



**Benefice of Newport Pagnell  
with  
Lathbury and Moulsoe  
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10th Sunday after Trinity**



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contact and information. All details of which can be  
obtained from the parish office.

**Registered Charity number 1153668**

**Collect for 10th Sunday after Trinity**

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.

**9.30am, Family Communion, St Peter & St Paul**

**Readings** Isaiah 58, 9b-end, Hebrews 12.18-end

**Gospel** Luke 13. 10-17

**11am, Family Communion, St Luke's**

**Readings** Isaiah 58, 9b-end, Hebrews 12.18-end

**Gospel** Luke 13. 10-17

**Hymns** All brown book, 54, 40, 139, 116, 241

**Wednesday**

**10am Said Communion, St Peter & St Paul**, followed by coffee, chat and healing prayer.

**Events and Services coming up:**

**Sunday 31 August**

10.30am, Family Communion, St Peter & St Paul

**Wednesday 3 September**

10am Said Communion, St Peter & St Paul,

Everyone is welcome to put an item into Pews News but please email it by 2pm on the Thursday before you want it to appear.

**Please note the change of address it is now:**

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### **Did you know that the Parish has a WhatsApp Group?**

It is a very useful way to share information quickly and you don't need to be a techno whizz to use it! If you'd like to be added to the Newport Pagnell Parish WhatsApp group just send Moira your mobile telephone number.

**Moira's number is 07968-585364.**

### **A plea for help please**

You may not be aware that a lot of duties performed around the church are carried out by a small band of volunteers and I regret to say that this pool of help is shrinking dramatically. We are looking for fresh volunteers to join the sides-people rota, the folk at the door on a Sunday who hand out the books and clear them away afterwards. We also need people to join the cleaning and the coffee rotas. These are all duties at St Peter & St Paul. Needless to say the more people we have on these rotas the longer the gap between duties.

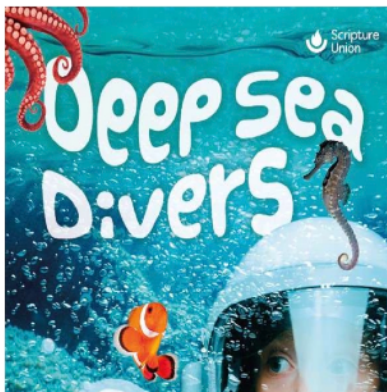
If you feel that you could help out on any/all of these rotas then please let me know or indeed if you require more information, contact me.

Looking forward to a positive response.

Best Regards

Malcolm

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### **THE NEWPORT PAGNELL CHURCHES TOGETHER HOLIDAY CLUB MET LAST WEEK**

This was my second time as a helper in one of the small groups and I enjoyed it as much as the children did. They started each day in groups based on school years and named after various sea creatures. I was helping out in the Jellyfish group, Year 4. Once everyone had arrived we got together for aerobics (I couldn't keep up) the theme song, My Lighthouse (with actions that I kept getting wrong) a different game each day, some deep sea science, a Bible story, and a Bible reflection by the drama team.

Back in the small groups we worked on craft activities based on the Bible story and our signature deep sea creatures. The children had drinks and snacks (and we helpers had a cup of tea).

To end each session we went back to the whole group, to share jokes, show some pictures the children brought in from home and to watch the drama group perform a new episode of their Deep Sea Drama. Finally we sang "My Lighthouse" (I still got the actions mixed up) and had some prayers before the children were collected by their parents, grandparents or carers.

After we'd cleared up, discussed the session and prayed together the leaders and helpers sat down for a delicious lunch prepared by the catering team. It was a good opportunity to get to know some of the people from the other churches in the town.

Parents and carers were invited to an open evening from 6.00-7.00pm on Thursday.

All in all the holiday club was a great success,

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRAYERS**

Olwen Smith

They last an hour and start with a short act of worship (a song or reflection on the Bible reading of the day). There is time for silence as well as prayer and as you can participate in prayer without necessarily having to speak, there is no pressure to say anything. Everyone is welcome to join the Prayer Meetings.



Jean Thompson

A yellow plastic bin filled with various food items, including bags of rice and boxes of cereal. A white sign is attached to the front of the bin with the text: "I ❤️ MK FOOD BANK!" in large, bold letters. Below this, in smaller text, it says: "Text 'MKFB14 E3' to 70070" and "On average £3.10 MK Food Bank Cost!". The bin is placed on a wooden floor in front of a blue wall with some posters.

Chloe Foy with support from Lillibet & MK Dance Theatre.

**First Readings** \_Isaiah 58, 9b-end

9b “If you do away with the yoke of oppression, with the pointing finger and malicious talk,

10 and if you spend yourselves in behalf of the hungry and satisfy the needs of the oppressed

then your light will rise in the darkness, and your night will become like the noonday.

11. The Lord will guide you always; he will satisfy your needs in a sun-scorched land and

will strengthen your frame. You will be like a well-watered garden, like a spring whose waters never fail.

12 Your people will rebuild the ancient ruins and will raise up the age-old foundations;

you will be called Repairer of Broken Walls, Restorer of Streets with Dwellings.

13 “If you keep your feet from breaking the Sabbath and from doing as you please on my holy day,

if you call the Sabbath a delight and the Lord’s holy day honourable,

and if you honour it by not going your own way and not doing as you please or speaking idle words,

14 then you will find your joy in the Lord, and I will cause you to ride in triumph on the heights of the land

and to feast on the inheritance of your father Jacob.”

For the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

**Second Reading** Hebrews 12.18-end

**18** You have not come to a mountain that can be touched and that is burning with fire; to darkness, gloom and storm; **19** to a trumpet blast or to such a voice speaking words that those who heard it begged that no further word be spoken to them, **20** because they could not bear what was commanded: “If even an animal touches the mountain, it must be stoned to death.” **21** The sight was so terrifying that Moses said, “I am trembling with fear.”

**22** But you have come to Mount Zion, to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem. You have come to thousands upon thousands of angels in joyful assembly, **23** to the church of the firstborn, whose names are written in heaven. You have come to God, the Judge of all, to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, **24** to Jesus the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

**25** See to it that you do not refuse him who speaks. If they did not escape when they refused him who warned them on earth, how much less will we, if we turn away from him who warns us from heaven? **26** At that time his voice shook the earth, but now he has promised, “Once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heavens.” **27** The words “once more” indicate the removing of what can be shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain.

**28** Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe, **29** for our “God is a consuming fire.”

**Gospel Reading** Luke 13. 10-17

**10** On a Sabbath Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues, **11** and a woman was there who had been crippled by a spirit for eighteen years. She was bent over and could not straighten up at all. **12** When Jesus saw her, he called her forward and said to her, “Woman, you are set free from your infirmity.” **13** Then he put his hands on her, and immediately she straightened up and praised God.

**14** Indignant because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, the synagogue leader said to the people, “There are six days for work. So come and be healed on those days, not on the Sabbath.”

**15** The Lord answered him, “You hypocrites! Doesn’t each of you on the Sabbath untie your ox or donkey from the stall and lead it out to give it water? **16** Then should not this woman, a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has kept bound for eighteen long years, be set free on the Sabbath day from what bound her?”

**17** When he said this, all his opponents were humiliated, but the people were delighted with all the wonderful things he was doing.