



Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2026

### Today's service

**10:45 Morning Worship**  
with Nigel Worth

WELCOME  
TO OUR  
service

### Today's Reading



Hebrews 11:1

## A Thought from Nigel

### The Evidence of the Unseen

"Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." (Hebrews 11:1, KJV)

We will be looking at several translations of this passage to help us gain greater clarity.

Many people live by one simple rule: "I'll believe it when I see it." It sounds reasonable. We trust what we can touch, measure, test, and observe. If we see results, we believe. If we do not see results, we doubt. That mindset shapes our culture. It shapes our decisions. It even shapes how some people approach God.

Yet God gives us a different rule. FAITH!

## Prayer for the week

Heavenly Father,  
your Son battled with the  
powers of darkness,  
and grew closer to you in the  
desert:

help us to use these days to  
grow in wisdom and prayer  
that we may witness to your  
saving love

in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

CELEBRATING THE MUSIC OF MERCA DEANERY

## DEANERY MUSIC DAY



**WORKSHOPS OF FELLOWSHIP & PRAISE**  
JOIN OUR MUSIC MAKING WORKSHOPS  
FOLLOWED BY A SERVICE OF  
THANKSGIVING TO CELEBRATE THE  
WONDERFUL MUSIC IN MERCA DEANERY

**FEBRUARY 28TH  
2026**

**SERVICE AT  
ST WYSTAN'S CHURCH  
REPTON 4PM**

PLEASE COME AND JOIN US FOR OUR CHRISTIAN MUSIC WORKSHOPS  
-JOIN IN WITH ONE OR MORE DURING THE DAY, OR JOIN US FOR THE SERVICE AT 4PM

- 1) BLOW THE DUST OFF YOUR INSTRUMENT AND PLAY A HYMN**  
IMMANUEL CHURCH, STAPENHILL 10AM TILL 11.30AM  
CONTACT DUNCAN ON [DUNCAN\\_JACKSON@TALK21.COM](mailto:DUNCAN_JACKSON@TALK21.COM)
- 2) SING IN A CHURCH CHOIR**  
ST MARK'S CHURCH, WINSHILL 12.30PM TILL 1.30PM  
CONTACT TAM SIN ON [DIRECTOROFMUSIC@STMARKSWINSHILL.CO.UK](mailto:DIRECTOROFMUSIC@STMARKSWINSHILL.CO.UK)
- 3) PLAY IN A MODERN CHURCH WORSHIP BAND**  
ST PETER'S CHURCH, HARTSHORNE 12NOON TILL 2.30PM  
CONTACT JAMES ON 07875 705344
- 4) SING AND PLAY, FAMILY MUSIC MAKING WITH A GOSPEL STYLE**  
ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH, WILLINGTON 1.30PM TILL 3PM  
CONTACT CATHERYN ON 07533844755

**28th  
FEB**



**Bacon  
SANDWICH  
& A BREW**

**MENS BREAKFAST**

**SATURDAY 28 FEBRUARY 2026**  
@ GRESLEY CHURCH  
COMMUNITY CENTRE

**DOORS OPEN 8:30AM**

SO WE'RE ABLE TO CATER ACCURATELY, MESSAGE  
MARTYN CLAMP ON 07486 058071 TO BOOK  
YOUR BACON (SORRY - WE MEAN BOOK YOUR PLACE)




So that we're able to cater accurately, message Martyn Clamp on 07486 058071 to book your place.

## CHURCH CALENDAR



**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February**  
**2-3.30pm Lent Course at Gresley**  
**7.30-9pm** " " " "

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February**  
**10:30 Coffee & Conversation**  
 at Goseley Community Centre

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> February**  
**08:30 Men's Breakfast** at Gresley  
 Church Community Centre

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> February**  
 Deanery Music Day

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March**  
**10:45 All-age Worship**  
 with Rev Patrick Douglas

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March**  
**11:30 Funeral of Ayesha Squire**  
 followed by burial

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March**  
**10:45 Morning Worship**  
 with Sean O'Toole

**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March**  
**Mothering Sunday**  
**10:45 Holy Communion**  
 with Rev Mike Firbank

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March**  
**10:45 Morning Worship**  
 with Nigel Worth

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March**  
**10:00 Palm Sunday**  
 Joint Minster Service at St John's

## Cleaning Rota

Mar 1 <sup>st</sup>	Christine G	Main body, vestry & bell tower, sweeping porch
Mar 8 <sup>th</sup>	Deb & Nige	Whole church
Mar 15 <sup>th</sup>	Jeff	Main body
" "	Brian A	Sweeping porch
" "	Bill	Brasses
Mar 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Brian Redfern	Main body, kitchen & N. Aisle
Mar 29 <sup>th</sup>	Friday HG	Whole church, including brasses

## Reading, Intercessions and Refreshments Rota

	Reading	Intercessions	Tea/coffee
Feb 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Emily	Friday HG	Gwen
Mar 1 <sup>st</sup>	Sandra	Nigel	James
Mar 8 <sup>th</sup>	Paul	Brian	Maxine & Jane
Mar 15 <sup>th</sup>	Jeff	Christine	Carol
Mar 22 <sup>nd</sup>	John	Friday HG	Deb W
Mar 29 <sup>th</sup>	SERVICE AT ST JOHN'S		

## Meet & greet/Tidying Church after the service Rota

	Meet and greet	Tidying after service
Feb 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Carol J – Jeff	Jeff
Mar 1 <sup>st</sup>	Christine G - Sean	Emily
Mar 8 <sup>th</sup>	Christine T	Nathan
Mar 15 <sup>th</sup>	Carol J – Jeff	Jean
Mar 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Christine G - Sean	Emily
Mar 29 <sup>th</sup>	SERVICE AT ST JOHN'S	



## Swadlincote Minster LENT course

Please join us at either a  
 daytime group or an  
 evening group  
 at Gresley Church Community  
 Centre

(Any questions? Rev Mike 07814 033183)  
 2pm-3.30pm or 7.30pm-9pm  
**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February & Tuesdays 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
**10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> March**

In an increasingly anxious world, let's journey  
 together towards this ... "Peace I leave with  
 you; my peace I give you. I do not give to  
 you as the world gives. Do not let your  
 hearts be troubled and do not be afraid."  
 John 14

**GOD GRANT ME THE**  
**SERENITY**  
*To Accept The Things*  
**I CANNOT CHANGE**  
**COURAGE**  
*To Change The*  
**THINGS I CAN AND**  
**WISDOM**  
**To KNOW THE DIFFERENCE**

## Church Electoral Roll and Reports for APCM

If you are new to St  
 Peter's and would like  
 your name on the  
 electoral roll, please  
 complete a form. Ask  
 Christine Gardner for  
 more details.

Could leaders of  
 various groups within  
 the church please send  
 their reports to Christine  
 so that she can include  
 them in the APCM  
 booklet.