



Launde Minster Community

Newsletter

Edition Date: Thursday 24th September 2026

Sunday 27th September, Trinity 17, Harvest Festival

Attached are the MC Worship Plans for **SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER 2026** (as of 24th September)

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 Plans**, 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=VtUdahsUf34Vc7Bbr5gVFoeiobrOO8.1>

Meeting ID: 817 5122 7280 Passcode: 419620

Sunday 27th September at 11am

Launde Minster Community

Online Church

Leader: Linda Jones

Reflection: Uel Sandford

To join, click on this zoom link:

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

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Collects for Sunday 27th September

Trinity 17

Almighty God,
you have made us for yourself,
and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you:
pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself,
and so bring us at last to your heavenly city
where we shall see you face to face;
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

Gracious God,
you call us to fullness of life:
deliver us from unbelief
and banish our anxieties
with the liberating love of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Reflection: Sunday 27th September

Trinity 17

The Gap Between What We Say and What We Do - Matthew 21:23-32

Jesus turns the tables on the chief priests and elders who used their religious titles to mask their lack of true faith, exposing their hypocrisy. They were trying to trap Jesus and discredit him because they felt threatened by his popularity and his recent cleansing of the Temple. Even though they saw notorious sinners (like tax collectors and prostitutes) completely change their lives by believing the message of John the Baptist and Jesus, the religious leaders tricked themselves into a corner. They were unwilling to humble themselves and swallow their pride.

The parable Jesus uses about two sons shows that real obedience involves changing our heart to do what God asks. By telling this story, Jesus publicly flipped the leaders' social hierarchy on its head—showing that the outcasts they looked down upon were actually entering the kingdom of God ahead of them.

At the heart of this passage is a simple question: What do you care about? What do I care about? If our primary

concern is for the honour of God, we need to move out of our comfort zone: stop talking about faith and actually live it out through real repentance.

It is easy to look down on people outside our social or religious circles, but they may well be demonstrating the humility and transformation we lack. At its heart, this passage reminds us that an imperfect, messy U-turn is infinitely better than a flawless, superficial promise. No matter how far we have drifted, it is never too late to admit we were wrong, swallow our pride, and choose a new path. Growth isn't about being perfect; it's about having the maturity to constantly correct our course when we see we've gone off track.

Madeleine Wang

Bible Readings:

Sunday 27th September

Trinity 17

Ezekiel 18.1-4, 25-end

1 The word of the Lord came to me:

2 What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, 'The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge'?
3 As I live, says the Lord God, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel.

4 Know that all lives are mine; the life of the parent as well as the life of the child is mine: it is only the person who sins that shall die.

25 Yet you say, 'The way of the Lord is unfair.' Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair?

26 When the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall die for it; for the iniquity that they have committed they shall die.

27 Again, when the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed and do what is lawful and right, they shall save their life.

28 Because they considered and turned away from all the transgressions that they had committed, they shall surely live; they shall not die.

29 Yet the house of Israel says, 'The way of the Lord is unfair.' O house of Israel, are my ways unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair?

30 Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, says the Lord God. Repent and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise iniquity will be your ruin.

31 Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed against me, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel?

32 For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, says the Lord God. Turn, then, and live.

Philippians 2.1-13

1 If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy,

2 make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind.

3 Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves.

4 Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others.

5 Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

6 who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,

7 but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave,

being born in human likeness. And being found in human form,

8 he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.

9 Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name,

10 so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

11 and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

12 Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling;

13 for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Matthew 21.23-32

23 When he entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, 'By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?'

24 Jesus said to them, 'I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things.

25 Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?' And they argued with one another, 'If we say, "From heaven", he will say to us, "Why then did you not believe him?"'

26 But if we say, "Of human origin", we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet.'

27 So they answered Jesus, 'We do not know.' And he said to them, 'Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

28 'What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, "Son, go and work in the vineyard today."

29 He answered, "I will not"; but later he changed his mind and went.

30 The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, "I go, sir"; but he did not go.

31 Which of the two did the will of his father?' They said, 'The first.' Jesus said to them, 'Truly I tell you, the

tax-collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you.

