



# Launde Minster Community

## Newsletter

Edition Date: Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2025

### Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November

### 3<sup>rd</sup> before Advent, Remembrance Sunday

Attached are the lists of church services and events for **NOVEMBER 2025** (as of 6<sup>th</sup> November)

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.*

If you know anyone who would like to be added to the list to receive a copy of the newsletter, please send me their name and email address to:

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You can also find the **Minster Community Worship Plans**, 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.

#### 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 9<sup>th</sup> November **10.45am** Zoom

**Launde Parishes Zoom Church celebrates**

**Remembrance Sunday** *All are welcome*

**Leader:** Mary Twidell

**To Join our Zoom Services, click on this link:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83679676342?pwd=CDIQKI91dakSkeAh5kbOeu8idqGI8Q.1>

**Meeting ID:** 836 7967 6342

**Passcode:** 079282

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### Collects for Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November Remembrance Sunday

Almighty Father,  
whose will is to restore all things  
in your beloved Son, the King of all:  
govern the hearts and minds of those in authority,  
and bring the families of the nations,  
divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin,  
to be subject to his just and gentle rule;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Amen**

God, our refuge and strength,  
bring near the day when wars shall cease  
and poverty and pain shall end,  
that earth may know the peace of heaven  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**



### Reflection: Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November Remembrance Sunday

The New Testament readings for Remembrance Sunday are both apocalyptic readings from the gospel of Luke and Paul's second letter to the Thessalonians. Within Christian and Pseudo Christian end times teaching, there is a clear parallel drawn between war and the end of the world, so perhaps the readings choice is not so strange after all. The first world war in the early twentieth century is seen by the Jehovah's Witnesses as signalling the return of Jesus Christ, although how they reconcile this return with fact is less certain. It is understandable though that wars and rumours of wars cause us to wonder where the world is going and what will be the result, and will God step in and put it all right. Juxtaposed against this, is the need to reflect in silence on the sacrifice of their lives that young men and women made, particularly in the twentieth century, to prevent a world dominated by fascism and dictators. War brings out both the best and worst in people. Ultimately though the message of the New Testament is clear, that however dark and confusing things seem in the world, God is ultimately in charge and all will be well.

**Mike Hammond**

## Bible Readings:

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2025

### Remembrance Sunday

#### Job 19.23-27a

23 'O that my words were written down!  
O that they were inscribed in a book!  
24 O that with an iron pen and with lead  
they were engraved on a rock for ever!  
25 For I know that my Redeemer lives,  
and that at the last he will stand upon the earth;  
26 and after my skin has been thus destroyed,  
then in my flesh I shall see God,  
27 whom I shall see on my side,  
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.  
My heart faints within me!

#### 2 Thessalonians 2.1-5, 13-end

1 As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters,  
2 not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here.  
3 Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction.  
4 He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God.  
5 Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

13 But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth.

14 For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

15 So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

16 Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope,

17 comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

#### Luke 20.27-38

27 Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to him

28 and asked him a question, 'Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother.

29 Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless;  
30 then the second  
31 and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless.  
32 Finally the woman also died.  
33 In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her.'  
34 Jesus said to them, 'Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage;  
35 but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage.  
36 Indeed they cannot die any more, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection.  
37 And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.  
38 Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive.'

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### Psalm for Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November Remembrance Sunday

#### Psalm 17.1-9

1  
Hear my just cause, O Lord; consider my complaint;  
listen to my prayer, which comes not from lying lips.  
2  
Let my vindication come forth from your presence;  
let your eyes behold what is right.  
3  
Weigh my heart, examine me by night,  
refine me, and you will find no impurity in me.  
4  
My mouth does not trespass for earthly rewards;  
I have heeded the words of your lips.  
5  
My footsteps hold fast in the ways of your commandments;  
my feet have not stumbled in your paths.  
6  
I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me;  
incline your ear to me, and listen to my words.  
7  
Show me your marvellous loving-kindness,  
O Saviour of those who take refuge at your right hand  
from those who rise up against them.  
8  
Keep me as the apple of your eye;  
hide me under the shadow of your wings,  
9  
From the wicked who assault me,  
from my enemies who surround me to take away my life.

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## International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church 2025

### 2<sup>nd</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> November: Prayer Points

From Revd David Palmer



- Pray for Christian pastors like Akashan in Sri Lanka, that they will have courage to continue their work despite the threats and intimidation.
- Pray that authorities in Sri Lanka would act justly, approve new church building applications, make proper provision for Christian burials, and follow up cases of harassment against Christians.
- Pray for Christian pastors like Mohan in India. Pray that they will not be silenced or intimidated by the threat of fundamentalist mobs. Pray against the expansion of anti-conversion laws. Pray that pastors who have been arrested will get the legal assistance they need to defend themselves.
- Pray for Christian pastors like Wang Yi in China. Pray for those who are currently in prison or are awaiting sentencing. Pray that God will give them courage and confidence in Him; that they will have opportunities to share the gospel with their fellow inmates and guards; and that the Lord will provide for their families.
- Pray for Christian pastors in many other countries around the world such as Iran, Eritrea, Nigeria, Laos and Algeria who face daily discrimination, threats of violence, and arrest. Pray that God will sustain their faith and protect their churches.
- Pray for the church and its leaders in the UK. Pray that we would make the most of the freedom we have to worship God, share the gospel, and grow our church communities.

## Revd Crystal McAllister: Licensing & Commissioning, Launde Deanery/ Minster Community

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December at 7.30pm  
St Michael & All Angels Church, Hallaton



Revd Crystal McAllister

Everyone is invited to join Crystal at her Licensing and Commissioning Service, led by Bishop Saju and Archdeacon Richard Trethewey

**This special service will be livestreamed on Zoom**

## All Souls Day Service at Gaulby

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November

A special service was held to mark All Souls Day, with the congregation in the church and online. The congregation remembered their loved ones, with thanks and special memories; their names were read and candles lit for them.

