



**Benefice of Newport Pagnell  
with  
Lathbury and Moulsoe  
Pews News  
3rd Sunday of Easter  
19th April 2026**



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**Registered Charity number 1153668**

**Collect for 3rd Sunday of Easter:**

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.

**9.30am, Family Communion, Moulsoe**

**Readings:** Acts 2.14a, 36-41, 1 Peter 1.17-23  
**Gospel:** Luke 24.13-35

**10.30am, Family Communion, St Peter & St Paul**

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**6pm Evening Worship, St Luke's**

**Hymns:** All red book, 431, 115, 402, 343

**Wednesday**

10am Said Communion, St Peter & St Paul,  
followed by coffee, chat and healing prayer.

**Events and Services coming up:**

**Sunday 26th April**

9.30am Family Communion, St Peter & St Paul including Sunday Club  
11am Family Communion, St Luke's  
3pm Piano Recital, St Peter & St Paul, followed by cakes and refreshments



**Wednesday 29 April**

10am Said Communion, 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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### A MESSAGE FROM JENNIFER

Neil is a brilliant pianist and musician and we want a good audience.

Please come and support this recital, bring your friends and make it worthwhile. 50% of the proceeds will go to the church.

### AFTERNOON TEA

Come and enjoy a delicious Afternoon Tea at this very popular annual event.

DATE: Sunday, May 10th.

TIME: 3 pm to 4.30 pm

VENUE: Brooklands

TICKETS £6 from Jennifer Mazzone  
01908 613088

**Do come along  
and bring your friends.**

### Dear Pilgrim Traveller

I hope you all had a lovely time over the Easter period.

In the blink of an eye it will be Christmas. There...I've said it!! 🌲

However, going forward from your Lenten sojourn, did you manage to find something that helped you to renew your faith and draw you that little bit closer to God?

"Draw near to God and he will draw near to you"

*James ch4 v8*

And for those of you who attended the Big Read, "The Greatest Story Ever Told", was there anything that resonated with you, grabbed your attention? For me it was the story of the woman at the well, because in it Jesus showed many qualities... mercy, forgiveness, understanding and acceptance of someone who he wasn't meant to be associating with and who lived on the edge of society, I find this story quite thought provoking.

I do hope that you also found some time to have a quiet moment, to slow down, be still, gain a deeper understanding of God's word and find peace in God's presence.

As we rejoice in His Resurrection, I invite you to pray this simple prayer with me.



*Dear Lord, I pray that day by day, my faith, my hope my understanding, my belief and my trust in you may flourish and deeper grow.*

*Thank you for your Son Jesus Christ who died for my sins but now is Risen, Risen just as he said,*

*Amen.* 🙏

**May God Bless You All  
Anthia.**

## THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

will be held on  
Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm  
in

**St Peter and St Paul**

**& far more exciting news as a**

**BIG THANK YOU**

It will be preceded by a **FREE** Fish 'n' Chip (or alternative) Supper at

**6.45pm.** So many people do such a lot for the church and the parish with their time and talents so this is a way of saying thank you to you all.

Sign up sheets are available at the back of the churches for those who wish to share a Fellowship Meal before attending the meeting.



### 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.

### Weekly ZOOM Prayer meeting:

The Prayer Meetings are conducted by ZOOM every Thursday from 4.00-5.00pm. They begin with a short act of worship (a song or reflection on the Bible reading of the day) and there is time for silence as well as prayer. Everyone is welcome to join and as you can participate in prayer without necessarily having to speak there is no pressure to say anything.

**Look out for the email with the correct link.**



### **First Reading: Acts 2.14a, 36-41**

**14** Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: “Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say.

**36** “Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Messiah.”

**37** When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?”

**38** Peter replied, “Repent and be baptised, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. **39** The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call.”

**40** With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” **41** Those who accepted his message were baptised, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.

### **Second Reading: 1 Peter 1.17-23**

**17** Since you call on a Father who judges each person’s work impartially, live out your time as foreigners here in reverent fear.

**18** For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors, **19** but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect.

**20** He was chosen before the creation of the world, but was revealed in these last times for your sake. **21** Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your faith and hope are in God.

**22** Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for each other, love one another deeply, from the heart. **23** For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God.

### **Gospel Reading: Luke 24.13-35**

**13** Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles[a] from Jerusalem.

**14** They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. **15** As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; **16** but they were kept from recognising him.

**17** He asked them, “What are you discussing together as you walk along?”

They stood still, their faces downcast. **18** One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, “Are you the only one visiting Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?”

**19** “What things?” he asked.

“About Jesus of Nazareth,” they replied. “He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. **20** The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; **21** but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place. **22** In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning **23** but didn’t find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive. **24** Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see Jesus.”

**25** He said to them, “How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! **26** Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?” **27** And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.

**28** As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going farther. **29** But they urged him strongly, “Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over.” So he went in to stay with them.

**30** When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them.

**31** Then their eyes were opened and they recognised him, and he disappeared from their sight. **32** They asked each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?”

**33** They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together **34** and saying, “It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.” **35** Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognised by them when he broke the bread.