



**Benefice of Newport Pagnell
with
Lathbury and Moulsoe
Pews News
13th September 2026
15th Sunday after Trinity**



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The parish has set up various electronic means of contact and information. All details of which can be obtained from the parish office.

Registered Charity number 1153668

Collect for 15th Sunday after Trinity

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; 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,
St Peter & St Paul** including



Sunday Club

Readings Genesis 50.15-21 Romans 14.1-12
Gospel Matthew 18.21-35

11am, Family Communion, St Luke's

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Hymns All red book, 388, 154, 361, 473, 132.

Wednesday

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

Events and Services coming up:

Sunday 20th September

9.30am, Family Communion, Moulsoe
10.30am, Family Communion, St Peter & St Paul
5pm, CTNP Songs of Praise.



Wednesday, 23 September

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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Weekly ZOOM Prayer meetings:

Prayer Meetings take place every Thursday at 4.00pm and are conducted by ZOOM to enable more people to join in.

They last an hour and start with a short act of worship (a song or reflection on the Bible reading of the day). There is time for silence as well as prayer and as you can participate in prayer without necessarily having to speak, there is no pressure to say anything. Everyone is welcome to join the Prayer Meetings.



Watch for the email with the link that Malcolm sends out each



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.



SONGS OF PRAISE NEXT SUNDAY - 20TH SEPTEMBER 5pm at St Peter & St Paul

This annual event is when a member of each denomination in Newport Pagnell chooses a hymn and explains why it is special to them. It is followed by refreshments and is a wonderful opportunity to get to know other Christians in the town.



HARVEST FESTIVAL

St Peter & St Paul
Sunday 11th October at 10.30am

This will be followed by

HARVEST LUNCH

in the church
£5pp for tasty seasonal lunch
Sign up sheets in the churches

HELP THE MK FOODBANK

Harvest gifts will be donated to the MK Foodbank.
Please donate items such as:

UHT MILK	JUICE	RICE	CUP-A-SOUPS	SNACK BARS
PASTA SAUCE	TINNED PULSES	TINNED MEAT AND/OR TUNA	BISCUITS	TINNED FRUIT

(please, no fresh produce)

Musica
Charity Choir MK

Returning by popular demand, the fabulous...

Musica Charity Choir Autumn Evening Concert

Saturday 17 October 2026
at 7pm
in St Peter and St Paul Church, Newport Pagnell

Musica's ethos is 'something for everyone'
It sings an eclectic mix of pieces including

- light jazz
- songs from stage and screen
- classical favourites
- pop hits and modern compositions
- Vocal and piano solos

TICKETS £10 FROM:
jennifermazzone@hotmail.com
Cambourne Travel, High Street
Newport Pagnell (cash only)

OR USE THE QR CODE

Raffle and refreshments on the night

Raising money for the parish church improvement fund:
Church of St Peter and St Paul, High St, Newport Pagnell MK16 8AR



CHRISTMAS AT HMP WOODHILL

Over recent years everyone has been very generous supporting the Christian prisoners at Woodhill and this year they need our support again.



It can be a very lonely and isolating time for prisoners as they are separated from their loved ones at the festive period. To give them something to do to divert their minds, I thought we might try and collect as many puzzle books as we can to try and put one in each of their Christmas packs.

As there are approximately 250 Christians in Woodhill we need that many!

So, if you are shopping or browsing on Amazon in the next months, consider buying one or two to add to the mix. You can drop them at the Rectory or give me them in church and I'll store the collection.

Thank you, Moira



Please don't buy any with wire binding as it's not allowed!



INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

A message from Dick Smith

Although I am no longer the church treasurer, I am still treasurer for the Newport Pagnell Education Trust and the Harry Middleton Gift. Each year once the annual accounts have been produced they have to be checked by someone independent of the charities. For many years this role has been undertaken by Reg Wright who unfortunately has now died, so I need to find another volunteer. If you have some knowledge of accountancy/bookkeeping and would be willing to take on the role or would like to know more, please contact me, Dick Smith, either after a Sunday Service or by telephone on 07736840964 or 01908730870, or email on dick_smith3@msn.com.

*Many thanks,
Dick*



First Reading: Genesis 50.15-21

15 When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "What if Joseph holds a grudge against us and pays us back for all the wrongs we did to him?" 16 So they sent word to Joseph, saying, "Your father left these instructions before he died: 17 'This is what you are to say to Joseph: I ask you to forgive your brothers the sins and the wrongs they committed in treating you so badly.' Now please forgive the sins of the servants of the God of your father." When their message came to him, Joseph wept.

18 His brothers then came and threw themselves down before him. "We are your slaves," they said.

19 But Joseph said to them, "Don't be afraid. Am I in the place of God? 20 You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives. 21 So then, don't be afraid. I will provide for you and your children." And he reassured them and spoke kindly to them.

Second Reading: Romans 14.1-12

14 Accept the one whose faith is weak, without quarrelling over disputable matters. **2** One person's faith allows them to eat anything, but another, whose faith is weak, eats only vegetables. **3** The one who eats everything must not treat with contempt the one who does not, and the one who does not eat everything must not judge the one who does, for God has accepted them. **4** Who are you to judge someone else's servant? To their own master, servants stand or fall. And they will stand, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

5 One person considers one day more sacred than another; another considers every day alike. Each of them should be fully convinced in their own mind. **6** Whoever regards one day as special does so to the Lord. Whoever eats meat does so to the Lord, for they give thanks to God; and whoever abstains does so to the Lord and gives thanks to God. **7** For none of us lives for ourselves alone, and none of us dies for ourselves alone. **8** If we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord. So, whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord. **9** For this very reason, Christ died and returned to life so that he might be the Lord of both the dead and the living.

10 You, then, why do you judge your brother or sister? Or why do you treat them with contempt? For we will all stand before God's judgment seat. **11** It is written:

"As surely as I live," says the Lord, "every knee will bow before me; every tongue will acknowledge God."

12 So then, each of us will give an account of ourselves to God.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 18.21-35

21 Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, "Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother or sister who sins against me? Up to seven times?"

22 Jesus answered, "I tell you, not seven times, but seventy-seven times.

23 "Therefore, the kingdom of heaven is like a king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. **24** As he began the settlement, a man who owed him ten thousand bags of gold was brought to him. **25** Since he was not able to pay, the master ordered that he and his wife and his children and all that he had be sold to repay the debt.

26 "At this the servant fell on his knees before him. 'Be patient with me,' he begged, 'and I will pay back everything.' **27** The servant's master took pity on him, canceled the debt and let him go.

28 "But when that servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred silver coins. He grabbed him and began to choke him. 'Pay back what you owe me!' he demanded.

29 "His fellow servant fell to his knees and begged him, 'Be patient with me, and I will pay it back.'

30 "But he refused. Instead, he went off and had the man thrown into prison until he could pay the debt.

31 When the other servants saw what had happened, they were outraged and went and told their master everything that had happened.

32 "Then the master called the servant in. 'You wicked servant,' he said, 'I canceled all that debt of yours because you begged me to. **33** Shouldn't you have had mercy on your fellow servant just as I had on you?' **34** In anger his master handed him over to the jailers to be tortured, until he should pay back all he owed.

35 "This is how my heavenly Father will treat each of you unless you forgive your brother or sister from your heart."