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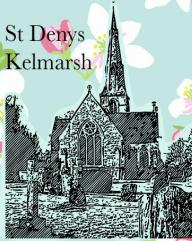
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*When the Power of Love  
Overcomes the Love of Power*

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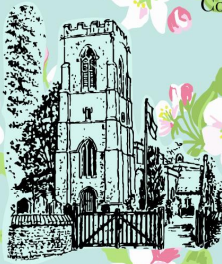
*The World will know Peace  
- Jimi Hendrix*



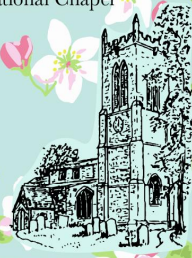
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Congregational Chapel



St Helen's Sibbertoft



St Mary The Virgin, Welford



St Nicholas' Marston Trussell

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Naseby, Welford, Sibbertoft & Clipston

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*Dear friends,*

Lent is now well underway and plans are being made to mark Holy week and Easter in the Naseby Group of churches.

As a group of churches Holy Week is something we will be journeying together with through joint services. These are Benefice services so please do travel and join us, as we remember Jesus's final time on earth.

On Mon 14th April, Journey to the Cross, Taize Service @ St Helen's Church, Sibbertoft, 7pm.

This will be a reflective service as we look at Jesus' journey to the cross and his encounters along the way.

On Thurs 17th April, our Maundy Thursday Service, consists of a simple soup meal to mark Jesus' last supper, at Welford Youth and Community Centre, 5pm. This is a service suitable for all ages and will reflect something of Jesus final meal with his disciples. We will remember that Jesus washed his disciples feet as well as marking the meal which inspires our weekly Holy Communion services.

On Fri 18th April, Good Friday for All, Join us as we dress the cross (Alpine style) and retell the Easter Story, 4pm at All Saints Church, Clipston. In the Swiss Alpine region, this is an annual tradition on Good Friday as they remember all that Jesus did on the cross. This again is suitable for all ages. This will be followed by a fish and chips supper in the village hall. (veggie, vegan and GF options available). There will also be space after the service to wait and reflect at the foot of the cross in quiet, whilst others head over to the hall for fish and chips (both of these parts are optional).

Please note for Maundy Thursday and Good Friday, booking is not essential but it would help with catering if you could let Rev'd Tom Know if you are joining for food. Please contact [tom@nasebygroup.org](mailto:tom@nasebygroup.org)

Cost: free, but donations towards the cost of food gratefully received.

On Sunday 20th April, join us for our Easter celebrations meeting across the group of churches. Please do see the back of the magazine for details of services taking place.

May I wish you all a very happy Easter as we celebrate the greatest rescue story the world has ever seen.

Blessings

*Rev'd Tom*

THE NASEBY GROUP OF CHURCHES

# WELCOME ALL THIS HOLY WEEK...

**13**  
APR

## **PALM SUNDAY**

**09:30** Holy Communion, Sibbertoft  
**10:00** Cafe Church, Clipston  
**18:00** Evensong, Welford

**14**  
APR

## **HOLY WEEK MONDAY**

**19:00** Journey to the Cross, Taize Service, Sibbertoft

**17**  
APR

## **MAUNDY THURSDAY**

**17:00** All Age Service & soup meal,  
Welford Youth & Community Centre\*

**18**  
APR

## **GOOD FRIDAY FOR ALL**

**16:00** All Age Service, Clipston Church (Followed by a  
fish and chips supper in the village hall)\*


**20**  
APR

## **EASTER SUNDAY**

**06:30** Dawn Rise, Haselbech  
**09:30** Holy Communion (Ext), Naseby  
**09:30** Holy Communion (Ext), Sibbertoft  
**10:30** Holy Communion (Ext), Marston Trussell  
**11:00** Holy Communion (Ext), Clipston  
**11:00** Family Communion, Welford

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EXT = Communion by Extension

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if you could let Rev'd Tom Know if you are joining for food.  
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## ANNUAL MEETINGS

The annual APCM and Vestry Meeting where church council members, churchwardens and Deanery Synod members are elected are taking place at the following times:

If you are interested in standing for these church offices, please contact Revd Tom. [tom@nasebygroup.org](mailto:tom@nasebygroup.org)

5th April - Marston Trussell, 2pm at St Nicolas Church

27th April - Welford, 7pm at St Mary's Church

29th April - Clipston, 7pm at All Saints Church

30th April - Kelmarsh, 7:30pm at Lyndale Rectory Farm.

7th May - Naseby, 7:30pm at All Saints Church

8th May - Haselbech 7pm at St Michael's Church

22nd May - Sibbertoft, 6:30pm at St Helen's Church



### WI Meeting Thursday 13th March 2025

President Denise Bott welcomed 27 members. We received 13 apologies. After singing Jerusalem, the February minutes were read and approved.

The next craft afternoon will be on Monday 31st March at 2.00 and is open to everyone. We will continue making items for the yarnbombing display at the Rugby World Cup. All welcome.

The next coffee meet up will be on Wednesday 19th March at Farndon Fields Farm Shop.

