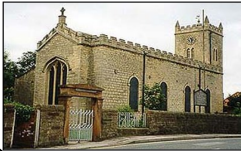


THE UNITED BENEFICE OF
BLIDWORTH AND RAINWORTH



St Mary of
the Purification
Blidworth



St Andrew's
Blidworth



St Simon
and St Jude's
Rainworth

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See how the wild flowers grow! They don't work to earn, or craft their own clothes, but even King Solomon with all his wealth was not dressed as well as they are. Lk 12:27-28

During the month of July we pray for:

- Our Church wardens, Angela, Lynn and Nick, who were recently sworn in by the Archdeacon
- Aid agencies who are working so hard to bring relief to those in need as famine now adds to the suffering in Gaza
- Children and school staff as they begin their Summer break.
- The on-line safety of those who use social media platforms, especially young people.
- The places where wildfires are happening, and for the firefighters who risk their lives
- All who are unwell in body mind or spirit
- Those who are mourning the loss of a loved one, may they know God's love and presence in their bereavement.



WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO LIVE AND WORK IN EVERY STREET WITHIN THE PARISH BOUNDARIES ON A ROTA BASIS.

3rd August: Rugby Road, Rufford Avenue, Rufford Court, Rufford Grange, Sapphire Close, St Jude's Way and St Peter's Drive in Rainworth.

10th August: Sandy Lane, Saville Street and Sherwood Avenue in Blidworth, and Second Avenue, Sherwood Road, Sherwood View and South Avenue in Rainworth.

17th August: Surgery Lane and Swan Close in Blidworth and South Drive, Southwell Road East, Southwell Road West, Station Road and Sycamore Close in Rainworth.

23rd August: The Meadows, The Quadrangle and Thorney Abbey Road in Blidworth, and The Hollies, The Square, Third Avenue and Thoresby Road in Rainworth.

31st August: Wheeldon's Yard and Will Scarlet Close in blidworth, and Top Street, Tudor Crescent, Vera Crescent, Warsop Lane and Webster Close in Rainworth.



PRAYER GROUP

A Prayer Group meets on a fortnightly basis to pray for the benefice and the world.

Everyone is welcome to join this group which meets on the

**2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month.
between 5.30-6.30pm.**

August meetings on 12th and 26th at St Simon and St Jude's

CONTACT VIVIENNE (07435561506)



Baptisms

Amara Elise Nicol Ward
Maris Sherratt

Funerals

Kath Westbury
Isabel Powney

Prayer for August 2025

Heavenly Father,

August – summer holidays and sunny skies. All should be well and yet, around the world all is *not* well!

Every day, it seems, new wars begin, catastrophes occur, world politicians play power games - and people suffer.

It can feel overwhelming and we want to bury our heads in the sand, rather than build sandcastles on the beach.

Help us Lord, to look up; to see things with Your perspective; to remember that Jesus warned us that in this world we will have trouble. Then help us to remember that He told us to take heart, because He has overcome the world.

Father, help us to savor the summer, as we put our trust in You - our strength, our hope, our ultimate and unfailing security.

In Jesus name,

Amen.

By Daphne Kitching from Parish Pump



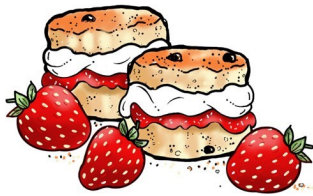
Sunday Lunches at St Andrew's

Holy Communion Service and lunch on the 3rd Sunday of every month. If you know of anyone who might benefit from this opportunity to join in fellowship and eat a meal with others please do encourage them to contact us.

Email: johnandvivharrison@hotmail.com

The next is Sunday 17th August 10.30am for service and 12 noon for lunch

Do not forget to book your lunch with Vivienne on 07435561506.



Come and join
us for a
**Strawberry
Tea**

**Saturday 9th August at 2pm
St Andrew's Blidworth**

**Fun Fellowship and stalls.
As well as wonderful
refreshments.**

3RD AUGUST 2025

'COME AND SING'

**COME AND LEARN SOME NEW
HYMNS/SONGS.**

**TEA, COFFEE & CAKE WILL BE
SERVED AND WILL
FINISH WITH SHORT SERVICE
IN CHURCH**

**STARTS 4pm SS SIMON &
JUDE, RAINWORTH**

**SUGGESTED DONATION
AROUND £3-5**

HEALING & WHOLENESS SERVICE

With anointing with the oil of healing

**Sunday 7th September
St Simon & St Jude's
in Rainworth**

4pm

**LOOKING FORWARD
TO SEPTEMBER**

HARVEST CELEBRATIONS

**Family Harvest Workshop
at St Andrew's**

**Saturday 13th September
10.00am-12noon**

Harvest Festival Services

**21st September - St Andrews chapel
Mission Hall, Blidworth**

**28th September St Simon &
St Jude Rainworth**

**Harvest Supper
27th September**



Donations to our Churches.

Donations to the ongoing work of our churches are very important, and we rely on them to keep our churches solvent. We are very grateful for those who give regularly, through standing orders and weekly envelopes.

