



Gaulby and Coplow Newsletter

Edition Date: Thursday 3rd July 2025

Sunday 6th July, Trinity 3

10.30am Church Langton Joint Deanery Service and Farewell to Revd Canon Jonathan Dowman followed by refreshments and a picnic in the grounds of Church Langton School



We will be saying a formal goodbye at the end of the service with cake and bubbly being served immediately following the service. For those who are staying on for the picnic, or unable to attend the service, but coming for the picnic, facilities in the Hanbury hall will be available.

11am Launde Deanery Zoom Service

4pm Billesdon Choral Evensong (Revd John Taylor)

Sunday 13th July, Trinity 4

9am Skeffington BCP Holy Communion (Revd John Taylor)

10am Gaulby Morning Prayer (Lay led, Hilary Painter)

11am Billesdon Holy Communion (Revd John Taylor)

11am Launde Deanery Zoom Service

Sunday 20th July, Trinity 5

10.30am Keyham Holy Communion (Revd Jeff Hopewell)

11am Billesdon Songs of Praise (Revd Philip Norwood)

11am Launde Deanery Zoom Service

6pm Skeffington Evensong (Mike Hammond)

6pm Illston Evening Prayer (Lay led, Hilary Painter)

Sunday 27th July, Trinity 6

9am Skeffington CW Holy Communion (Revd Jeff Hopewell)

11am Billesdon Holy Communion (Revd Jeff Hopewell)

11am Launde Deanery Zoom Service

6pm Gaulby Holy Communion (Revd Philip Norwood)

Saturday Mornings

Zoom Prayer Meeting

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

All welcome. Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89820297969?pwd=HD1LgaqamMFBN2y1m7p226w0h2KVkj.1>

Meeting ID: 898 2029 7969. Passcode: 470000

Sunday 6th July 11.00am Zoom

Launde Parishes Zoom Service

Leader and Reflection: Linda Jones

To Join our Zoom Services, click on this link:

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

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Collect for Sunday 6th July

Third Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Almighty God,

you have broken the tyranny of sin

and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts

whereby we call you Father:

give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service,

that we and all creation may be brought

to the glorious liberty of the children of God; 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

Reflection: Sunday 6th July 2025

Third Sunday after Trinity

This Sunday we hope everyone can meet together at Church Langton to express thanks to Jonathan Dowman and wish him well in his new work in Norfolk. He has done so much to bring the Minster Community together and to develop vital ministry in our Schools. Inevitably we shall be reflecting on what we have achieved and making plans for the next stages of developing our ministry in this area.

What we have been able to do is to arrange services in our churches. It may not have been easy to co-ordinate a programme of times and tastes to suit everyone but a new pattern is emerging, thanks to a lot of hard work from those who enable us to communicate with each other. The main challenge for us, however, is the need to provide pastoral care in all the parishes. People are being cared for, of course, but this has traditionally been the responsibility of resident Incumbents, and those people are no longer available.

Our readings this week make it clear that pastoral care is at the heart of our Christian life. Isaiah tells those whom he is encouraging to return from Babylon to Jerusalem that God's presence there will be a source of comfort and nourishment – "that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast". Paul, writing to his friends in Galatia, urges them "whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially those of the household of faith."

Jesus in his ministry drew to himself many disciples, but he also involved them actively in his work, sending out 70 to make people aware of all that he could offer to the world. The truth he offered was vital and challenging. Just as people re-entering the Holy Land shook the dust of foreign lands off their feet, so that dramatic action would be under-stood to convey the importance of the presence of the Kingdom of God in peoples' lives.

Our resources for continuing this work may be limited but they are in us because God has provided them. Let us all seek new ways of fulfilling our calling and responsibilities.

Revd Philip Norwood

Bible Readings:

Sunday 6th July

Third Sunday after Trinity

Isaiah 66.10-14

- 10 Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her,
all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy,
all you who mourn over her-
- 11 that you may nurse and be satisfied
from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply
with delight
from her glorious bosom.
- 12 For thus says the Lord: I will extend prosperity to
her like a river,
and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing
stream; and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm,
and dandled on her knees.
- 13 As a mother comforts her child,
so I will comfort you;
you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.
- 14 You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice;
your bodies shall flourish like the grass; and it shall be
known that the hand of the Lord is with his servants,
and his indignation is against his enemies.

