

Benefice of Newport Pagnell with Lathbury and Moulsoe Pews News Pentecost 19 May 2024



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Parish Contacts

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 Pentecost:

Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal: open our lips by your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

10.30am, Family Communion, St Peter & St Paul

Readings: Acts 2.1-21 Romans 8.22-27 **Gospel:** John 15.26-27, 16.4b-15

<u>9.30am, Communion - Rogation,</u> Moulsoe

6pm Evening Worship St Luke's

Hymns All Red Book 353 Eternal Ruler of the Ceaseless Round 157 Breathe on me Breath of God 154 Gracious Spirt, Holy Ghost 163 Angel Voices Ever Singing

Wednesday

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

Events and Services coming up:

Trinity Sunday 26 May

9.30am Family Communion at St Peter & St Paul including Sunday Club
11am, Family Communion at St Luke's

Wednesday 22 May

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

Anyone 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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The Annual Parochial Church Meeting

was held last Monday at St Peter & St Paul and began with a free fish and chip supper which we all enjoyed very much! Thank you to all who helped with the catering.







When we'd all had enough to eat we had a short Annual Vestry Meeting to elect the Church Wardens. They are Jenny Frost based largely at St Luke's and Jennifer Mazzone at St Peter and St Paul. We are very grateful for their hard work and commitment over a number of years and extremely fortunate that they are willing to take on this responsibility for another year.

The APCM followed and in addition to the various reports on church fabric, the re-ordering of SSPP, the accounts and Nick's review of the year we elected the Parochial Church Council for 2024/2025. You can pick up a copy of the Annual Report from either church.

The new PCC consists of: Rev. Nick Evans, Mervyn Evans, Jenny Frost, John Fowler, Karen Goff, Doug Hird, Beth MacKay, Jennifer Mazzone, Ralph Mazzone, Celia Oldham, Hazel Reynolds, Dick Smith and Marlene Smith.



For more information about the activities and responsibilities of the PCC please refer to the "Meet the Team" page of the website:

www.npparish.org.uk



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.

Weekly ZOOM Prayer meeting:

Prayer Meetings take place every Thursday at 4.00pm and are conducted on ZOOM to enable more people to join in.

They last an hour and begin 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 because you can participate in prayer without necessarily having to speak there is no pressure to say anything.



Watch for the email with the correct link.

Newport Pagnell

Emergency Help Scheme DRIVERS NEEDED!

- Due to the success of the Scheme, we need more drivers to take Newport Pagnell residents to and from medical appointments
- Payment will be taken at the end of the journey, so that your expenses are covered
- We aim to provide a friendly and safe service, so safeguarding and insurance checks are carried out

IF YOU CAN HELP, PLEASE CALL DAVE MAYNARD on 07947 020 169



Churches Together in Newport Pagnell presents

Our 2024 Holiday Club

"Landlubbers"

Mon 11th to Thurs 15th August from 10:00am to 12:30pm

The club is for children aged 5-11 with little or no experience of church, as well as those who are already part of a church community. As always, we've got loads planned with games, crafts, small-group discussion, drama and more! This year the children will be sailing the seven seas in search of treasure - within the safe confines of Cedars School! Yes, this year, by kind permission of the headteacher, we have a new venue:

Cedars School, Bury St Newport Pagnell, MK16 0DT

We are seeking volunteers from the churches to assist with the club. You might work with a particular year group, helping with the craft work and discussing the Bible stories that will be covered in the together time, or taking one of the backstage roles – serving refreshments, providing first aid or assisting the safeguarding team. A full list of roles is on the application form, which you can access by clicking to Volunteer here. As part of our safeguarding procedures we carry out DBS checks on all adult applicants.

We look forward to seeing you there!

If you are accessing this on an electronic device you can get the volunteers application form here: https://npbc.churchsuite.com/forms/rqgjczk3

First Reading: Acts 2.1-21

- 2 When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. 2 Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. 3 They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. 4 All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.
- 5 Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. 6 When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken.
 7 Utterly amazed, they asked: "Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans? 8 Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? 9 Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia,
- Pontus and Asia, 10 Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome 11 (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!" 12 Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?"
- 13 Some, however, made fun of them and said, "They have had too much wine."
- 14 Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. 15 These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! 16 No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:
- 17 "In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams.
- 18 Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy.
- 19 I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and billows of smoke.
- 20 The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.
- 21 And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.'

Second Reading: Romans 8.22-27

- 22 We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time. 23 Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the first-fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption to son-ship, the redemption of our bodies. 24 For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what they already have? 25 But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently.
- 26 In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans. 27 And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God's people in accordance with the will of God.

Gospel Reading: John 15.26-27, 16.4b-15

- 26 "The Helper (Holy Spirit) will tell about me when he comes. I will send him to you from the Father. He is the Spirit of Truth and comes from the Father. 27 You will also tell of me because you have been with me from the beginning.
- 4 "When these things happen, you will remember I told you they would happen. That is why I am telling you about these things now. I did not tell you these things before, because I was with you. 5 But now I am going to him who sent me. Yet none of you asks me, 'Where are You going?'
- 6 "Your hearts are full of sorrow because I am telling you these things. 7 I tell you the truth. It is better for you that I go away. If I do not go, the Helper will not come to you. If I go, I will send him to you. 8 When the Helper comes, he will show the world the truth about sin. He will show the world about being right with God. And he will show the world what it is to be guilty. 9 He will show the world about sin, because they do not put their trust in me. 10 He will show the world about being right with God, because I go to my Father and you will see me no more. 11 He will show the world what it is to be guilty because the leader of this world (Satan) is guilty.

The Holy Spirit will give honour to the Son

12 "I still have many things to say to you. You are not strong enough to understand them now. 13 The Holy Spirit is coming. He will lead you into all truth. He will not speak his own words. He will speak what he hears. He will tell you of things to come. 14 He will honour me. He will receive what is mine and will tell it to you. 15 Everything the Father has is mine. That is why I said to you, 'He will receive what is mine and will tell it to you.'