



Launde Minster Community

Newsletter

Edition Date: Thursday 16th July 2026

Sunday 19th July, Trinity 7

Attached is the MC Worship Plan for **JULY 2026**
(as of 16th July)

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 **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=VtUdahsUf34Vc7Bbr5qVFoeiobrOO8.1>

Meeting ID: 817 5122 7280 Passcode: 419620

Sunday 19th July at 11am

Launde Minster Community Online Church

Leader: Mary Twidell

Reflection: Josie Gabelman

To join, click on this zoom link:

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

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Collects for Sunday 19th July - Trinity 7

Lord of all power and might,
the author and giver of all good things:
graft in our hearts the love of your name,
increase in us true religion,
nourish us with all goodness,
and of your great mercy keep us in the same;
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

Generous God,
you give us gifts and make them grow:
though our faith is small as mustard seed,
make it grow to your glory
and the flourishing of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Reflection: Sunday 19th July Trinity 7

The Book of Wisdom (also known as the Wisdom of Solomon) is thought to have been written, in Greek, in Alexandria, Egypt, in the first century BC. Although it often carries his name, it was written many centuries after Solomon's reign. It doesn't appear in some Bibles because in the 1590s early protestant reformers, didn't think it could be the word of God, being written in Greek, not Hebrew.

Jewish scholars in Alexandria realised that, now Jews were dispersed around the known world and surrounded by followers of a multitude of pagan deities, they needed 'A Users' Guide' to their faith. Something that explained the unique truth of God to a world that seemed to worship everything else. Facing persecution they needed a book that would uphold and strengthen their faith and help explain it to others. Thus was the Book of Wisdom written.

Well, right now our world needs Wisdom too, all the wisdom it can get!

In the reading from Wisdom the author reflects on God's character. Unlike the rulers of this world, who often use

power to dominate, God's power is always joined with justice, mercy, and compassion. True strength is not harsh or oppressive, but patient and life-giving.

The verses point towards Jesus Christ. He demonstrates that God's power is demonstrated not through force but through sacrificial love. Jesus welcomes sinners, heals the broken, forgives his enemies and ultimately gives his life for the world. The cross shows that love is stronger than violence and mercy stronger than revenge.

We live in a world where power is often measured by wealth, influence, military strength, or the ability to control others. Wisdom challenges us to see power differently. As Christians, Wisdom reminds us that genuine strength is shown in justice tempered by mercy. It's a timeless message to hold in our hearts.

Hilary Painter

Bible Readings:

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Wisdom of Solomon 12.13, 16-19

13 For neither is there any god besides you, whose care is for all people, to whom you should prove that you have not judged unjustly;

16 For your strength is the source of righteousness, and your sovereignty over all causes you to spare all.

17 For you show your strength when people doubt the completeness of your power, and you rebuke any insolence among those who know it.

18 Although you are sovereign in strength, you judge with mildness, and with great forbearance you govern us; for you have power to act whenever you choose.

19 Through such works you have taught your people that the righteous must be kind, and you have filled your children with good hope, because you give repentance for sins.

Isaiah 44.6-8

6 Thus says the Lord, the King of Israel and his Redeemer, the Lord of hosts: I am the first and I am the last;

besides me there is no god.

7 Who is like me? Let them proclaim it, let them declare and set it forth before me. Who has announced from of old the things to come? Let them tell us what is yet to be.

8 Do not fear, or be afraid; have I not told you from of old and declared it? You are my witnesses! Is there any god besides me? There is no other rock; I know not one.

Romans 8.12-25

12 So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-

13 for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live.

14 For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God.

15 For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!'

16 it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God,

17 and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

18 I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us.

19 For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God;

20 for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope

21 that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God.

22 We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now;

23 and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies.

24 For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen?

25 But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Matthew 13.24-30, 36-43

24 He put before them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field;

25 but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away.

26 So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well.

27 And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, "Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?"

28 He answered, "An enemy has done this." The slaves said to him, "Then do you want us to go and gather them?"

29 But he replied, "No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them.

30 Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.' "

36 Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, 'Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.'

