



# Services at the Parish Church of St Matthew

## Sundays

10.15am	The Parish Mass (sung)
5.30pm	Evensong — according to The Book of Common Prayer

## First Sunday in the month

10.15am	All Age Mass for the Parish Family
5.30pm	Choral Evensong

*When the choir is on holiday (coinciding with school holidays and half terms)  
Choral Evensong is replaced with Congregational Evensong*

## Second Sunday in the month

10.15am	Laying on of hands and Sacrament of Anointing is offered in the Lady Chapel
5.30pm	Congregational Evensong

## Third Sunday in the month

5.30pm	Choral Evensong and Benediction
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## Fourth and Fifth Sundays in the month

5.30pm	Congregational Evensong
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## Weekdays *(During the winter months of November to March, held in the Parish Centre)*

Morning and Evening Prayer are said publicly at 9.00am and 5.30pm daily

**Monday** 7.00pm Mass (on Bank Holidays at 9.30am)  
(Healing Mass and Devotions on the first Monday in the month)

**Tuesday** Currently suspended

**Wednesday** 9.30am Mass

**Thursday** 9.30am Mass

**Friday** 12 noon Mass

**Saturday** 9.30am Mass

(Mass of Our Lady of Walsingham followed by a Cell Meeting on the second Saturday of the month)

## Major Feast-Days Procession and Sung Mass at 7.30pm

*(Always held in church. The morning Mass may be cancelled — refer to literature in church and on website)*

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**, commonly known as Confession, is celebrated in the Lady Chapel by appointment with the clergy. They are also available for advice and guidance on any matter of concern.

All aspects of the sacrament are in confidence.

# Worship Calendar for July

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<i>Date</i>	<i>Observance</i>	<i>Intention</i>
1	Feria	
2	Of the BVM	
3	ST THOMAS THE APOSTLE	
4	Feria	The ministry of healing
5	Feria	
6	Ss John Fisher and Thomas More	
7	Feria	
8	Feria	
9	Of OLW	The Walsingham Shrine and Society
10	THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY (Proper 10)	
11	S Benedict, Abbot, Patron of Europe	
12	Feria	
13	Monthly Requiem	The Faithful Departed
14	Feria	
15	S Swithun, B	
16	Of the BVM	
17	THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY (Proper 11)	
18	Feria	
19	Feria	
20	Feria	
21	Feria	
22	S Mary Magdalene	
23	S Bridget, Religious, Patron of Europe	
24	THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY (Proper 12)	
25	S James, Apostle	
26	Ss Anne and Joachim, Parents of the BVM	
27	Feria	
28	Feria	
29	St Martha, Mary and Lazarus	
30	Of the BVM	
31	THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY (Proper 13)	

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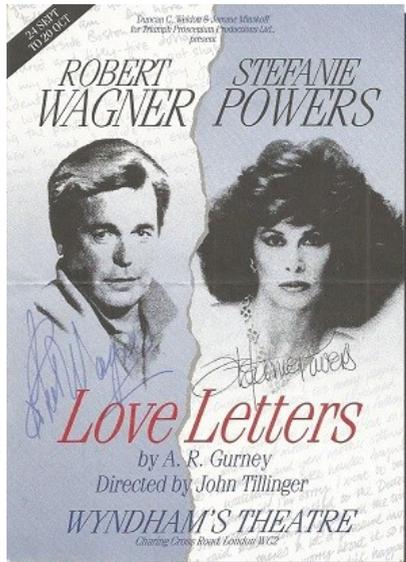
*The Church prays for the community daily.  
Please include these topics in your daily prayers.*

# July's Pastoral Letter from the Vicar

## To have and to hold from this day forward

A couple of years ago, there was a show in the West End by the name *Love Letters*, about two people who carry on a lifetime relationship by writing letters to each other. There were only two actors in the show. In this case it was Robert Wagner and Stefanie Powers. They simply read the love letters to each other.

