

Gaulby and Coplow Newsletter

Edition Date:

Thursday 10th November 2022

Services & Events – In Church:

Sunday 13th November – Remembrance Sunday

9am **Hungarton** War Memorial, with Keyham (Revd Jeff Hopewell)

10.30am **Illston** Remembrance Service (John Taylor) 11am **Billesdon** War Memorial 10.45 Remembrance Service, with Skeffington (Andrea Grindley, Keith Evans) 10.45am **Launde Parishes Zoom Service**

Please note there will be a Launde Parishes Zoom Service for Remembrance Sunday starting at <u>10.45am</u> Sunday 20th November

10am **Keyham** Holy Communion 4pm **Billesdon** Sung Evensong (John Taylor) 6pm **Gaulby** Evening Worship (Hilary Painter) 6pm Skeffington Evensong (Congregation led)

■ Saturday 12th November at 9.00am

Saturday morning Prayers (From Gaulby Church)

To Join our Zoom Prayers:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2139072137?pwd=WjV4WD JBTEIzeVB0YkRCcVJISEc0QT09

■ Sunday 13th November <u>10.45am</u> Zoom Launde Parishes Zoom Remembrance Sunday

Leading and Reflecting: Hilary Painter

To Join our Launde Parishes Zoom please click on the link below:

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87679803190?pwd=VzV5d1 UwaTd4UnlybDdTbmdVUTZTZz09

Meeting ID: 876 7980 3190

Passcode: 172162

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All are very welcome

The Collect: The Second Sunday before Advent:

Heavenly Father,

life:

whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal

grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom;

where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

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Our Churches Online:

All have web pages on 'A Church Near You'

for sermons, videos, information and on line giving:
Billesdon https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/3500/
Hungarton

https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/4708/ Keyham https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/4709/ Skeffington

https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/3502/ Goadby https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/14444/ The Gaulby Group

https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/4699/

Reflection for Remembrance Day

On the night before he was crucified, Jesus shared what we now call the Last Supper with his friends. What he was actually sharing was the Passover meal. This is still very much a family meal with the purpose of remembering how God rescued his people from slavery in Egypt. There is a set liturgy in which children ask questions of the adults about what is being celebrated and the answers relate the story of the Exodus. The emphasis is on remembering and ensuring that future generations know of God's love and grace towards his people. Jesus echoed this as he offered bread and wine telling his friends to 'do this in remembrance of me'. This has become the central part of our Communion service as we remember all that he has done for us. This week we remember all those who gave their lives so that future generations may be freed from the evil acts of war. First comes Armistice Day when those involved in the Great War were first remembered and then Remembrance Sunday when we meet together to remember those from our own communities who made the final sacrifice. Now sadly there have been other wars, many still going on, and many more names of both men and women to be added to those on our war memorials. My own father served throughout World War two and thankfully returned - otherwise I would not have been born, and so on Sunday I will not only remember those who gave their lives but also give thanks to God for those who came back, many of course with both physical and mental injuries, thus in some way continuing to make their sacrifice. It is important that children and future generations know our story and continue to remember. As we look around our world and its history, we may feel despair but we must remember that out hope is in Jesus Christ who promised us that he will give us that peace which the world cannot give. As well as praying for peace in our world and in specific situations, let us never forget to pray for the peace of Christ, who is the Prince of Peace.

Revd Christine Blodwell

Bible Readings: Sunday 13th November 2022 The Second Sunday before Advent

Malachi 4:1-2

New Revised Standard Version, Anglicised The Great Day of the Lord

4 See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. ² But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall.

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 New Revised Standard Version, Anglicised Warning against Idleness

⁶ Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. ⁷ For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, 8 and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labour we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. 9 This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. ¹⁰ For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. 11 For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. 12 Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. 13 Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

Luke 21:5-19 New Revised Standard Version, Anglicised

The Destruction of the Temple Foretold

⁵ When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, ⁶ 'As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.'

Signs and Persecutions

⁷ They asked him, 'Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?' ⁸ And he said, 'Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and, "The time is near!" Do not go after them.

⁹ 'When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.' ¹⁰ Then he said to them, 'Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom

against kingdom; ¹¹ there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

¹² 'But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. ¹³ This will give you an opportunity to testify. ¹⁴ So make up your minds not to prepare your defence in advance; ¹⁵ for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶ You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. ¹⁷ You will be hated by all because of my name. ¹⁸ But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹ By your endurance you will gain your souls.

Additional Prayer for the Day: The Second Sunday before Advent:

Heavenly Lord, you long for the world's salvation: stir us from apathy, restrain us from excess and revive in us new hope that all creation will one day be healed in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Launde Carols and Christmas Lunch

Following our enjoyment of this event last year we have made a booking for **Monday 12th December.** Carols start at 12.00pm, followed by a 3 course, traditional Christmas lunch (a vegetarian option is available). We have been able to reserve a booking for 20 people. As we would have been split up in the dining room, we have booked a private room, although this does involve an additional cost. The cost of the meal will be £29 per person.

