

June 2026

# River Idle Churches

BAWTRY, AUSTERFIELD, MISSON,  
EVERTON & MATTERSEY

## What's Happening in June. . .

**Nourish**, Bawtry Church Hall, Mondays 11.30am -1.00pm, soup, cake and chat  
**Little Lambs**, Bawtry Church Hall, Tues 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9.30 - 11.30am, every Tuesday during term time  
**Ukraine Trench Candle Making**, Mattersey Church Hall, Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup>, 10am – 12noon  
**Misson Messy Church**, Misson Parish Hall, Thursday 7<sup>th</sup>, 3.30 - 5.30pm,  
**Disciple Course**, St Nicholas Church, Thursday 4<sup>th</sup>, 7.00 - 9.00pm,  
**Little Lambs**, Everton Village Hall, Friday 5<sup>th</sup>, 9.30 -11.30am, every Friday during term time  
**Vicarage BBQ**, Martin Lane, Sunday 7<sup>th</sup>, 2.00pm, bring a chair and food to share  
**Carpenter's Arms Pop Up Pub Quiz - the finale**, Mattersey Church Hall, Mon 8<sup>th</sup>, 7.30pm  
**Craft & Chat**, Mattersey Church Hall, Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup>, 1.30 – 3.30pm  
**Misson Messy Church**, Misson Parish Hall, Thursday 11<sup>th</sup>, 3.30 – 5.30pm  
**River Idle Women's Group**, St Nic's Church Hall, Saturday 13<sup>th</sup>, 10 am - 12 noon  
**Bawtry Festival**, events in different venues across town, Monday 15<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 28<sup>th</sup>  
**St Helena's, Austerfield**, open for visitors, 10.00 am - 4.00pm, part of the Bawtry Festival, refreshments served 1-3pm, enjoy the Eco wildlife garden  
**St John's Community Café on Tour**, Misson Parish Hall, Friday 19<sup>th</sup> from 9am  
**Creation Activities for Kids 3-11 years**, part of the Bawtry Festival, St Nic's Church Hall, 1.00 - 4.00 pm, a fun afternoon for everyone  
**The River Idle Ringers**, part of the Bawtry Festival, St Nic's church is open and you can visit the ringing room to see the bells ringing, Saturday 20<sup>th</sup>, 2.00 - 4.00pm  
**Misson Patronal Festival**, St John the Baptist Church, Sat 20<sup>th</sup> / Sun 21<sup>st</sup>, 10am - 4 pm



**WELCOME to REV NIGEL STONES**  
on Secondment from St Anne's, Worksop  
to the Idle & Sands Benefice in The Riverfold

We are delighted to welcome Nigel  
who started on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June

Nigel will be working in the Idle & Sands Benefice covering  
the parishes of Sutton cum Lound, Scofton, Babworth,  
Elkesley, Bothamsall, West Drayton, Eaton and Gamston

Nigel will be working closely with Rev Becky Hancock  
Lucy McCann and Laura Korczyk and linking in  
with Rev Liz Mack and Rev Louise Bearder

There will be a **Deanery Confirmation Service**

on Sunday 15 November, from 6.00 – 8.00 pm, at St Saviour's, Retford.

Rev Becky will be organising Confirmation Preparation Sessions in the Autumn.

If you would like to know more about being confirmed, or to book a place on the Preparation sessions, please ring Sam on 218 308 or e-mail: [samanthabrazier00@gmail.com](mailto:samanthabrazier00@gmail.com)

The River Idle Benefice **WOMEN'S GROUP** met for the first time on Saturday 9th May and shared breakfast, personal stories and spent time considering what God may be calling them to be and to do as a group. There was a wonderful energy in the room and everyone looks forward to growing together in faith and friendship as a group.

If you couldn't make it in May, perhaps you are free to come along in June. The next group is on **Saturday 13th June, from 10am-12noon, in St Nicholas Church Hall**. All women are welcome, it doesn't matter if you can't make it every month. The group has been established to provide a dedicated space for women across the Benefice, to come together, to pause amidst busy lives for food, fellowship and to explore God's plans for us.

There is a £3 recommended donation to cover breakfast. Thank you

**Please talk to Natasha Chadwick in church, to find out more, or send a message to 07894 223 097**



**\* DATES \* FOR \* YOUR \* DIARY \***

**ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH MISSION - PATRONAL FESTIVAL**

**10AM - 4PM**  
**SATURDAY 20 JUNE**  
**SUNDAY 21 JUNE**

**~ THE PARABLES ~**

And many more.....  
 The Lost Coin  
 The Prodigal Son  
 The Good Shepherd

**Enjoy the Displays in Church**  
**Have a go on the Tombola | Raffle**  
**Crafts and Things to Buy**  
**Tea, Coffee and Cakes**