Galatians 6. [1-6] 7-16

- [1 My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression,
you who have received the Spirit should restore such a
one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you
yourselves are not tempted.
- 2 Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will
fulfil the law of Christ.
- 3 For if those who are nothing think they are something,
they deceive themselves.
- 4 All must test their own work; then that work, rather
than their neighbour's work, will become a cause for
pride.
- 5 For all must carry their own loads.
- 6 Those who are taught the word must share in all good
things with their teacher.]
- 7 Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap
whatever you sow.
- 8 If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption
from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap
eternal life from the Spirit.
- 9 So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we
will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up.
- 10 So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us
work for the good of all, and especially for those of the
family of faith.
- 11 See what large letters I make when I am writing in
my own hand!

12 It is those who want to make a good showing in the
flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised-only that
they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ.

13 Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the
law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they
may boast about your flesh.

14 May I never boast of anything except the cross of our
Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified
to me, and I to the world.

15 For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is
anything; but a new creation is everything!

16 As for those who will follow this rule-peace be upon
them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

Luke 10.1-11, 16-20

10 After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent
them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place
where he himself intended to go.

2 He said to them, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the
labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest
to send out labourers into his harvest.

3 Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs
into the midst of wolves.

4 Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one
on the road.

5 Whatever house you enter, first say, "Peace to this
house!"

6 And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your
peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to
you.

7 Remain in the same house, eating and drinking
whatever they provide, for the labourer deserves to be
paid. Do not move about from house to house.

8 Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome
you, eat what is set before you;

9 cure the sick who are there, and say to them, "The
kingdom of God has come near to you."

10 But whenever you enter a town and they do not
welcome you, go out into its streets and say,

11 "Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet,
we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the
kingdom of God has come near."

16 'Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever
rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects
the one who sent me.'

17 The seventy returned with joy, saying, 'Lord, in your
name even the demons submit to us!'

18 He said to them, 'I watched Satan fall from heaven
like a flash of lightning.

19 See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes
and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and
nothing will hurt you.

20 Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits
submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in
heaven.'

Additional Collect for Sunday 6th July Third Sunday after Trinity

God our saviour,
look on this wounded world
in pity and in power;
hold us fast to your promises of peace
won for us by your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen

Food Bank Appeal:

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,

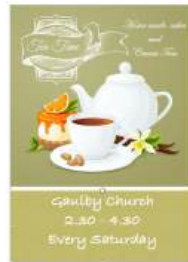
by bank transfer to *The Well Kibworth*

Sort Code: 40-32-04 **Acc:** 41666959 **Ref:** 'Foodbank'

Gift Aid Forms can be downloaded from the website:

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

Teas in Gaulby Church



Join us **every Saturday** until mid-September in Gaulby church for a cream tea, homemade cake, or just a cup of tea or coffee.

Teas are served between 2:30pm and 4:30pm, with optional seating outside when weather permits.

The Institution and Induction of The Rev Canon Jonathan Dowman

St Nicholas Church, Blakeney NR25 7NJ

Monday 28th July, 7.00 pm.

Please let Wendy Lewis know if you plan to attend in person by 7th July.

The Rt Rev Graham Usher, Bishop of Norwich and The Ven Catherine Dobson, Archdeacon of Lynn, will institute and induct Jonathan into his role as Rector.

Refreshments will be served after the service.

This service will also be live streamed on YouTube via Blakeney Church tube channel:

https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=st+nicholas+church+blakeney

Heritage and Happiness in Horninghold



It's been a busy month for one of our Launde Minster Community parishes.

During June the churchyard of St Peter's Church in Horninghold came alive with the sound of music and the joyful ring of children's laughter, dogs barking and 'bubbly' conversation.

