

9th March 2025
First Sunday of Lent

Today's Worship

9:15am Time for God, Loddington
10:00am Family Communion, Rushton
10:00am Tea & Toast, Thorpe Malsor
10:45am Holy Communion with Trinity Discoverers, Rothwell

Hymns at Rushton 15, 145, 293, 103
Hymns at Rothwell 19, 173, 416, 125

Week Commencing 10th March

Monday	10:00am	Trinity Threaders, Holy Trinity
	2:00pm	Marigolds group, Holy Trinity
Tuesday	9:30am	Warm Space, Holy Trinity
	12noon	Lent Course, Methodist church
	7:00pm	Choir practice, Holy Trinity
Wednesday	7:00pm	Lent course, Holy Trinity
	7:30pm	Bell Ringers practice, Holy Trinity
Thursday	10:00am	Holy Communion, Holy Trinity
	1:45pm	Sunbeams Group, Holy Trinity
Saturday	9:30am	Café St Leonard, Loddington Village Hall

Next Sunday **Second Sunday of Lent**

9.15am Parish Communion, Rushton
10:45am All Together service, Rothwell
11:00am Parish Communion, Loddington

Collect

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.

Reading: Deuteronomy 26.1-11

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, 'Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us. 'When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: 'A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me.' You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

Gospel: Luke 4.1-13

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread.' Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone." 'Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, 'To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.' Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him." Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, "He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you", and "On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a

stone.” ‘Jesus answered him, ‘It is said, “Do not put the Lord your God to the test.” ‘When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

Notices

Church Magazine – All articles for **April’s** issue to Janet Ray by **18th March** at magazineholyltrinity@gmail.com

12th March – Church cleaning at Holy Trinity between **9:30am & 12noon.**

15th March

- Rushton Roxy Cinema showing the comedy “Jules” in the Village Hall. Mike, the driver of the Rushton minibus is willing to pick up people from Rothwell, from the bottom of Slade Valley or from the Market Place (outside the Market House) for £2 .50 pp. We need at least 5 people to make the journey viable. If you wish to join us, please let Ann Chessum or Janet Clements know before Wednesday **12th March.**
- Rothwell’s “BIG” Spring clean. Please give a little of your time to support this great litter pick if you can. Meet outside the Red Lion @ **10:00am.**

16th March – Litter pick following All Together service, Rothwell

22nd March – As part of our eco church activities, we would like to encourage Parishioners to celebrate “Earth Hour” from **8.30 -9.30 pm.** Traditionally this has been about switching your lights off for an hour in support of our planet and raising awareness of environmental issues. However, this can be done by doing something you enjoy whilst having a positive impact on our planet. Please google “Earth Hour 2025” for ideas. A sign-up sheet will be available at the back of church to indicate your participation and when it is complete.

Thanks All! Zoe

25th March – Mothers Union Lady Day Holy Communion Deanery service at Holy Trinity @ 2:30pm. Open to all. Tea and light refreshments available.

26th March – Church cleaning at Holy Trinity between **9:30am – 12noon.**

27th & 30th March – Fairtrade stall at Holy Trinity.

2nd April – Church cleaning at Holy Trinity between 9:30am and 12noon.

5th April – Kettering Symphony Orchestra concert at Holy Trinity @ 7:30pm. Tchaikovsky **Swan Lake**, Wagner **Die Meistersingers**, Mozart **Flute Concerto.**
Tickets: £13/£9 (Children under 12 free.) Programme included. Kettsymphorch.co.uk or on the door (subject to availability.)

12th April – Rowell Camerata “Brass and Voices” concert at Holy Trinity @ 7:00pm. Tickets £15 to include glass of wine or soft drink. Tickets available from Rothwell Arts & Heritage Centre or www.rowellcamerata.com

Readings for the Week

Monday:	Leviticus 19.1-2, 11-18, Psalm 19.7-end, Matthew 25.31-end
Tuesday:	Isaiah 55.10-11, Psalm 34.4-6, 21-22, Matthew 6.7-15
Wednesday:	Jonah 3, Psalm 51.1-5, 17-18, Luke 11.29-32
Thursday:	Isaiah 55.6-9, Psalm 138, Matthew 7.7-12
Friday:	Ezekiel 18.21-28, Psalm 130, Matthew 5.20-26
Saturday:	Deuteronomy 26.16-end, Psalm 119.1-8, Matthew 5.43-end

Please Pray for

The families of Rod Fuller and John Essam.

Sophie Duchess of Edinburgh following her appointment as the new Royal Patron of the Mothers Union.

A peaceful and fruitful Lent.

World leaders who are facing difficult and challenging times.

Departed

Rod Fuller, John Essam

Intercession List

Hilary Robinson, Anne Sloan, Linda Simmons, Tricia

Please let Dawn Cooper know of names to be added to our Intercession list to be included in our Prayers for one month unless notified otherwise. Tel 07955 119099 (Tuesday to Thursday between 9:00am – 5:00pm) or E Mail: treshambeneficeassistant@yahoo.co.uk