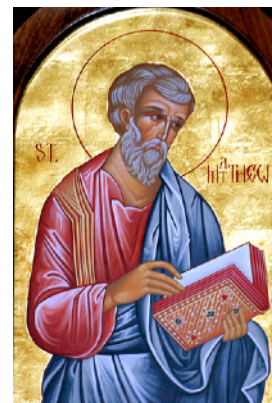




**Benefice of Newport Pagnell
with
Lathbury and Moulsoe
Pews News
21th September 2025
St Matthew**



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Parish Contacts
The parish has set up various electronic means of
contact and information. All details of which can be
obtained from the parish office.

Registered Charity number 1153668

Collect for St Matthew

O almighty God,
whose blessed Son called Matthew the tax collector
to be an apostle and evangelist:
give us grace to forsake the selfish pursuit of gain
and the possessive love of riches
that we may follow in the way of your Son Jesus
Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

9.30am, Family Communion, Moulsoe

Readings Proverbs 3.13-18, 2 Corinthians 4.1-6
Gospel Matthew 9.9-13

10.30am, Family Communion, St Peter & St Paul

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**5pm, Ecumenical Songs of Praise,
St Peter & St Paul**

Wednesday

10am Morning Prayer, St Peter & St Paul,
followed by coffee, chat and healing prayer.

Saturday

7pm, Where Two Rivers Meet Concert at St
Peter & St Paul

Events and Services coming up:

Sunday 28, September

9.30am, Family Communion, St Peter & St Paul
including Sunday Club
11am, Family Communion, St Luke's

Wednesday 1 October

10am Morning Prayer, St Peter & St Paul, followed
by coffee, chat and healing prayer.

Everyone is welcome to put an item into Pews
News but please email it by 2pm on the Thursday
before you want it to appear.

The address is:

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Weekly ZOOM Prayer meetings:

Prayer Meetings take place every Thursday at 4.00pm and are conducted by ZOOM to enable more people to join in.

They last an hour and start with a short act of worship (a song or reflection on the Bible reading of the day). There is time for silence as well as prayer and as you can participate in prayer without necessarily having to speak, there is no pressure to say anything. Everyone is welcome to join the Prayer Meetings.



Watch for the email with the link that Malcolm sends out each week.



Did you know that the Parish has a WhatsApp Group?

It is a very useful way to share information quickly and you don't need to be a techno whizz to use it! If you'd like to be added to the Newport Pagnell Parish WhatsApp group just send Moira your mobile telephone number.

Moira's number is 07968-585364.



SONGS OF PRAISE



Sunday 21st Sept

5pm

**St Peter and St Paul Church
High Street, Newport Pagnell**

**Come along and sing a selection of hymns and
worship songs, chosen and introduced by
members of the Christian churches in the town.**



**Refreshments will be
served after the service.**

JAZZ

Saturday 11th October

7pm

SWING

St Peter & St Paul Church

High St, Newport Pagnell

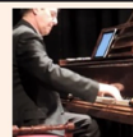
EVENING with

TAD NEWTON'S JAZZFRIENDS

Raising funds for church development



Tad Newton [trombone]



Gary Wood [trumpet]

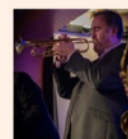


Tomas Pedersen [bass]



Alan Haughton [piano]

Ronnie Fenn [drums]



Richard Exall [clarinet/sax]



Tickets: £15 from

Jennifer Mazzone@hotmail.com or tel: 07517439790

Church Office on 01908 611145

tadjazzfriends@gmail.com or tel: 0160 4858549

Cambourne Travel, High St., Newport Pagnell (cash only)

**Licensed bar,
refreshments & raffle**

PLEASE NOTE

**Songs of praise will be at 5PM
not 4pm as originally stated**

**27 September, 7pm
Concert
Where Two Rivers Meet
at
St Peter & St Paul**



**ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A NEW ROLE IN CHURCH?
DO YOU ENJOY WORKING WITH FIGURES AND MONEY?**

This could be for you.

Dick Smith, who has been our treasurer for many years, is retiring from the role at the APCM in May. If you are interested in this important role, please speak to Dick Smith or Jennifer Mazzone.

Harvest Festival time in the Benefice

St Peter and St Paul - 10.30am on 5 October

followed by a Harvest Lunch in the church

Look out for the sign-up sheets which will be available at the back of the Newport churches.

All Saints Lathbury - 6pm on 5 October

followed by refreshments

St Mary's Moulsoe - 5pm on 19 October

followed by refreshments

As in previous years we will be collecting donations for Milton Keynes Food Bank.



NEXT SATURDAY Planning Meeting for Christmas Events



It might feel early, but the Christmas Fair and Christmas Tree Festival will be here before we know it — and now's the perfect time to start planning these important local events..



17 Planning Meeting Details

Join us in the **Parish Church vestry** on

Saturday, 27th September at 10:00 AM

If you have ideas or want to offer to run a stall, then please do come along.

(Yes, there will be cake!)



Sign-Up Sheets

From late October, sign-up sheets will be available in both churches for those who'd like to help out at the events.



Can't Make the Meeting?

No worries! If you're interested in lending a hand but can't attend on the 27th, please reach out to Mervyn, Julie Eldridge, or Lynda with your thoughts and suggestions.



St Luke's Patronal Festival - 19 October

Thank you for your feedback.

The consensus is that we should celebrate after the joint communion service with our traditional Bring and Share lunch.

First Readings Proverbs 3.13-18

13. Blessed are those who find wisdom,
those who gain understanding,
14 for she is more profitable than silver
and yields better returns than gold.
15 She is more precious than rubies;
nothing you desire can compare with her.
16 Long life is in her right hand;
in her left hand are riches and honour.
17 Her ways are pleasant ways,
and all her paths are peace.
18 She is a tree of life to those who take hold of her;
those who hold her fast will be blessed.

Second Reading 2 Corinthians 4.1-6

4 Therefore, since through God's mercy we have this ministry, we do not lose heart. **2** Rather, we have renounced secret and shameful ways; we do not use deception, nor do we distort the word of God. On the contrary, by setting forth the truth plainly we commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God. **3** And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. **4** The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel that displays the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. **5** For what we preach is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. **6** For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of God's glory displayed in the face of Christ.

Gospel Reading Matthew 9.9-13

9 As Jesus went on from there, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax collector's booth. "Follow me," he told him, and Matthew got up and followed him.

10 While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew's house, many tax collectors and sinners came and ate with him and his disciples. **11** When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?"

12 On hearing this, Jesus said, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. **13** But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

