

Launde Minster Community



Newsletter

Edition Date: Thursday 10th September 2026

Sunday 13th September, Trinity 15, Harvest Festival

Attached are the MC Worship Plan for **SEPTEMBER 2026** (as of 10th September)
This is *your* newsletter so please use it to share your notices, events and invite others to join you.

Please send me any contributions by Tuesday before the Thursday publication.

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You can also find the **Launde Minster Community Worship Plan**, and the links for online services, on the website: <https://launde-minster-community.webador.co.uk>

Our Churches Online:

All of our churches have web pages on 'A Church Near You' – This link takes you to the Launde Minster Community page, where you can access each of the churches: <https://launde-minster-community.webador.co.uk/our-churches-on-acny>



Every Sunday at 8am Launde Abbey Chapel

Holy Communion - Please come quietly into the chapel via the external north door to join the Abbey Community and those on retreat. *See Worship Plan for details*

Saturday Morning Prayer on Zoom *Everyone is welcome*

Every week at 9am (meeting open from 8.55am)

All welcome. Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81751227280?pwd=VtUdahsUf34Vc7BBr5gVFoeiobrOO8.1>

Meeting ID: 817 5122 7280 Passcode: 419620

Sunday 13th September at 11am Launde Minster Community **Online Church Harvest Thanksgiving**

Leader & Reflection: Hilary Painter

To join, click on this zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83679676342?pwd=CDIQKl91dakSkeAh5kbOeu8idqGI8Q.1>

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Collects for Sunday 13th September Trinity 15

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Lord God, defend your Church from all false teaching and give to your people knowledge of your truth, that we may enjoy eternal life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Reflection: Sunday 13th September Trinity 15

Matthew 18.21–35 — Forgiveness

This passage has one theme running throughout, that of forgiveness. As we have come to expect, it is Peter who speaks up. If I'm sinned against how often should I forgive? Perhaps seven times Peter suggests, thinking that's quite a lot. Then Jesus says to him no, "I tell you seventy-seven times".

This seems such a large number, until you count how many times Jesus is prepared to forgive us. He has forgiven each of us so many more times than that. Then we have a parable, an earthly story with a heavenly meaning. It has a servant who has been forgiven much but is unwilling to forgive another servant much less. It is easier to receive forgiveness, than at times to forgive, especially deep, personal hurt.

I immediately found myself thinking of the Lord's Prayer. As we daily ask for forgiveness from our Father, we in return must forgive.

I was speaking this week with a friend who reminded me that in some versions of the Lord's Prayer, particularly in

Scotland, the terms used are forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. The idea of debt and forgiving of debt is exactly the concept used by Jesus to explain forgiveness.

I wondered when reading this passage afresh, what Jesus was feeling as He used this parable to explain to Peter, and us, that in order to receive forgiveness, we are required to forgive, and Jesus knew the personal cost He was going to pay for our forgiveness through His grace.

The last thought I had on this passage again pointed me towards the Lord's Prayer. Each time we seek forgiveness from our Heavenly Father, we should reflect on the cost of our debts and in turn, and with God's help, for us to forgive our Debtors.

Uel Sandford

Bible Readings:

Sunday 13th September

Trinity 15

Genesis 50.15-21

15 Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, 'What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?'

16 So they approached Joseph, saying, 'Your father gave this instruction before he died,

17 "Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you." Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father.' Joseph wept when they spoke to him.

18 Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, 'We are here as your slaves.'

19 But Joseph said to them, 'Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God?

20 Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today.

21 So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones.' In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

Romans 14.1-12

14 Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarrelling over opinions.

2 Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables.

3 Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgement on those who eat; for God has welcomed them.

4 Who are you to pass judgement on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

5 Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds.

6 Those who observe the day, observe it in honour of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honour of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honour of the Lord and give thanks to God.

7 We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves.

8 If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's.

9 For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

10 Why do you pass judgement on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgement seat of God.

11 For it is written, 'As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,

and every tongue shall give praise to God.'

