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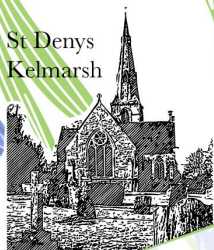
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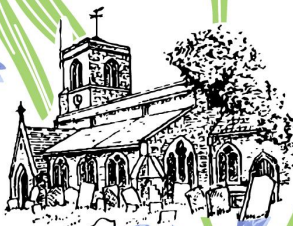
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you wish to see in the world.
Mahatma Gandhi



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Pentecost: Boldness Through Humility

At the end of May, the Church celebrates Pentecost, often described as the *birthday of the Church*. It marks the moment when God sent the Holy Spirit upon the disciples, turning frightened followers into courageous witnesses to the risen Jesus.

Yet the boldness of Pentecost is not loud or forceful. It is a courage shaped by humility. The disciples did not suddenly become powerful through their own abilities—rather, they discovered that God was working through them. Pentecost reminds us that Christian faith is not about dominating others or asserting our importance, but about allowing God's love to flow through us.

In a world that often measures power by strength, success, or control, Pentecost offers a different vision. True strength is found not within ourselves alone, but in trusting God and relying on the Spirit's guidance. The same Holy Spirit poured out on that first Pentecost is present with us today—quietly shaping, encouraging, and sending us out in love.

As we journey through this season, may we be open to God's Spirit at work within us. May we carry the fire of Pentecost not as judgement, but as light—bringing peace, kindness, and hope to our community. The month of May also includes **Ascension Day**, when Jesus prepares his disciples for what is to come. As he ascends, he does not leave them powerless or abandoned—instead, he tells them to wait—to remain open and attentive—for the promised gift of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. Ascension and Pentecost belong together: one reminds us that Christ reigns, the other that his Spirit equips and sustains the Church.

You are warmly invited to join us for our **Benefice Ascension Day service on Thursday 14th May 2026 at 11am at Haselbech Church**, as we celebrate Christ's ascension and wait expectantly for the work of the Holy Spirit. **All are very welcome.**

Blessings
Rev'd Tom



The Naseby Group of
churches invites you to

Cafe

Church

with friends, food,
stories, songs, craft,
conversation & more..!

12th April, 10th May,

14th June @ 4pm

Welford School Hall (WSSSE)

Cost: FREE

There's something for everyone...
Children please bring an adult with you

Ascension Day

Come to the Naseby Group
Ascension Day Holy Communion Service
Thursday 14th May at 11:00am
at Haselbech Church

Praying Together

Come along to our
informal **Morning Prayer** gathering
at Naseby Methodist Chapel
Starts at 9:15am with a cuppa ó finishes by 10:15am
Every Thursday morning during school terms
*Praying together, especially for the life and growth of the
churches within the seven parishes of the Naseby Group*

Christian Aid Week

10 th ó 16 th May, 2026
Enclosed with this magazine is a collection envelope
for the above Christian Charity. If you would like to
donate, please put it into the envelope and either
take to church (open every day from 9.00 to 5.00), or
30 Wakefield Drive.
If you wish to have it collected please telephone
01858575335. Thank you.



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churches invites you to



PIZZA &



PRAISE



with friends, food,
an engaging theme,
live music, songs,
craft, conversation &
more..!

26th April, 24th May,

28th June @ 4pm

Clipston Village Hall

Cost: FREE

Suitable for All Ages
Children please bring an adult with you

QUIZ FOR



1. In May 1707 the Act of Union joined which 2 kingdoms together
2. On 1st May 1851, Queen Victoria opened what in London?
3. In 1994 which 3 times World Formula 1 champion was killed in the San Marino Grand Prix?
4. In 1969 this iconic British ocean liner set off on its maiden voyage to New York. What was it called?
5. In 1960 the Anne Frank House museum opened in which European city
6. Workers of the United Kingdom went on General Strike in May of which year?
7. In May 1821, who died in exile on the island of St Helena?
8. In 1961, who was the first American to travel into outer space?
9. In 1682 which 'Sun King' moved his court to the Palace of Versailles?
10. Roger Bannister was the first to run the mile in under 4 minutes in May of which year?
11. What's the birthstone of May - it represents love and success?
12. Which tennis Open Championship normally begins in the last week of May?
13. Which sweetly scented, highly poisonous woodland flowering plant is the birth flower of May?
14. Who did Queen guitarist Brian May marry in November 2000
15. In the nursery rhyme 'Nuts in May', on what sort of morning are the nuts gathered?

Welford WI. April Meeting.

What I did in lockdown is a conversation many of us will be familiar with. But our speaker, Sally Knight went one better and spent the time imagining Guru Sal...an Agony Aunt character who has a unique answer to everyday problems such as=how to avoid ironing or cleaning windows? We listened to several `problems` and Guru Sal's responses. She was thanked by Sally Harris.

30 members and 1 guest attended this meeting presided over by the new President Christine O`Reilly. 10 apologies were recorded

Christine's first duty was to announce the results for the hotly contested trophies for the monthly Competitions 2025/26. In 1st place was Catherine Digby, 2nd Jane Cotterill and 3rd., Julie Newman.

Last month`s minutes were read followed by dates for our diaries=lunch at the Bulls Head at Clipston April 22nd, meeting for coffee at the Mercardo Lounge April 23rd, a craft afternoon in the Billiards Room April 27th, cake donations and offers of help for the Carnival May 2nd, a Skittles evening May 20th and an Open meeting in June to hear a talk on Bletchley Park. Non members will need to purchase a ticket for this at a cost of £3 available from either Sue B or Jane C.

