



# The Coplow Benefice

Edition Date: Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2021

## Services – In Person: July 2021

### Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> July

**Hungarton:** Holy Communion: 9 am - Revd. Alison Booker

**Billesdon:** Holy Communion: 11 am - Revd. Alison Booker

### Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> July

**Gaulby:** Holy communion 11 am Revd Christine Blodwell

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

**Skeffington:** BCP HC: 11 am – Led by Revd. Alison

**Billesdon:** Holy Communion: 11 am – Led by Revd. Alison Booker with Preacher Revd. Christine Blodwell

### Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> July

**Keyham :** Holy Communion: 11 am - Revd. Alison Booker

**Gaulby:** Holy Communion 6 pm Led by Revd. Alison Booker with Preacher Hilary Preacher

## Services – Online:

### Every Sunday at 10 am Sunday Worship on Zoom

**Saturday Morning Prayer on 3<sup>rd</sup> July: 9.00 am –**

**Join Zoom Service:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87923831264?pwd=bjNiZ0tMN1kUGG0ejNPUzliRXM5Zz09>

**Meeting ID:** 879 2383 1264

**Passcode:** 681138

### Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> July at 10.00 am

**Trinity Five**

**Leader:** Revd. Alison **Preacher:** Revd. Alison

**To Join Zoom Service:**

<https://leccofe.zoom.us/j/96671757658?pwd=R2VzUVVQVENzZ3F0OGIYbGtxN0d4Zz09>

**Meeting ID:** 966 7175 7658

**Passcode:** 257759

**DIAL IN FROM A LANDLINE OR MOBILE:**

**T. 0203 481 5240** enter the **Meeting ID:** 966 7175 7658 followed by #. Enter the **Passcode:** 257759 followed by #

## Private Prayer in Church:

**Billesdon Church** is open for private prayer.

**EVERY THURSDAY 10.30am - 11.30am.**

## A Prayer for The Day

Almighty God,  
send down upon your Church  
the riches of your Spirit,  
and kindle in all who minister the gospel  
your countless gifts of grace;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

## Light a virtual candle

Light a candle to pray for yourself, for a loved one or for a situation. Please click <https://www.churchofengland.org/our-faith/light-candle>

## A Prayer for those affected by Coronavirus

Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy. Sustain and support the anxious, be with those who care for the sick, and lift up all who are brought low; that we may find comfort knowing that nothing can separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

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## Trichy Appeal

Our diocese twinned with Trichy in South India who are currently struggling with the Covid 19 virus. Many have died and they are very short of oxygen supplies and many basic essentials. The church over there is working with Bishop Heber college in Trichy to coordinate support, identify hospital spaces, provide food and support. Bishop Martyn has put out an emergency appeal for urgent financial support: details below:

<https://www.leicester.anglican.org/news/bishops-urgent-appeal-for-covid-19-aid-in-leicesters-indian-link-diocese.php>

## Leicester Cathedral Lunchtime Concerts:

Summer Recital Series, with programmes ranging from 20th-century English Music, to Baroque, Classical, Romantic and beyond. Find information about each recital as well as links to register via Eventbrite, we are especially pleased to be able to have an audience for a majority of the recitals. Click [here](#) to find out more

## Reflection:

This Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> July, is the 21<sup>st</sup> anniversary of my beginning public ministry, on the 4<sup>th</sup> July 2000 I became a 'Minister of Religion', I wasn't ordained until 29<sup>th</sup> June 2008 and became a Priest on the 4<sup>th</sup> July 2009! It's unusual for the ordination of Priests to happen in July but for me it was something very beautiful that it happened on the same day I began public ministry.

So for me the 4<sup>th</sup> July is a very special day, it is of course American Independence Day to most people but for me it is almost the opposite. As I began ministry I felt anything but independent, I still do, I am aware of my own vulnerability and that I need constantly to be ministering in God's strength not my own, so the 4<sup>th</sup> of July for me was much more 'Interdependence' Day when I learned in a new way to rely on God's strength.

Interesting then to have the reading from Mark chapter 6 on that very day, when Jesus comes to his own town and teaches in the Synagogue. You might think they would be proud of 'their own' and supportive, but it is anything but that, they are quick to point out he's 'only' the carpenter's son – and we know his family!

Jesus, interestingly doesn't try to prove who he is, he simply recognises that they will not believe and he goes without the many miracles he did elsewhere.

Jesus then sends his disciples, his followers, out into the world, in pairs so they are not alone, with no extra resources and tells them they are to go and if made welcome they should stay and speak the good news of God's love, if not welcome they should leave (they would have understood as they had just seen Jesus do this.

We, however strong or weak, are also called to bring the good news of God's Love to everyone we meet, strengthened by God.

**Revd. Alison**

## Bible Readings for Zoom on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> July – Trinity Five

### First Reading: Ezekiel 2: 1-5 (NRSV)

He said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, "Thus says the Lord GOD." Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

### Gospel Reading: Mark 6: 1- 13 (NRSV)

He left that place and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. On the Sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honour, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." So, they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

## Our Churches Online:

All have web pages on 'A Church Near You' – for sermons, videos, information:

[Hungarton](#) [Keyham](#) [Billesdon](#)  
[Skeffington](#) [Goadby](#) [The Gaulby Group:](#)



## Online Giving – Please help us:

As we try to move forward in the wake of COVID, please donate to help keep our ministry going, please click on your village below:

[Billesdon](#) [Skeffington](#) [Hungarton](#)

## Food Bank Appeal:

Our Churches continue to support local Foodbanks. All donations welcome, which may be left in any of our Church porches, or you can donate online.

**Make a donation to The Well's Food bank fund,** by bank transfer to *The Well Kibworth*

**Sort Code:** 40-32-04 **Acc:** 41666959 **Ref:** 'Foodbank'  
Gift Aid Forms can be downloaded from the website: [thewellkibworth.org](http://thewellkibworth.org) and sent to them.

**Leicester South** (Wigston). [donate money online](#)

## Online services and events:

<http://leicestercathedral.org/online-services/>  
<https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer>

## Open Garden Invitation:

The Revd Canon Brian Davis invites you to his beautiful garden, on Lubenham Hill!

**Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2.30 - 5.00pm**

**Address:** 62 Lubenham Hill Market  
Harborough LE16 9DQ, **Cream teas and cakes will be available.**



*Please note that this is a charity fund-raising afternoon  
Please come and donate to OXFAM. If you are coming by car - park in Farndale View  
(Coming up the hill, halfway up on the left)  
E. [Revbdavis@aol.com](mailto:Revbdavis@aol.com) T. 01858 431843*

## Summer Afternoon Teas: Gaulby Church

Come and enjoy tea and cake every Saturday

**June to September**  
between **2.30 pm to 5.00 pm.**

Meet up with friends and family and treat yourself to tea and sample some delicious home-made cakes.



## The Collect for Trinity Five

Almighty and everlasting God,  
by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified:  
hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name;  
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**