**The Carpenters Arms**

**POP UP PUB QUIZ Night**

**at All Saints' Church Hall Mathersey at 7.30pm**

**8 June**  
**The finale**

**Bring your own drinks and a plate of something to share for our last fun quiz and traditional pub games**

**Hosted by All Saints' Church, Mathersey**

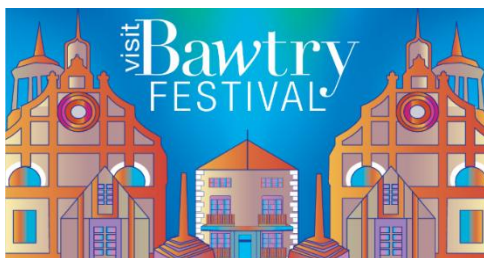
**ST HELENA'S ANGEL FESTIVAL**

**Saturday 15 August**  
**Sunday 16 August**  
**11am - 3pm both days**

**ST HELENA'S CHURCH**  
**HIGH ST, AUSTERFIELD DN10 6QU**

**Come and see our Angels**  
**Visit our Eco Garden**  
**Enjoy Refreshments**  
**Crafts for Sale**

**All Funds Raised Will Go Towards The Up-Keep of this Historic Church**



Programmes will be dropping through letterboxes. Copies available from Bawtry Community Library. Copies available at the back of all our churches. A wide variety of events: art, music, dance, drama, crafts, literature, film, fashion, quizzes, heritage trail walks and church events. Enjoy.

**Appointments following Annual Parochial Church Meetings (APCMs)**

Welcome to Angela Harrison, new Treasurer for Everton. A big thank you to Jean Winder for all her dedicated years of Treasurer service in the parish.

Welcome to new PCC Members:  
 Laura Korczyk - Bawtry with Austerfield  
 Joanna Burley - Everton  
 Herbert Chatters - Mathersey

**Parochial Church Council (PCC) Meetings**

Items discussed will be displayed in respective churches after the meetings:

Bawtry/Austerfield: Tue 9 June, 7.30pm, St Nic's Church  
 Misson: Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 7pm, Anne Rowe Hse  
 Everton: Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 11am, Holy Trinity Church  
 Mathersey: Wed 24<sup>th</sup> June, 11am, Church Hall

**Next meeting of the Joint Council will be held on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 7.30pm, in St Nic's Church**

## June 2026 - Services across the River Idle Benefice

7 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	St Nicholas, Bawtry	Living Waters/Sundayz Cool	Romans 4: 13 - end Matthew 9: 9 -13, 18 - 26
	11.15am	All Saints, Mattersey	Holy Communion	
14 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	St Nicholas, Bawtry	Living Waters/Sundayz Cool	Romans 5: 1-8 Matthew 9: 35 - 10: 8
	11.15am	Holy Trinity, Everton	Holy Communion	
	6.00pm	St Nicholas, Bawtry	Evensong	
21 <sup>st</sup>	8.30am	St Helena's, Austerfield	Holy Communion	Romans 6: 1b – 11 Matthew 10: 24 - 39
	9.30am	St Nicholas, Bawtry	Benefice Family Communion at Living Waters/Sundayz Cool	
28 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	St Nicholas, Bawtry	Living Waters/Sundayz Cool	Romans 6: 12 - end  Matthew 10: 40 - end
	11.15am	St John the Baptist, Misson	Holy Communion	
	6.00pm	St Nicholas, Bawtry	Evensong	

There is a service of  
Holy Communion every  
Thursday morning  
at 9.30am  
in St Nicholas' Church, Bawtry  
~ You are warmly invited ~

Every Monday morning at 9.00 am, we meet in one of our  
churches across the Benefice to pray for our communities.  
You are most welcome to join us:

1<sup>st</sup> Monday - Mattersey    2<sup>nd</sup> Monday - Everton  
3<sup>rd</sup> Monday - Bawtry    4<sup>th</sup> Monday - Misson  
5<sup>th</sup> Monday - Austerfield

### Nurturing Prayer

For centuries, God's people have kept the rhythm of daily prayer.  
As part of our intentional focus around Nurturing Prayer, we encourage you to pause  
to pray The Lord's Prayer, at noon each day.  
This means you will be taking part in this ancient and shared spiritual discipline.

“ Prayer does not equip up for the greater work. Prayer is the greater work”  
“ When you pray, you don't just ask for strength, you become it”  
“ Let go and let God”



### Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

Our Father, in heaven, hallowed be your name;  
your kingdom come; your will be done; on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread, and forgive us our sins,  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever,  
Amen

## Who's Who:



**Vicar: Reverend Becky Hancock:** 01302 218308  
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### Churchwardens

Bawtry Chris Grice | Chris Eyes

Austerfield Kay Beckett | Samantha Brazier

Misson Anne Rowe | Peter Edwards

Everton John Dunn

Mattersey Currently Vacant

### Retired Clergy:

Reverend Jean Tomlinson

Reverend Richard Spray

**Lay Reader:** Paul Kirby



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The River Idle Benefice  
Churches

and Individual Pages for:

St Nicholas, Bawtry

Holy Trinity, Everton

St Helena's, Austerfield

St John the Baptist, Misson

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