



**Benefice of Newport Pagnell
with
Lathbury and Moulsoe
Pews News
1st Sunday of Lent
9th March 2025**



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Registered Charity number 1153668

Collect for The First Sunday of Lent

Heavenly Father,
your Son battled with the powers of darkness,
and grew closer to you in the desert:
help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and
prayer
that we may witness to your saving love
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

**10.30am Family Communion, St
Peter & St Paul,**

including Sunday Club

Readings: Deuteronomy 26.1-11,
Romans 10.8b-13

Gospel: Luke 4.1-13

11am, Family Communion, St Luke's

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Hymns: BB 228, RB 56, RB 113, RB 224, BB 261

10am Wednesday, Said Communion, SSPP,
followed by coffee, chat and healing prayer.

12noon -1.30pm, Lent Lunch, Mead Centre

**10-12 noon, Saturday, Children's Society Coffee
Morning, SSPP**



Events and Services coming up:

Sunday 16 March

9.30am, Morning Prayer, Moulsoe
10.30am, Family Communion, SSPP
6pm, Evening worship, St Luke's

Wednesday 12 March

10am, Said Communion, SSPP, followed by coffee
chat and healing prayer

Friday 14 March

12 noon-1.30pm Lent Lunch, Mead Centre

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 and 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;



**Coffee Morning in aid of
the Children's Society
this Saturday, 15th March
from 10am to 12 noon
at St Peter and St Paul.**



Bring your Children's Society collection box along (if you have one) and come along for an enjoyable Saturday morning with a cuppa, excellent cakes, a raffle and good company.

All donations from the event (by cash or card) will go towards the work of the Children's Society.

LENT PAUSE FOR THOUGHT.

This will take place on Sunday, March 23rd from 2pm to 4pm in Brooklands. The session will be led by Nick. Tea and cake will be provided.

Please sign the list in church so there is some idea of the number attending.

EASTER AT HMP WOODHILL

It would be really wonderful if we can raise enough money to give each Christian prisoner a copy of this easy read Bible for Easter.

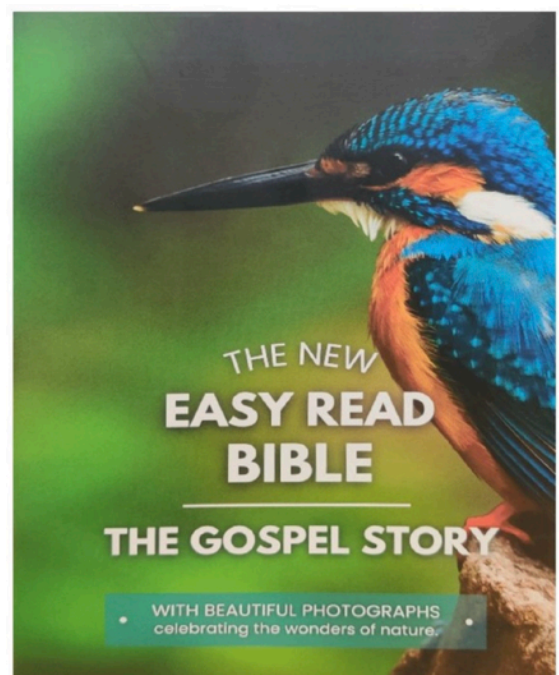
These books are only £1 each but there are 230 men plus p&p!

So we need to raise £250.

Then we could put a sticker in each saying donated by the Parish of Newport Pagnell.

What a wonderful Easter gift it could be!

Moira will have her collecting tin at the ready for the next few weeks.



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**



All proceeds are
donated to Christian Aid



JAZZ SWING EVENING

Talented musicians Tad Newton and his JazzFriends gave a fabulous performance at St Peter and St Paul last Saturday.

The concert raised £1,439.74 in total; the profit of £784.36 will go towards the second phase of the SSPP reordering project.

Thanks go to all the organisers and helpers who worked hard to make the evening so enjoyable.



with
**TAD NEWTON'S
JAZZFRIENDS**

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.

First Reading: Deuteronomy 26.1-11

26 When you have entered the land the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance and have taken possession of it and settled in it, **2** take some of the first fruits of all that you produce from the soil of the land the Lord your God is giving you and put them in a basket. Then go to the place the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his Name **3** and say to the priest in office at the time, "I declare today to the Lord your God that I have come to the land the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." **4** The priest shall take the basket from your hands and set it down in front of the altar of the Lord your God. **5** Then you shall declare before the Lord your God: "My father was a wandering Aramean, and he went down into Egypt with a few people and lived there and became a great nation, powerful and numerous. **6** But the Egyptians mistreated us and made us suffer, subjecting us to harsh labor. **7** Then we cried out to the Lord, the God of our ancestors, and the Lord heard our voice and saw our misery, toil and oppression. **8** So the Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with great terror and with signs and wonders. **9** He brought us to this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey; **10** and now I bring the first-fruits of the soil that you, Lord, have given me." Place the basket before the Lord your God and bow down before him. **11** Then you and the Levites and the foreigners residing among you shall rejoice in all the good things the Lord your God has given to you and your household.

Second Reading: Romans 10.8b-13

8 But what does it say? "The word is near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart," that is, the message concerning faith that we proclaim: **9** If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. **10** For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. **11** As Scripture says, "Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame."^[b] **12** For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, **13** for, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

Gospel Reading: Luke 4.1-13

4 Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, **2** where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and at the end of them he was hungry. **3** The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to become bread." **4** Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone.'" **5** The devil led him up to a high place and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. **6** And he said to him, "I will give you all their authority and splendour; it has been given to me, and I can give it to anyone I want to. **7** If you worship me, it will all be yours." **8** Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Worship the Lord your God and serve him only.'" **9** The devil led him to Jerusalem and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. "If you are the Son of God," he said, "throw yourself down from here. **10** For it is written:
"He will command his angels concerning you
to guard you carefully;
11 they will lift you up in their hands,
so that you will not strike your foot against a stone."
12 Jesus answered, "It is said: 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" **13** When the devil had finished all this tempting, he left him until an opportune time.