

## Notices for Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May

### Trinity Sunday

## SUNDAY WORSHIP

### Morning Communion at 10am and Evening Worship at 6pm

Join us on Sunday when Rev Bob Edge will be joining us to preach and preside at our 10 am Communion service and preach at our 6 pm service. We're continuing our Acts series, trying to keep up with the Holy Spirit (!) with the topic *Courageous Church*.

## OTHER SERVICES & EVENTS

### Woodland Worship - Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June at 4pm

Come and engage in the beauty of God's creation! Woodland worship is a relaxed, liturgy-based service which takes place every 1st Saturday of the month. Centred around the fire pit, the service focuses on God, creation and reflects on our impact on the world. Everyone is welcome.

### Men's walk and pub lunch – Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June after the morning service

Please come and join us for the walk and pub lunch on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June. Leaving church shortly after the morning service, we will be walking about 5 miles in the beautiful countryside; followed by a pub lunch in Woodhouse Eaves. If you are interested in coming along, please get in touch with Dave: [dave@stmaryincharnwood.org.uk](mailto:dave@stmaryincharnwood.org.uk)

### Monday Morning Group – Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June at 10am

The next meeting of the Monday Morning Group will be the annual "Question Time" session. Topical questions put to a panel including a county council politician, a clergyman and others. Please meet from 10am onwards for refreshments and 10:30am meeting. Suggestions for questions to [4Ms@emmanuel-loughborough.org](mailto:4Ms@emmanuel-loughborough.org). All are welcome to our meetings.

### Midweek Communion with Lunch – Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June at 12pm

Everyone is welcome to join us for a short service of communion followed by an optional simple but delicious soup lunch. This is a great chance to worship and get to know others within a small and friendly group. Please invite friends and think if there is anyone who might welcome a lift.

### Woodland Working Group – Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June at 1.30-4pm

Due to unavailability on the first Saturday, this month's Woodland Working Group has been moved to 13<sup>th</sup> June – we hope you can join us! Everyone is welcome to help us to maintain our lovely church site. We don't just work in the woodland! There are also gardening and tidying jobs, sweeping the paths and keeping the memorial garden in good order. Please come along and help out if you are able. No particular skills are needed, but enthusiasm and a good pair of strong gloves come in useful, particularly for tackling the brambles! Come anytime between 1.30-4pm.

### Messy Church goes Wild – Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June 4-5:30pm at Nanpantan Scout Hut

We are "Running the Race" at Messy Church Goes Wild and we're excited to explore stories of running the race in relation to our relationship with Jesus. Please pray for us that we'll achieve the fun and excitement safely please invite anyone who might be interested. We're still really in need of support in the kitchen - this would be 2 hours of your time as and when you are available, we can provide all the ingredients and simple instructions to cook on the day - please talk to Hazel if this is something that you could help with. To book in, please click [here](#).

## OTHER NOTICES

### **Adele's Sabbatical – Apr 27-Aug 3**

Through May-Aug I will be taking 3 months sabbatical, exploring sites of Celtic Christianity and enjoying time out with God. I have a couple of retreat weeks booked, a month of touring the Wild Atlantic Way on the west coast of Ireland, and two pilgrim walks, beginning with a section of the N Wales Pilgrim Path along the Llyn peninsula and ending with St Oswald's Way in Northumberland to Holy Island (as recently featured in the BBC Pilgrimage series). Please pray for Stephen and I in finding refreshment and renewal. Dave is kindly covering for this time, please pray for him and other key leaders taking on extra responsibilities while I am away.

### **Gospel Giveaway – can you help? – Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June**

We're looking forward to giving away more gospels as part of the LCP Bible Project and Helena, Dave, Hazel and Phil would really love two more people to join them to make a team of six, they're happy to do the talking to start with! Come along and see for yourself what a lovely chance this is to be a friendly presence in our neighbourhood. Spend a few hours greeting our neighbours, letting them know about our little church at the crossroads and offering them a free book if they'd like to know more about Jesus. You'll be amazed at the conversations you have and how many people are touched by the offer, even if they politely refuse, as well as how many people say yes and welcome prayers for themselves or family and friends. We will be going out on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June. Please ask us for any further information.