I have been thinking about marriage as we have a wedding at St Matthew's this month on 16 July, sadly a comparatively rare event these days. And though the art of letter writing has almost disappeared what follows is my attempt at an imaginary letter I might read aloud to a couple on their wedding day. It contains the sort of things I've often wanted to say but wouldn't perhaps be appropriate. Let's call them Jodie and Paula.



Dear Jodie and Paula,

I write this letter to you on your wedding day. I write because in the midst of all that happens today, in the midst of all these good people, your family and friends, who came to be with you nothing is more important than your desire to be here in this time and place, in this community of faith, to proclaim publicly that you promise to be as good as God to each other.

I admire your courage more than I admire your love, because I believe that before there can be true love, there must be true courage. You understand that what you do here is far more important than just a day, a wedding is just a day after all, but this marriage is for a lifetime. You understand that what you do here is far more important than just for personal convenience. You understand that what you do here is far more important than for the conventions of society. You understand that the noble purpose of marriage has no room for passing fancies, nursed wounds, power plays, or bruised egos. You want us to hear what you say to each other: "No matter what comes, I will love you, I will cherish you. I will honour you no matter what comes, so help me God."

That is bravery. You are brave hearts and I do not think that kind of courage comes easily, nor does it come to everyone. You two are fortunate.

Do you understand? This is pure grace, Amazing Grace. I think you do understand. I know your story. You knew you had to somehow fashion your love in the image of God. The faith given to you as children by your parents had to grow into adulthood, if you are to live out what you promise here today.

On this day, everybody else gives you gifts. Instead, I have a request to make of you. For as much as the promises you make today are to each other, please understand that you are making these promises to us, too.

You are the salt of the earth. We need to see your love withstand the strong, cold winds of division. We need to see your faithfulness prevail against the odds. We need to see in your words and actions how human beings can be as good as God to each other.

You give us hope that with Christ's help we can live at peace with one another. Your relationship can encourage us in all our trials. Will you always keep us in mind, not just your family and friends, but the whole Church, the people you work with, the people you pass in the street? We need you to show us the courage of loving as Christ did. To give meaning to the long history of the human race, we need you. As your Riverdance meets the ocean, we expect to see a great sea changed.

Finally, Jodie and Paula, I want you to know you are in my humble prayers as the priest who witnesses your vows along and with all here present. I love you, too. And I pray that God will always hold the two of you 'in the palm of his hand.' This is a safe place to grow old together in love.

Your friend in love,

N Setterfield

PS *Don't walk ahead of me, I may not follow.  
Don't walk behind me, I may not lead.  
But walk beside me and be my friend.*

Your sincere friend and parish priest,

*Fr. Nicholas*

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St Matthew's Church

# SUMMER FETE



Saturday 2 July

1.00pm till 4.00pm

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- ⚙ Raffle (£100 cash first prize) ⚙
- ⚙ Fire engine and crew ⚙ NSB band ⚙
- ⚙ Bouncy castles ⚙ Face painting ⚙
- ⚙ Vintage tea room for refreshments ⚙
- ⚙ Model railway displays ⚙ Candy floss ⚙
- ⚙ Gallones ice cream van ⚙ Classic cars ⚙
- ⚙ Marked police car and motorbike ⚙
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# SUMMER FETE



**Saturday 2 July**  
**1.00pm till 4.00pm**



**Timed events:**

- |                              |                                |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| ⚙ 1.00pm                     | Fete opens with Bell Ringing   |
| ⚙ 1.00pm                     | Model Railway Displays open    |
| ⚙ 1.00pm till 2.30pm         | Police Car and Motorbike       |
| ⚙ 1.00pm till 4.00pm         | Kiddies Noah's Trail in Church |
| ⚙ 1.30pm                     | Fun Squeezebox Music           |
| ⚙ 2.00pm till 4.00pm         | Fire Engine and Crew           |
| ⚙ 2.30pm                     | NSB Band                       |
| ⚙ 3.30pm                     | Raffle drawn                   |
| ⚙ <b>And to end the day:</b> | <b>A Tug-o-War!</b>            |

*Please note there will be an official photographer (wearing a badge) taking photos of the Fete for an article on our website and in our parish magazine — if you do not wish to be photographed please tell the photographer! Thank you.*



# God's Church for God's World

The Lambeth Conference 2022



After a two-year postponement I'm looking forward to this summer's Lambeth Conference when hundreds of Anglican bishops from around the world will gather at Canterbury for prayer, bible study, conversation, fellowship and sharing (26 July – 7 August). We are hoping to welcome our three link bishops from Korea. During the event, we will discuss various topics, including mission and evangelism, peace and reconciliation, the environment and sustainable development, discipleship and inter faith relations.

