



All Saints'  
Newtown Linford



## Third Sunday of Easter

4 May 2025

### 10am Holy Communion

Revd Pam Harvey

Revelation 20.11-15

Matthew 25.31-46

*Whenever possible, services are streamed online at  
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A warm welcome to all to worship today, whether onsite or online. Please use this sheet to help you during the service and then take it away as a reminder of the notices and as a guide to prayer.



Hearing Loop  
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**There is a loop system for those with hearing aids**

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# News and forthcoming events

## **Electoral Roll and APCM**

This year the Electoral Roll – the list of church members, able to vote at the APCM in May – is totally revised from scratch. If you would like to be on the new list, please complete and return the form before 10 May – that's this coming Friday. If you don't fill a form, you won't be able to vote at the APCM, which will be held on Sunday 25 May as part of the 10am morning service. Nomination forms for churchwardens and PCC members are also available at the back of church.

## **The Nicene Creed at 1700 years old**

For some context and explanation of the significance of the Creed which we're exploring in our services, see an article by Professor Jane Williams on 'Seen and unseen': [www.seenandunseen.com/nicene-creed-1700-year-old-game-changer](http://www.seenandunseen.com/nicene-creed-1700-year-old-game-changer)

## **Frezenberg Memorial Service**

As usual, we will be welcoming members of the Leicestershire and Derbyshire Yeomanry Association, their guests and members of the current squadron, to the memorial service on 18 May. This starts at 11am and the Bishop of Loughborough, the Right Revd Saju Muthalaly, is the guest preacher.

## **Thy Kingdom Come**

As usual, we will be joining with this annual movement of prayer which runs 29 May to 8 June (Ascension to Pentecost). Resources will be in church soon to take home to aid prayer during those 11 days, there will be stations in church too.

## **Eco Exhibition**

Plans are in train for an Eco Exhibition, contributed to by a number of local groups as well as the church and the school, in June (9-15). More details soon.

## **Giving**

If you would like to give to support All Saints', please use our online donation page, <https://bit.ly/asnl-donate>. A basket and contactless giving system are available at the back of church or you can scan this QR code. If you would like to give regularly, please speak to Rebecca Hale about the Parish Giving Scheme.



If you pay tax, filling out a Gift Aid declaration will enable the church to reclaim the tax you have already paid on your gift, making each £1 you give worth £1.25 to us. This can make a truly substantial difference to the church – please consider whether you can do this, declaration forms are available at the back of church.

## **Shaped by God Together: Journey to Minster Communities**

We have joined the conversation around the formation of Minster Communities in the south and west of the diocese ('Area 5'). Thank you to those who have contributed to the 'Conversation Prompts' discussions. The next round of meetings, which will begin to shape the community that we will be part of, are in early/mid-May. We should be able to report more on progress at the APCM.

In the meantime, please pray:

- for the renewal of God's church;
- for our partnership with neighbouring churches;
- for wisdom for ourselves and all those involved in discernment;
- for God's calling to all of us to play our part in his church – please also consider: what calling do I need to explore?
- for our links with the school and other village organisations.

## **Prayer**

*Deaf Awareness Week (5-11 May 2025)*

The church of the Good Shepherd provides a ministry for Deaf and Hard of hearing people based within the Diocese of Leicester. We are a congregation of worshippers who communicate in British Sign Language (BSL). All services and events are accessible for Deaf people, their hearing friends and family. BSL students are welcome and people who may have used BSL in the past.

Our church is based within the Deaf ministry space in 12 Frog island Leicester. LE3 5AG. We are knitted within Leicester Deaf centre and the local Deaf community.

A prayer from Christian BSL

*Lord, thank you for this beautiful sign language you have given to us. We thank you for the Deaf community and for Deaf culture. We thank you for all the times sign language has helped remove communication barriers. We pray for those learning sign language, that you will encourage them in their learning. We pray for those teaching sign language, that you will support them in their work. We pray for those who interpret and translate, that you will help them in their processing. We pray for those who work in Deaf education, and for Deaf children and students, and we pray that you give them insight and understanding as they teach, support, and learn. We pray for greater recognition of British Sign Language throughout the UK. We pray for those who feel alone, without people to communicate with in their own language, that they will know your presence and your love.*

*Amen.*

*The Revd Rowena Bass, Rector at Aylestone St Andrew with St James*

# Collects

**Collect:** Almighty Father, who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve you continually in righteousness and truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion:** Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

**Additional Collect:** Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father.

## Measures for everyone's safety

**Ventilation:** we continue to have windows open whenever we meet.

**Space:** pick up a card from the table as you enter to place next to you to indicate you wish increased space.

**Hygiene:** sanitizer is provided at the entrance and where communion is distributed. Communion is available with the bread dipped in the wine.

We would prefer you not attend services if you are testing positive for COVID-19. Please join the service online.