### **Confirmation Service – Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June at 10am**

In light of the confirmations, and our desire to support the candidates and our Minster Community, the PCC has decided to cancel the 10am communion service on the 21<sup>st</sup> June. We will, however, still have a Father's Day breakfast so we can gather before we move on to St Botolph's and in the evening we will gather at St Mary's for Worship with a Classical Flavour.

### **Sian Evans**

Please pray for Sian Evans and her brother, David, whom Sian cares for. On Thursday, Sian was told she has life-limiting cancer. She asks us to pray that she would know calm and the peace of the Lord as she walks the path ahead. She is currently waiting for a treatment plan. As she waits, she is feeling well and has a sense of hope. Sian has been part of the church family for a long time and currently attends our monthly midweek service. She is thankful to Rosemary, who has been a great support to her.

### **Many hands make light work!**

We currently have many wonderful people who help to run our services, could you help too? We are looking to fill spaces on our rotas so if there's any hidden talents you have, now is the chance to bring them out into the open. We are looking for 3 main roles at the moment but do speak to us if there is anything else you feel you can help with:

- *Wardens/stewards* – please speak to Ian or Phil if you would like any more information
- *Communion servers* – please speak to Katherine if this is something you would like to help with
- *Children's group helpers* – please speak with Hazel if this is something you feel called to do

### **Starting Rite**

After many years of running this wonderful course for newborns and their parents, Wendy and Brenda have decided it is time for them to stand down. Many, many thanks to them for the way in which they have welcomed, encouraged and prayed for so many families over this time. We still have all the materials for the course, and expert advice to call on, so if anybody would be willing to take on running this 5-week course, even if just once a year, we would be very glad to talk it over with you. Please speak to Hazel if you think you might be interested, with no obligation to take it on!

### **Minster Community (MC) update**

The profile for advertising the Oversight Minister role has now gone live, see a copy of it [here](#). Please pray for the right person to see it and apply! We have also heard information about a diocese initiative to set up a 'Growing Faith Hub' in Coalville which may enhance and support the aspiration we have for work with schools. Heather and Ibstock have asked to join our MC and the Oversight Group welcomed this as there are existing links between churches in the area. A process is ongoing and a proposal will be brought to all the PCCs of the MC in due course.

The date of Wed June 3<sup>rd</sup> was set for a meeting to begin forming the Resourcing Ministry Team for the MC, to include all clergy and lay ministers, licensed and locally authorised, and any focal ministers.

A Prayer and Share event, with refreshments, will take place on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July 3-4:30pm at Broom Leys. This is for everyone, please save the date and more details will follow.

Rev Steve O'Rourke will be covering the Transitional Oversight Minister role while Adele is on sabbatical.

### **Restoration of St Mary's Roll of Honour**

The fund has reached £1000, so we're halfway to our target, and the temporary Roll of Honour will be updated in the coming weeks. We now have a post on facebook and a fundraising page on the website - please do spread the word to anyone you know with links to the men named on the Roll, or who have a connection to church but may have lost touch with us.

A donations page has been set up on ChurchSuite which can be accessed via this [link](#)

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### **RECRUITING: Baca**

Baca are currently hiring for many positions both paid and voluntary. If you would like to look at any of them in more detail, click on the following link.

[Join our team - Baca Charity - Safe to heal, free to thrive](#)

### **Friends of Launde Abbey Updates**

Information about the Launde Abbey Programme of retreats, quiet days and concerts for 2026 can be found here:

<http://www.laundeabbey.org.uk/events>

Click [here](#) for the current newsletter.

## ADVOCATE SLOT

### **Our charity for May is The Laura Centre**

The Laura Centre is a dedicated grief charity situated in Leicester, offering therapeutic services for when a child dies or is bereaved. Their vital grief counselling services have provided a lifeline to thousands of families across the East Midlands. The holistic support they offer respects the uniqueness of bereavement; and the spiritual, cultural and emotional aspects of grief.

Please pray for:

- For all families directly affected by bereavement at the current time. May they find comfort through God's eternal love.
- For the healing work of the Laura Centre, helping bereaved families as they come to terms with their loss, and that the Centre may continue to help individuals work through their grief in their own time and in their own way.
- For the centre's Counsellors, for their wisdom in guiding each person and each family and give them the strength to continue with their important work.
- That the fundraising needs of the organisation can be met this year, and every year, so that the charity is able to continue their invaluable work.