In preparation, over the past year I have been part of two online groups, meeting monthly with bishops from Australia, Bangladesh, Brazil, Canada, Chad, the Congo, Egypt, India, Ireland, Mauritius, Melanesia, New Zealand, Pakistan, Scotland, South Africa, Sudan, Tanzania and the West Indies. It's been wonderful to begin some very rich new friendships and reconnect with old friends.

The overall theme is 'God's Church for God's world' and the three major strands, which match the Archbishop of Canterbury's priorities are; reconciliation (walking together), evangelism (witnessing together) and prayer (listening together).

In our bible studies we will be reflecting on the First Letter of Peter. I'm very happy to recommend the excellent conference study guide co-written by scholars from around the world (1 Peter Commentary edited by Jenn Strawbridge).

Archbishop Justin has called us to pray: "The Conference theme of 'God's Church for God's World', reminds us that we are called upon as Christians to pray for the needs of the world. There are many calls upon our prayers at this time: World peace, the global climate crisis, the effects of the pandemic – to name but a few. I invite you to call all those in your care to pray for the Lambeth Conference. Please pray that as we meet and consider our shared mission and ministry, that we may hear the call from God. In turn, that we might add our voices to call others to make a difference for Christ in the world."

There is a really helpful prayer guide for those wanting to support the conference, easily downloadable from the Conference website.

*Pour down upon us, O God, the gifts of your Holy Spirit, that those who prepare for the Lambeth Conference may be filled with wisdom and understanding.*

*May they know at work within them that creative energy and vision which belong to our humanity, made in your image and redeemed by your love, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen*

A stylized signature in black ink, consisting of a large, sweeping 'J' followed by a smaller 'B' and 'O'.

+John Bishop Of Brixworth

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# Christian Aid Week 2022

Girlie Franklin



A huge thank you to everyone who supported this year's Christian Aid Week. Due to the Covid restrictions we have been unable to hold any events for the last two years. This year however we were able to have one event, namely the Big Breakfast. A total of 26 people attended with many others giving donations.

A total of £624.90 was raised and with gift aid another £65.000 will be added, bringing it to £689.90 in total. A little lower than the previous year's but still more than a lot of churches in our area.

A massive thank you to the hardworking team who shopped, prepared, cooked, set up tables, sold raffle tickets and cleared up afterwards. Also to those who donated raffle prizes.

The money raised this year will help to support the DEC Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal. Through the DEC emergency Christian Aid Appeal CA has already donated £1 Million for first aid kits, pharmaceutical equipment and supplies for Ukraine.

