

St Edward's and St Nicholas'

In the Benefice of Castle Donington with Lockington cum Hemington



24th August 2025



The Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Jeremiah 1: 4-10 & Luke 13: 10-17

Today's Collect

Lord of heaven and earth,
as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer,
give us patience and courage never to lose hope,
but always to bring our prayers before you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

A very warm welcome to our services of worship today, whether you live in Hemington, Lockington or Castle Donington, or are visiting.

8.30am	BCP Holy Communion	St Edward's Church
10.30am	Morning Worship	St Edward's Hall
4.00pm	Rooted: Prayer & Praise	St Edward's Hall

If you would like someone to pray with you after the services, please do not hesitate to talk to one of the clergy. They would be delighted to pray quietly with you.

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Come. See. God is doing something new!

Rooted – TODAY at 4.00pm

Rooted is a time for us to worship and pray, suitable for the whole family. As we continue in the Shaped by God Together process, our prayers will be focused on waiting and listening to hear what God may be saying to us individually and as a church. Our next gathering is this Sunday 24th August at 4.00pm, for 40 minutes, followed by cake, coffee and chat.



Benefice Service – Sunday 31st August at 4.00pm

Next Sunday (31st August) there will be **no** 8.30am or 10.30am services as we will be gathering as one benefice at St Edward's Church at **4.00pm** for a service of Holy Communion with Baptism and Confirmation with Bishop Saju. Please do join us for this very special occasion as we walk with those taking the next step on their journeys of faith with God.

NEW Pattern of 8.30am Services at St Edward's from September

With Revd Andrew's imminent departure, and with the journey towards Minster Communities in mind, the PCC has recognised that it will not be possible to find a priest to lead all the services that currently require a priest. The PCC has therefore decided to reduce the number of Sunday 8.30am BCP Holy Communion services from weekly to fortnightly. From September, there will be an 8.30am Holy Communion service according to the 1662 Book of Common Prayer on the first and third Sundays of the month only. Holy Communion will be available on the other Sundays at 10.30am.



NEW Office Hours from September

After reviewing when the church office receives most enquiries and visitors we are adjusting our opening hours. From 2nd September the office will be open on Tuesdays and Fridays straight through from **10.00am to 3.00pm**.

Pastoral Care Team – we need your help!

We are seeking volunteers for a new Pastoral Care team to provide support for individuals and to help them feel connected to our community. Caring for each other is a vital part of living out our faith and sharing the love of God with others. If you would like to know more about how to get involved, please get in touch with Zoe Musgrove either by emailing the office (office@cdlh-churches.org) or speak to her at church.



Book & Jumble Sale!

The next Book & Jumble Sale will be at 9.30am on Tuesday 26th August. Please bring your Jumble, etc to the Church Hall on Monday 25th at 2.00pm. Thank you.



Foodbank

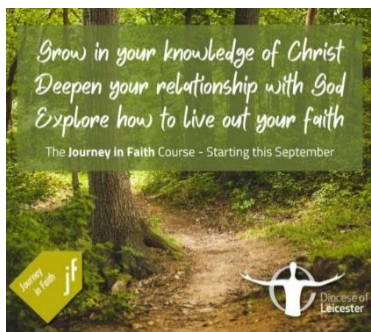
Thank you so much for your donations to Foodbank – they make a huge difference. The Foodbank is open on Thursday mornings between 10.30am and 12.30pm, when you can drop off your donations.

Items that are urgently needed: **tinned tomatoes, tinned fruit, jam, rice, and long-life fruit juice**. Please make sure items are in date. Enter via the Church Office door at the far end of church hall. If you would prefer to make a monetary donation, cheques are payable to “LES Foodbank Castle Donington Branch” – please post to the Vicarage, 6 Delven Lane, DE74 2LJ. If you are hungry, or know someone who is, please request a foodbank voucher. Phone or email Revd Andrew (vicar@cdlh-churches.org). This is completely confidential.

Uniform Swap Shop

From Monday 28th July to Sunday 31st August, families can collect free pre-loved school uniforms from The Hub, Bondgate, Castle Donington. Uniforms are available from a range of local schools. **Please remember to:**

- Only take what you need
- Leave donated items in the basket
- Return items if they don't fit
- Donate items that still have life in them
- Keep the area tidy.



Journey in Faith Course

This Autumn the Journey in Faith (JiF) course will be running across the diocese. This course runs for three terms, and offers the time and space for people to grow in knowledge, deepen their faith and how to apply that to the whole of life. For more information you can watch a video about JiF following this [link](#). You can sign up via the hub or by emailing MMBookings@LeicesterCofe.org. If you have any questions about the JiF course feel free to speak to Catherine Stray.

Please pray for:

- the family and friends of Joan Hill who passed away peacefully this week, funeral details to be confirmed;
- all those starting in a new school or returning to a new school year this week;
- our PCCs and the decisions and plans to be made for the future as we navigate the changes ahead, and all those in our churches who work so hard to make our events and services welcoming so that those who come along have opportunity to connect with God;
- those preparing for baptism and/or confirmation this month, and for their families;
- peacemakers and aid workers striving to bring relief and hope to our troubled world.

Diary for Monday 25th to Sunday 31st August 2025

Monday is a Bank Holiday and **Andrew** will be taking his day off on Tuesday, returning to work on Wednesday. **Ruth** is working and the Church Office will be open from 10.00am to 12.30pm and 1.30pm to 4.00pm on Tuesday and Friday.

Monday (Bank Holiday)

Jumble Sale donations & setup	2.00pm	St Edward's Hall
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Tuesday

Morning Prayer	9.00am	St Edward's Church
Book & Jumble Sale	9.30am	St Edward's Hall
Staff Meeting	9.45am	Church Office

Wednesday

Morning Worship	10.00am	St Edward's Church
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Thursday

Morning Prayer	9.00am	St Edward's Church
Church cleaning	9.30am – 11.00am	St Edward's Church
Little Sunbeam Club	10.00am – 11.30am	St Edward's Hall
Foodbank	10.30am – 12.30pm	St Anne's Room
St Edward's PCC Meeting	12.30pm – 2.00pm	St Edward's Hall

Friday

Morning Prayer	9.00am	St Edward's Church
Warm Welcome Space	10.00am – 3.00pm	St Edward's Hall

Sunday

Benefice Service of Holy Communion with Baptism and Confirmation	4.00pm	St Edward's Church
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‘But the Lord said to me,
‘Do not say, “I am too young.”
You must go to everyone I send you to
and say whatever I command you.’

Jeremiah 1 vs 7

The next News Sheet will be published for Sunday 31st August the deadline for which will be the Wednesday before. Please do send in your items to the Parish email address on the front page. Thank you.