

ST DENYS CHURCH EVINGTON, BULLETIN Sunday

28th June 2026, 4th Sunday after Trinity



Readings for today: Romans 6 vs 12-end; Matthew 10 vs 40—end

Dear Friends. In the natural world, we have just had another change in season, with Spring giving way to Summer. And just at the moment, it is so hot! Another heatwave! Around us, we see the beautiful summer flowers, fruit growing on bushes and trees. An abundance! God is so good to us, in all the gifts He delights to pour out on us, into our lives, into our world. May we be truly grateful and thankful.

Just as in the natural world there is the rhythm of the changing seasons, so in our own lives, we find that there are 'seasons'. There are circumstances, things, in all sorts of ways, that last for a season. That season may be quite short, or may last many years. I think I have been thinking about seasons in our lives, recently, especially with having decided not to have my Reader licence renewed at the moment. It is many years since I was licenced as a Reader, so a long season.

Something completely different – I have just had to have one of the tyres on my car replaced – thanks to a screw or nail embedded in it! – I had obviously picked it up somewhere on the road. I had had to have all 4 of the tyres replaced a couple of years ago. The old tyres had had a good long season, but the season for one of those replacements was rather short, at only 2 years, so much shorter than you would hope. But I must say they were very good, helpful, at the place where we took the car to have the tyre done, and they were able to deal with it straightaway.

Whatever we go through in life, whatever our situation or circumstances, whatever 'season' we may be going through, may we remember that Jesus is always with us, walking with us. God is unchanging, and He never lets us down.

Seasons come and go.
Life, circumstances, may change.
God never changes.



Geraldine

COMING UP:

Friday 26th 1.15pm Thanksgiving Service for the late Steven Gasztowich in church

Sunday 28th 10am Holy Communion in church and on Zoom, ID 820 0369 6332 (password from Qyan) refreshments in the parish centre after the service

Monday 29th 10am Private Booking in the parish centre.

Tuesday 30th 9.30am Private Booking in the parish centre

Thursday 2nd July 10.30am Gentle Exercise Group meet in the parish centre

Thursday 2nd 10am-12 noon Open Church

Thursday 2nd 10am Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion (said)

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A service for the Late Steven Gasztowicz will take place at Great Glen Crematorium tomorrow, Friday 26th June. Following this, a Thanksgiving service in St. Denys Church at 1.15pm will take place. Refreshments will be served in the village hall afterwards. The family have asked me to invite all who knew Steven, to attend the church and village hall if desired. You are warmly welcome.



A FREE concert, of pre & post World War 1 songs by the late composer Ralph Vaughan Williams (pictured left) is being held at St. Mary's Church, Humberstone on Saturday 27th June at 11am. This will feature Roy Anthony-Birch (a local Baritone singer who has sung at some St. Denys services in recent months) and organist and pianist of St. Mary's, Timothy Lees. The audience will also have the chance to sing some well known hymns. Refreshments will be served after the concert. Some parking is available in the church car park in Lidster Close.

The Rt Revd Christopher Boyle, Honorary Assistant Bishop of Leicester will preside and preach at our service of Holy Communion this coming Sunday 28th June at 10am. All are welcome. Refreshments will be served in the parish centre after the service.



Revd Father Martin Court (2nd from left in picture) will return on Thursday 2nd July at 10am to preside and preach at Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion in church. There will be a time of coffee, tea and chat afterwards at the back of the church. All are welcome.

Prayer Morning On Saturday 4th July the church will open in the morning for people to visit to pray, be still, spend some time in the quiet of the church and reflect on whatever is in one's heart, particularly praying for St. Denys Church and our local area. Come and go as you please from 10am until 12 noon. Ann our Churchwarden and Kimberley, our Authorised Minister will be present to pray with you if you wish or to be on hand to advise, guide etc.

The St. Jerome's Book Club, as featured in the bulletin a while back, still runs online. It is particularly suitable for those interested in reading books that stimulate the mind and spirit. The next session is on 9th July at 7.30pm via Zoom. The book being discussed is 'When prayer doesn't work' by Margaret Somerville. To learn more and to receive the Zoom link, please email Revd Liz Rawlings at: Liz.Rawlings@LeicesterCofE.org



Two more pictures of flowers to accompany Geraldine's front page letter.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT: On behalf of the PCC at St. Denys, I am pleased to inform you that we have received permission from the Bishop of Leicester's Leadership Team, to begin the process of discernment for appointing a new Vicar. More information and updates will be given when known, and when it is possible to do so. In the meantime, please pray for the PCC, the Archdeacon, Area Dean and others involved, and any potential candidate that may come forward. Thank you. **Ann Bennett, Churchwarden.**

**NEWS
Flash!**

Reflective thought for 4th Sunday of Trinity: When I needed a neighbour were you there, were you there? I was hungry, thirsty, cold, naked, needed shelter, needed healing, were you there, were you there? Will you be there? (Based on words by Sydney Carter, 1915—2004)

INEQE Safeguarding Audit Survey – Have Your Say

The Diocese of Leicester and Leicester Cathedral are currently taking part in an independent safeguarding audit by INEQE. Please take a few minutes to complete the relevant survey(s), designed to gather valuable feedback about safeguarding practice and culture across the diocese.

There are surveys for: Diocesan workforce; Parish workforce; Parish community members; Cathedral workforce; Cathedral worshippers; Children and young people; Victims & Survivors of church related abuse.

- Your voice matters – share what is working well and what could be improved
- All responses are confidential and anonymous, and managed independently by INEQE

Thank you to everyone who has already taken part. If you have not yet completed the survey, we warmly encourage you to do so - your feedback is important and valued.

Look out for the surveys link on pink posters and postcards in church.

[Find the INEQE surveys here.](#)

[Learn more on the diocese website.](#)

Collect for 4th Sunday after Trinity Gracious Father, by the obedience of Jesus you brought salvation to our wayward world: draw us into harmony with your will, that we may find things restored in him, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Pray for the sick: Ann Dixon, Michael Durrant, Revd Fr Michael Hibbert, Revd Richard Howells, Ron Maund, Sue Mitchell, Richard Williams

Pray for those who mourn including the family and friends of Michael Elsom,
Steven Gasztowicz



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