



Launde Minster Community

Newsletter

Edition Date: Thursday 18th June 2026

Sunday 21st June, Trinity 3

Attached is the MC Worship Plan for **JUNE 2026** (as of 18th June)

This is **your** newsletter so please use it to share your notices, events and invite others to join you.

Please send me any contributions by Tuesday before the Thursday publication.

If you know anyone who would like to be added to the list to receive a copy of the newsletter, please send me their name and email address to:

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You can also find the **Launde Minster Community Worship Plan**, and the links for online services, on the website: <https://launde-minster-community.webador.co.uk>

Our Churches Online:

All of our churches have web pages on 'A Church Near You' – This link takes you to the Launde Minster Community page, where you can access each of the churches: <https://launde-minster-community.webador.co.uk/our-churches-on-acny>



Every Sunday at 8am Launde Abbey Chapel

Holy Communion - Please come quietly into the chapel via the external north door to join the Abbey Community and those on retreat. See *Worship Plan* for details

📺 Saturday Morning Prayer on Zoom

Everyone is welcome

Every week at 9am (meeting open from 8.55am)

All welcome. Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81751227280?pwd=VtUdahsUf34Vc7Bbr5qVFoeiobrOO8.1>

Meeting ID: 817 5122 7280 Passcode: 419620

📺 Sunday 21st June at 11am

Launde Minster Community Online Church

Leader: Hilary Painter **Reflection:** John Dyson

To join, click on this zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83679676342?pwd=CDIQKl91dakSkeAh5kbOeu8idqGI8Q.1>

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Collects for Sunday 21st June - Trinity 3

Almighty God,
you have broken the tyranny of sin
and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts
whereby we call you Father:
give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service,
that we and all creation may be brought
to the glorious liberty of the children of God; 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.

Amen

God our saviour,
look on this wounded world
in pity and in power;
hold us fast to your promises of peace
won for us by your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen

Reflection: Sunday 21st June Trinity 3

Jeremiah 20. 7-13

Jeremiah 20:7–13 is a raw and honest passage, not one we hear very often - Jeremiah the prophet doesn't have a great number of 'likes'! No calm reassurance or easy answers, instead, he pours out his frustration before God, feeling deceived, ridiculed, isolated and exhausted by God's calling. Yet, despite his distress, Jeremiah doesn't abandon his mission. God's word burns inside him 'like a fire shut up in my bones,' and he can't keep quiet.

Many of us may feel for Jeremiah in his struggles. We live in a world where faith can feel unfashionable or is unwelcome. Speaking out about Christian values, standing up for justice, or simply living according to the Gospel can bring misunderstanding, criticism, or loneliness. Like Jeremiah, we may wonder whether the effort's worthwhile.

What makes this passage so relevant is its honesty. Jeremiah does not pretend that faith is easy. He brings his doubts, anger, and disappointment directly to God. The Bible does not hide these emotions; instead, it

teaches us that real faith includes wrestling with difficult questions. God is not threatened by our honesty. At the same time, Jeremiah discovers that God's call is stronger than his discouragement. Even when he wants to give up, the divine fire continues to burn within him. This reminds us that Christian discipleship is supported not just by our own strength but by God's grace working within us.

In challenging times, Jeremiah encourages us to persevere. We don't need to be perfect or fearless. We can bring our struggles to God in prayer, trusting that the Lord remains present even when the path seems difficult. The God who sustained Jeremiah continues to strengthen his people today, calling us to be faithful witnesses in our own generation.

May we find courage in Jeremiah's honesty and hope in God who never abandons those whom he has called.

