



St Helen's Church

Faith, Love, Community

Notices for 30th August 2026 Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

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Almighty God,
you search us and know us:
may we rely on you in strength
and rest on you in weakness,
now and in all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday 30th August

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

Wednesday 2nd September

10.30am Holy Communion, St Helen's
2:00pm "We're in Stitches", Community
Heritage Centre

Thursday 3rd September

10:00am Café Church, St Matthew's

Friday 4th September

2-4pm Warm hearted space, Heritage
Centre
4.15pm Messy Church, Heritage
-5.30pm Centre

Saturday 5th September

9:30 am Morning Prayer, Hastings
Chapel, St Helen's
10am Breedon Wakes
-4pm

Sunday 6th September

8:30am Holy Communion, Staunton
Harold
10:30am Holy Communion, Breedon
6:00pm Sunday Soirée – Choral
Evensong followed by recital

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 and Liszt amongst others. 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 12th September, I will be taking part in Ride and Stride, 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 the books, which cannot leave the church, and to serve refreshments. Even if you can only offer an hour or two!

It would also 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! If you are willing to lend your bibles for the day please bring them to church on Friday 11th, from 12 to 1pm or on Saturday 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 morning service.

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.

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THURSDAY 3rd SEPTEMBER

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 3rd September. This term, we'll be exploring the underlying story of the Old Testament.

Space is limited but if you're interested, please speak to or contact Andy Smith.

SATURDAY 5th SEPTEMBER, Castle and Church Tour

I am leading a combined tour of Ashby Castle and St Helens for about an hour on Saturday 5th September, starting at the castle at 2pm. It will focus on the historic links between the two sites, particularly the people. English Heritage members are free, others need to pay for

entrance to the castle, but you can use your ticket all day. Anne Heaton

MONDAY 7th SEPTEMBER, 7:30PM **Pilgrim Group**

Our Pilgrim Bible study and discipleship will be restarting on Monday 7th September at 7:30pm. For the next few weeks, we will discuss the readings from the services on the previous Sunday, looking at the questions they raise for us, the challenges and the encouragements. It's not necessary for you to have been at the service – you will still be welcome and those who were present will be able to update the group.

We always welcome new members. As a general rule, we will be meeting 3 Mondays per month and there is no expectation that people have to attend every week. Please talk to Judith Lewis if you would like to know more.

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, as well as a tour of the church (12 noon), visit the bell tower (1pm), churchyard tour (2pm) and organ recital by Jeremy Kimber (3pm). There will be lots of activities for children and adults alike, as well as refreshment vans and

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

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 if you are interested at: puddingbagproductions@gmail.com

FRIDAY 18th SEPTEMBER, 12 -4pm **SATURDAY 19th SEPTEMBER 11am – 4pm**

Open Days at St Mary's, Coleorton

Exhibitions on the theme of weddings and family jointly hosted by St Mary's and the Coleorton Heritage Group. Refreshments available and a chance to walk round the grounds of Coleorton Hall.

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/>



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