32 For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax-collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

Sunday 27th September

Trinity 17

Psalm 25.1-8

- 1 To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;
O my God, in you I trust; •
let me not be put to shame;
let not my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame, •
but let the treacherous be shamed and frustrated.
- 3 Make me to know your ways, O Lord, •
and teach me your paths.
- 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, •
for you are the God of my salvation;
for you have I hoped all the day long.
- 5 Remember, Lord, your compassion and love, •
for they are from everlasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth
or my transgressions, •
but think on me in your goodness, O Lord,
according to your steadfast love.
- 7 Gracious and upright is the Lord; •
therefore shall he teach sinners in the way.
- 8 He will guide the humble in doing right •
and teach his way to the lowly.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Collects for Harvest Festival

Eternal God,
you crown the year with your goodness
and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season:
grant that we may use them to your glory,
for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being;
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

Creator God,
you made the goodness of the land,
the riches of the sea
and the rhythm of the seasons;
as we thank you for the harvest,
may we cherish and respect
this planet and its peoples,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Bible Readings:

Harvest Festival

Deuteronomy 8.7-18

7 For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills,

8 a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey,

9 a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper.

10 You shall eat your fill and bless the Lord your God for the good land that he has given you.

11 Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God, by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes, which I am commanding you today.

12 When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them,

13 and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied,

14 then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery,

15 who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid waste-land with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint rock,

16 and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you, and in the end to do you good.

17 Do not say to yourself, 'My power and the might of my own hand have gained me this wealth.'

18 But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today.

OR

Deuteronomy 28.1-14

28 If you will only obey the Lord your God, by diligently observing all his commandments that I am commanding you today, the Lord your God will set you high above all the nations of the earth;

2 all these blessings shall come upon you and overtake you, if you obey the Lord your God:

3 Blessed shall you be in the city, and blessed shall you be in the field.

4 Blessed shall be the fruit of your womb, the fruit of your ground, and the fruit of your livestock, both the increase of your cattle and the issue of your flock.

5 Blessed shall be your basket and your kneading-bowl.

6 Blessed shall you be when you come in, and blessed shall you be when you go out.

7 The Lord will cause your enemies who rise against you to be defeated before you; they shall come out against you one way, and flee before you seven ways.

8 The Lord will command the blessing upon you in your barns, and in all that you undertake; he will bless you in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

9 The Lord will establish you as his holy people, as he has sworn to you, if you keep the commandments of the Lord your God and walk in his ways.

10 All the peoples of the earth shall see that you are called by the name of the Lord, and they shall be afraid of you.

11 The Lord will make you abound in prosperity, in the fruit of your womb, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your ground in the land that the Lord swore to your ancestors to give you.

12 The Lord will open for you his rich storehouse, the heavens, to give the rain of your land in its season and to bless all your undertakings. You will lend to many nations, but you will not borrow.

13 The Lord will make you the head, and not the tail; you shall be only at the top, and not at the bottom-if you obey the commandments of the Lord your God, which I am commanding you today, by diligently observing them,

14 and if you do not turn aside from any of the words that I am commanding you today, either to the right or to the left, following other gods to serve them.

2 Corinthians 9.6-end

6 The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.

7 Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

8 And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work.

9 As it is written, 'He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever.'

10 He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness.

11 You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us;

12 for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God.

13 Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others,

14 while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you.

15 Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

Luke 12.16-30

16 Then he told them a parable: 'The land of a rich man produced abundantly.

17 And he thought to himself, "What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?"

18 Then he said, "I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods.

19 And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry."

20 But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?"

21 So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.'

22 He said to his disciples, 'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear.

23 For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing.

24 Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds!

25 And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life?

26 If then you are not able to do so small a thing as that, why do you worry about the rest?

27 Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these.

28 But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you-you of little faith!

29 And do not keep striving for what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying.

30 For it is the nations of the world that strive after all these things, and your Father knows that you need them.

OR:

Luke 17.11-19

11 On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee.

12 As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance,

13 they called out, saying, 'Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!'

14 When he saw them, he said to them, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' And as they went, they were made clean.

15 Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice.

16 He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan.

17 Then Jesus asked, 'Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they?

18 Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?'

19 Then he said to him, 'Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.'

Psalm for Harvest Festival

Psalm 65

- 1 Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion;
to you that answer prayer shall vows be paid.
- 2 To you shall all flesh come to confess their sins;
when our misdeeds prevail against us,
you will purge them away.
- 3 Happy are they whom you choose
and draw to your courts to dwell there.
We shall be satisfied with the blessings of your house,
even of your holy temple.
- 4 With wonders you will answer us in your
righteousness,
O God of our salvation,
O hope of all the ends of the earth
and of the farthest seas.
- 5 In your strength you set fast the mountains
and are girded about with might.
- 6 You still the raging of the seas,
the roaring of their waves
and the clamour of the peoples.
- 7 Those who dwell at the ends of the earth
tremble at your marvels;
the gates of the morning and evening sing your praise.
- 8 You visit the earth and water it;
you make it very plenteous.
- 9 The river of God is full of water;
you prepare grain for your people,
for so you provide for the earth.
- 10 You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges;
you soften the ground with showers and bless its
increase.
- 11 You crown the year with your goodness,
and your paths overflow with plenty.
- 12 May the pastures of the wilderness flow with
goodness
and the hills be girded with joy.
- 13 May the meadows be clothed with flocks of sheep •
and the valleys stand so thick with corn
that they shall laugh and sing.

