



# Hallaton & Whatborough Benefices Church News

Edition Date: Friday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2021

## Services – In Person: May 2021

### Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> May:

Knossington 9.30am Holy Communion led by Revd Jeff Hopewell

Hallaton 10am Holy Communion led by Revd Jayne Lewis

### Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> May:

Owston 9.30 Holy Communion led by Revd Jeff Hopewell

Slawston 9.30am Led by Revd Jayne Lewis

Tugby 10am Morning Prayer, Congregation led

### Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> May: (Pentecost)

Tugby 10am Morning Prayer, Congregation led

East Norton 10.00am Family Service

Cold Overton 10.00am Morning Prayer, led by Sue Sills



## Services – Online:

Every Sunday at 11am

Deanery Zoom service **11am Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> May**

Preacher: Bishop Martyn

## Private Prayer in Church:

**Knossington** is open for private prayer on Wednesdays and Sundays.

**Hallaton, Tugby, Tilton on the Hill and East Norton** are open every day.

## A Prayer for The Day

Risen Christ,  
by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples:  
help your Church to obey your command  
and draw the nations to the fire of your love,  
to the glory of God the Father. **Amen**

## A Prayer for those affected by Coronavirus:

Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy.  
Sustain and support the anxious, be with those who care  
for the sick, and lift up all who are brought low; that we  
may find comfort knowing that nothing can separate us  
from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

## Shaped by God Together:

Bishop Martyn explores Diocesan Priorities.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GcpWlBwctew>

**Ministry** – 3 ways in which we can use Clergy and other ministers.

Please click on the link below to listen to Bishop Martyn reflecting on the three models of Ministry being considered in the Shaped by God Together process:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bj2htFWZXQc>

## Light a virtual candle 🕯:

Light a candle to pray for yourself, for a loved one or for a situation. Please click the link below.

<https://www.churchofengland.org/our-faith/light-candle>

## Contact Us:

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## Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> May at 11.00 am

### Easter Six – Online Worship Service

Leader: Revd Jayne Lewis

**PLEASE USE THIS ZOOM LINK, NOT AN OLD ONE – YOU MAY NEED THE PASSWORD (BELOW) to update**

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83948912907?pwd=Q3U1M2tINFIMUEI2M1hxVi9vZWVmdz09>

Meeting ID: 839 4891 2907 Passcode: 616207

**DIAL IN FROM A LANDLINE OR MOBILE:**

**T. 0203 481 5240** enter the **Meeting ID:** 839 4891 2907 followed by #. Enter the **Passcode:** 616207 followed by #

## Everyday Calling:

Find out about Everyday Calling in the diocese and how the vision for lay ministry has been renewed this year.

<https://www.leicester.anglican.org/news/everyday-calling-in-the-diocese-of-leicester.php>

## Reflection:

Christian Aid week 2021 is 10<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> May, this year their focus is on how the Climate crisis is damaging particularly to those already living in poverty, extreme weather makes their already very difficult lives even more intolerable. Normally we would have collection boxes but with all the restrictions we need to encourage online giving – you can do that here:

[https://donate.christianaid.org.uk/Donate/Step/1?ApproachCode=CAM-000805&\\_ga=2.121468929.867075210.1620293576-1489419518.1614265000](https://donate.christianaid.org.uk/Donate/Step/1?ApproachCode=CAM-000805&_ga=2.121468929.867075210.1620293576-1489419518.1614265000)

We will be focussing on this work of Christian Aid in our Zoom service on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> and so our Bible readings reflect that.

We will hear from John's gospel the instruction to 'abide' in God, building on last week's story of Jesus as the Vine and us as the branches that 'remain' or even 'abide' in the Vine. We hear that alongside some words from the Old Testament, from the prophet Micah where we hear a conversation between God and the people.

God reminds them that they have always been cared for, God asks them 'what have I done to you?' because the people are ignoring what God wants and so God reminds them (and we are reminded too) we must:

**Do justice,  
Love kindness,  
Walk humbly with your God.**

How will we do that this week?