12 So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

Matthew 18.21-35

21 Then Peter came and said to him, 'Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?'

22 Jesus said to him, 'Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

23 'For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves.

24 When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him;

25 and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made.

26 So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything."

27 And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt.

28 But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow-slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, "Pay what you owe."

29 Then his fellow-slave fell down and pleaded with him, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you."

30 But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he should pay the debt.

31 When his fellow-slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place.

32 Then his lord summoned him and said to him, "You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me.

33 Should you not have had mercy on your fellow-slave, as I had mercy on you?"

34 And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he should pay his entire debt.

35 So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.'

Sunday 13th September

Trinity 15

Psalm 103

- 1 Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and all that is within me bless his holy name.
 - 2 Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and forget not all his benefits;
 - 3 Who forgives all your sins
and heals all your infirmities;
 - 4 Who redeems your life from the Pit
and crowns you with faithful love and compassion;
 - 5 Who satisfies you with good things,
so that your youth is renewed like an eagle's.
 - 6 The Lord executes righteousness
and judgement for all who are oppressed.
 - 7 He made his ways known to Moses
and his works to the children of Israel.
 - 8 The Lord is full of compassion and mercy,
slow to anger and of great kindness.
 - 9 He will not always accuse us,
neither will he keep his anger for ever.
 - 10 He has not dealt with us according to our sins,
nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.
 - 11 For as the heavens are high above the earth,
so great is his mercy upon those who fear him.
 - 12 As far as the east is from the west,
so far has he set our sins from us.
 - 13 As a father has compassion on his children,
so is the Lord merciful towards those who fear him.
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HARVEST FESTIVAL

Collects for Harvest Festival

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 our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Creator God,
you made the goodness of the land,
the riches of the sea
and the rhythm of the seasons;
as we thank you for the harvest,
may we cherish and respect
this planet and its peoples,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Bible Readings:

Harvest Festival

Deuteronomy 8.7-18

- 7 For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land,
a land with flowing streams, with springs and
underground waters welling up in valleys and hills,
8 a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and
pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey,
9 a land where you may eat bread without scarcity,
where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are
iron and from whose hills you may mine copper.
10 You shall eat your fill and bless the Lord your God for
the good land that he has given you.
11 Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God,
by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances,
and his statutes, which I am commanding you today.
12 When you have eaten your fill and have built fine
houses and live in them,
13 and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and
your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is
multiplied,
14 then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the Lord your
God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of
the house of slavery,
15 who led you through the great and terrible
wilderness, an arid waste-land with poisonous snakes
and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint
rock,
16 and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your
ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you,
and in the end to do you good.
17 Do not say to yourself, 'My power and the might of
my own hand have gained me this wealth.'
18 But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who
gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm
his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is
doing today.
- OR**
- #### **Deuteronomy 28.1-14**
- 28 If you will only obey the Lord your God, by diligently
observing all his commandments that I am commanding
you today, the Lord your God will set you high above all
the nations of the earth;
2 all these blessings shall come upon you and overtake
you, if you obey the Lord your God:
3 Blessed shall you be in the city, and blessed shall you
be in the field.
4 Blessed shall be the fruit of your womb, the fruit of
your ground, and the fruit of your livestock, both the
increase of your cattle and the issue of your flock.
5 Blessed shall be your basket and your kneading-bowl.
6 Blessed shall you be when you come in, and blessed
shall you be when you go out.
7 The Lord will cause your enemies who rise against you
to be defeated before you; they shall come out against
you one way, and flee before you seven ways.

8 The Lord will command the blessing upon you in your barns, and in all that you undertake; he will bless you in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

9 The Lord will establish you as his holy people, as he has sworn to you, if you keep the commandments of the Lord your God and walk in his ways.

10 All the peoples of the earth shall see that you are called by the name of the Lord, and they shall be afraid of you.

11 The Lord will make you abound in prosperity, in the fruit of your womb, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your ground in the land that the Lord swore to your ancestors to give you.

12 The Lord will open for you his rich storehouse, the heavens, to give the rain of your land in its season and to bless all your undertakings. You will lend to many nations, but you will not borrow.