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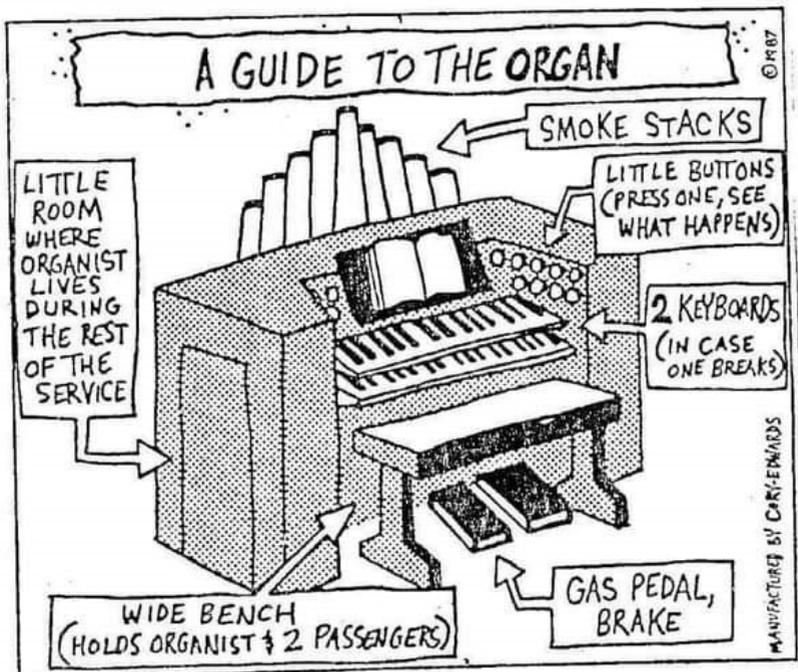
'We do not know... how can we know the way?'  
Courageous master of the awkward question,  
You spoke the words the others dared not say  
And cut through their evasion and abstraction.  
O doubting Thomas, father of my faith,  
You put your finger on the nub of things:  
We cannot love some disembodied wrath,  
But flesh and blood must be our king of kings.  
Your teaching is to touch, embrace, anoint,  
Feel after him and find him in the flesh.  
Because he loved your awkward counterpoint,  
The Word has heard and granted you your wish.  
O place my hands with yours, help me divine  
The wounded God whose wounds are healing mine.

*by Malcolm Guite*



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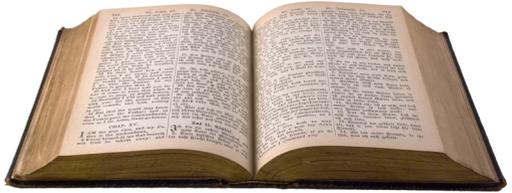
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# Weekday Scripture Readings for July

Our weekday scripture readings, one from the Old Testament and one from the New Testament, taken from the 'Additional Lectionary' which was constructed by the Church of England principally for use in Cathedrals at weekday Evensong.



Friday	1 <sup>st</sup>	1 Samuel 16.14-end	John 14.15-end
Saturday	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Isaiah 6.1-9	Revelation 19.9-end
Monday	4 <sup>th</sup>	Exodus 13.13b-end	Luke 15.1-10
Tuesday	5 <sup>th</sup>	Proverbs 1.20-end	James 5.13-end
Wednesday	6 <sup>th</sup>	Isaiah 5.8-24	James 1.17-25
Thursday	7 <sup>th</sup>	Isaiah 57.14-end	John 13.1-17
Friday	8 <sup>th</sup>	Jeremiah 15.15-end	Luke 16.19-31
Saturday	9 <sup>th</sup>	Isaiah 25.1-9	Acts 2.22-33
Monday	11 <sup>th</sup>	Exodus 20.1-17	Matthew 6.1-15
Tuesday	12 <sup>th</sup>	Proverbs 6.6-19	Luke 4.1-14
Wednesday	13 <sup>th</sup>	Isaiah 24.1-15	1 Corinthians 6.1-11
Thursday	14 <sup>th</sup>	Job 7	Matthew 7.21-29
Friday	15 <sup>th</sup>	Jeremiah 20.7-end	Matthew 27.27-44
Saturday	16 <sup>th</sup>	Job 28	Hebrews 11.32–12.2
Monday	18 <sup>th</sup>	Exodus 32.1-14	Colossians 3.1-11
Tuesday	19 <sup>th</sup>	Proverbs 9.1-12	2 Thessalonians 2.13–3.5
Wednesday	20 <sup>th</sup>	Isaiah 26.1-9	Romans 8.12-27
Thursday	21 <sup>st</sup>	Jeremiah 8.18–9.6	John 13.21-35
Friday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Zephaniah 3.14-end	Mark 15.40–16.7
Saturday	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Hosea 11.1-11	Matthew 28.1-7
Monday	25 <sup>th</sup>	Jeremiah 26.1-15	Mark 1.14-20
Tuesday	26 <sup>th</sup>	Proverbs 11.1-12	Mark 12.38-44
Wednesday	27 <sup>th</sup>	Isaiah 33.2-10	Philippians 1.1-11
Thursday	28 <sup>th</sup>	Job 38	Luke 18.1-14
Friday	29 <sup>th</sup>	Job 42.1-6	John 3.1-15
Saturday	30 <sup>th</sup>	Ecclesiastes 9.1-11	Hebrews 1.1-9

# St Matthews Ladies Group

*Sandra Rivett*

On 23 May St Matthew's Ladies Group celebrated The Queen's Platinum Jubilee with an afternoon of food and entertainment.

