

St Edward's and St Nicholas'

In the Benefice of Castle Donington with Lockington cum Hemington



10th May 2026

Sixth Sunday of Easter
Acts 17:22-31; John 14:15-21



Today's Collect

Risen Christ,

by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples:

help your Church to obey your command

and draw the nations to the fire of your love,

to the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

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

10.30am	Holy Communion with Baptism	St Edward's Church
12.00noon	St Edward's APCM	St Edward's Church
4.00pm	Rooted: Prayer & Praise	St Edward's Hall

If you would like someone to pray with you after the service, 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!

Village May Day Celebrations – THANK YOU!



Ducks were found! Cake was eaten! Fun was had! A huge and heartfelt thank you to everyone who contributed to the May Day Celebrations,

whether you baked cakes, served refreshments, helped clean and decorate the church, or were a friendly welcoming face. It was wonderful to invite our village neighbours into the church, and on the Borough Street stall we had lots of great conversations. Thank you!



Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) – St Edward’s Church

The APCM for St Edward’s will take place today (Sunday 10th May) after the 10.30am service.

This is your opportunity to elect members to the PCC and to receive the Annual Report and Accounts for the year ending 31st December 2025. You can view a copy [here](#) or pick up a printed copy from church. Members of the PCC are trustees and make both strategic and day-to-day decisions about the life, mission and ministry of the local church. The PCC of St Edward’s meets about six times a year – members of St Edward’s PCC also sit on one or two of the seven Action Groups. If you have time and passion to serve the local church in a practical and hands on way, we would love to talk to you!



CHURCH MEETINGS ARE BRILLIANT

Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) – St Nicholas’ Church

The APCM for St Nicholas will take place on Wednesday 20th May at 7pm in church.

Rooted – today at 4pm

Rooted is a short time together 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 meeting with God and waiting and listening to hear what God may be saying to us individually, and as a church. We gather for about 40 minutes followed by time for cake, coffee and a chat.



Please pray for:

- the APCM at St Edward’s today, and the upcoming APCM at St Nicholas’, as we celebrate the year that has gone, and for people to join the PCCs and step into vacant roles;
- the family and friends of Rex Thomas who is being baptised at St Edward’s today;
- peace and justice in our troubled and fractious world.



Multicultural Day Saturday 16th May at 1pm – in the Reflection Garden at Castle Donington Care Home

Celebrate the beauty of different cultures with an afternoon of music, colour, and community spirit. Enjoy performances, food and activities that highlight traditions from around the world. Buffet £8 per person.

Thy Kingdom Come (TKC) – 14th to 24th May

TKC is a global ecumenical prayer movement that invites Christians around the world to pray from Ascension to Pentecost for more people to come to know Jesus. Every person, household and church are encouraged to pray during the 11 days in their own way. For more info, visit [TKC](https://www.thykingdomcome.org).



Calling for Everyone – Vocations Days

There is an opportunity for us all to think about what God might be calling each of us to, and who he is calling us to be as his followers in this place.

- How can I live out my faith more fully?
- What could God be calling me to?
- What opportunities are there for me to serve?

There are a series of events coming up called "Calling for everyone" for anyone who might be wondering just that - what might God be calling me to, or maybe I think God is calling me to something and I would love to explore a little more. These events are open to anyone curious about these questions. What not go along to one of these events to find out a bit more? Not sure about going along on your own? Why not go with a friend? Book at:

mmbookings@leicestercofe.org If you have any other questions, have a chat with Catherine.

- **Saturday 16th May** - St Wilfrid's Church, Church Road, Kibworth, LE8 0NB
- **Saturday 6th June** - Frisby Chapel, Frisby on the Wreake



10.00 – 3.00pm, refreshments from 9.30am.
Please bring a packed lunch.

Foodbank

Thank you so much for your donations to Foodbank – they make a huge difference. Our local branch have now set up Amazon Wish Lists as a way people can buy things to donate to the foodbank. There are three wishlists: [urgently needed items](#), [food and drink](#), and [personal care and household items](#)



The Foodbank is open Thursday mornings between 10.30am and 12.30pm. If you are hungry, or know someone who is, **a foodbank voucher can be requested via The Hub**.

Keep up with the latest news from the Foodbank on their Facebook page [here](#) and new Instagram page [here](#) – do follow them so they can build the pages!

Diary for Monday 11th to Sunday 17th May 2026

The Church Office will be open from **10.00am to 3.00pm** on Tuesday and **10.00am to 12.00noon** on Friday.

Tuesday

Morning Prayer	9.00am	St Edward's Church
Staff Meeting	9.45am	Church Office
Breakfast Church Planning Meeting	1.30pm	St Edward's Hall

Wednesday

Morning Worship	10.00am	St Edward's Church
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Thursday

Bishop's Study Day	9.30am – 4.00pm	St Martins House
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
Year 4 School Visit	2.00pm – 3.00pm	St Edward's Church

Friday

Morning Prayer	9.00am	St Edward's Church
Warm Welcome Space	10.00am – 2.00pm	St Edward's Hall

Saturday

Calling for Everyone Vocations Day	10.00am – 3.00pm	St Wilfrid's, Kibworth
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Sunday

BCP Holy Communion	8.30am	St Edward's Church
Morning Worship	10.30am	St Edward's Hall



The next News Sheet will be published for Sunday 17th May. Please do send in your items to the Parish email address on the front page. Thank you