



**Benefice of Newport Pagnell
with
Lathbury and Moulsoe
Pews News
5th Sunday of Lent
6 April 2025**



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The parish has set up various electronic means of contact and information. All details of which can be obtained from the parish office.

Registered Charity number 1153668

Collect for the 5th Sunday of Lent

Most merciful God
who by the death and resurrection of your Son
Jesus Christ
delivered and saved the world:
grant that by faith in him who suffered on the
cross
we may triumph in the power of his victory;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,

9.15am Family Communion, All Saints, Lathbury

Readings: Isaiah 43.16-21, Philippians 3.4b-14

Gospel: John 12.1-8

10.30am, Family Communion, St Luke's

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Hymns: BB 271, BB 66, RB 70, RB 67, BB 236

6pm, Evening Worship, St Peter & St Paul

Wednesday

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

Friday

12 noon - 1.30pm Lent Lunch, Mead Centre

Events and Services coming up:

Sunday 13 April Palm Sunday

9.30am, Family Communion, SSPP including Sunday Club

11am, Family Communion, St Luke's

Monday 14 - Wednesday 16 April

5pm, Evening Prayer, SSPP

Thursday 17 April

7pm, Maundy Thursday Service, Holy Communion with washing of feet, SSPP, followed by Easter Vigil until 9pm

Friday 18 April

9am, Morning Prayer, SSPP

2.15pm, Walk of Witness from Market Hill

2.30, Liturgy of the Cross, SSPP

Saturday 19 April

Service of Light, St Luke's, followed by refreshments

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. The address is:

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Weekly ZOOM Prayer meeting:

The Prayer Meeting is conducted by ZOOM to enable more people to join in. It takes place every Thursday at 4.00pm.

It lasts an hour and starts 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 Meeting;



Watch for the email with the correct link.



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.



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Shopping List

- ✓ Tinned Meat
- ✓ Tinned Fish
- ✓ Tinned Pulses
- ✓ Tinned Fruit
- ✓ Tinned Tomatoes
- ✓ Long Life Milk
- ✓ Juice or Squash
- ✓ Spreads – Jams, Peanut Butter
- ✓ Tea
- ✓ Tinned Pasta
- ✓ Tinned Veg
- ✓ Pasta Sauce
- ✓ Dried Rice – 500g or 1kg packets
- ✓ Rice Pudding/Custard
- ✓ Cereal
- ✓ Biscuits
- ✓ Soup
- ✓ Loo Roll



Lent Lunches

Churches Together in Newport Pagnell
are hosting their popular
Lent Lunches
in the **Mead Centre**
every **Friday** from 7th March to the 11th April
12noon to 1.15pm

Homemade soup, bread, cheese and tea or coffee
for just **£6pp**

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SUNDAY 27 APRIL 2025 A SERVICE OF CONFIRMATION and HOLY COMMUNION at 4pm in St Peter and St Paul

The new Bishop David Bull will preside and confirm several candidates from the Deanery



PARISH PILGRIMAGE

A parish trip is planned for Thursday 15 May
to visit Derby Cathedral

The day will start from Market Hill where we will catch our coach to Derby. A tour of the Bridge Chapel (the site of the first chapel and the Padley Martyrs) has been organised for the morning followed by a lunchtime Eucharist. After a break for lunch and some free time, we will have our tour of the Cathedral including their vestments. There is also a photographic display and embroidery exhibition to enjoy. Then the day is rounded off with Choral Evensong before the coach home.

Cost for the trip works out at £33pp so contributions of this amount will be appreciated. It is a bit further than our previous trips hence the increased cost. However, as this is a parish pilgrimage no one should feel they cannot come because of costs, so sign up anyway and have a quiet word with one of the ministry team.

Sign up sheets are at the back of the churches—you **MUST** sign up even if you expressed an interest to Moira! More details with timings etc will be circulated to the participating pilgrims in due course. Your contribution can be given in cash or by cheque to Dick Smith or Moira or online via :

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First Reading: Isaiah 43.16-21

This is what the Lord says — he who made a way through the sea, a path through the mighty waters, 17 who drew out the chariots and horses, the army and reinforcements together, and they lay there, never to rise again, extinguished, snuffed out like a wick:

18 “Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past.

19 See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland.

20 The wild animals honour me, the jackals and the owls, because I provide water in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland, to give drink to my people, my chosen,

21 the people I formed for myself that they may proclaim my praise.”

Second Reading: Philippians 3.4b-14

If someone else thinks they have reasons to put confidence in the flesh, I have more: **5** circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; in regard to the law, a Pharisee; **6** as for zeal, persecuting the church; as for righteousness based on the law, faultless.

7 But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. **8** What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ **9** and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in[a] Christ—the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith. **10** I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, **11** and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead.

12 Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. **13** Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, **14** I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

Gospel Reading: John 12.1-8

12 Six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus lived, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. **2** Here a dinner was given in Jesus’ honour. Martha served, while Lazarus was among those reclining at the table with him. **3** Then Mary took about a pint of pure nard, an expensive perfume; she poured it on Jesus’ feet and wiped his feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume.

4 But one of his disciples, Judas Iscariot, who was later to betray him, objected, **5** “Why wasn’t this perfume sold and the money given to the poor? It was worth a year’s wages.” **6** He did not say this because he cared about the poor but because he was a thief; as keeper of the money bag, he used to help himself to what was put into it.

7 “Leave her alone,” Jesus replied. “It was intended that she should save this perfume for the day of my burial. **8** You will always have the poor among you, but you will not always have me.”