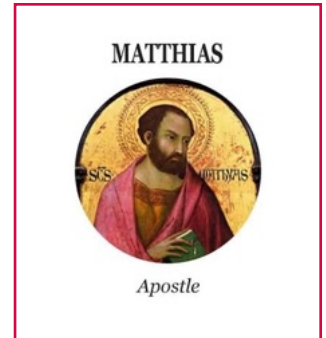




**Benefice of Newport Pagnell  
with  
Lathbury and Moulsoe  
Pews News  
12 May 2024  
The 7th Sunday of Easter**



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**Registered Charity number 1153668**

**Collect for the 7th Sunday of Easter**

Risen, ascended Lord,  
as we rejoice at your triumph,  
fill your Church on earth with power and  
compassion,  
that all who are estranged by sin  
may find forgiveness and know your peace,  
to the glory of God the Father.

**9.30am, Family**

**Communion, St Peter**

**& St Paul** including

Sunday Club

**Readings:** Acts 1.15-17, 21-end, 1 John 5.9-13

**Gospel:** John 17.6-19



**11am, Family Communion, St Luke's**

**Readings:** Acts 1.15-17, 21-end, 1 John 5.9-13

**Gospel:** John 17.6-19

**Hymns:** Red book 263, Brown book 122, Red book 249, Red book 237, Red book 147

**Wednesday**

10am Said Communion, St Peter & St Paul,  
followed by coffee, chat and healing prayer.

**Events and Services coming up:**

**Sunday 19 May 2024 - Pentecost**

10.30am Family Communion, St Peter & St Paul

9.30 Communion, Rogation Service, Moulsoe

6pm Evening Worship, St Luke's

**Wednesday 22 May**

10am Said Communion, St Peter & St Paul,  
followed by coffee, chat and healing prayer.

Everyone is welcome to put an item into Pews News but please email it by 2pm on the Thursday before you want it to appear. The address is:

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## The Church of SS Peter & Paul, Newport Pagnell

### Music List - The 7th Sunday of Easter



#### 9.30am FAMILY COMMUNION (at SSPP – Organist: Nick R)

Gathering	A&MNS 144	Come, let us join our cheerful songs
Gradual	A&MNS 141	The head that once was crowned with thorns
Offertory	A&MNS 262	Alleluia, sing to Jesus
Comm	Organ music	
Sending out	A&MNS 147	Crown him with many crowns
Mass setting	Addington Service - <i>Richard Shephard</i> <i>Agnus Dei – Katherine</i>	

## DON'T FORGET OUR ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING 7.30PM AT SSPP ON MONDAY 13 MAY 2024

### Election of Church Wardens and Parochial Church Council (PCC) Members

At this meeting, we will elect Newport Pagnell's Churchwardens and PCC members for the next year. Nomination forms for both roles are at the back of the churches.

If you would like to be nominated for the PCC please take the relevant form and find 2 members of the congregation who are on the Electoral Roll to support your nomination. Alternatively you may wish to nominate someone else, but please speak to that person first to ensure they are willing to be nominated.

If you would like to be nominated as a Churchwarden please talk to the Rector, and if you would like to know more about either role speak to the Rector or a current PCC member.

Although the deadline for nominations is 12 May please complete the forms asap.

### Weekly ZOOM Prayer meeting:

The Prayer Meeting is conducted by ZOOM to enable more people to join in. These take place every Thursday at 4.00pm.

They last an hour and have a short act of worship (a song or reflection on the Bible reading of the day) with time for silence as well as prayer. Everyone is welcome to join the Prayer Meeting; you can participate in prayer without necessarily having to speak so there is no pressure to say anything.

**Watch for the email with the correct link.**



### Did you know that the Parish has a WhatsApp Group?

It is a very useful way to share information quickly and you don't need to be a techno whizz to use it! If you'd like to be added to the Newport Pagnell Parish WhatsApp group just send Moira your mobile telephone number.

