

## SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE – MAY 2025

### Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> May

9.30am Holy Communion Woodend

### Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May - Fourth Sunday of Easter

9.00am Holy Communion Farthingstone  
10.30am Family Service Litchborough  
10.30am Music & Meditation Blakesley  
6.00pm Evensong Maidford  
6.00pm Compline Adstone

### Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> May – Fifth Sunday of Easter

9.00am Holy Communion Maidford  
10.30am Pet Service Litchborough  
10.30am Family Service Blakesley  
6.00pm Compline Adstone

### Sunday 25<sup>h</sup> May – Sixth Sunday of Easter

9.00am Holy Communion Adstone  
9.30am Matins Maidford  
10.30am Celtic Morning Worship Litchborough  
10.30am Holy Communion Blakesley  
6.00pm Compline Farthingstone

## NOTICES & DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**PLEASE NOTE:** *The Church Electoral Rolls are due for renewal this year and anyone who would like to be included will need to complete a new form. Please look out for forms in your parishes or contact Revd Sue for more details.*

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## THE LAMB FOLD LETTER

The Weekly Benefice Newsletter for the Churches of  
St Martin's, Litchborough; All Saints, Adstone;  
St Peter & St Paul, Maidford; St Mary's, Blakesley cum Woodend;  
and St Mary the Virgin, Farthingstone

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## Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2025 *Third Sunday of Easter*

### Services in the Benefice today:

|         |                |           |
|---------|----------------|-----------|
| 9.30am  | Matins         | