



14th July- 28th July 2025

Services across the benefice

Thursday 17th July

9.30am @ St Andrew's Church, Countesthorpe (Holy Communion)

Sunday 20th July

9am @ St Andrew's Church, Countesthorpe (Holy Communion)

11am @ St Mary's Church, Willoughby Waterleys (Morning Praise)

Thursday 24th July

9.30am @ St Andrew's Church, Countesthorpe (Holy Communion)

Sunday 27th July

9.15am @ St Bartholomew's Church, Foston (Holy Communion)

11am @ St Andrew's Church, Countesthorpe (Morning Praise with Holy Communion)

Thursday 31st July

9.30am @ St Andrew's Church, Countesthorpe (Holy Communion)

Collect's

Sunday 20th July

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Sunday 27th July

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; 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.

Regular Events in the Benefice

Friendship Teas

Monday afternoons see a group of regulars meeting for tea, cake & a chat.

You are invited to join us, everyone is welcome, in the Bridge Starting at 2.15 until 3.30. Except bank holiday Mondays. Cost £1.50

Craft Group

Join the Craft Group every Tuesday in The Bridge from 1.30pm
(Except for the first Tuesday of the month)

(Please note there will be no craft group on the 26th August)

Bible Discussion Group

Thursday Bible Discussion – Grow in Faith, Share in Fellowship
Join us every Thursday at The Bridge, Countesthorpe, from 10:30 am to 12pm for a relaxed and welcoming Bible discussion. Whether you're new to the Bible or have been reading it for years, this is a space to ask questions, share insights, and deepen your faith over a cup of tea or coffee. Come and explore how God's word speaks into our lives today—we'd love to have you with us!

Morning Prayer



Please join us for morning prayer Monday- Saturday 8am- 8.30am
This is a time for prayer and reflection and a lovely way to start your
day, so please come along everyone is very welcome.

Thursday Morning Communion

Join us on Thursday mornings from 9:30am to 10am for a quiet Holy Communion service. It's a simple, reflective time to pause, pray, and refocus in the middle of the week. Whether you're a regular or just curious, you're welcome to come along and take part

JOIN US

St Andrew's Church



HOLY COMMUNION

9.30AM - 10AM

EVERY THURSDAY

Notices

The funeral of Malcolm Payne

The funeral of Malcolm Payne will be held at St. Andrew's on Thursday, 24th July at 12,30pm to which everyone is invited.

It was Malcolm's wish that no dark colours be worn, so let's honour his memory by wearing whatever colour you would like.

Following the church service, there will be a private cremation at South Leicestershire Crematorium for the closest family.

Please join us at St. Andrews to celebrate and give thanks for Malcolm's life.

My second notice is a personal thank you from Sue, Malcolm's wife: Sue Payne and family would like to thank everyone for the beautiful cards they have received following Malcolm's death.

Many thanks and take care

Gail Mackley

Donations

As we prepare for our Summer Garden Party – our biggest fundraiser of the year – we're hoping to raise a little extra towards a banner to help promote the event and draw in as many visitors as possible.

With our Restoration Fund in urgent need of support, every effort to boost attendance makes a real difference. We've already been blessed with some generous donations towards this, and if anyone else feels moved to contribute, please do come and see me in the office. Thank you for your continued kindness and support.

Emma

Our Biggest Fundraiser of the Year – We Need Your Help!

Our next fundraising event is fast approaching, and we'd love for you to be part of it. This is the highlight of our fundraising calendar, and every scone and slice of cake truly makes a difference!

If you're able to donate **homemade scones or cakes**, please add your name to the list at the back of church. Whether you're a star baker or just love to lend a hand, your support means the world to us and helps make this event a real success.

Thank you so much for your continued generosity and kindness.

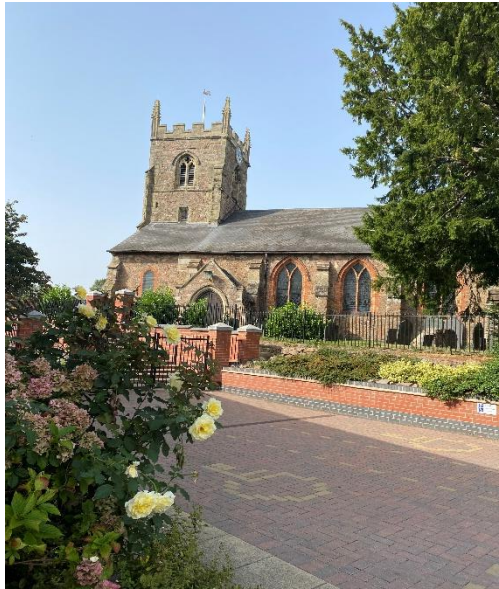
Brenda & Karen



🎉 We're on the hunt for tombola treasures! 🎁 If you've got any fun, fab, or fancy bits and bobs—think smellies, choccies, bottles, or quirky little goodies—we'd love to have them! The more exciting the prizes, the more fun we'll all have. There is a box at the back of church for donations- Thank you! 🙏

St Andrew's Church Funds

🙏 Help Restore St. Andrew's Church 🙏



St. Andrew's has been a place of worship, prayer, and community for generations, but our beautiful church is in urgent need of repair. The roof has suffered damage, and one of the windows is at risk of falling out.

As a church family, we have the opportunity to come together and protect this special place, ensuring it remains a house of God for years to come. Any support, whether through donations, fundraising, or prayer, will make a real difference.

If you feel able to give, please scan the QR code to donate. Thank you for your kindness and for being part of this journey with us. ❤️



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