Love, Community

### Notices for 12<sup>th</sup> July 2026 Sixth Sunday after Trinity

| COLLECT                                                                                                                                                        | READINGS                                                                  |
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| Creator God,<br>you made us all in your image:<br>may we discern you in all that we see,<br>and serve you in all that we do;<br>through Jesus Christ our Lord. | Psalm 71 (verses 1-18)<br>Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23                          |
| HYMNS                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                           |
| 31 Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks<br>547 O God our help in ages past                                                                                          | Booklet 16 There is a hope that burns<br>19 All my hope on God is founded |

#### THE WEEK AHEAD

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

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

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

7:30pm Pilgrim Group

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

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

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

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

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

2-4pm Warm hearted space,  
Heritage Centre

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

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

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

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

## St Helen's Events

**SATURDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 9.15AM–3.00PM**

### **RE-ENCHANTING OUR WORLD: A CS LEWIS AND TOLKIEN QUIET DAY.**

We'll explore how we can be inspired by the stories and other writings of CS Lewis and JRR Tolkien, alongside Scripture, to recover wonder and beauty, mystery and longing in these increasingly technological and materialistic times. There will be plenty of opportunity for prayer, and time to attend to those glimpses of eternity that are given to us, both indoors and out.

The day will be led by Andy Swinford. Andy is the author of 'The Practice of Joy: insights from the stories of C S Lewis' and co-author of 'The Christian Tradition in English Literature'. He delivers multimedia presentations and online classes about C S Lewis, as well as leading retreats on the spiritual enrichment to be gained from the writings of the two friends Lewis and Tolkien.

If you're worried about knowing the books, please don't! The day's content will be accessible to all. You don't need to have read the books and there is no prior reading required - though there will be spoilers!

Andy says most people who attend his events have read very little and might only have seen one of the films, so don't be put off for that reason.

If you'd like to attend please sign up on the sheet at the back of church, email the Parish Office at:

([parishoffice@sthelensashby.net](mailto:parishoffice@sthelensashby.net))

or contact Andy Smith.

## **SATURDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 6:00PM** **CHURCH BARBECUE**

Tickets for sale from Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June.

## St Helen's Notices

**11th and 20th July 2026**

### **Festival of Archaeology at St Helen's Church & Heritage Centre**

Guided Tour of the Churchyard on Saturday 11th July at 2 pm.

Children's workshop, "Churchyard Detectives" - KS1 & KS2 but pre-schoolers also welcome) on Monday 20th July from 10 am - 1 pm.

All events are free but donations are welcome. Refreshments also available on 20th July. See our website for more information: [www.sthelensashby.net](http://www.sthelensashby.net).

Look for 'what's coming up' and 'Festival of Archaeology.'

## **WEDNESDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 10:00AM** **Holiday Bible Club**

The holiday bible club will be returning this summer. Attendees must be 5-11 years old, although 4 year olds who have completed their Reception year but not yet turned 5 will also be welcome. This will be £3 per child. Further details to follow.

## **Parish Magazine**

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the parish magazine over the last year. As usual, there will be no magazine for August. Submissions for the September magazine would be gratefully received by Tuesday 25th August. Articles should ideally be no longer than 400 words to be accommodated easily.

## Other Notices

### INEQE SAFEGUARDING SURVEY

This is to inform you that the INEQE safeguarding surveys are now live and will remain open until **5<sup>th</sup> August 11:30pm**.

The surveys form an important part of the independent safeguarding audit, and we need as many responses as possible. The more people who take part, the clearer the picture will be of what's working well and what we could do to improve safeguarding in the diocese. You can complete the survey at - <https://ineqe.com/churchofengland/leicester/>

### AYFC Cream Tea

Thank you to everyone who supported the cream tea for AYFC on 13<sup>th</sup> June. The weather was glorious and the Heritage Centre ideal for a tea. The event raised £1,004 which will be used for the work of Ashby Youth for Christ.

### 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