13 The Lord will make you the head, and not the tail; you shall be only at the top, and not at the bottom-if you obey the commandments of the Lord your God, which I am commanding you today, by diligently observing them,

14 and if you do not turn aside from any of the words that I am commanding you today, either to the right or to the left, following other gods to serve them.

2 Corinthians 9.6-end

6 The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.

7 Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

8 And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work.

9 As it is written, 'He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever.'

10 He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness.

11 You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us;

12 for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God.

13 Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others,

14 while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you.

15 Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

Luke 12.16-30

16 Then he told them a parable: 'The land of a rich man produced abundantly.

17 And he thought to himself, "What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?"

18 Then he said, "I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods.

19 And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry."

20 But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?"

21 So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.'

22 He said to his disciples, 'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear.

23 For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing.

24 Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds!

25 And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life?

26 If then you are not able to do so small a thing as that, why do you worry about the rest?

27 Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these.

28 But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you-you of little faith!

29 And do not keep striving for what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying.

30 For it is the nations of the world that strive after all these things, and your Father knows that you need them.

OR:

Luke 17.11-19

11 On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee.

12 As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance,

13 they called out, saying, 'Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!'

14 When he saw them, he said to them, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' And as they went, they were made clean.

15 Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice.

16 He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan.

17 Then Jesus asked, 'Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they?

18 Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?'

19 Then he said to him, 'Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.'

Psalm for Harvest Festival

Psalm 65

- 1 Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion;
to you that answer prayer shall vows be paid.
- 2 To you shall all flesh come to confess their sins;
when our misdeeds prevail against us,
you will purge them away.
- 3 Happy are they whom you choose
and draw to your courts to dwell there.
We shall be satisfied with the blessings of your house,
even of your holy temple.
- 4 With wonders you will answer us in your
righteousness,
O God of our salvation,
O hope of all the ends of the earth
and of the farthest seas.
- 5 In your strength you set fast the mountains
and are girded about with might.
- 6 You still the raging of the seas,
the roaring of their waves
and the clamour of the peoples.
- 7 Those who dwell at the ends of the earth
tremble at your marvels;
the gates of the morning and evening sing your praise.
- 8 You visit the earth and water it;
you make it very plenteous.
- 9 The river of God is full of water;
you prepare grain for your people,
for so you provide for the earth.
- 10 You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges;
you soften the ground with showers and bless its
increase.
- 11 You crown the year with your goodness,
and your paths overflow with plenty.
- 12 May the pastures of the wilderness flow with
goodness
and the hills be girded with joy.
- 13 May the meadows be clothed with flocks of sheep •
and the valleys stand so thick with corn
that they shall laugh and sing.

Shangton Harvest Festival, lay led

Sunday 13th September at 6pm

It will be a lovely celebration as one of Shangton's 7 services this year. All are welcome

Gaulby Church:

Home-made cakes and Cream Teas

Every Saturday 2.30-4.30pm



Stonton Wyville Harvest Supper & Quiz

Wednesday 16th September from 7pm

Glooston Villlage Hall

Homemade hot meal, fun quiz & licensed bar

£20 per person To book: Camilla Newton 07919 098114

camillanewton@gmail.com



'Sandwich'

On Zoom, Wednesday evenings 7-8pm

A Christian Fellowship and Friendship group for those who want to delve a little deeper into Scripture

If you are interested contact Madeleine:

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'Sandwich'
on Zoom, Wednesday evenings from 7- 8 pm

A Christian Fellowship and Friendship group for those who want to delve a little deeper into Scripture.

The Top Slice (Opening Prayers): This is intended to focus the mind, invite the Holy Spirit, and set a safe tone, enabling us to leave daily stress outside.

The Filling is any discussion topic brought by any member of the group. We will use Scripture as the foundation for our discussions

The Bottom Slice (Closing Prayer): We will hope to seal the insights gained, pray for personal needs and send members out with peace.

Interested?

