

St Edward's and St Nicholas'

In the Benefice of Castle Donington with Lockington cum Hemington



12th July 2026



Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Isaiah 55: 10-13; Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23

Today's Collect

Creator God,
you made us all in your image:
may we discern you in all that we see,
and serve you in all that we do;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

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

10.30am	BCP Holy Communion	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!

INEQE Safeguarding Audit Survey – Have Your Say

The Diocese of Leicester and Leicester Cathedral are currently taking part in an independent safeguarding audit by INEQE. Please take a few minutes to complete the relevant survey(s), designed to gather valuable feedback about safeguarding practice and culture across the diocese. There are surveys for: Diocesan workforce; Parish workforce; Parish community members; Cathedral workforce; Cathedral worshippers; Children & young people; Victims & Survivors of church related abuse.



Your voice matters – share what is working well and what could be improved



All responses are confidential and anonymous, and managed independently by INEQE. Thank you to everyone who has already taken part. If you have not yet completed the survey, we warmly encourage you to do so - your feedback is important and valued.

Look out for the pink posters and postcards. You can complete the survey [here](#), or via the QR code, or learn more on the diocese website [here](#).

We still need your recycling!

For our next Breakfast Church project at St Edward's, we need about 40, 1 litre fruit juice or milk cartons, and kitchen roll tubes. If you have any at home waiting to be recycled or binned, the Breakfast team would love to reuse and recycle them! Please bring them to a service this Sunday or next, or drop them at Warm Welcome space where there will be a box to leave them in. Thank you!



St Nicholas' Church dates for the diary:



Sunday 26 th July	9am	Holy Communion
Sunday 23 rd August	9am	Morning Worship
Sunday 27 th September	9am	Morning Worship

Uniform Swap Shop at Castle Donington Community Hub

The Uniform Swap Shop will be available throughout the summer holidays to help local families save money while giving good quality school uniforms a second life.

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.



Coming soon! – Leicester Music Memory Box

MUSIC IS POWERFUL! A new singing group is coming to St Edward's Church Hall for anyone, including those affected by memory loss/ dementia; or experiencing loneliness or carer strain. The first session is on Thursday 23rd July at 2.00-3.30pm so come along and give it a try! For further details contact: LMMBox2018@gmail.com, call Christina on 07752 826228, or visit leicestermusicalmemorybox.co.uk



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**, or please speak to Revd Sue. This is completely confidential. Keep up with the latest news from the Foodbank on their Facebook page [here](#) and new Instagram page [here](#) – do follow them!

🚧 ⚠️ Groundworks at St Edward's ⚠️ 🚧

Drainage work continues this week, and good progress is being made. Access through the churchyard is not affected, but there are a reduced number of car parking places on the hall car park so please consider parking elsewhere if possible. Otherwise, it is business as usual and all services are taking place as normal.

Please pray for:

- the family and friends of David Birkin whose funeral was last Wednesday in St Edward's Church;
- all those who serve on the PCC and those who lead our services;
- the schools and college in the villages as they break up for the summer holidays;
- peacemakers and aid workers striving to bring relief and hope to our troubled world;
- those curious about faith.

Come and join us for **MORNING PRAYER**

*A time of peace to pray together and
dwell a little on the reading for the day*

Tuesdays & Fridays at 9am in St Edward's Church



Diary for Monday 13th July to Sunday 19th July 2026

The Church Office will be open from **10.00am to 3.00pm** on Tuesday and Friday. It will then be closed for one week due to annual leave.

Tuesday

Morning Prayer	9.00am	St Edward's Church
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Wednesday

Holy Communion	10.00am	St Edward's Church
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Thursday

Church cleaning	9.30am – 11.00am	St Edward's Church
Foodbank	10.30am – 12.30pm	St Anne's Room

Friday

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

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 19th July.
Please do send in your items to the Parish email address above. Thank you.*