37 He answered, 'The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man;

38 the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one,

39 and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels.
 40 Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age.
 41 The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers,
 42 and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.
 43 Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

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Psalm 86.11-end

11 Teach me your way, O Lord, and I will walk in your truth;
 knit my heart to you, that I may fear your name.
 12 I will thank you, O Lord my God, with all my heart, and glorify your name for evermore;
 13 For great is your steadfast love towards me, for you have delivered my soul from the depths of the grave.
 14 O God, the proud rise up against me and a ruthless horde seek after my life; they have not set you before their eyes.
 15 But you, Lord, are gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and full of kindness and truth.
 16 Turn to me and have mercy upon me; give your strength to your servant and save the child of your handmaid.
 17 Show me a token of your favour, that those who hate me may see it and be ashamed; because you, O Lord, have helped and comforted me.

Praying Pilgrims in Launde Minster Community July 2026

As part of our ongoing support to all the parishes across the LMC, a group of us, *Praying Pilgrims*, will join together at the churches listed, to reflect and pray for the needs of the church and community.

Every Wednesday for a 9.00am start.

The rota for July is:

July 22: Stonton Wyville

We would encourage and greatly welcome others to join us for Morning Prayers.

Rev David Palmer and Rev Crystal McAllister

A Summer Lunch at Hill Farm, Launde LE7 9XB.

Sunday 19th July 12.30

Tickets £35

Contact Pippa Owen 07795182407

In aid of St. Michael and All Angels Church, Loddington



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 Fundraiser

Teas in Church Sundays in July 3-5pm



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Hallaton Festival of Archaeology St Michael & All Angels Church and Hallaton Museum

Sunday 12th July to Sunday 2 August

The Hallaton Festival of Archaeology returns for the 5th year. Once again, there are a range of activities including guided walks to the Motte and Bailey Castle, Village Trails, an exhibition in the Church, extended opening hours in the Museum, a talk and snacks, lunches and teas in the Church on Sunday afternoons.

The talk by Chris Close 'Finding Collyweston's Lost Tudor Palace' takes place in the Church on Saturday 25th July at 7pm.

For more information contact Linda Jones
l.jones2k@btinternet.com

To book for guided castle walks on each Sunday and the talk by Chris Close click here: <https://hallaton-museum.co.uk/festival-of-archaeology/>





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

Gaulby Church:

Home-made cakes and Cream Teas

Every Saturday 2.30-4.30pm



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:** UHT milk (whole or semi-skimmed), Tinned tomatoes, Long-life fruit juice, Cordial or squash, Dried mashed potato (Smash), Hot Dogs (tins or jars), Tinned chicken, Tinned red meat, Tinned Custard, Tinned fruit, Tinned beans (kidney, chickpeas, etc), Cereals, Cream Crackers, Jars of Pasta sauce, Bottled water.

Other suggested donations: Tinned sweetcorn, Tinned peas, 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, Microwave puddings, Jam, UHT milk (whole or semi-skimmed), Rice Pudding, Pot Noodle, Jars of Coffee (100grams), Tinned vegetarian meals, Teabags (80), Corned Beef, Dried Packet Rice, Baked Beans, Strong clean 'bags for life', Porridge Oats, Sugar (500g), Tinned Baked beans with sausages, Tinned meatballs, chicken in sauce, Biscuits, Sweets, Snacks and Crisps, , Sachet meals (pan or microwave), Marmalade, Tinned potatoes, Fray Bentos pies, Tinned ham, Tinned soup, Cup of soup, Sugar (500g), Snacks and cereal bars, Microwave puddings, 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, Deodorant, Toothpaste, Shower gel or soap, Shampoo, Toothbrushes, Sunscreen (for homeless people in the summer), Feminine products – sanitary towels, tampons

The list of food always required is on the website:

<https://www.jubileefoodbankmh.uk>



Diomail – Monday 13th July

For more information and other events use this link for Diomail 13th July:

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England, Whose England? tackles why it's so hard to define English identity, and the importance of the infrastructure of belonging.

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