Contact Madeleine: madeleine.v.wang@gmail.com
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St Peter's Church, Knossington

Lez & music with friends

Saturday 12th September 7pm

£10 (including wine & nibbles)

**St Peter's Church
Knossington**

12 September 2026

7pm

£10 (inc wine & nibbles)

**Lez & music
with friends**

Lez Bullwer is back with more instruments—and this time she is joined by two friends.

Come and hear Lez with Ed (clarinet) and Jo (oboe) as Lez plays on flute, clarinet, oboe, French horn and bassoon.

Together they will play trios, duets and solo pieces as Lez tells (more) of her musical journey.

There will be a mix of repertoire from baroque to classical to romantic and light-hearted music, which includes an option to sing-a-long!

Good News Story: 'Food for Thought'

On Tuesday 1 September, 37 people from the Deanery and beyond enjoyed an interesting and inspirational evening at Launde Abbey.

After a delicious supper the Revd Ben Read, Anglican Chaplain at HM Prison Leicester, spoke about the opportunities and challenges of his ministry under the title: *'The Revolving Door, Sheer Panic and Trusting Jesus at Welford Road Prison'*.

During his talk he mentioned the 'Angel Tree' programme whereby donations enable prisoners to give gifts to their children at Christmas.

<https://prisonfellowship.org.uk/our-work/angel-tree/>

Many of us felt this was an opportunity to be shared widely.

Our next Food for Thought evening is on Thursday 29th October at Launde Abbey (6.45 for 7.15) when the Revd Hilary Lomax from the Chaplaincy Team at NHS University Hospitals Leicester will be talking about her role as a hospital chaplain. ***Come and join us!***
More details from Mary Twidell: 01858 555204 and mary.twidell@gmail.com

Praying Pilgrims

Your kingdom come, your will be done.

Do you desire to be in God's presence, experience His Holy Spirit? This is only a short conversation away, with Our Father in heaven. "Prayer doesn't change God, it changes me." CS Lewis.

Sometimes we can't find the words and all we can do is sigh in His presence (Romans 8:26-27). Other times, we sit quietly and wait for Him. At times, it is the words of the Lord's Prayer, as we acknowledge God alone is holy. At other times, it is the words of a Psalm that become our prayer.

Are you seeking forgiveness? (Psalm 51)

Asking for healing, mercy, relief from deep sickness. (Psalm 6)

Seeking God's shelter. (Psalm 91)

Staying calm and taking refuge in a time of trouble. (Psalm 46)

Asking God to show unfailing love. (Psalm 86)

Looking for God's presence. (Psalm 63)

A prayer of comfort for every season in life. (Psalm 23)
Every week in the Launde Minster Community, we have a time of prayer together. We are visiting every church in the community. Please join us on a Friday, venues and dates are published in the Worship Plan.

We are praying pilgrims on a pilgrimage (journey) and to talk with God. We meet at 11am on a Friday and at 7pm every third Friday in the month, it would be lovely if you would join us.

We have a short, very informal reflection, followed by a time of prayer. So do join us, pray a psalm, pray in silence, just sigh and God will hear!



SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER:

Langtons and Shangton

11th of September 11am Thorpe Langton

18th of September 7pm Church Langton (3rd Friday)

25th of September 11am Tur Langton (Uel on college residential)

2nd of October 11am Shangton

Wellham

9th of October 11am Gloosten

16th of October 7pm Wellham (3rd Friday)

23rd of October 11am Stonton Wyville

30th of October 11am Cranoe

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Revd Crystal McAllister Uel Sandford

Cream Teas at St. Peter's, Church Langton



Cream Teas at Church Langton every Sunday until the end of September 3.00pm - 5.00pm



St Peter's Church, Tilton:

Friday Mornings 'Coffee and Chat'

Between 10.30 – 12.00noon

Café Morrell

St Michael and All Angels Church, Hallaton

Tuesday Mornings Coffee, Cake and Chat

Between 10.00 to 12.30pm

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Our Churches continue to support local Foodbanks:

Food Bank Appeal: The Well

Our Churches continue to support local Foodbanks. All donations welcome, which may be left in any of our Church porches, or you can donate online.