Hilary Painter

Bible Readings:

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Jeremiah 20.7-13

7 O Lord, you have enticed me,
and I was enticed; you have overpowered me,
and you have prevailed. I have become a laughing-
stock all day long;
everyone mocks me.
8 For whenever I speak, I must cry out,
I must shout, 'Violence and destruction!' For the word
of the Lord has become for me
a reproach and derision all day long.
9 If I say, 'I will not mention him,
or speak any more in his name', then within me there
is something like a burning fire
shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in,
and I cannot.
10 For I hear many whispering:
'Terror is all around! Denounce him! Let us denounce
him!'
All my close friends
are watching for me to stumble. 'Perhaps he can be
enticed,
and we can prevail against him,
and take our revenge on him.'
11 But the Lord is with me like a dread warrior;
therefore my persecutors will stumble,
and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed,
for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonour
will never be forgotten.
12 O Lord of hosts, you test the righteous,
you see the heart and the mind; let me see your
retribution upon them,
for to you I have committed my cause.
13 Sing to the Lord;
praise the Lord! For he has delivered the life of the
needy
from the hands of evildoers.

Romans 6.1b-11

6 What then are we to say? Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound?
2 By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it?
3 Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?
4 Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.
5 For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.
6 We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin.
7 For whoever has died is freed from sin.
8 But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him.
9 We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him.
10 The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God.
11 So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Matthew 10.24-39

24 'A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master;
25 it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!
26 'So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known.
27 What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops.
28 Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell.
29 Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground unperceived by your Father.
30 And even the hairs of your head are all counted.
31 So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.
32 'Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven;
33 but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.
34 'Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.
35 For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law;

36 and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

37 Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me;

38 and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me.

39 Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.

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Psalm 69.8-11, [12-17], 18-20

8 For your sake have I suffered reproach;
shame has covered my face.

9 I have become a stranger to my kindred,
an alien to my mother's children.

10 Zeal for your house has eaten me up;
the scorn of those who scorn you has fallen upon me.

11 I humbled myself with fasting,
but that was turned to my reproach.

[12 I put on sackcloth also
and became a byword among them.

13 Those who sit at the gate murmur against me,
and the drunkards make songs about me.

14 But as for me, I make my prayer to you, O Lord;
at an acceptable time, O God.

15 Answer me, O God, in the abundance of your mercy
and with your sure salvation.

16 Draw me out of the mire, that I sink not;
let me be rescued from those who hate me
and out of the deep waters.

17 Let not the water flood drown me,
neither the deep swallow me up;
let not the Pit shut its mouth upon me.]

18 Answer me, Lord, for your loving-kindness is good;
turn to me in the multitude of your mercies.

19 Hide not your face from your servant;
be swift to answer me, for I am in trouble.

20 Draw near to my soul and redeem me;
deliver me because of my enemies.

Praying Pilgrims in Launde Minster Community June & July 2026

As part of our ongoing support to all the parishes across the LMC, a group of us, *Praying Pilgrims*, will join together at the churches listed, to reflect and pray for the needs of the church and community.

Every Wednesday for a 9.00am start.

The rota for June & July is: PLEASE NOTE CHANGES

June 24: Billesdon

July 01: Horninghold

July 08: Tur Langton

July 15: Goadby

July 22: Stonton Wyville

We would encourage and greatly welcome others to join us for Morning Prayers.

Rev David Palmer and Rev Crystal McAllister

Fundraiser at Church Langton

Saturday and Sunday 4th & 5th July.

Frocks and Flowers in St. Peter's Church

Open Gardens in the village 1.00 – 5.00pm

Also, tombola, raffle, plants, books Cake stall and Cream Teas.

For more information Contact Sue Atton 07971 680231

or email sue.atton@outlook.com



Food for Thought

**An evening with Bishop Saju 'Christ,
Cricket & Counter-formation**

**Launde Abbey on Tuesday 23rd June 6.45 for
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Bookings (by Wednesday 17th June)

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About the speaker: Bishop Saju (Bishop of Loughborough) was born in Kerala, South India. He came to the UK in 2001 where he trained for ordination. Saju is passionate about cricket and cooking and in his free time runs marathons and plays the guitar.

About Food for thought: Talks about life, faith and contemporary issues, arranged by a local group of Christians.

Hallaton Festival of Archaeology St Michael & All Angels Church and Hallaton Museum

Sunday 12th July to Sunday 2 August

The Hallaton Festival of Archaeology returns for the 5th year. Once again, there are a range of activities including guided walks to the Motte and Bailey Castle, Village Trails, an exhibition in the Church, extended opening hours in the Museum, a talk and snacks, lunches and teas in the Church on Sunday afternoons.