Praying Pilgrims

**Your kingdom come, your will be done.
Do you desire to be in God's presence,
experience His Holy Spirit? This is only a short
conversation away, with Our Father in heaven.
"Prayer doesn't change God, it changes me." CS
Lewis.**

Sometimes we can't find the words and all we can do is
sigh in His presence (Romans 8:26-27). Other times, we
sit quietly and wait for Him. At times, it is the words of
the Lord's Prayer, as we acknowledge God alone is holy.
At other times, it is the words of a Psalm that become
our prayer.

Are you seeking forgiveness? (Psalm 51)
Asking for healing, mercy, relief from deep sickness.
(Psalm 6)
Seeking God's shelter. (Psalm 91)

Staying calm and taking refuge in a time of trouble.
(Psalm 46)

Asking God to show unfailing love. (Psalm 86)

Looking for God's presence. (Psalm 63)

A prayer of comfort for every season in life. (Psalm 23)

Every week in the Launde Minster Community, we have
a time of prayer together. We are visiting every church
in the community. Please join us on a Friday, venues and
dates are published in the Worship Plan.

We are praying pilgrims on a pilgrimage (journey) and to
talk with God. We meet at 11am on a Friday and at 7pm
every third Friday in the month, it would be lovely if you
would join us.

We have a short, very informal reflection, followed by a
time of prayer. So do join us, pray a psalm, pray in
silence, just sigh and God will hear!



SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER:

Langtons and Shangton

25th of September 11am Tur Langton led by Maxine
Johnson

2nd of October 11am Shangton

Wellham

9th of October 11am Gloosten

16th of October 7pm Wellham (3rd Friday)

23rd of October 11am Stonton Wyville

30th of October 11am Cranoe

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Rev'd Crystal McAllister Uel Sandford

'Sandwich'

On Zoom, Wednesday evenings 7-8pm

**A Christian Fellowship and Friendship
group for those who want to delve a little
deeper into Scripture**

If you are interested contact Madeleine:

madeleine.v.wang@gmail.com **0116 2598277**

'Sandwich'
on Zoom, Wednesday evenings from 7- 8 pm

A Christian Fellowship and Friendship group for those who want to delve
a little deeper into Scripture.

The Top Slice (Opening Prayers): This is intended to focus the mind,
invite the Holy Spirit, and set a safe tone, enabling us to leave daily stress outside.

The Filling is any discussion topic brought by any member of the group.
We will use Scripture as the foundation for our discussions

The Bottom Slice (Closing Prayer): We will hope to seal the insights gained,
pray for personal needs and send members out with peace.
Intested?
Contact Madeleine: madeleine.v.wang@gmail.com
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Sunday Afternoon Concerts: 'Mosaic'

St Peter's, Church Langton

Sunday 27th September 2-2.45pm
£5 pay at the door

Shangton Harvest Festival

Sunday 27th September at 6pm **NOTE CHANGE OF DATE**

To be led by Revd Crystal McAllister, it will be a lovely celebration as one of Shangton's 7 services this year.
All are welcome

Glooston Harvest Roast, combined with Harvest Show

Sunday 11th October at 1pm

Glooston Village Hall Tickets: £15, children free
Tickets available from Brian: 07713 199946,
Ali: 07789 688485

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Jigsaw Fashion Show at St Giles Church, Medbourne

Thursday 15th October 7pm £15 per ticket

In aid of Breast Cancer UK and Church Fabric Fund

For tickets and more information contact:

carolinejack@hotmail.com

Stories about St Peter's, Horninghold

'The Story of St Peter's Horninghold' and
'The Horninghold ~Witch Trials'

To purchase, email: horninghold.ppc@gmail.com

Cream Teas at St. Peter's, Church Langton



Cream Teas at Church Langton every Sunday
until the end of September 3.00pm - 5.00pm



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



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:** Jam, Cream Crackers, Dried mashed potato (like Smash), Tinned meat (chilli, meatballs, mince, bolognese, stew, curry), Tinned sweetcorn, Tinned fruit, Rice pudding, Corned beef, Pasta sauce, Tinned ham, Small bags of sugar, Other beans (chickpeas, kidney beans, black-eyed beans), Toiletries: period products, toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo.

