



St Helen's Church

Faith, Love, Community

Notices for 23rd August 2026 Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

COLLECT	READINGS
God of constant mercy, who sent your Son to save us: remind us of your goodness, increase your grace within us, that our thankfulness may grow, through Jesus Christ our Lord.	Romans 12 v1-8 Matthew 16 v13-20
HYMNS	
AHON 11 All for Jesus AHON 743 There is a redeemer	AHON 686 Take my life AHON 352 In Christ alone

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday 23rd August

10:30am Holy Communion, St Helen's

7:30pm Compline, St Helen's

Wednesday 26th August

10.30am Holy Communion, St Helen's

Thursday 27th August

10:00am Café Church, St Matthew's

Friday 28th August

2-4pm Warm hearted space, Heritage
Centre

Saturday 29th August

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

Sunday 30th August

10:30am Team Service, St Matthews
Worthington. No service at St
Helen's this day.

St Helen's Events

SUNDAY 6th SEPTEMBER, 6-8PM

Sunday Soiree

We follow the usual pattern of Choral Evensong followed by refreshments and then a recital. This will be another two piano recital by Jeremy Kimber and Sue Field featuring a mixture of works originally for two pianos and some arrangements of popular works by Handel, Brahms, Bach, Liszt, Arthur Benjamin and Irving Berlin. Retiring collection to cover costs.

SATURDAY 12th SEPTEMBER, 10-3

Heritage Open Day

A rare chance to see a display of 18th Century Bibles and our 19th Century Bell Ringers' Peal Book. Book binding demonstrations. Light refreshments available. Free event.

SATURDAY 12th SEPTEMBER

Ride and Stride

On Saturday 12th September, I will be taking part in this year's Ride and Stride event, cycling to churches in the local area. If you are able to sponsor me, it would be much appreciated. All monies raised will be split equally between St Helen's and Leicestershire Historic Churches Trust. The sponsorship form will be at the back of church during each Sunday service. Many thanks, Rob Millward

Heritage Open Day Volunteers

We will need several volunteers to watch over the books, which cannot leave the church, and others to serve refreshments. Even if you can only offer an hour or two!

In addition, it would be lovely to make a display of the **variety of bibles** available to us. Children's bibles, old ones, modern

translations, foreign language bibles... I've even seen a graphic novel style bible! So if you are willing to lend your bibles for the day please bring them to church on Friday **September 11th, from 12 to 1pm** or on **Saturday September 12th from 9.30**. Please make sure that your name is in the bible, and collect them preferably from 3 – 4pm on the Saturday. Any left will be locked in the vestry and available after the morning service, about 11.30am.

TUESDAY 29th SEPTEMBER, 7:30PM

Heritage Talk

Our first Heritage Talk this autumn will be R 'Bis' Bisgrove, talking about Leicestershire During the Reign of Queen Elizabeth II on Tuesday 29th September at 7.30 pm in our Community Heritage Centre. £4 on the door (cash or card) includes light refreshments.

Save the Date!

For those who like to plan, please note that on **Saturday 28 November** we'll be holding another **Connections Quiet Day**, from **9.15am–3.00pm**, at the Community Heritage Centre. The day will focus on **Advent**, helping us to prepare for this season of waiting, contemplation, and preparation. The day will be led by **Revd Canon David Newman**, former Archdeacon of Loughborough and very well known to us here at St Helen's.

St Helen's Notices

Next rotas – Tim will shortly be preparing the next set of rotas and we could do some more volunteers for readings, prayers, serving coffee, sound and cash stewards. If you could help with any of those, please email or speak with Tim in the office.

Morning Light

In September, the Morning Light Bible Study group will begin meeting again. We meet on Thursday mornings during school term-time, 8.45–9.30am, in the Hildersham Room at the Community Heritage Centre. Our first meeting of the Autumn/Christmas term will be on Thursday 3 September. This term, we'll be exploring the underlying story of the Old Testament.

Space is limited by the size of the room, but we have room for another two or three people. You don't need extensive theological or biblical knowledge – just an interest in learning more about the Bible through discussion with like-minded (and occasionally differently-minded!) people. If you're interested, please speak to or contact Andy Smith.

Parish Magazine

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the parish magazine over the last year. 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

MONDAY 31st AUGUST, 1-6PM

Packington Village Open Gardens

Please join us for games, afternoon tea and plenty of stalls. There will be a duck race on Mill Street at 6:00pm. Tickets are £5 and accompanied children are free.

SATURDAY 5th SEPTEMBER, 10-4PM

Breedon Wakes

Breedon Church is once again holding this event which will include a Medieval Encampment with a chance to experience various medieval crafts and

activities. During the day, there will be a tour of the church, a chance to visit the bell tower, a churchyard tour and an organ recital. There will be lots of activities and interest for children and adults alike. There will also be refreshment vans and various other stalls.

Parking will be at the Quarry and a minibus will take people up to church.

If anyone could help to serve tea and coffee in church from 11am until 3.30pm, please contact Sue Field.

SUNDAY 13th SEPTEMBER, 2:30-5:30PM

Diocesan Centenary Celebration Worship Gathering

Taking place at the Athena in Leicester, this event will celebrate 100 years of the diocese with worship and thanksgiving. Please join us for an afternoon of worship, prayer, music, liturgy, food and drink and more.

Tickets are available on the diocesan website.

Filming Opportunity

Wendy Freer will be filming Helen Balesford's play, 'The Pilgrim,' in church during November. She needs a small group of extras to be the tour group. These are non-speaking parts and the filming won't take long. Please contact Wendy directly if you are interested: puddingbagproductions@gmail.com

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