

Benefice of Newport Pagnell with Lathbury and Moulsoe Pews News 5 October 2025 Harvest Festival



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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 Harvest

Eternal God,

you crown the year with your goodness and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season: grant that we may use them to your glory, for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being; Through Jesus Christ your Son out Lord, who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.

10.30am, Harvest Festival, St Peter & St Paul

followed by a Harvest Lunch in the church

Readings Habakuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4, 2 Timothy 1:1-14

Gospel Luke 17:5-10

6pm, Harvest Festival, Lathbury

Wednesday

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

Saturday

7pm, Swing and Jazz Concert at St Peter & St Paul

Featuring Tad Newton's Jazzfriends Licensed bar and raffle

Events and Services coming up: Sunday 12 October

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

Wednesday 15 October

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

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:

Olwen Smith, Pews News Editor/Compiler ollie.panic@gmail.com

Weekly ZOOM Prayer meetings:

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

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.



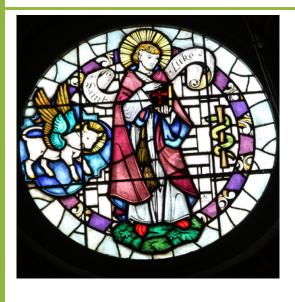
Watch for the email with the link that Malcolm sends out each week.



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.



St Luke's Patronal Festival will be celebrated at St Luke's on Sunday, 19th October

with a joint communion service starting at 10.30am followed by our traditional 'bring and share' lunch around 12 noon.

The lunch will be very informal as usual (thanks for your feedback) but there are sign-up sheets at the back of each church. So please let us know if you are coming (by Sunday, 12th October) and put your name against an item you would like to bring.

As always, everyone is welcome to stay for lunch whether they contribute food or not. There has always been more than enough for everyone in the past and I'm sure this year will be no exception!! (In fact it might be a good idea to bring a small tub for leftovers. Remember the parable about the loaves and fishes...?)

If you don't have access to one of the sign-up sheets or have any queries, contact Beth on 07989085318 or beth.mackay@yahoo.co.uk.





HARVEST FESTIVAL AT ST PETER & ST PAUL
this Sunday at 10.30am (Contribution to lunch £5pp)
HARVEST FESTIVAL AT ALL SAINTS, LATHBURY
this Sunday at 6pm

HARVEST FESTIVAL AT ST MARY'S MOULSOE
5pm on 19 October



AUTUMN

Autumn leaves and bare trees
Hedgerows full of berries.
Misty, moisty mornings
Migratory birds fly south to
Overwinter in warmer climes.
Nights are getting longer
And the days are getting shorter.
There is a chill in the air
Autumn time, Harvest time
Pumpkins in the fields and
Hay bales too.
Combine harvesters have been

Combine harvesters have been Busy at work bringing in the harvest. Churches are decorated with flowers And fruit,

Everyone is invited to share in the Harvest supper.

Then let us give thanks for the Rhythms of nature, for the bright fiery Red and Gold colours of Autumn, For the sunshine and the rain For the sowing and the reaping And the bounty of the harvest. Thank you to the Lord of the Harvest For Autumn time.

Anthia Haynes



CONCERT NEXT SATURDAY

The last concert was great fun. Come and experience it for yourself even if you don't think of yourself as a Jazz lover. We need to do well to cover the costs of putting on the concert.

Tickets £15pp available from Jennifer or at the door.



HARVEST GIFTS TO MILTON KEYNES FOODBANK

They are asking for: UHT milk, juice, rice, cup-a-soup, noodles, snack bars, pasta sauce, tinned pulses, tinned tomatoes, tinned meat, tinned fish, biscuits and tinned fruit.



Please no fresh produce.

First Reading Habakuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4,

- **1** The prophecy that Habakkuk the prophet received.
 - How long, Lord, must I call for help, but you do not listen? Or cry out to you, "Violence!" but you do not save?
 - Why do you make me look at injustice? Why do you tolerate wrongdoing?

 Destruction and violence are before me; there is strife, and conflict abounds.
 - 4 Therefore the law is paralysed, and justice never prevails.

 The wicked hem in the righteous, so that justice is perverted.
- **2** I will stand at my watch and station myself on the ramparts; I will look to see what he will say to me, and what answer I am to give to this complaint.
 - 2 Then the Lord replied:
 - "Write down the revelation and make it plain on tablets so that a herald may run with it.
 - **3** For the revelation awaits an appointed time; it speaks of the end and will not prove false. Though it linger, wait for it; it will certainly come and will not delay.
 - **4** "See, the enemy is puffed up; his desires are not upright— but the righteous person will live by his faithfulness-

Second Reading 2 Timothy 1:1-14

- 1 Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,
- 2 To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.
- **3** I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. **4** Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. **5** I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. **6** For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; **7** for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.
- 8 Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, 9 who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, 10 but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Saviour Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. 11 For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, 12 and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. 13 Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. 14 Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

Gospel Reading Luke 17:5-10

5 The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith!' **6** The Lord replied, 'If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea", and it would obey you.

7 'Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from ploughing or tending sheep in the field, "Come here at once and take your place at the table"? 8 Would you not rather say to him, "Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink"? 9 Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? 10 So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, "We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!"