Final payment has to be made to Launde on Friday November 11th so please let Mary Twidell know by **Thursday 10th November** if you wish to go. Contact Mary on mary.twidell@gmail.com or on 01858 555204. Mary will make the payment to Launde and collect from those attending later.

This is a popular event so the places are 'first come first served'.

We hope you can join us.

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.

To 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 and sent to them.

Donations needed for the civilian people of Kharkiv region

Saturday 19th November 2-4pm Tugby Church A message from Ann and Philip Baughan:

As you may know, there are many Ukrainian guests living in our local communities in East Leicestershire and Rutland. Some of you will have met our guest, Margarita, and she is now asking for help for civilians living in the region of Kharkiv. Considerable damage has been caused by the Russian invasion and shelling continues even after the invaders have been repelled. As winter approaches, civilians need warm clothing, food and material to repair broken windows.

If you can provide any of the following items, please bring them to the drop-in event at Tugby Church on Saturday 19th November between 2-4pm or else bring them to The Old Farmhouse, Chapel Lane, Tugby.

- Food with a long use-by date (tinned/dried/packets etc) e.g. tinned meat, fish, fruit & vegetables; pasta and rice; cup-asoup; protein bars...
- hygiene products
- nappies
- warm clothes, shoes, socks and gloves
- polythene and plywood for broken windows
- headlamps for doctors.

After the drop-in, Margarita will arrange for everything to be delivered directly to Ukraine. This way, she can ensure that it will actually reach those who need it.

Launde Abbey Quiet Day offer extended!

Members of Launde Deanery churches are offered places on the Launde Abbey Quiet Days at a discounted price of £35 through to the end of 2022 - please ask when you book. Why not take time out from the busyness and nurture your spiritual life with one of these 'quiet days'. Arrive at 10 for morning coffee and a 10.30 start. With some gentle input, short acts of worship, buffet lunch and plenty of time to pray, read or just chill in the house and gardens. Saturday 12

November: (check our website for the latest details.). 5 December: "Also Made" with Emily Owen: "In Genesis 1, we read that God made the stars. In fact, He 'also made the stars'. This day will offer gentle time and space to be affirmed in who we are. We are not an afterthought." More information and booking details can be found on the Launde Abbey website, www.laundeabbey.org.uk and we look forward to welcoming you to Launde.

News from the Diocese:

Bishop Martyn's Lent Pilgrimage of Prayer Bishop Martyn will undertake a Lent pilgrimage, walking around the diocese at weekends in the run up to Easter 2023, visiting many of the churches he has not yet been able to visit and encouraging people in prayer. The pilgrimage will be launched on Saturday 25 February. The diocese continues to focus on Everyday Faith with

prayer being one of the three elements essential to our life as Christians in Leicester and Leicestershire.

It will include opening the St Morrell's Pilgrimage Route at Hallaton, which was recently postponed due to the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

The diocese continues to focus on Everyday Faith with prayer being one of the three elements essential to our life as Christians in Leicester and Leicestershire. Read more about Everyday Prayer here: Everyday Prayer here https://d3hgrlq6yacptf.cloudfront.net/5f3ffd8a9f6aa/co ntent/pages/documents/11-2-shaped-by-god-everydaypdf-april-

22.pdf?utm_source=Diomail&utm_campaign=0280dd1e

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There has been an initial meeting of a planning group and any of our worshipping communities that wish to be involved should contact the Bishop's Office: Bishop's Lodge Annexe, 12 Springfield Road, Leicester LE2 3BD

Near & Far Lecture Zara Mohammed: Reflections and Leadership

Monday 14 November at 6.30pm, St Martins House and online

Leicester Cathedral's annual Far and Near Lecture will be given this year by Zara Mohammed, who was elected as the youngest and first female Secretary General of the Muslim Council of Britain in January 2021. Her lecture will look at the theme of 'Reflections and Leadership'. Standard tickets are available for £5.00 – student tickets (with valid student ID) and tickets to gain access to the live-stream video only are £2.50. All are available via Eventbrite: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-far-and- near-lecture-2022-zara-mohammed-reflections-andleadership-tickets-

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Collection for David Montieth

If you would like to make a contribution to the collection, you can do so by bank transfer to the following details:

Sort code; 20-49-37 Account number; 90577103 Account name; Leicester Diocesan Board of Finance Reference - 'Monteith'

If you wish to donate cash, or make a contribution by cheque (payable to 'Leicester Diocesan Board of Finance') please contact the Chief Executive's Office by emailing jonathan.kerry@leicestercofe.org .

Please could any contributions be made by Wednesday 22 November so that we can make the presentation at the Diocesan farewell service, which will be held at St Mary de Castro Church on Sunday 27 November, starting at 7.00pm and to which all are welcome.