

Notices for Sunday 12th and 19th July

Trinity 6 and 7

SUNDAY WORSHIP

Summer Sunday Communion at 11am on 12th July

This week we start our Summer Sunday Series! We will be taking a look at some of the Pastoral Letters and the General Letters of the New Testament. This first week we will begin with 1 Timothy and Paul's charge to Godly Leadership.

Summer Sunday Morning Worship with Advocate at 11am on 19th July

On the 19th, we will explore James' exhortation to live with wisdom.

Remember that our services will be at 11 am, and we will all be worshipping together. Hazel has kindly organised activity packs for the children and young people- but don't let having a few more years of experience stop you investigating them if you are young at heart!

OTHER SERVICES & EVENTS

Summer Sundays – Sunday 12th July to Sunday 23rd August at 11am

Please be aware that between 12th July and 23rd August there will be one Sunday service at 11am. There will be no 10am or 6pm services, with the exception of our home-grown 'Music for a Summer's Evening' at 6pm on 16th August.

Summer Sunday Socials! – Sunday 26th July and Sunday 23rd August after the 11am service

Please join us on **Sunday 26th July** when we will head to Beacon Hill for a picnic (please bring your own) after the service. We plan to play some games, go for an optional walk and enjoy some time together.

On **Sunday 23rd August** Dave will bring his BBQ up to church for a post service BBQ and fellowship time in the woodland. [Please sign up here](#) so we know how many to cater for- we will provide the meat and a vegetarian option, but please bring a side or a dessert to share!

Ride+Stride – Saturday 12th September

Leicestershire Historic Churches Trust grant aids historic churches and chapels of all Christian denominations for repairs, restoration and some community facilities. The Trust's main fund raising is through the annual sponsored Ride+Stride event. Walkers and cyclists, for example, seek sponsors for the number of churches or chapels they visit on the event day.

Should you wish to take part, the link to the Ride+Stride web site is <https://www.lhct.org.uk/ride-and-stride/> where, nearer the time, the Sponsorship Form can be found and the List of Churches Taking Part.

The money raised by each participant from St. Mary's is shared equally between St. Mary's and the Trust. Contact John Buckland for more information at john.buckland3@ntlworld.com and also if you would like to take part, and he will process the monies collected. Note that the church will *not* be opening for Ride+Stride this year.

OTHER NOTICES

Giving

If you would like to read through what David Martin, our treasurer, had to say on Thanksgiving Sunday please see [here](#). One thing that he mentioned was the Parish Giving Scheme. If this is something which you feel you could sign up to, please see below for step-by-step instructions:

- **Signing up via internet**

It's easy to sign up to donate to St Mary in Charnwood through the Parish Giving Scheme. Please click the below link to navigate to our page:

<https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/nanpantan-st-mary-in-charnwood-loughborough/>

Once you have arrived on our page, click on the 'Regular Giving' button and follow the instructions on screen to set up your regular gift. You can also make a one-off donation by selection the 'One-Off Gift' button.

First, you'll be asked to set up and activate an account with Parish Giving so that you can log-in securely.

Next, you'll be guided through a simple form to provide your personal bank details, the value and frequency of your gift, the option to add Gift Aid, you can choose to increase your gift annually by the rate of inflation and decide whether you would prefer to give anonymously.

It only takes a few minutes to complete these steps online. Then, you'll be able to log-in at any time to review your giving and personal details.

Alternatively, you can use the 'Find your parish' search tool on the Parish Giving Scheme

website www.parishgiving.org.uk and type in the name of the church, parish and/or location. Click on

'Nanpantan St Mary in Charnwood' and you'll be able to cross-check that it's the right place using the map, address details and description on that page. Then follow the steps above to set up your donation.

- **You can also sign up by phone.**

Please have your personal bank account details handy, and you will need to quote the church name 'St Mary's Nanpantan' and our PGS parish code: 190619201.

When you are ready to set up a new regular gift, call Parish Giving on 0333 002 1271, Monday to Friday, 9am - 5pm, and they will take down all the information they need to complete your Direct Debit instruction for you.

They will also ask about your preferences for opting in to Gift Aid, if you are eligible, and whether you would like to increase your gift annually by the rate of inflation.

The call usually takes about 10 minutes to complete. They will then send you a confirmation of your new gift by post or email.

- **After you've signed up, don't forget to cancel your existing donation, if you have one!**

Log onto My ChurchSuite and select 'My Giving' to cancel any existing donation. You can also access this by clicking the 'Manage giving' link in your donation confirmation email that you receive monthly from ChurchSuite.

