

St Edward's and St Nicholas'

In the Benefice of Castle Donington with Lockington cum Hemington



13th September 2026



Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

Genesis 50:15-21; Matthew 18: 21-35

Today's Collect

Lord God,
defend your Church from all false teaching
and give to your people
knowledge of your truth,
that we may enjoy eternal life
in 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	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!

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.



Creationtide



IMMERSION IN LIVING WATER
Ezekiel 47:9, 12

Creationtide is the period in the annual church calendar, from 1st September to 4th October, dedicated to God as Creator and Sustainer of all life. It's a month of unity, when Christians around the world celebrate the beauty and wonder of creation and commit to caring for our common home. This year we will be guided by the vision of the prophet Ezekiel (47:1–12): a river flowing from the temple of God, which grows without stopping and brings life where everything seems barren.

May this Season of Creation be a path for the healing of the Earth and human wellbeing to flourish together.

A Prayer for Creationtide 🌍

Creator God,

You made the goodness of the land, the riches of the sea and the rhythm of the seasons;

We thank you for the riches of your creation.

May we cherish and respect this planet and its peoples, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Harvest Celebrations – Sunday 4th October 🍎 🇬🇧 🌽

Our next Breakfast Church at St Edward's is our Harvest Celebration and we will be welcoming a member of the Foodbank team to come along and tell us all about their work. At both the 8.30am Communion service and Breakfast Church we will be collecting tinned and dry food for the foodbank.



Our Harvest Appeal this year is in support of Magic Breakfast who support schools in England, and work with local authorities to provide breakfast to children and young people. Every day,

**magic
breakfast**
fuel for learning

Magic Breakfast feeds **over 350,000** children and young people: children who might otherwise start their school day hungry. Our collection and cash donations at Harvest will go to help feed children in schools, setting them up to learn on a full tummy.

At 6pm on Sunday 4th there will also be the traditional Harvest Festival at St Nicholas' Church.

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!

THE FOODBANK

WAYS YOU CAN HELP



FIND OUT
WHAT IS
NEEDED



PICK UP EXTRA
ITEMS WHEN
YOU SHOP



COLLECTING

SORTING

THEY DO A
GREAT JOB AT
THE FOODBANK



GOSSIP
POSITIVELY



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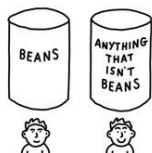


VOLUNTEER

WHY IS THE
NEED FOR
FOODBANKS
INCREASING?



ASK AWKWARD
QUESTIONS

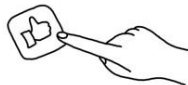


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LOCALLY]



HAPPY
BIRTHDAY!

ASK PEOPLE FOR
FOODBANK DONATIONS
RATHER THAN PRESENTS



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Please pray for:

- those living with ongoing illness or health issues, and those who care for them;
- the environment and God's creation this month of Creationtide;
- all those who strive to bring relief and reconciliation to our troubled world.

St Nicholas' Church dates for the diary:

Sunday 27th September 9am Morning Worship

Sunday 4th October 6pm

Harvest Festival 🍎 🍷 🍂

Sunday 25th October 9am

Holy Communion



Diary for Monday 14th to Sunday 20th September 2026

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

Tuesday

Morning Prayer	9.00am	St Edward's Church
Intergenerational Action Group	7.30pm	TBC

Wednesday

Holy Communion	10.00am	St Edward's Church
Breakfast Church Planning	1.30pm	St Edward's Hall

Thursday

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

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 20th September.
Please do send in your items to the Parish email address above. Thank you.*