On 13 June, as part of the church's National Lottery Heritage Fund project activities and combining with 'Love Your Burial Ground' week, the PCC welcomed all the children and staff from the neighbouring Hallaton Church of England Primary School to spend a day in the churchyard.

The church's now annual Pets and Prosecco Service took place on Sunday 22 June, with 14 dogs joining the congregation to celebrate God's goodness in creation. Led by the Revd Canon Philip Norwood, with his faithful, four-legged friend, Tally, by his side, each dog was given a personal blessing during the service. Hector, a splendid pony, received his blessing outside the church.

Read the full story:

<https://www.leicester.anglican.org/news/heritage-and-happiness-in-horninghold.php>

Horninghold Summer Party, Horninghold Hall

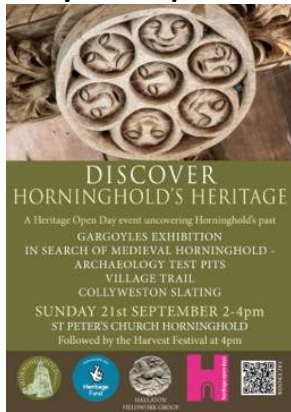
Saturday 5th July 6.30 to 9.30pm

See poster for ticket sales



Discover Horninghold's Heritage

Sunday 21st September 2-4pm



Hallaton Festival of Archaeology

Saturday 19th July to Sunday 3rd August

There are three great speakers on Saturday evenings in St Michael and All Angels Church:

Miriam Gill will talk about how medieval churches were decorated and show how Hallaton church might have looked 500 years ago

Peter Liddle will tell us about where the ordinary Romans lived, and

Vicki Score will give us an insight into what was happening in South Leicestershire in the millennia before the Roman invasion.

There are also Guided Walks to Hallaton Castle and Village Heritage Trails. The Museum will be open from 12-5pm on weekends, when **"Café in the Church"** will offer lunch, cakes and cream teas from 12 noon to 4pm.

For further details and to book the events go to the Hallaton Museum website: <https://hallaton-museum.co.uk> and click the link to the 2025 Festival of Archaeology

Launde Minster Community July Services

You can now find the services throughout the Launde Deanery/ Minster Community on the website: <https://launde-minster-community.webador.co.uk> under the Tabs: 'JULY SERVICE TIMES'

Our Churches Online:

All have web pages on 'A Church Near You'

Billesdon <https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/3500/>

Hungarton <https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/4708/>

Keyham <https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/4709/>


Skeffington <https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/3502/>

Goadby <https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/14444/>

The Gaulby Group

<https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/4699/>



 Information about the Zoom services (*including the Link*), and other information, can be found on **The Launde Deanery and Minster Community Website** at: <https://launde-minster-community.webador.co.uk>

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 Gaulby and Coplow, and the Hallaton, Whatborough and Loddington Newsletters?

Back copies can be downloaded from the Launde Minster Community website at: <https://launde-minster-community.webador.co.uk/newsletters>



Journey in Faith Course

Journey in Faith (JiF) is a 3 term course that provides the time and space for people to grow in knowledge of the Christian faith, deepen their relationship with God and explore how to live out faith in the whole of life.

Registration is open for courses starting this Autumn with an introductory session on Saturday 13 September, 9.30am–12.30pm at St Martins House.

Four weekly evening groups are being planned:

- Mondays: St Mary's, Nanpantan
- Tuesdays: Frisby on the Wreake
- Wednesdays: Ellistown
- Wednesdays: Knighton, Leicester

Enrol on JiF via our Learning Hub:

<https://thehub.leicester.anglican.org/learning-resources/journey-in-faith-jif-25-26-introduction-saturday-13th-september-2025/>

We Believe: Exploring the Nicene Creed

A new booklet of biblical reflections and prayers has been released to support churches, small groups and individuals mark the 1700th anniversary of the Council of Nicaea.

Structured as a 24-day devotional, *We Believe: Exploring the Nicene Creed* invites readers to engage prayerfully with each phrase of the Creed and to explore what it means to say "we believe" in the context of today's world.