If you give directly by standing order or automatic bank transfer, please log onto your internet banking, or use telephone banking to cancel this.

Update from Dave about Tanzania

Sadly, we have had to withdraw from the CMS placement in Zanzibar. After exploring the context more deeply, praying, and seeking advice from trusted friends and mentors, we concluded that the significant challenges meant we did not have the clear calling needed to continue. Though difficult after a year of preparation with CMS, we trust that God can work through this in ways we do not yet understand.

We are deeply grateful for your prayers and support. If you have given financially, thank you; CMS did not share supporters' names, so I apologise for not thanking you personally. CMS has assured us that gifts already given will support CMS Africa's minority-area work.

If you set up regular support, we believe CMS will contact you about redirecting it to another CMS missionary or area of work.

If you would still like to journey with us, please bear with us as we explore other cross-cultural mission opportunities.

We are exploring options in another part of Tanzania where we already have relationships. Thank you again for your love, care and support.

Pear Tree Pirates!

Many of you know that Katherine Hetzel is a children's author, and she has just published her second picture book, called Pear Tree Pirates. It's suitable for 5-8 years to read alone, and for younger readers to have it read to them. If you would like a copy, they are £8 (RRP £10). Just ask Katherine for one (or more) and she'll bring them to church or drop them off to you.

www.katherinehetzel.com/

Daisy's Doings!

We have another author in our midst! Congratulations to Mary Baird who has had her first book published! Daisy's Doings is suitable for 2 to 8 year olds either for story time or reading for the older age group. It is available to order from Amazon and Waterstones and is priced at £7.99. Daisy has difficulty remembering long words and all the people she meets when shopping suggest amusing names for her toy.

<https://amzn.eu/d/OddjryH5>

<https://www.waterstones.com/book/daisys-doings/mary-baird/liz-waddell/9781971610740>

INEQE Safeguarding Audit Survey – Have Your Say

The Diocese of Leicester and Leicester Cathedral are currently taking part in an independent safeguarding audit by INEQE. Please take a few minutes to complete the relevant survey(s), designed to gather valuable feedback about safeguarding practice and culture across the diocese.

There are surveys for: Diocesan workforce; Parish workforce; Parish community members; Cathedral workforce; Cathedral worshippers; Children and young people; Victims & Survivors of church related abuse.

Your voice matters – share what is working well and what could be improved

All responses are confidential and anonymous, and managed independently by INEQE

Thank you to everyone who has already taken part. If you have not yet completed the survey, we warmly encourage you to do so - your feedback is important and valued.

Look out for the surveys link on pink posters and postcards in church.

[Find the INEQE surveys here.](#)

[Learn more on the diocese website.](#)

Restoration of St Mary's Roll of Honour

Huge thanks to those who have donated so far; we have raised a little over half of the funds needed from just 9 generous donors.

BUT...

If you are still considering donating to the restoration, please could we ask you do so **before the 25th August**? This deadline will indicate whether we have raised enough money to aim for restoration to be completed in time for this year's Remembrance Sunday, allowing at least a couple of months for the conservators to do their work. (Even then, there's no guarantee the work will be completed in time.)

A donations page has been set up on ChurchSuite which can be accessed via this [link](#), there is a donation link on the website, and cash gifts can be given to Ian or Katherine.

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 July is our Link Dioceses.

Leicester Diocese is linked to four other dioceses around the world; two Link Dioceses in Tanzania (Kiteto and Kilimanjaro), one in the United States (Wyoming), and one in South India (Trichy). The Bishops all work together, with Leicester Diocese helping to support social care, strengthen partnerships, and arrange mutual visits to experience our faith in different cultures. St Mary in Charnwood has had a particular link with CSI St Mary's Church in Puddokkottai, Trichy, (the only church in Trichy dedicated to St Mary) since early 2016.

Please give thanks for

- fruitful trips from Leicester Diocese to both Tanzania and Trichy earlier this year
- the appointment of +Dr Samuel Rajadurai in December of last year
- the marriage of Jones Livingsten (from CSI St Mary's Puddukkottai) and Catherine

Please pray for

- the successful reestablishment of visits to and from CSI Trichy-Tanjore Diocese
- the establishment of links to schools in Leicester and Kiteto Diocese
- the continuing recognition and celebration of Intercultural worship in Leicester Diocese
- the various health and education ministries supported by our link dioceses