The talk by Chris Close 'Finding Collyweston's Lost Tudor Palace' takes place in the Church on Saturday 25th July at 7pm.

For more information contact Linda Jones

l.jones2k@btinternet.com and to book for the walks and talk click here: <https://hallaton-museum.co.uk/festival-of-archaeology/>

Summer Concerts and Cream Teas at St. Peter's, Church Langton

Concert on Sunday 28th June 2.00pm - 2.45pm

Richard Rodger's Songbook performed by Michael Lessiter and Ron Berry. Familiar songs written by Rodger's & Hart and Rodger's & Hammerstein. £5/£8 with coffee and cake.

Cream Teas at Church Langton also return from 28th June 3.00pm - 5.00pm and every Sunday until the end of September.

Horninghold Witch Trials

The Horninghold Witch Trials took place in June 1709. The trials were not formal court proceedings but rather a series of public swimming tests.

Buy a copy of the 40-page booklet and read the full story. Bargain price £5

Email: horninghold.pcc@gmail.com with your name and address. Make payment to: Horninghold PCC Sort code 30-95-47, Account: 00053298



St Peter's Church, Tilton:
Friday Mornings 'Coffee and Chat'
Between 10.30 – 12.00noon

Café Morrell
St Michael and All Angels Church, Hallaton
Tuesday Mornings Coffee, Cake and Chat
Between 10.00 to 12.30pm

Gaulby Church:
Home-made cakes and Cream Teas
Every Saturday 2.30-4.30pm



Our Churches continue to support local Foodbanks:

Food Bank Appeal: The Well

Our Churches continue to support local Foodbanks. All donations welcome, which may be left in any of our Church porches, or you can donate online.

To make a donation to The Well's Food bank fund, by bank transfer to *The Well Kibworth*

Sort Code: 40-32-04 **Acc:** 41666959 **Ref:** 'Foodbank'

Gift Aid Forms can be downloaded from the website:

<https://www.thewellkibworth.org/support-us>

Food Bank Appeal:

Jubilee Foodbank, Market Harborough

You can drop off donations at **Hallaton Church** or to Linda Jones at **25, Eastgate, Hallaton at any time**. Please note that all food collected is non-perishable, long-life or tinned.

The Foodbank has **MOST URGENT NEED of:** UHT milk (whole or semi-skimmed), Tinned tomatoes, Long-life fruit juice, Cordial or squash, Dried mashed potato (Smash), Hot Dogs (tins or jars), Tinned chicken, Tinned red meat, Tinned Custard, Tinned fruit, Tinned beans (kidney, chickpeas, etc), Cereals, Cream Crackers, Jars of Pasta sauce, Bottled water.

Other suggested donations: Tinned sweetcorn, Tinned peas, Tinned carrots, Peanut butter, 'No Cook' products, long life e.g. John West Fish and pasta meals, Kettle only products e.g. noodles, couscous, soups, Microwave puddings, Jam, UHT milk (whole or semi-skimmed), Rice Pudding, Pot Noodle, Jars of Coffee (100grams), Tinned vegetarian meals, Teabags (80), Corned Beef, Dried Packet Rice, Baked Beans, Strong clean 'bags for life', Porridge Oats, Sugar (500g), Tinned Baked beans with sausages, Tinned meatballs, chicken in sauce, Biscuits, Sweets, Snacks and Crisps, , Sachet meals (pan or microwave), Marmalade, Tinned potatoes, Fray Bentos pies, Tinned ham, Tinned soup, Cup of soup, Sugar (500g), Snacks and cereal bars, Microwave puddings, Tinned pasta, Sandwich paste, Tuna, ALPRO yoghurts (long-life, for the shelf not fridge), Robinsons minis or similar for families (small squash concentrates), Small cartons of long life milk (for homeless people or someone without a fridge), Mayonnaise, Angel Delight, Small sachets of herbs, Deodorant, Toothpaste, Shower gel or soap, Shampoo, Toothbrushes, Sunscreen (for homeless people in the summer), Feminine products – sanitary towels, tampons