Looking further ahead theatre visits to Kilworth House and the Curve are being booked.

Details of other outings, walks and activities organised by the County are in the News and Events Sheets.

Teas were served by J. Bentham, L. Goodwin and M. Crowther.

The competition for an old book, organised by A. Hughes was won by J. Cottrell,

The winners of the raffle organised by M. Crowther, (with an added bonus from S. Greeves) were=J. Baker, S. Greeves, J. Cromack, L. Sharpley, V. Morson, A. Hughes, P. Matthew, L. Goodwin and V. Journeaux.

Birthday flowers were provided by S. Brotherton.

The speaker in May is Russell Attwood=Future Proofing our Homes and the competition is a solar powered novelty.

CHAPEL COMMENT



Each day`s a new beginning, so start it with a smile.

Enjoy the art of living. Do things that are worthwhile.

Like loving and forgiving, and having time to spare

to make somebody happy by showing that you care.

Francis Gay.

Good Neighbours

May's coffee morning will be on Tuesday May 5th in the village hall from 10-12. £1.50 - Books, jigsaws and cards for sale.

Our new charity is the Brain Tumour Charity, a cause close to the heart of some of our members, which funds research, provides support and raises awareness.

All are welcome.

Looking forward to seeing you.

Jane, Sue & The Team

Annual Parochial Church Meetings – May 2026

The APCMs (a bit like an AGM) for the churches of the Naseby Group will be held as follows:

- **Welford** ó Sunday **3 May, 7.15 pm**, Welford Church
- **Naseby** ó Tuesday **5 May, 6.30 pm**, Naseby Church
- **Marston Trussell** ó Saturday **9 May, 10.00am**, Marston Trussell Church
- **Clipston** ó Tuesday **12 May, 7.00 pm**, Clipston Church (Orbell Room)
- **Kelmarsh** ó Wednesday **13 May, 7.00 pm**, Rectory Farm
- **Haselbech** ó Thursday **14 May, 7.30 pm**, Haselbech Church
- **Sibbertoft** ó Wednesday **20th May, 7:00pm**, Sibbertoft Church

Everyone is warmly invited to attend.

To be eligible to vote at the APCM, you must be registered on the **Church Electoral Roll**. Application forms are available from the **Churchwardens** and can also be downloaded from the **Naseby Group Website – Home Page**.

<https://www.nasebygroup.org/>

PSALMS AND READINGS – May

Sunday 3rd 5th of Easter

Psalm 61
First Acts 7, 55 to end
Second 1 Peter 2, 2 to 10
Gospel John 14, 1 to 14
Sunday 10th 6th of Easter
Psalm 95, 1 to 7
First Acts 17, 22 to 31
Second 1 Peter 3, 13 to end
Gospel John 14, 15 to 21

Sunday 17th 7th of Easter

Psalm 100
First Acts 1, 6 to 14
Second 1 Peter 4, 12 to 14 and 5, 6 to 11
Gospel John 17, 1 to 11
Sunday 24th Pentecost
Psalm 84, 1 to 7
First Acts 2, 1 to 21
Second 1 Corinthians 12, 3b to 13
Gospel John 20, 19 to 23
Sunday 31st Trinity Sunday
Psalm 8
First Isaiah 40, 12 to 17
Second 2 Corinthians 13, 11 to end
Gospel Matthew 28, 16 to end

SIBBERTOFT

Lesson Reader	Intercessions	Sidesman
17/5 OT Jose Kirby NT Jo Elliott	Sue Clarke	TBC
31/5 OT Jenny Lloyd NT Peter Kirby	Cynthia Bailey	Caroline Jackson
	Eucharistic Assistant 17/5 31/5 Viv Arrowsmith	Caroline Jackson

WELFORD

Lesson Reader	Intercessions	Sidesman
3/5 OT G Newman NT J Newman	S Bevin	G Newman
17/5 OT C Horner NT J Horner	S Lees	C Horner
24/5 OT A Barraclough NT W Lees	J Newman	M Broad
	Eucharistic Assistant 24/5	Kelvin Broad

WELFORD CONGREGATIONAL CHAPEL

Services at 10.45am

Preacher	Flowers
3/5 Rev Tony Avery	Mrs J Herbert
10/5 Rev Barry Osbourne	Mrs J Pilmore
17/5 Rev Tony Avery	Mrs D Bott
24/5 Rev Tony Avery	Mrs P Teear
31/5 Songs of Praise Service	Mrs M Bott
7/6 Rev Tony Avery	Miss R Heard

Sundays across the Naseby Group of Churches

Morning Stream (10:00am)

Date	Service	Location
3rd May	Holy Communion	Naseby Church
10th May	All Age Service With Holy Communion	Clipston Church
17th May	Holy Communion	Sibbertoft Church
24th May	Holy Communion	Marston Trussell Church
31st May	All Together - All Age with Holy Communion	Sibbertoft Church

Fun@4 Stream (4:00pm)

Date	Service	Location
10th May	Café Church	Welford School Hall
17th May	The Welcome Patch	Naseby Methodist Chapel
24th May	Pizza and Praise	Clipston Village Hall

Agricultural Stream (4:00pm)

Date	Service	Location
17th May	Rogation Service	Kelmarsh Church

Evening Stream (6:15pm)

Date	Service	Location
3rd May	Evensong	Welford Church
17th May	Evensong	Welford Church
24th May	Holy Communion	Welford Church

For the most up to date list of services please see: nasebygroup.org

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