



St Helen's Church

Loving God, loving others, loving the world

Notices for 28th July 2024

The Ninth Sunday After Trinity

COLLECT	READINGS
Gracious Father, revive your Church in our day, and make her holy, strong and faithful, for your glory's sake in Jesus Christ our Lord.	Ephesians 3 v14-end John 6 v1-21

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday 28th July

10:30am Holy Communion at St Helen's

3.30pm Messy Church in the
Community Heritage Centre
(see notice)

Monday 29th July

7:45pm Open bible discussion group*

Wednesday 31st July

10:30am Holy Communion at
Community Heritage Centre

Thursday 1st August

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

Friday 2nd August

2-4pm Warm Hearted Space in the
Community Heritage Centre

Saturday 3rd August

9:30 am Morning Prayer in Hastings
Chapel

Sunday 4th August

10:30am Holy Communion at Breedon

3:30pm All-age service at St Helen's
(see notice)

6:00pm Evening prayer at St Helen's

* Contact the Parish Office for location

NEW EMAIL ADDRESS AND SCHEDULING FOR NOTICE SHEET

Please could notices be sent to the following new email address above by 10pm on Tuesday evenings in order to be included in the following weeks' notice sheet:

noticesheet@sthelensashby.net

SUNDAY 28th JULY, 3:30PM

Messy Church

We will be having a messy church picnic at the **St Helen's Community Heritage Centre** (please note change of location), with lots of fun and games. Please join us!

MONDAY 29th JULY ONWARDS

Church Wiring

Work is starting in the church on 29th July to replace our decaying electrical wiring. The work will last up to three weeks. During that time there will be restrictions on access to all or parts of the church. Areas within the building may be roped off and we ask that you respect the barriers. If we need to provide alternative access via the south door a notice will be placed on the north door (our normal entrance). The church will be open as normal at weekends.

If you have any questions about this work please talk to Simon, the church warden, or the vergers.

STARTING 31st JULY, 7:30PM

Connections – A Programme of Reflective Sessions

How often do you hear loved ones, friends, colleagues, even passers-by complain of time “flying”; of the endless challenge of juggling too many tasks in multiple roles; of the need for more hours in the day? How often do you make the same complaints? Over the next 5 months, we're going to run a programme of reflective sessions and activities that are intended to help us to spend time in God's presence and to “connect” – with God, with Ourselves, with Others and with Creation.

Some will follow a traditional “quiet day” format, some will offer activities to help quieten our busy minds. We hope that all who come will find them a time when they feel God's presence and may leave them feeling energised and refreshed.

The first session is on Weds 31st July 7.30p.m. – 9.30 p.m. in the Community Heritage Centre. That day is The Feast Day of Ignatius of Loyola and we're marking it with a session to introduce and try out the principles of Ignatian spirituality.

This session will be led by Debbie Challenor, a Spiritual Director in Leicester Diocese, a member of the team of Spiritual Directors at St Bueno's, the Jesuit Spirituality centre in North Wales and a member of the Iona Community.

You'd be very welcome, but to help plan, if you are interested in coming, could you please speak to Andy - in person, by text to 07896519807 or via email: mailformrsmith@changesmith.solutions

MONDAY 19th AUGUST, 9.30AM

Hats, Hats, Hats - Children's School Holiday Workshop

- 19th August 9.30-12.00. in St Helens church
- No need to book
- KS1&2 - Younger children welcome
- Children must be accompanied by parents/carers

For further information, please email or ring Liz

SUNDAY 4th AUGUST, 3:30AM

All-Age Worship

As part of our all-age-worship service next week, we're going to be thinking about the different ways that our lives are "blessed". The middle of Summer seems a particularly good time to do this: we might have enjoyed – or are looking forward to – a lovely holiday; or time with family or friends; our gardens are full of colour and life, as are the hedgerows and fields around us; we might have tried a new experience; or we might just enjoy the ongoing love of our family and friends.

To mark this, we're going to start our service with a sort of "show and tell" table – if you can remember them. So if you're coming along to AAW on Sunday 4th (it starts at 3.30 p.m. in church), then can you please bring along one thing that is a reminder of, or represents something you feel particularly "blessed" or grateful for. And if you're coming as a family, please bring one each, not just one for the household.

It will be wonderful to start the service with a table full of reminders of the good things in our life.

Thank you.

Pastoral Team – Sunday Services

A member of the newly commissioned pastoral team will be available each Sunday service for anyone who needs a listening ear. That person will be wearing a badge and will stand by the font before and after the service. Contact with the Pastoral Team can be via any member of the team at other times. Rev^d Sue

Parish Administrator Advert

The Parochial Church Council seeks to employ a Parish Administrator and Communications Officer.

We are looking for someone who is an able, computer-literate administrator and good communicator to support the Team Rector and other ministers and officers in the smooth running, ministry and mission of St Helen's.

The post will be based at St. Helen's Parish Office in the Community Heritage Centre and will be for 12 hours per week at £12 per hour.

For further information and role description, please contact the Team Rector, Rev. Canon Sue flagstaffrector@gmail.com or 07885 714829

Closing date for applications - Sunday 4 August,
Interviews - Monday 12 August

GIVING

You can make donations to the work of St Helen's through the Collectin card reader at the back of church any time. Alternatively, donations can be made via the open plate at the back of church after our Sunday services, the wall safe at the back of church or via our website: <https://www.sthelensashby.net/Groups/327469/Giving.aspx>

Deadline for next week's Notice Sheet: **10pm Tuesday** evening, sent to noticesheet@sthelensashby.net

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