However, there are other ways to give to St Simon and St Jude's:

1. Search for 'St Simon and St Jude's, Rainworth'. This will open the homepage in A Church Near You, scroll down our home page until you come to **'Please give to the ongoing work of the church'** and follow the instructions.
2. By scanning the QR codes at the end of each pew.....just follow the instructions
3. By using our 'Sumup card reader.....Speak with our treasurer Susan Daunt, who will be able to take your donations.



Choir Family Picnic

Sunday 10th August

St Simon and St Jude's Church

Bring your own picnic, and blanket, chairs, table, umbrella etc and enjoy yourselves in the church grounds.

Tea and Coffee will be available

THEN at 4.00pm

Barrett Waugh

a former member of our church choir in his youth,
and now a professional singer will entertain us in church.



Barratt, returning to his roots, will be performing to raise funds for the church and choir funds via a retiring collection

Barratt's mum, Jan Newbury and family, still attend this church.

To reserve seats please message Kellie

tkrprescott@gmail.com .

Barratt is taking bookings - 07713760967

Diary for the month of August 2025



ST MARY'S SERVICES

Sunday 10th August:
Morning Worship 10.00am

Sunday 24th August:
Morning Worship 10.00am



ST ANDREW'S SERVICE

Sunday 3rd August:
Holy Communion 10.00am

Sunday 17th August :
Holy Communion 10.30am
and Lunch

Saturday 9th August:
Strawberry Cream Teas
2.00pm

Talk and Tea:
Monday 18th August
2:30 - 4.00pm

Bingo:
Tuesdays 2-4pm

No Coffee Morning in August



ST SIMON AND ST JUDE'S

SERVICES

Sunday 3rd August
Morning Worship 10.30am
Come and sing 4.00pm

Sunday 10th August:
Holy Communion 10.30am
(blended with Zoom)

Sunday 17th August:
Morning Worship 10.30am

Sunday 24th August:
Holy Communion 10.30am
(blended with Zoom)

Prayer Group
Tuesdays 12th and 26th
5.30-6-30pm

Sunday 10th August:
Choir Family Picnic 12noon
Followed by concert at 400pm

Wed 20th August: 2.00pm
Coffee afternoon for all,
including those
Living with Dementia

COFFEE SHOP
10.00am—12 noon
Fridays 8th and
22nd



ZOOM: as above plus
(Codes by email))

Sunday 17th August
Taizé 6.30pm

A warm welcome awaits
at the
Coffee Shop
and Drop-In
at St Simon and St Jude's
Church



Come and meet up with old friends
and make new ones

Every Saturday and on 2nd and
4th Fridays of each month from
10.00am to 12noon.

1st Saturday offers bacon and
sausage cobs.



TALK & TEA

St Andrew's
Mission Hall,
The Crescent, Blidworth



Come and join us for a chat
and a cuppa.

Donations towards
refreshments welcomed.

For more information contact:
Rev Zoe Burton 01623 793758
Marilyn Brown 01623 794977 or
Maureen Garner 01623 793232

WINNING NUMBERS 200 CLUB

FOR JUNE

1st-403, 2nd-357, 3rd-482, 4th-341

50/50 CLUB

FOR JULY

1st-184, 2nd-17, 3rd-179, 4th- 152

If you would like to join either of
these Clubs, please contact:

Susan Payne for the 200 Club 01623
798777

or Sue Daunt for the 50/50 Club
07890674665

STALLS

No coffee
morning
in August



COOKED
BREAKFASTS

Coffee
morning



Every Tuesday
2.00pm St
Andrew's.

Bingo with Stephen
ALL WELCOME CASH PRIZES



BIZZY BEEZ



Thursday mornings
St Andrew's Mission Hall
Blidworth
9-11am

starts again on
11th September

Everyone welcome for friendly chat
and stimulating activities for your lit-
tle ones.

£2 per family, unlimited tea and
toast and healthy snacks for the
children.



Every
Wednesday
1.00 -2.00pm
in
term-time
at St Andrew's

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Churchwardens:

St Mary's

Angela Penny 01623 403791

St Simon and St Jude's

Lynn Holland 01623 797165 Nick Prescott 07792253593

Website: <http://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/17726/benefice>

FaceBook : The United Benefice of Blidworth and Rainworth

Follow the page: and follow this one too - Rev Zoe Burton

Room Hire: For information and for bookings please contact:

St Andrew's Mission in Blidworth

missionhallbookings@gmail.com

Foyer or Upper Room in Rainworth.

Please contact churchwardens

Weddings Baptisms etc:

Please contact the Vicar.

TEAM OF MINISTERS IN OUR BENEFICE:

Vicar: Revd. Zoe Burton 07983946930

email: revzoeb@gmail.com

Licensed Lay Ministers (Readers):

Marilyn Brown 01623 794977

Steph Smart

Sharon Winders

Stephen Fox 01623 795327

Recognised Lay Minister:

Maureen Garner 01623 793232 07401087007

Benefice Safeguarding Officer:

Mrs Clare Harris. 07752 639684

Music Director:

Gordon Foster 01623 794281