

THE CHURCHES OF ALL SAINTS, WIGSTON MAGNA & ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE, SOUTH WIGSTON

# THE WIGSTON BENEFICE



## PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

**WELCOME TO OUR SERVICES TODAY**

**SUNDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> JUNE 2026**

10:00 AM SUNG MASS

*ALL SAINTS, WIGSTON MAGNA*

10:00 AM CAFÉ CHURCH

*ST. THOMAS', SOUTH WIGSTON*

12:00 PM HOLY BAPTISM

*ALL SAINTS, WIGSTON MAGNA*

# The Week Ahead

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<b>Sunday</b> <b>28<sup>th</sup></b> <b>June</b>	<b>Peter and Paul, Apostles</b> 10:00 am Sung Mass 10:00 am Café Church 12:00 pm Baptism 4:00 pm Churches Together Service	<i>All Saints</i> <i>St. Thomas'</i> <i>All Saints</i> <i>St. Mary's</i>
<b>Monday</b> <b>29<sup>th</sup></b> <b>June</b>	<b>Feria</b>	
<b>Tuesday</b> <b>30<sup>th</sup></b> <b>June</b>	<b>Feria</b>	
<b>Wednesday</b> <b>1<sup>st</sup></b> <b>July</b>	<b>Feria</b> 10:30 am Morning Prayer	<i>St. Thomas'</i>
<b>Thursday</b> <b>2<sup>nd</sup></b> <b>July</b>	<b>Feria</b> 10:00 am Said Mass	<i>All Saints</i>
<b>Friday</b> <b>3<sup>rd</sup></b> <b>July</b>	<b>Feria</b>	
<b>Saturday</b> <b>4<sup>th</sup></b> <b>July</b>	<b>Feria</b> 10:00 am Morning Prayer	<i>All Saints</i>
<b>Sunday</b> <b>5<sup>th</sup></b> <b>July</b>	<b>Thomas the Apostle</b> 8:30 am Said Mass 10:00 am Patronal Eucharist	<i>All Saints</i> <i>St. Thomas'</i>

# Notices and Upcoming Events

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## Welcome!

A very warm welcome to any guests who are joining us for our services.

## Parish Giving

If you would like to give to support the life and work of our churches, you can use these QR Codes. All donations are very gratefully received, and help to keep us serving our communities.

**Give to  
All Saints**



**Give to  
St. Thomas'**



*'Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.'*

— cf. Matthew 6.19-21

## Got a notice?

If you have a notice that needs including in our benefice bulletins, kindly send an email with the details to David. It would be helpful if you could flag your email with the word 'Notice' in the subject line.

## Benefice Contacts Updates

Very many thanks to everyone who has submitted a form, allowing me to update our benefice contact list. If you have yet to fill one in, please find one at the back of our church buildings and hand it directly to David or one of the churchwardens.

## All Saints Coffee Morning

A big thank you to everyone who supported the coffee morning at All Saints. Together we raised £300.

## Organ and Piano Duet Concert

Again, a big thank you to everyone who supported the afternoon of music at St. Thomas'. Together we raised £478.50 for LOROS.

## Churches Together Service

*Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June | 4:00 pm | St. Mary's*  
Churches Together in South Wigston will be having a United Service this afternoon at 4:00 pm at St. Mary's Church. All are welcome.

## Diocese Celebrates 100 Years

As part of the diocesan centenary celebrations, the Diocese would love to feature every single parish, worshipping community, chaplaincy, church school and diocesan-affiliated organisation, in a special picture slideshow that will be on display at events throughout the centenary period. They would like a smiling group photograph of our church communities as they are gathered together in God's glory, where you worship. Each picture will be labelled with who we are and will be on rolling display including at the Cathedral, during our event in September, and on the centenary pages of our diocesan website.

## Diocesan Safeguarding Audit

The Archbishops' Council has appointed INEQE to take an independent look at safeguarding across the Church of England. They want to check how things are working day to day and help us make sure our churches and worshipping communities are places where everyone feels safe, valued and respected. Everyone is therefore invited to take part in the independent INEQE safeguarding audit, designed to strengthen and support best practice in safeguarding in the Church of England. The surveys will provide an opportunity to share your experiences and perspectives of safeguarding across the Diocese of Leicester, including what's working well and where things could be better.

**Surveys are now open until  
Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> August 2026.**

## Find Our Churches

### All Saints

Moat Street, Wigston Magna, LE18 2BA  
what3words ///tells.famous.apples  
[www.achurchnearyou.com/church/4717/](http://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/4717/)

### St. Thomas the Apostle

St. Thomas' Road, South Wigston, LE18 4TA  
what3words ///lobby.organ.mining  
[www.achurchnearyou.com/church/4706/](http://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/4706/)

## Clergy Contact Details

### The Rector

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# Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2026

## Peter and Paul, Apostles

### The Collect

Almighty God, whose blessed apostles Peter and Paul glorified you in their death as in their life: grant that your Church, inspired by their teaching and example, and made one by your Spirit, may ever stand firm upon the one foundation, 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. **Amen.**

### Acts Reading

Acts 12.1-11

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

King Herod laid violent hands upon some who belonged to the church. He had James, the brother of John, killed with the sword. After he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to arrest Peter also. (This was during the festival of Unleavened Bread.) When he had seized him, he put him in prison and handed him over to four squads of soldiers to guard him, intending to bring him out to the people after the Passover. While Peter was kept in prison, the church prayed fervently to God for him.

The very night before Herod was going to bring him out, Peter, bound with two chains, was sleeping between two soldiers, while guards in front of the door were keeping watch over the prison. Suddenly an angel of the Lord appeared and a light shone in the cell. He tapped Peter on the side and woke him, saying, 'Get up quickly.' And the chains fell off his wrists. The angel said to him, 'Fasten your belt and put on your sandals.' He did so. Then he said to him, 'Wrap your cloak around you and follow me.' Peter went out and followed him; he did not realize that what was happening with the angel's help was real; he thought he was seeing a vision. After they had passed the first and the second guard, they came before the iron gate leading into the city. It opened for them of its own accord, and they went outside and walked along a lane, when suddenly the angel left him. Then Peter came to

himself and said, 'Now I am sure that the Lord has sent his angel and rescued me from the hands of Herod and from all that the Jewish people were expecting.'

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**



### Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 125

**Refrain: Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion that stands for ever.**

Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but stands fast for ever. As the hills stand about Jerusalem, so the Lord stands round about his people, from this time forth for evermore. **R**

The sceptre of wickedness shall not hold sway over the land allotted to the righteous, lest the righteous turn their hands to evil. **R**

Do good, O Lord, to those who are good, and to those who are true of heart. Those who turn aside to crooked ways the Lord shall take away with the evildoers; but let there be peace upon Israel. **R**

## Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

'I have called you friends,' says the Lord,  
'for all that I have heard from my Father  
I have made known to you.'

**Alleluia.**

## Gospel Reading

Matthew 16.13-19

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it.

'I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Prayer after Communion

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



# Safeguarding Survey 2026

**HAVE  
YOUR  
SAY...**

Take the survey:



**What's working well?  
What could we do better?**

Share your views on  
safeguarding and help us  
be a safer church  
for everyone.

**[leicester.anglican.org/safeguarding/audit](https://leicester.anglican.org/safeguarding/audit)**



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By DAVID BARTLE

LIVERYMAN AND FORMER ARCHIVIST OF THE  
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