**Revd. Alison Booker, Area Dean**

## Bible Readings for Zoom on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2021 - Easter Six

### Old Testament Reading: Micah 6: 1 – 9



Listen my people. I need to talk with you.  
I have questions. I need answers.  
I have cared for you. I rescued you from slavery.  
I gave you wise leaders, both women and men.  
You need to remember the stories of who I am  
and what I have done. Listen my people.  
I am talking to those of you who live in the countryside.  
I am questioning those of you who live in cities and  
towns.

What have I done to you? How have I wearied you?

Speak, the mountains are listening to you.

The Earth is waiting to hear your voice.

What can I do? What can I bring to God?

What does God want of me?

What will keep God happy?

What will keep God off my back?

Would God be impressed with barrels and barrels of  
olive oil? Would God be satisfied with thousands of  
animals from my flocks?

Perhaps my riches are not enough?

Should I offer to God the life of my precious first-born  
child?

Listen mortal. Listen to what God says.

Look carefully at how God acts.

Remember the stories of what God has done.

God has shown you clearly what is bad and what is good.

You are to do justice to act fairly.

Do justice in the home and in the street and in the  
marketplace. Do justice in your community.

Work with others to do justice globally.

Do justice with strangers and friends and family alike.

You are to love kindness. You are to be generous.

You are to share your resources and share them with a  
smile.

You are to care for those in need.

You are to walk humbly with God.

No pretense, no bluster.

You are to walk wisely and purposefully.

You are to pray and wonder. You are to respect the  
Earth.

You are to experience and learn who God is and what  
God is about.

Listen up mortal. God has told you what is good. So do it.  
Do justice. Love kindness. Walk humbly with your God.

### Gospel Reading: John 15: 9 - 17 (NRSV)

<sup>9</sup> As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide  
in my love. <sup>10</sup> If you keep my commandments, you will  
abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's  
commandments and abide in his love.

<sup>11</sup> I have said these things to you so that my joy may be  
in you, and that your joy may be complete.

<sup>12</sup> "This is my commandment, that you love one another  
as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup> No one has greater love than this,  
to lay down one's life for one's friends. <sup>14</sup> You are my  
friends if you do what I command you. <sup>15</sup> I do not call you  
servants any longer, because the servant does not know  
what the master is doing; but I have called you friends,  
because I have made known to you everything that I  
have heard from my Father. <sup>16</sup> You did not choose me,  
but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear  
fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you  
whatever you ask him in my name. <sup>17</sup> I am giving you  
these commands so that you may love one another.

## Our Churches Online...

Visit our websites, Hallaton and Tilton:

<https://ourbenefice.webador.co.uk>



[http://www.tiltonchurch.co.uk/St.\\_Peters\\_Church.html](http://www.tiltonchurch.co.uk/St._Peters_Church.html)

## Online Giving – Please help us:

As we try to move forward in the wake of COVID,  
we hope to try and continue to be there for you as much  
as possible, in whatever ways we can. If you would like  
to donate to help keep our ministry going.

## Food Bank Appeal:

Our Churches continue to support local Foodbanks. All  
donations welcome.

**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:  
[thewellkibworth.org](http://thewellkibworth.org) and sent to them.

**Jubilee Foodbank Market Harborough** You can drop off  
donations at Hallaton Church or to Linda Jones at 25,  
Eastgate, Hallaton *at any time*.

## Online services and events

<http://leicestercathedral.org/online-services/>

<https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer>

## Concert in Gaulby Church:

A concert was broadcast as  
part of a Harp Festival in  
Poland. The soloists, Ellie  
Turner and Elizabeth Bass  
performed in Gaulby  
Church last Friday and the  
wonders of the internet  
beamed it across Europe.



Please follow the link to  
hear the broadcast.

Ellie Turner & Elizabeth Bass

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