To make a donation to The Well's Food bank fund, by bank transfer to *The Well Kibworth*

Sort Code: 40-32-04 **Acc:** 41666959 **Ref:** 'Foodbank'
Gift Aid Forms can be downloaded from the website:

<https://www.thewellkibworth.org/support-us>

Food Bank Appeal:

Jubilee Foodbank, Market Harborough

You can drop off donations at **Hallaton Church** or to Linda Jones at **25, Eastgate, Hallaton at any time**. Please note that all food collected is non-perishable, long-life or tinned.

The Foodbank has **MOST URGENT NEED of:** Tinned sweetcorn, Tinned peas, UHT milk (whole or semi-skimmed), Tinned fruit, Toiletries: period products, toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo, small sun lotion bottles, Tinned rice pudding, Tinned corned beef, Snacks and Cereal bars, Small packets of nuts/ dried fruit, Tinned or long-life meals of any kind (including vegetarian), Biscuits, Microwave sponge puddings, Tinned meat meals e.g. chilli, meatballs, mince, bolognese.

Other suggested donations: Tinned beans (kidney, chickpeas, etc), Cereals, Cream Crackers, Jars of Pasta sauce, Bottled water, Tinned tomatoes, Long-life fruit juice, Cordial or squash, Dried mashed potato (Smash), Hot Dogs (tins or jars), Tinned chicken, Tinned Custard, Tinned carrots, Peanut butter, 'No Cook' products, long life e.g. John West Fish and pasta meals, Kettle only products e.g. noodles, couscous, soups, Jam, Pot Noodle, Jars of Coffee (100grams), Teabags (80), Dried Packet Rice, Baked Beans, Strong clean 'bags for life', Porridge Oats, Sugar (500g), Tinned Baked beans with sausages, Chicken in sauce, Sachet meals (pan or microwave), Marmalade, Tinned potatoes, Fray Bentos pies, Tinned ham, Tinned soup, Cup of soup, Tinned pasta, Sandwich paste, Tuna, ALPRO yoghurts (long-life, for the shelf not fridge), Robinsons minis or similar for families (small squash concentrates), Small cartons of long life milk (for homeless people or someone without a fridge), Mayonnaise, Angel Delight, Small sachets of herbs, Shower gel or soap, Toothbrushes.

The list of food always required is on the website:

<https://www.jubileefoodbankmh.uk>



Diomail – Monday 7th September

For more information and other events use this link for Diomail 7th September:

https://thehub.leicester.anglican.org/newsletters/diomail-7-september-2026/?newsletter_email=l.jones2k@btinternet.com

You can subscribe to receive the weekly Diomail here:

<https://www.leicester.anglican.org/news/diomail/>
<https://leicester.anglican.org/calendar/>

Ride+Stride

Saturday 12 September, 10am-6pm – Across the diocese

Ride+Stride is a sponsored event for cyclists, walkers, joggers, runners, and mobility scooter drivers.

Hundreds of churches across the diocese will be open and welcoming visitors as they raise money.

Find out more, register your church, and learn about sponsorship on the Ride+Stride webpage:

<https://www.lhct.org.uk/ride-and-stride-leicestershire>

Celebrating 150 Years of Mothers' Union



This year, Mothers' Union marks 150 years since it was founded in the small parish church of Old Alresford, Hampshire, by Mary Sumner – a home-educated young vicar's wife with a powerful vision. She dreamed of women, regardless of class or status, coming together in faith to support one another and strengthen family life within the Church.

From that small spark of an idea, a global movement was born. Today, 150 years later, Mothers' Union has grown to around four million members in 84 countries, working to improve the lives of individuals, families and communities around the world. At the heart of all they do is a belief that faith and compassion can transform lives.

"Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven." (Matthew 5:16)

Read more:

<https://www.leicester.anglican.org/news/celebrating-150-years-of-mothers-union.php>