

# FAITHFUL NEWS

Aug 25



## From The Vicar

REV. STELLA GREENWOOD

We tend to think of August as a month when we can relax and take time to reflect. This can be the case but, while many of our activities pause in the summer, others continue.

July saw us meeting at St Michael's for our Benefice away day and we had some good conversations regarding what was good about our Benefice and our individual parishes and where God was calling us to go next.

At St Helen's the away day was followed by a review of our vision for the building and a discussion on the proposed projects. This was a difficult discussion but did allow different views to be expressed. The PCC at St Helen's are now tasked with defining the projects in more detail so that potential faculties and grants can be applied for.

On the social front, Crazy Christians and Messy Church celebrated the end of term with summer parties and we held another successful soup lunch and a Jacket potato lunch which included a



21<sup>st</sup> birthday celebration for Hannah.

In August we celebrate 80 years since Victory in Japan and the end of the second world war. In the Benefice we will be celebrating with a cream tea and concert at St Helen's. Tickets are available from the Church Wardens.

With a mix of joy and sadness we have said goodbye to Jim Wigglesworth who was ordained on 29<sup>th</sup> June and has now been licensed as Curate at St Alkmund's Duffield, we thank God for Jim and pray for his future ministry.

At the end of August Raju Abraham and his family will also be leaving us as Raju begins a year's training to transfer his licence as Priest in the Church of North India to the Church of England. Raju will be training with St Mellitus college and working in the parish of St Peter in the City. We pray that God will bless Raju, Rebicka and Jonathan as they move to Derby.

Change is always around as we move forward with God and we are always looking to where God is leading. If you feel God calling you to a new or different role in his church please let me know.

*now you are the people of God  
1 Peter 2:10*

Dalbury 17<sup>th</sup> August



## Services 3rd August

9.30am - Holy Communion  
St Wilfrid's Egginton

11.00 - Morning Prayer  
St Helen's Etwall

11.00am - Holy Communion  
St Michael's Sutton on the Hill

11.00am - Morning Prayer  
All Saints, Dalbury

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# Dates for your Diaries

## Regular Events

Mon 3:30pm, Monday Club, St Wilfrid's (term time)

Tues 9:00am Morning Prayer, St Helen's

Thurs 10am, Holy Communion BCP, St Helen's

Wed 2-4pm, Community Hub, St Helen's

Fri 3pm Crazy Christians at St Helens (term time)

Wed 7pm Choir Practice, St Wilfrid's

Fri 6pm Choir Practice, St Helen's

## Other Events this Month

Friday 1<sup>st</sup>, 2pm Interment of ashes of Andy King, St Helen's

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup>, 12noon Soup Lunch, St Wilfrid's

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup>, 4pm Benefice Prayers, St Michael's

Friday 8<sup>th</sup>, 2pm, Home communion, Bearwardcote Hall

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup>, 1pm Summer Fair, The Old Lodge Care Home

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>, 10:30am Home Communion, The Old Lodge

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>, 2pm Card making at Community Hub, St Helen's

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>, 4pm Benefice Prayers, All Saint's Dalbury

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup>, 6pm Cream tea and Concert to celebrate VJ 80

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup>, 10:30am Discussion group, 24 Lawn Avenue

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup>, 2pm Home communion, Tynefield Court

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup>, 4pm Benefice Prayers, St Helen's

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup>, 12:30pm Wedding of Hayley Simmonds and Carl Turnock, St Michael's

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup>, 4pm Benefice Prayers, St Wilfrid's

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup>, 12:30pm Wedding of Carla Overton and Jonathan Baines

## Future events

Benefice pilgrimage

11 Sept PCC St Wilfrid's

24<sup>th</sup> Sept Macmillan Coffee

25<sup>th</sup> Sept Church Wardens

27<sup>th</sup> Sept Film Night

## Sunday Readings

	Main Service	Evensong		Main Service	Evensong
3rd	Col 3: 1 – 11 Luke 12: 13 – 21		24th	Heb 12: 18 – end Luke 13: 10 – 17	
10th	Heb 11: 1 – 3, 8 – 16 Luke 12: 32 – 40		31st	Heb 13: 1 – 8, 15 – 16 Luke 14: 1, 7 – 14	
17th	Heb 11: 29 – 12: 2 John 21: 1 – 19	Isa 28: 9 – 22 2 Cor 8: 1 – 9			

## Future Services

### 10th August

9.30am - Morning Worship

St Wilfrid's Egginton

11.00am - Holy Communion

St Helen's Etwell

11.00am Morning Worship

St Michael's Sutton on the Hill

4.00pm - Holy Communion

All Saints Trusley

7.00pm - Another Way

St Helen's Etwell

### 17th August

9.30am - Holy Communion

St Wilfrid's Egginton

11.00am - All Age Worship

St Helen's Etwell

11.00am - Morning Worship

St Michael's Sutton on the Hill

11.00am - Pet Service

All Saints Dalbury

### 24th August

9.30am - Morning Prayer

St Wilfrid's Egginton

11.00 - Holy Communion

St Helen's Etwell

4.00pm - Evening Prayer

All Saints Trusley

### 31st August

11am - Joint Benefice Service

All Saints Trusley

## Away Day 2025 - an overview

*What can we celebrate?*

*Our buildings, working with others, socials, different services, young people, visitors, change, music, community.*

*What is Church?*

*The Body of Believers guided by God, Scripture and the Holy Spirit, faith in action, out in the community to serve God and spread the Gospel. A family helping one another, a community that welcomes all with Christ at the centre*

*Where is God calling us?*

*Work together and listen to one another and to God, be alert to others' needs, visit our buildings, be more inclusive, work more as a Benefice, fellowship and encouragement, small groups, sharing faith, midweek contemporary service, adapt to the modern world, modern praise music in informal services, space and environment suitable for all, opportunities to share the joy of being a Christian, meet people where they are. Be more God's people, use the buildings, pray, trust and obey*