29 Members enjoyed music from Graham Harding and the Ukulele Players (13 in total) whilst tucking into afternoon tea boxes filled with delicious homemade treats from Cream Teas by Hayley Louise (07947 875712).

There was singing and flag waving followed by cups of tea and lots of lively chatter. It really was a smashing afternoon!

The Group meets on the second and fourth Monday of each month at 2.00 pm in the Parish Centre, The Drive, Northampton.

The Autumn/Winter Programme of events starts on 12 September. New Members are always welcome.





## 32<sup>nd</sup> St Matthew's Multi-Aged Unit

Mandy Ludlow

It is now just 12 months since we returned to face-to-face meeting; what a lot of changes we have gone through in that time – risk assessments, doors in doors out, everyone having their own equipment, tissues and sanitiser, wearing masks, cleaning chairs and tables, light switches and the rest – but we rose to the occasion, and gradually we have been able to relax things, although we still all sanitise on arrival and leaving. It would seem cases of an Omicron variant are on the increase – in true Guide fashion we continue to 'Be Prepared'!

Our Bra Banks started to overflow so it seemed the opportune time to get these sent off. When we collected them all together we had 10 sacksful; these will now be sent off to *Against Breast Cancer*, so now is the time... it's time to bin your bra!

Our bra recycling scheme takes your unwanted or unloved bras and through a network of bra banks raises vital funds for pioneering breast cancer research. This research is seeking a vaccine against breast cancer.

The same bras also help to support small businesses in developing countries in Africa and around the world. Together with recycling partners, textile recovery projects prevent these bras going into landfill before giving them a new lease of life in countries such as Togo, Ghana and Kenya, where bras remain too expensive to produce locally.

Successful ventures like this provide an income for families in developing countries whilst providing employment for people living in the UK. Any bras that are genuinely beyond redemption are dismantled and disposed of properly.

For every tonne of bras collected, *Against Breast Cancer* receives £700 to fund research. From what we are sending off we will help raise approximately £150. Remember breast cancer affects men as well as women.

Please start filling our two Bra Banks back up – just to remind you, these are situated in the storeroom at the Parish Centre.

All the girls celebrated the Platinum Jubilee, playing Pin the Diamond on the Crown, Royal Bingo, and enjoyed a picnic tea (albeit indoors – a British summer!). Then the girls all made red, white and blue ice cream sundaes before photos were taken in the photo booth.



Café Guides is slowly getting back to their vintage tearoom look, and for the first time since February 2020 set up in the Parish Centre with bunting, proper china and tablecloths. We still pre-package our cake, but it did seem a little more normal.



*CAFÉ  
GUIDES  
VINTAGE  
TEA ROOMS*



*SERVING TEA, COFFEE, HOT  
CHOCOLATE AND HOME  
MADE CAKES*

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SUNDAY 3 JULY FOLLOWING  
THE 10.15am SERVICE, IN THE  
PARISH CENTRE*



# Café Guides Recipe for July

## Salmon Fishcakes

These delicious little fishcakes will be swimming off your plate in no time! Serve with new potatoes and salad for a light lunch.