Order *We believe* from Church House Publishing:

<https://www.chpublishing.co.uk/features/we-believe>

VJ Day 80th Anniversary Service

Thursday 14 August, 5.30-6.30pm – Leicester Cathedral

A civic service marking the 80th anniversary of VJ Day and the end of the Second World War, with music and bellringing. All welcome.

Ride+Stride 2025

**We're looking forward to
Ride+Stride on 13 September 2025
– opening churches and chapels for
the day and raising funds for
repairs and improvements.**

More than 200 churches and chapels are now registered to be open. To register your church or chapel, please use the form half way down **the Ride and Stride webpage**: <https://www.lhct.org.uk/ride-and-stride/>

Online fundraising for Ride+Stride has moved platform, from JustGiving to GoodHub. **Donate or join as a fundraiser here:**
<https://www.goodhub.com/go/lhct-ride-and-stride>

Bible Together: The Psalms

Tuesdays 8 & 15 July, 1.30-2.30pm – Leicester Cathedral or St Nicholas Church.

Or Wednesdays 9 & 16 July, 7-8pm – Zoom

This free three-week course, provides an introduction to the Psalms, exploring their beauty, wisdom, depth of emotion and profound messages of hope, faith, and praise. Read, listen, and wonder together, while trying out spiritual practices which may inspire and guide your own Bible study outside of the course.

'Bible Together' is an approach to discipleship used at Leicester Cathedral, centred around storytelling, conversation and wondering about God together. **Visit Eventbrite to book onto the online course:**

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/bible-together-the-psalms-a-3-week-course-online-tickets-1316336300309>

Contact Jude.Taylor@LeicesterCofE.org to book the in-person course, or for more information.

Minster Community Process: Check-in and Chat

**Selected Thursdays, 12.30pm-1.30pm – Zoom
Upcoming dates: 3 July, 31 July, 14 August, 28 August**

The Minster Community process is rolling out across our diocese. You may have lots of questions around the process, such as what's happening, when, and why? To help with your understanding of the process and listen to your perspective Beth Cluer, the Facilitation Lead for Minster Communities, is holding some 'Check in and Chat' sessions over Zoom. Please do feel free to come and chat

with Beth. **Use this link to join the meetings:**

<https://leccofe.zoom.us/j/99029210542?pwd=fjzohV9bhWBEcKvBiqW1XMsYlZFvb4.1#success>

You can also email Beth.Cluer@LeicesterCofE.org

RECOGNISE

Monday 7 to Sunday 13 July

RECOGNISE is a national week of recognition for everyone involved in ministry with children, young people, and their families (CYPF).

Sunday 13 July is a day for churches nationwide to celebrate and thank those involved in this vital ministry. Within your normal church service on Sunday 13 July, give 10 minutes to 'recognise' those involved with CYPF Ministry in your church. **Download service ideas and a blessing:**
<https://d3hgrlq6yacptf.cloudfront.net/5f3ffd8a9f6aa/content/pages/documents/recognise.pdf>

Create a Self-guided Tour of Your Church

Church Explorer is a new app that allows you to create interactive self-guided tours of your church.

You can include photos, floor plans, audio and video to help visitors learn about your church or churchyard in an engaging way.

You can also link a groups of churches with a 'pilgrimage' trail, and accept donations through the app. **Find out more about Church Explorer:** <https://at-creative.co.uk/churchexplorer-app/>

Introduction to Church Insurance Webinar

Wednesday 9 July, 7.30-8.30pm – Zoom Heather

Ford, Church Support Manager with Ecclesiastical, will lead this session to help you understand your Ecclesiastical church insurance policy. It will provide an overview in easy to understand language, address common questions and go through the many resources available to help you administer your policy.

To register, email ChurchBuildings@LeicesterCofE.org

This is part of a series of free webinars from the Church Buildings Team in partnership with Ecclesiastical Insurance. Upcoming webinars, taking place 7.30-8.30pm on Zoom, are:

Health & Safety – 6 August

Opening Churches & Church Security – 3 Sept

Climate Change & Net Carbon Zero – 1 Oct