The Spring Lunch will be on Wednesday 2nd April 12.30 for 1.00 at Lutterworth Golf Club.

Our AGM followed, where our Treasurer Viv Journeaux, Secretary Jane Cottrell and President Denise Bott, gave a reprise of our activities for the previous year. Sue Brotherton read out the names of the committee for 2025-2026. Denise Bott was elected for her 3rd and final year as President.

A fabulous chocolate making demonstration followed by Handmade by Hannah. We were told a little of the history of chocolate, while Hannah made a lovely easter decoration out of chocolate. It included an Easter bunny, eggs and bees. Hannah kindly donated the item for our raffle.

Delicious refreshments were provided by Val Morson, Victoria Johnson and Julie Bentham assisted by Christine O'Reilly. The raffle organised by Sue Lees was won by 1st Christine O'Reilly, 2nd Nicky White, 3rd Denise Cattell and 4th Sue Brotherton. The competition for a Name for a Future Chocolate Bar organised by Mary Crowther was won by 1st Denise Bott, 2nd Pauline Matthews and 3rd Julie Newman.

The April meeting is the first of the new year and will take place on Thursday 10th April at 7.30 in the Village Hall.

All welcome

## MARSTON TRUSSELL NEWS



**Calling all knitters or crocheters**

**Marston Trussell Knit and Natter group are planning to create a cascade of Poppies down the church tower for Remembrance Sunday 2025. As you will realise we need lots of Poppies! If you would like to help please get in touch Wool , needles and patterns can be provided if needed. Please contact Chris Otway on 01858 289516 for more details**

## WELFORD MOVIE NIGHT



**Saturday April 5th at 7.30pm ( Doors 7.00pm)  
WELFORD VILLAGE HALL  
Tickets £7—Cash or Card**





## **VE Celebration Afternoon Tea**

**Monday May 5<sup>th</sup>**

In The Village Hall

2.00-4.00

In Aid of the WI's new charity

**RAINBOWS**

More details to follow next month

## **Good Neighbours**

**Tuesday April 1st 2025**



The April Good Neighbours in the village hall from 10-12 will be our Easter coffee morning. Only £1 for tea/coffee and biscuits (plus a little treat!)

Books (£1), jigsaws (£2) and cards (50p) will be for sale and we are pleased to announce our new charity is ***Rainbows***, the children's hospice in Loughborough which covers all of the East Midlands.

All are welcome.

Jane, Sue & The Team

## **LENTEN LUNCH**

36 people attended the Lenten Lunch on Ash Wednesday, the 5th March. Delicious homemade soups, rolls and fruit, followed by tea or coffee were enjoyed by all and £260 was sent to the Salvation Army for the homeless. Thanks to all who provided food, flowers and raffle prizes and who came or gave donations. Julie Newman

# SIBBERTOFT NEWS

## Sibbertoft Sunday Teas



**Will open for its 32<sup>nd</sup> season on  
Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> April to October 26<sup>th</sup>  
2.30-5pm in The Reading Room Berkeley Street.**

**The Team are assembled and ready to greet you.  
Home made Jams, seasonal Plants and cut flowers  
will be available as they come ready.**

**Raising funds for the maintenance and upkeep of Saint Helens  
Church.**

**Together with other charities during the last 4 weeks of the sea-  
son.**

**We look forward to receiving your support. Treat yourself, fami-  
ly and friends to a relaxing afternoon with a hot drink and a  
piece of delicious homemade cake.**

## **CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL RENEWAL**

St. Helen's is due to renew its church Electoral Roll for the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in May. If you are on the roll already you will receive a reminder/form. If you are not on the Roll and would like to be, please contact me on 01858 881091 or [tobyrajackson@aol.com](mailto:tobyrajackson@aol.com).



# CHAPEL COMMENT



## The Easter Message

Dear Friends.

As we prepare to celebrate Easter, let us reflect on the events. No-one lining the road into Jerusalem on the first Palm Sunday could have doubted Jesus' claim to be a king, or that his triumphal entry could be anything other than a sacred occasion. He came mounted on a colt which, according to Mark (11:2) no man had ever ridden.

This fact alone points to the sacredness of the event. Kings rode on an ass when they came in peace, and only in war did they come on horseback. He refused the role of warrior, and sought for a throne in the hearts of men. In this last symbolic drama, in which actions were meant to speak louder than words, he made a last appeal to men to accept him as Lord of their lives. He came to serve, not to be served.

To emphasise this, on the first Maundy Thursday, he took the role of servant and washed his disciples feet, before He shared the last supper with them. On what was to be the first Good Friday, those same crowds who shouted Hosanna were now shouting Crucify, Crucify. Our Lord was betrayed, denied and suffered a terrible death for you and me and all mankind. Even in his hour of pain and death, our Lord still asked God to forgive.

In Matthew's Gospel (28:1-10) we read that the two Marys came to look at the grave of the crucified Jesus, but instead they found an empty tomb and an angel from whom they heard the good news that Jesus was alive, raised by God, as he had said. They are told to pass on the news to the disciples, first by the angel and then by the Lord himself. However, he does not call them disciples but the more familiar term, my brothers.