The list of food always required is on the website:

<https://www.jubileefoodbankmh.uk>



Diomail – Monday 21st September

For more information and other events use this link for Diomail 21st September:

[https://thehub.leicester.anglican.org/newsletters/diomail-21-september-](https://thehub.leicester.anglican.org/newsletters/diomail-21-september-2026/?newsletter_email=l.jones2k@btinternet.com)

[2026/?newsletter_email=l.jones2k@btinternet.com](https://thehub.leicester.anglican.org/newsletters/diomail-21-september-2026/?newsletter_email=l.jones2k@btinternet.com)

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<https://leicester.anglican.org/calendar/>

Centenary Webpage Now Live



As we continue to celebrate the Centenary of the Diocese of Leicester and Leicester Cathedral, we are delighted to launch our new centenary resources hub.

The webpage brings together a growing collection of resources to help churches, schools and communities mark this significant milestone.

Visitors will find liturgy and worship materials, collective worship resources for schools, news and events, photos, slideshows, and various content shared at our recent Diocesan Centenary Celebration Worship Gathering.

Small to start, this will be a developing webpage, with new material being added regularly over the coming weeks and months as we continue our centenary celebrations through November and into February next year.

We hope these resources will help you join in celebrating 100 years of faith, mission, and ministry across the Diocese of Leicester.

Centenary Webpage:

<https://www.leicester.anglican.org/about-us/centenary/>

Homelessness Sunday 2026



Churches are invited to mark Homelessness Sunday on 4 October 2026, ahead of World Homeless Day on 10 October.

Organised by Housing Justice, this year's theme is 'Community Cohesion', encouraging us to reflect on homelessness and consider practical ways to support people experiencing housing insecurity in their local communities.

The day is an opportunity for us to raise awareness of homelessness, poverty and housing insecurity, to reflect on how we, as worshipping communities in the Diocese of Leicester, can support people experiencing homelessness and to take practical action through volunteering, hosting, fundraising and community projects.

Resources available include prayers, hymn and song suggestions, intergenerational service materials and a reflection.

An online service for Homelessness Sunday will also be broadcast through the Church of England digital channels from 9am on Sunday 4 October.

Find out more on the **Housing Justice website:**

<https://housingjustice.org.uk/donate-or-get-involved/homelessness-sunday>

There will be a Service of Lament for Homelessness at Leicester Cathedral on Wednesday 7 October, from 5.30pm- 6.30pm.

A gentle service of reflection and lament, with a chance to light candles and remember those who have died on our streets or without permanent homes.

This service will also be an opportunity to lament the facts around homelessness, considering how we can work together for positive change and support one another in this endeavour.

All are welcome.

Get involved: <https://housingjustice.org.uk/donate-or-get-involved/homelessness-sunday>

Ordinations 2026 - Prayer Card



Please pray for all those to be ordained, and especially those to be ordained in the Diocese of Leicester this Michaelmas.

*God our Father, Lord of all the world,
through your Son you have called us
into the fellowship of your universal Church:
hear our prayer for all your faithful people
that in their vocation and ministry*

*each may be an instrument of your love,
and give to your servants soon to be ordained
the needful gifts of grace;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.*

Pray also for their families, friends and all those who will support them.

Pray for the communities where they will serve their curacy, for their training incumbents and context supervisors.

Pray too for Angela Sheard, who will be leading the ordination retreat, Bishop Martyn, who will be ordaining on Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning, and Bishop Luke Irving-Capel, the Bishop of Richborough, who will be ordaining on Saturday evening, and for Bishop Saju as he preaches at all three services.

Pray too for more vocations to all kinds of ministry as we are Shaped By God Together.

What is God's plan for you?

– www.churchofengland.org/life-events/vocations

To be ordained Priest on Saturday 3 October

Michael (Mike) Chaldecott – Bottesford, Muston, Redmile, Barkestone and Plungar

Ralph Chamberlain – Newbold De Verdun, Barlestone, Kirkby Mallory and Peckleton

Joshua (Josh) Crick de Boom – The Martyrs

Michal Kmet – Scraptoft and Saint Chad

Sneha Ninan – Rothley

To be ordained Deacon on Sunday 4 October

John Andrews – St Anne's, St Paul's & St Augustine's, Leicester

Paul Armstrong – Lutterworth with Cotesbach & Bitteswell

Henry Booth – Benefice of Leicester Forest East and Braunstone Town with Thorpe Astley

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