

Welcome

At our APCM this week, I shared something that has stayed with me since: a simple but grounding reminder drawn from Scripture and from life itself.

You are enough — because God is with you.

Not “enough” in the sense that everything is easy or under control. And not “enough” because we always feel confident or capable. But enough in the deeper sense that runs through the whole story of faith: God calls ordinary people, and He stays with them.

That’s what makes the difference.

If you’re hitting a wall this week — tired, stretched, unsure, or just carrying more than feels reasonable — I hope you’ll hear that clearly: you are not disqualified by exhaustion or weakness. God’s presence, not your performance, is what holds things together.

If you’d like to hear the fuller reflection from the APCM, you can find the address linked below.

This week's *Weekly Rhythm* continues as usual, helping us stay connected and up to date with what's happening across our churches.

You'll find Sunday services at the top, a simple weekly diary, notices, and links through to the website for more detail where needed.

[Website](#)

Draycote & Leam Valley Benefice **Sunday Services this week** **Week C (3rd Sunday of the month)** **TO KNOW JESUS AND TO MAKE HIM KNOWN**

9am BCP Stream at St Nicholas Frankton
Vibe: Radio 3, High culture, traditional, and contemplative. Expect beautiful formal language, stillness, and a sense of timelessness.

9am Celtic Stream Breakfast at St Peter's Grandborough
Vibe: Radio 6 music, Organic, soulful, and a bit "alternative." Focuses on nature, rhythm, and a raw, poetic connection to faith (ironically doesn't always include music).

11am Morning Worship Stream at All Saints Stretton-on-Dunsmore
Vibe: Radio 2, Accessible, upbeat, and community-focused. Familiar "hits" (hymns/songs), a warm atmosphere, and something for everyone.

11am Communion Stream at St Leonard's Birdingbury
Vibe: Radio 4, Familiar, structured, and thoughtful. A reliable classic that balances tradition with contemporary life.

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This Sunday in the Benefice – 17th May

Where will you join us this week? A warm welcome awaits across our churches:

9.00am

Celtic Breakfast – St Peter's Grandborough

BCP Communion Prayer – St Nicholas, Frankton

11.00am

Holy Communion – St Leonard's, Birdingbury

Morning Worship – All Saints, Stretton-on-Dunsmore

Whether you prefer traditional, Celtic, or informal worship, there's a place for you. We'd love to see you.

More details about our services



Diary 14th May-21st May

Thursday 14h May:

10-12.00 - [Coffee Stop Stretton](#)

7.30pm - [Zoom Bible Study Group](#)

Friday 15th May:

2.00pm - [Bible Book Club](#)

Saturday 16th May:

9.30am - [Morning Prayer at Stretton](#)

Sunday 17th May:

SUNDAY SERVICES (SEE ABOVE)

Tuesday 12th May:

9.00am - [Zoom Morning Prayer](#)

Wednesday 13th May

9.30am - [Morning Prayer at St Leonard's Birdingbury](#)

N.B. This weekly diary is compiled by Rev Phil, who does his best to include everything happening across the benefice. However, with so much going on, it is not always possible to guarantee every event will be included unless details are sent in directly. If you would like an activity or event included, please email details by 9pm on the

Thursday 14h May:

10-12.00 - Christian Aid Coffee Morning at Grandborough (SEE BELOW)

10-12.00 - [Coffee Stop Stretton](#)

7.30pm - [Zoom Bible Study Group](#)

Wednesday evening before that week's e-news is sent out.



Christian Aid Coffee morning

You are warmly invited to join us for a relaxed Coffee Morning at St Peter's Church, Grandborough.

 **Thursday 21st May**

 **10.00 am – 12.00 noon**

 **St Peter's Church, Grandborough**

Come and enjoy tea, coffee, and conversation in good company. This is a simple and welcoming opportunity to meet others from the local community and spend a little time together in a peaceful setting.

All proceeds will be donated to **Christian Aid**, supporting their work with some of the world's most vulnerable communities.

Everyone is welcome.



Benefice APCM

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who joined us for our APCM on Monday at All Saints Church, Leamington Hastings.

It was a real encouragement to gather people from across the benefice for worship, fellowship, and to reflect together on where God may be leading us in the season ahead. Moments like these remind us that we are not working in isolation, but as one body, sharing in the same calling and hope.

For those who were unable to attend—or for anyone who would like to hear it again—the Rector's Address has been recorded and is available to watch [here](#)



Exploring Service Leading

Are you involved in leading services across the benefice — or wondering whether it might be something you'd like to explore?

On **Monday 1st June at 7.30pm (N.B Correction from last weeks time)**, we're holding a Service Leading Gathering **at the Vicarage** for anyone who currently leads, helps lead, or is simply interested in finding out more.

This will be a relaxed and practical evening for both those who are curious about service leading and those with experience who would value sharing ideas, learning from one another, and strengthening what we offer across our churches.


If that sounds helpful or interesting, you'd be very welcome to come along.




Sunday Teaching On Demand

Above, you can watch last Sunday's sermon — whether you're catching up, reflecting again, or exploring faith during the week.

We also have nearly four years of sermons, Bible teaching, reflections, and creative resources available online, helping you stay rooted in God's Word whenever and wherever suits you.

 Watch on [YouTube](#)

 Listen on [Spotify](#)

If you'd prefer, you can also browse our full [sermon and video library](#) on our website.



Small Groups

We have many opportunities to meet together to explore faith — in person, on Zoom, during the day, and in the evening. Click the button below for details of our different groups and how to get involved.

Small Groups



Midweek Worship

We gather regularly for worship during the week, both in person and on Zoom, through Morning Prayer, Communion, and other simple rhythms of worship. Click the button below to explore our midweek services.

Midweek Worship



Community Activities

There are many community activities taking place across our



Children and families

We offer a variety of activities for children and families, from monthly Building Church with

villages — from our weekly Coffee Stop in Stretton to our bi-monthly Sing-a-Long-a-Slice in Willoughby. Click the button below to see what's happening.

Community Activities

Lego, crafts, and Bible fun to St Nicholas Church Children's Choir and our monthly youth group for school years 7 and 8. Click the button below to explore what's on offer.

Children and families

News from Friends of the Benefice



Teams4U Stretton-on-Dunsmore

The Teams4U Stretton-on-Dunsmore Shoebox Appeal is once again collecting donations to help bring joy to children in need.

They welcome donations of toys, stationery, hygiene items, shoeboxes, and practical support such as knitting, sewing, box wrapping, and

storage.

A full list of suggested donations, along with other ways to support, is available to download [here](#).

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