The list of food always required is on the website:

<https://www.jubileefoodbankmh.uk>



Diomail – Monday 15th June

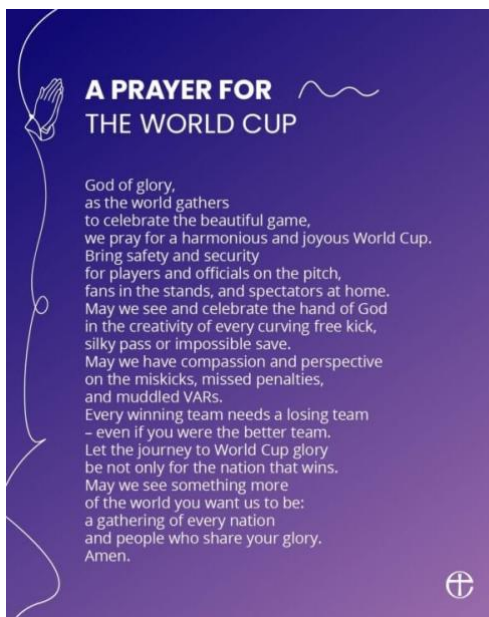
For more information and other events use this link for Diomail 15th June:

https://thehub.leicester.anglican.org/newsletters/diomail-15-june-2026/?newsletter_email=l.jones2k@btinternet.com

You can subscribe to receive the weekly Diomail here:

<https://www.leicester.anglican.org/news/diomail/>
<https://leicester.anglican.org/calendar/>

A Prayer for the World Cup



Share the Church of England’s prayer for a ‘harmonious and joyous’ event, bringing nations and people together, celebrating God’s hand in the creativity of every curving free kick.... and asking for compassion and perspective amid missed penalties or muddled VARs.

Find the Prayer here:

<https://www.churchofengland.org/media/news-and-press-releases/prayer-world-cup-2026>

‘Goal of Life’ World Cup Resources

This summer, 2 in 3 people in the UK will be watching the Men’s Football World Cup, and that’s a remarkable opportunity.

‘Goal of Life’, a football-themed Gospel from Hope Together, offers a simple, natural way to share Jesus right in the middle of it.

Combining real-life football stories and short punchy articles about prominent footballers and their faith with

the Gospel of Mark, it’s designed to connect with people beyond the church walls.

Whether you’re hosting watch parties, gathering with friends, or simply having everyday conversations, Goal of Life helps turn one of the world’s biggest shared moments into a meaningful opportunity to share hope.

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Find out more here: <https://www.hopetogether.org.uk>

Welfare Reform and Youth Unemployment

On Thursday 11 June, the Rt Revd Martyn Snow, Lord Bishop of Leicester, spoke in a House of Lords debate on Welfare Reform and Youth Unemployment.

His speech addressed the issue of young people who are not in education, employment, or training (NEET), challenging the perception that they lack motivation, and revealing that most have strong aspirations and are actively seeking work. Bishop Martyn said we should avoid stigmatising young people and instead provide supportive solutions, including programmes such as Spear, which offer mentoring, confidence-building, and community support. He urged policymakers to include employment initiatives to help young people overcome barriers and achieve long-term success.

Read his speech in full:

<https://www.leicester.anglican.org/about-us/bishop-of-leicester-and-loughborough/bishop-martyn/welfare-reform-and-youth-unemployment.php>

Centenary Photo Slideshow – Reminder

As part of our diocesan centenary celebrations, we’re creating a special slideshow featuring photos from every parish, worshipping community, chaplaincy, church school and diocesan-affiliated organisation.

Thank you to everyone who has already sent in their images – it’s wonderful to see our diocese gathering in worship and community. If you haven’t yet sent your group photo, there’s still time!

Church schools, please submit your photos by 3 July.

All other diocesan groups, by 10 July.

Send your images to David.Stevens@LeicesterCofE.org And remember to ensure you have permission from everyone included in the photo.