**Moira's number is 07968-585364.**

## ROGATION SERVICES IN THE RURAL PARISHES

Rogation Days are especially devoted to asking for God's blessing on agriculture and industry. They began in the 5th century when St Mamertus of Vienne developed processional liturgies to pray for God's blessing and protection over the land, in the fields themselves. In these liturgies we ask the Lord to bless the fields, the crops, and the hands of farmers who produce our food. Worship on Rogation Days teaches us that we depend upon God's favour over his land.



In brilliant sunshine last Sunday Nick led a Rogation Procession around the fields at Lathbury. The service ended up with bacon butties and cups of tea under the apple trees in a beautiful garden.

Moulsoe will have a Rogation service at 9.30am next Sunday , 19 May, — hopefully the weather will be equally lovely!

### SAVE THE DATE - 19 SEPT



A parish trip is being planned for Thursday 19th Sept to visit Leicester Cathedral and the tomb of King Richard III.

The day will start from Market Hill where we will catch our coach to Leicester. A tour of the Cathedral has been organised for the morning followed by a lunchtime Eucharist. After a break for lunch, there will be a visit to the King Richard III Visitor Centre. Then the day is rounded off with Choral Evensong before the coach home.

Cost for the trip works out at £26pp so contributions of this amount will be appreciated. However, as this is a parish pilgrimage no one should feel they cannot come because of costs, so sign up anyway and have a quiet word with one of the ministry team.

If you want to register your interest now, then let Moira know. Official sign up forms will be made available in July with a cut off at the end of August.

**First Reading:** Acts 1.15-17, 21-end

**15** In those days Peter stood up among the believers (a group numbering about a hundred and twenty) **16** and said, “Brothers and sisters, the Scripture had to be fulfilled in which the Holy Spirit spoke long ago through David concerning Judas, who served as guide for those who arrested Jesus. **17** He was one of our number and shared in our ministry.”

**21** Therefore it is necessary to choose one of the men who have been with us the whole time the Lord Jesus was living among us, **22** beginning from John’s baptism to the time when Jesus was taken up from us. For one of these must become a witness with us of his resurrection.”

**23** So they nominated two men: Joseph called Barsabbas (also known as Justus) and Matthias. **24** Then they prayed, “Lord, you know everyone’s heart. Show us which of these two you have chosen **25** to take over this apostolic ministry, which Judas left to go where he belongs.” **26** Then they cast lots, and the lot fell to Matthias; so he was added to the eleven apostles.

**Second Reading:** 1 John 5.9-13

**9** We accept human testimony, but God’s testimony is greater because it is the testimony of God, which he has given about his Son. **10** Whoever believes in the Son of God accepts this testimony. Whoever does not believe God has made him out to be a liar, because they have not believed the testimony God has given about his Son. **11** And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. **12** Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

**13** I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life.

**Gospel Reading:** John 17.6-19

**6** “I have revealed you to those whom you gave me out of the world. They were yours; you gave them to me and they have obeyed your word. **7** Now they know that everything you have given me comes from you. **8** For I gave them the words you gave me and they accepted them. They knew with certainty that I came from you, and they believed that you sent me. **9** I pray for them. I am not praying for the world, but for those you have given me, for they are yours. **10** All I have is yours, and all you have is mine. And glory has come to me through them. **11** I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name, the name you gave me, so that they may be one as we are one. **12** While I was with them, I protected them and kept them safe by that name you gave me. None has been lost except the one doomed to destruction so that Scripture would be fulfilled.

**13** “I am coming to you now, but I say these things while I am still in the world, so that they may have the full measure of my joy within them. **14** I have given them your word and the world has hated them, for they are not of the world any more than I am of the world. **15** My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one. **16** They are not of the world, even as I am not of it. **17** Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth. **18** As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world. **19** For them I sanctify myself, that they too may be truly sanctified.