*Preparation time: 25 minutes | Cooking time: 3 minutes*

Makes 6 small fishcakes

### *Ingredients:*

- 1 x 213gm (7oz) tin pink salmon
- 2 medium spring onions
- 2 tsp lemon juice
- ½ tbsp mayonnaise
- ½ tbsp tomato ketchup
- 40g (1½oz) fresh breadcrumbs
- 2 tbsp plain flour
- 1 egg (medium)
- 50g (2oz) dried breadcrumbs
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- 2 tbsp sunflower oil



### *For the Dip:*

- 2 tbsp mayonnaise
- 1 tsp lemon juice
- 1 tsp sweet chilli sauce

- 1) Drain the liquid from the salmon and then put the salmon in a bowl. Remove the skin and bones and mash lightly. Chop and add the spring onions. Add lemon juice and mayonnaise, ketchup and seasoning to taste, mix it up all together.
- 2) Add the fresh breadcrumbs, then mix again. Divide the mixture into 6 and form into balls, pressing firmly together. Then gently flatten into round patties.
- 3) Put the flour onto a plate. Beat the egg in a shallow dish and put the dried breadcrumbs onto another plate. Take each fishcake, dust it with flour, then dip it in the egg and coat with the breadcrumbs.
- 4) Heat the oil in a non-stick frying pan and fry the fishcakes over a medium-high heat for 1½ minutes on each side, until they turn golden. Blot on kitchen paper, leave to cool very slightly.

Whilst the fishcakes cool, mix the dip ingredients together in a small bowl and serve with the fishcakes.



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## Epilogue: Sanctus

We gather as his Church on God's good earth  
And listen to the Requiem's intense,  
Long, love-laden keening, calling forth  
Echoes of Eden, blessing every sense  
With brimming blisses, every death with birth,  
Until all passion passes into praise.  
I bless the hidden threads that drew us here,  
I bless this day, distinct amidst our days,  
I bless the light, the music-laden air,  
I bless the interweaving of our ways,  
The lifting of the burdens that we bear,  
I bless the broken body that we share.  
Sanctus the heart, Sanctus the spirit cries,  
Sanctus the flesh in every touch replies.

*Malcolm Guite, from Sounding the Seasons*

## Next month's magazine

Contributions to our magazine are always appreciated so let us know what you / your group are up to! If you don't have the confidence to write something yourself, just let us have the details and we'll write it for you.

Please leave paper contributions in the 'P' (for 'Parker') pigeon hole in church or email files to: [magazine@stmatthews-northampton.org.uk](mailto:magazine@stmatthews-northampton.org.uk)

**When attaching photographs to the email address please send no more than 7mb -worth per email, otherwise it jams the system! Thank you.**

**Deadline for the AUGUST magazine is SUNDAY 17 JULY**

*Editor:* Dorrie Parker

*Layout and production:* Gary Drinkwater

# Sr. Regina

We live a supernatural life, open to the grace God gives us each moment to love each other and bear with others' faults and weaknesses with patience and charity. Now, put that into your own words.



OK...Community living is a means to sanctification, so if I keep driving my Sisters crazy with my faults, they'll become Saints faster!

Hmmm...let's start over...



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Saturday: 3.00pm – 12.00am  
Sunday: 3.00pm – 11.00pm

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Number **93**, held by **Heather Korbey**



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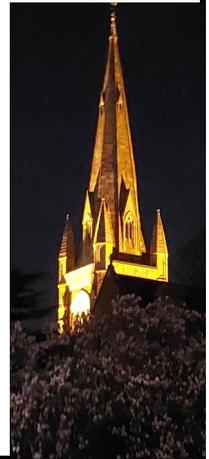
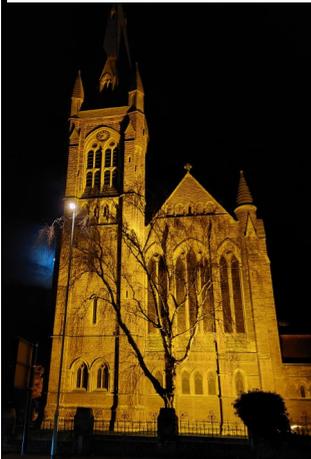
*Jonathan Starmer*

# Floodlighting of the Church

If you want to celebrate an anniversary or remember a loved one, St Matthew's can offer you the option of having the church floodlit at night.

For **£25 per night** the building will be floodlit from dusk.

*Please contact the Parish Office for further details.*



## Baptisms and Weddings

**Initial Enquiries Evenings** for Baptisms and Weddings take place at the Parish Centre on the first Wednesday of the month from 7.30pm to 8.30pm.

