Amelcote Benefice

The Messenger



June-July-August 2025

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Revd Marion writes...

'The sun has got his hat on' - so says the music hall song and that was certainly true in May as we gathered to celebrate VE80 in church. Don't we all feel so much better when the sun is shining, the birds are singing, and the gardens are starting to spurt into glorious colour.

At the service we gave thanks for all those folk who risked their lives, who volunteered to fight so we could be free, but we also prayed for forgiveness and reconciliation. We still see on the TV and read in the papers of the atrocities man can inflict on man and we wonder when such things will end.

Jesus told us to love our neighbour as ourselves - easier said than done! But, even if we can't love each other, we can still show respect for each other and how better to do that than to honour this wonderful world God has given us, to nurture nature so we can all enjoy the beauty all around us. There is a hymn which begins 'God in his love for us gave us this planet' so let us show our love for each other by being good stewards of what we have been given.





LORD'S PRAYER TRAIL

Between Ascension and Pentecost (the time we remember Jesus returning to heaven and the promised Holy Spirit being given to his first disciples) we are encouraged to really think about what it says in the Lords Prayer. the prayer that Jesus himself taught us. So, come to Holy Cross, the church is open all day, and spend some time uninterrupted on your own doing the Lords Prayer Trail. Spend as little or as much time as you like being guided through each section of the prayer and see just how much it can enrich your prayer life.

To find out more about Thy Kingdom Come follow this link

Thy Kingdom Come | The Church of England

FAMILY WORSHIP

Not sure about church? Will I be welcome? Come along to a short informal act of worship and give it a try. You will find a warm welcome (and coffee afterwards!)

10AM. SUNDAY 29TH JUNE



AT HOLY CROSS,
PATTISHALL

Services in the Amelcote Benefice

Please join us at any of the services listed below for June, July and August 2025

We have a weekly news sheet for readings, prayers and information on services and events. Please email Chris Bulleid on amelcote.info@gmail.com if you would like to be added to the mailing list.

Date	Time	Service	Church
June 1st	10am	Holy Communion	Cold Higham
June 8th	10am	Holy Communion	Tiffield
June 15th	10am	Holy Communion	Pattishall
June 22nd	10am	Holy Communion	Gayton
June 29th	10am	Family Worship	Pattishall
July 6th	10am	Holy Communion	Cold Higham
July 13th	10am	Holy Communion	Tiffield
July 20th	10am	Holy Communion	Pattishall
July 27th	10am	Holy Communion	Gayton
Aug 3rd	10am	Holy Communion	Cold Higham
Aug 10th	10am	Holy Communion	Tiffield
Aug 17th	10am	Holy Communion	Pattishall
Aug 24th	10am	Holy Communion	Gayton
Aug 31st	10am	Holy Communion	Pattishall

School Leavers Services in church

18th July 9:30am Pattishall leavers22nd July 9:30 am Tiffield leavers22nd July 11.00 Gayton leavers







Pastoral Matters

If you are in need of someone to talk to, or would like to pray with someone, please contact

Jean Pugh, Pastoral Minister on 01327 830909 or mobile

07711329664

Prayer Breakfasts

A Prayer breakfast is usually held at the Rectory on the first Saturday of each month, from 8.30-9.30am, but we will not be meeting during July and August.

Well Group

Well Group is a Christian ladies group which meets monthly at Astcote Methodist Church to share lunch and fellowship.

Thursday 5th June, 12-2.00 speaker, Claire Jennings, Methodist Hospital Chaplain

There will be no meetings in July and August

All women are welcome to join us.

Please get in touch with Ali on
01327 830770 or albrierley@btinternet.com

Join us for Afternoon Tea

1st June,

6th July, 3rd August

3.00 - 4.30 pm

at Holy Cross, Pattishall



Entertained by organ music

St Mary's Church Gayton NN7 3EY

GAYTON OPEN GARDENS AND ALLOTMENTS

SUNDAY 8TH JUNE 1-5PM



Tickets and map from the church (Family Tickets Available)

Gardens Open

Plant Sales

Teddy Bear Trail

Homemade Teas in the church

Car Parking

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Northamptonshire Historic Churches Trust

Registered Charity No 1021632 For more details see our website: www.nhct.org.uk

Messy Vintage

Messy vintage is Christ centred and creative, full of celebration and hospitality and open to all, aspiring to include people of all ages while specifically reaching out to the young at heart. A typical session involves hands-on creative activities to explore a Bible story, a short celebration with story, song and prayer and refreshments. We are hoping to reach out to the older people in our community by celebrating our services at a convenient time for most people.

Everyone is welcome.

Come and enjoy an informal friendly get together.

Look out for the next Messy Vintage notice.

Jean Pugh



A box for Foodbank donations can be found in Holy Cross church every day and in the porch at Holmeview, 8 Greenway, Eastcote, on Fridays. Please ensure that all food is non-perishable and well within sell-by date.

If you need to receive food from the foodbank or would like to know which items are currently most needed you can find out at www.towcester.foodbank.org.uk



Follow this link for all the latest news and information from the Peterborough Diocese

https:// www.peterboroughdiocese.org.uk/aboutus/ news/

Many thanks to all who contributed to this issue. Please send items for the Sep/Oct/Nov issue to amelcote.messenger@gmail.com by Aug 18th

Margaret Bulleid

Who's Who in the Amelcote Benefice

Rector

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Lay Pastoral Minister

Jean Pugh 07711 329664

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Cold Higham	Pauline Pearson	01327 830287
Gayton	Andy Hartley John Rogers	01604 858360 07973 836387
Pattishall	Alison Brierley	01327 830770
Tiffield	Mike Dean Rachel Holloway	01327 350077 01327 353172

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St Luke, Cold Higham: St Mary, Gayton: Holy Cross, Pattishall: St John the Baptist, Tiffield