**Joanne wrote:**

*'We had such a meaningful service today for All Souls Day. Candles were lit for departed loved ones, and Hilary lit candles for the people the Zoom attendees sent in, including my father. It was very special and moving.'*



## Food for Thought

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November, Launde Abbey  
6.30 for 7.30pm start

**Respond & Relieve: Delivering Humanitarian Aid**  
By Kim Melville

Meal & Talk £16.50 Bookings (by 4<sup>th</sup> November):

[mary.twidell@gmail.com](mailto:mary.twidell@gmail.com) or 01858 555204/ 07464 309966



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About the speaker: Kim is Vice President of Humanitarian Affairs at DVI, Exeter, a logistics company.

About Food for thought: Talks about life, faith and contemporary issues, arranged by a local group of Christians, including support from Launde C of E Deanery.

## Remembrance Poppy Display

### St Thomas Becket Church, Skeffington

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November From 6.30 until 8.30pm



## Safeguarding Sunday

### Thomas Becket Church, Tugby

16<sup>th</sup> November at 11am

Holy Communion with a focus on the Mothers Union 'Rise Up' Campaign

Safeguarding Sunday 16th November

St Thomas Becket Church, Tugby

Invite you to



Organised by the Mothers Union Hallaton Group  
Diocese of Leicester

## Easyfundraising – How to get free donations for your church

Sign up your church to easyfundraising, encourage your congregation and friends to sign up too and get free donations to help your church

easyfundraising turns your everyday shopping into money for your organisation. Over 8,000 retailers are available to shop with including: Amazon, eBay, Argos, John Lewis, Sainsbury's, Trainline, Boots and many more. It's completely free to use!

Check out the helpful guidance:

<https://easyfundraisingemail.s3.amazonaws.com/2025/CRT/StarterPackMarch25.pdf>



## 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

Our Churches continue to support local Foodbanks.

### 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:**

UHT milk (whole or semi-skimmed), Tinned chicken, Hot Dogs (Tins or jars,) Tinned red meat,

**They also need:**

Tinned ham, Tinned Carrots, Corned Beef, Tinned meatballs, Chicken in sauce, Dried potatoes (Smash), Marmalade, Jam, Biscuits, Tinned potatoes, Crisps, Tinned tomatoes, Tinned chickpeas, mixed chilli beans, lentils, Custard, Tinned rice pudding, Sachet meals (pan or microwave), 'No Cook' meals for the homeless, Cordial. Coffee ( ), small jars Fray Bentos pies, Pasta sauce, Crackers, Tinned soup, Cup of soup, Sugar (500g), Tinned sausages with beans, Tinned peas, Tinned fruit, Tinned vegetarian meals, such as veggie chilli, Meals that do not need cooking e.g. John West Fish and rice meals, Snacks and cereal bars, Fruit squash/ juice, Microwave puddings, Pasta sauce, Peanut butter, Tinned pasta, Tinned sweetcorn, Sandwich paste, Teabags, Tuna, ALPRO yoghurts (long-life, for the shelf not fridge), Long-life meals, Robinsons minis or similar for families (small squash concentrates), Small cartons of long life milk (for homeless people or someone without a fridge)

The list of food always required is on the website:

<https://www.jubileefoodbankmh.uk>

*Where possible and available, consider giving tins with a ring-pull as these can also be used for homeless people where the food is appropriate (e.g. fish, tinned fruit, etc)*



## 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**



## Prayer Desks

### Billesdon Church have 2 spare Prayer Desks

If any church would like one, contact Keith Evans:

Keith Evans, Church Warden 01162596438/ 07754395006  
[keithevans6@btinternet.com](mailto:keithevans6@btinternet.com)

## NOTE: Back copies of Newsletters available on Launde Minster Community website

Do you want to have a look for something in previous  
editions of the Newsletters?

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community.webador.co.uk/newsletters](https://launde-minster-community.webador.co.uk/newsletters)



## Extracts from Diomail

### 3<sup>rd</sup> November

For more information and other events use this  
link for Diomail 3<sup>rd</sup> November:

[https://thehub.leicester.anglican.org/newsletters/d  
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2025/?newsletter\\_email=l.jones2k@btinternet.com](https://thehub.leicester.anglican.org/newsletters/diomail-3-november-2025/?newsletter_email=l.jones2k@btinternet.com)

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**Leicester Diocese - Events and Training:**

<https://leicester.anglican.org/calendar/>

## A message from the Bishop of Kiteto



In this video, the Bishop of Kiteto, the Rt Revd Bethuel Mlula, and his wife, Bishop Mama Agnes, share their reflections on working with the team from the Diocese of Leicester during their recent visit to the Diocese of Kiteto in September.

They expressed their joy and gratitude for the time they spent together, emphasising on how they value the partnership between both the dioceses.

**Watch the video here:**

[https://leicester.anglican.org/news/bishop-bethuel-bishop-  
mama-agnes-of-the-diocese-of-kiteto.php](https://leicester.anglican.org/news/bishop-bethuel-bishop-mama-agnes-of-the-diocese-of-kiteto.php)

## Inter Faith Week



**Inter Faith Week begins on Remembrance Sunday  
(9 November) and was chosen as a start day to  
encourage people to remember together the  
contributions of all faiths and none, and to  
consider how best to create a just, peaceful, and  
harmonious world.**

Inter Faith Week presents us with a wonderful opportunity to better understand our neighbours. Could you arrange a coffee meeting or a meal out with those you don't yet know, or find a way to engage with a social justice issue, such as homelessness? **Find out more about Inter Faith Week here:** <https://www.interfaithweek.org/about>