Our team is there to help you and give you all the information you need.



# Centenary Celebrations

WEDNESDAY 6TH JULY 2022

SOLEMN MASS OF THANKSGIVING - LIVE-STREAM

**PRINCIPAL CELEBRANT:**  
THE RIGHT REVEREND PHILIP NORTH, MASTER OF THE GUARDIANS

**PREACHER:**  
THE RIGHT REVEREND JONATHAN BAKER THE BISHOP OF FULHAM  
GUARDIAN OF THE HOLY HOUSE



On 6th July 1922, Fr Patten set up the image of Our Lady of Walsingham in the Guild Chapel of the Parish Church. From that day pilgrimage to Walsingham was restored!

Although not everyone can be invited to the Centenary Celebrations, due to lack of space, there will be live-streaming of the Solemn Mass of Thanksgiving on Wednesday 6th July at 12.00pm.

Available on Facebook, YouTube and on our website.

Please join them.

<https://www.walsinghamanglican.org.uk/whatson-2/livestream/>

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 which to put them*



**Thank you!**

### June's Wordsearch Answers

Did you find the words hidden  
in the grid?

They were all holy objects:

CHALICE      CENSOR

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PATEN        PYX

RELIQUARY   ROSARY

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### SOLUTION TO SUDOKO ON PAGE 9

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St Matthew's Parish Centre  
27 The Drive, Kingsley, Northampton NN1 4RY

Thursdays in term time  
from 9.45am to 11.30am

- \* Baby only area with sensory toys
- \* Toys for Pre-School children to play in a safe environment, including craft and free play
- \* For Parents/Grandparents/Carers to have a chat and meet new friends



**Adult £1 \* Child 50p**

Hot drinks included

Booking is required to avoid disappointment

Contact the Parish Office on 01604 791251  
or email [minis@stmatthews-northampton.org.uk](mailto:minis@stmatthews-northampton.org.uk)

[www.stmatthews-northampton.org.uk](http://www.stmatthews-northampton.org.uk)



# Parish Giving Scheme

The Parish Giving Scheme exists to allow members of the St Matthew's community to support the life and work of the Parish, and the upkeep of our church, through regular giving. It provides our principal source of income and helps us meet our main financial commitments, including our contribution towards the Diocesan Common Fund (the 'Parish Share') and the costs of our employees.



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The Scheme is the most tax efficient way of contributing to the church because contributions may be eligible for Gift Aid (raising your donation by 25% at no cost to either you or St Matthew's).

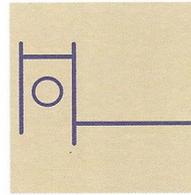
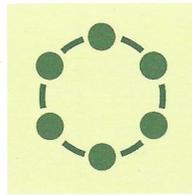
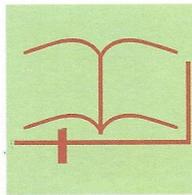
There are two methods of payment available: by a banker's direct debit or by weekly-numbered envelopes via the collection plate. The amount that you give is entirely confidential and is known only to the lay people who administer the Scheme.

If you are interested in learning more or in joining the Scheme, please speak to our Stewardship Recorder Polly Matthews. She can be contacted via the Parish Office or as below.

Polly Matthews

<[office@stmathews-northampton.org.uk](mailto:office@stmathews-northampton.org.uk)>

Tel. 01604 846074



PARISHGIVINGSCHEME

## Parish Office

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Telephone: 01604 791251 Email: [office@stmatthews-northampton.org.uk](mailto:office@stmatthews-northampton.org.uk)

Parish Administrator: Anita Speake Office opening hours: Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays 9.30am till 12.30pm, 1.00pm till 4.00pm; Wednesdays CLOSED

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## Ministry Team

Parish Priest The Revd Canon Nicholas Setterfield  
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Honorary Assistant Priest The Revd Canon Peter Garlick

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## Parish Officers

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## Particular Responsibility

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Electoral Roll Officer Seymour Franklin  
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Parish Organist Jonathan Starmer

Friends of St Matthew's Music Keith Hirst  
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