Only a few days earlier the disciples had failed and Peter had denied Jesus: but now the past is forgiven. It is dead and buried, never to be remembered again. Instead, there is new life from the grave, the living Lord calls us his brothers and sisters, and commands us what we are to do, and reveals himself to us as we obey him.

The Miracle of Easter Sunday, is because He lives, we can face tomorrow, is because all fear is gone, is because I know He holds the future, and life is worth living just because He lives. God gives us the assurance that because He loves us so much, there is a place with him in Heaven as He had promised. That is the wonder of Easter Sunday.

With every blessing in our Lord's name this Easter time, from all at Welford Congregation Chapel.

Rev Tony Avery

## World Day of Prayer service 2025

The service was held on Friday 7th March in Welford Congregational Chapel with the theme **± made you wonderful** Led by the Cook Islands we heard stories of their struggle during Covid-19, of their culture being devalued, the improvements in obstetric health care drawing on God's strength in their lives. The service invited us to recognise that God created each one of us with great attention and loving care. We are unique and special and should cherish all aspects of who we are and of those around us. God created us. God knows us. God is with us! Many thanks for coming to support, to all those who took part in the service, helped with refreshments and Mary for playing the music. A collection of £119.20 was sent to the World Day of Prayer organisation.

The 2026 service Friday 6th March theme is **± will give you rest**, come written by Nigeria. Many thanks, Rachael Heard

### **PSALMS AND READINGS – April**

#### **Sunday 6th April—5th of Lent**

Psalm 61

First Isaiah 43, 16 to 21

Second Philippians 3, 4b to 14

Gospel John 12, 1 to 8

#### **Sunday 13th April—Palm Sunday**

Psalm 13

First Psalm 118, 1,2, and 19 to end

Second Philippians 2, 5 to 11

Gospel Luke 19, 28 to 40

#### **Sunday 20th**

#### **April—Easter Day - Resurrection of the Lord**

Psalm 114

First Isaiah 65, 17 to 25

Second Acts 10, 34 to 43

Gospel John 20, 1 to 18

#### **Sunday 27th April—2nd of Easter**

Psalm 150

First Isaiah 55, 1 to 9

Second 1 Corinthians 10, 1 to 13

Gospel Luke 13, 1 to 9



*With warm croissants*

**Relaxed      Informal      Inspired**

**All Saints Church Clipston Sunday 13th April at 10.30am**

**St Marys Church Welford Sunday 20th April at 10.30am**

*Enjoy tea or coffee*

### **SIBBERTOFT**

	<b>Lesson Reader</b>	<b>Intercessions</b>	<b>Sidesman</b>
13/4	OT Jose Kirby NT Jo Elliot	Cynthia Bailey	Viv Arrowsmith
14/4	OT Jenny Lloyd TBC NT Sue Clarke	Carolyne Robinson	Viv Arrowsmith
20/4	OT Toby Jackson NT Peter Krafft	Caroline Jackson	Caroline Jackson
	Eucharistic Assistant 13/4 Sue Clarke 20/4 Viv Arrowsmith		

### **WELFORD**

	<b>Lesson Reader</b>	<b>Intercessions</b>	<b>Sidesman</b>
13/4	OT P Lane NT S Lees	S Bevin	G Newman
20/4	OT C Horner NT J Horner	J Nicholas	M Broad
27/4	TBA		

Eucharistic Assistant 16/3 K Broad

### **WELFORD CONGREGATIONAL CHAPEL**

**Services at 10.45am**

	<b>Preacher</b>	<b>Flowers</b>
6/4	Rev Tony Avery	Mrs J Bale
13/4	David Harrup	Mrs W McCullagh
20/4	Rev Tony Avery	Mrs M Curtis
27/4	Brian Deffee	Mrs S Lees
4/5	Rev Tony Avery	Mrs D Avery

## APRIL 2025 CHURCH SERVICES

6<sup>th</sup> 10:30am Benefice Holy Communion Marston Trussell

### PALM SUNDAY

13<sup>th</sup> 9:30am Holy Communion Sibbertoft

10:00am Café Church Clipston

6:00pm Evensong Welford

14<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm Journey to the Cross Sibbertoft

- Taize style -

### MAUNDY THURSDAY

17<sup>th</sup> 5:00pm All-Age M/Thurs Service Welford YCC

- with soup meal -

### GOOD FRIDAY

18<sup>th</sup> 4:00pm All-Age G/Friday Service Clipston

- with fish & chips -

### EASTER SUNDAY

20<sup>th</sup> 6:30am Dawn Rise Service Haselbech

9:30am Holy Communion (ext\*) Naseby

9:30am Holy Communion (ext\*) Sibbertoft

10:30am Holy Communion (ext\*) Martson Trussell

11:00am Holy Communion (ext\*) Clipston

11:00am Family Communion Welford

27<sup>th</sup> 10:00am Benefice Service Clipston

**6pm Evensong Welford**

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*For latest service updates see the website calendar:*

*[www.nasebygroup.org/calendar](http://www.nasebygroup.org/calendar)*

**The Magazine.**

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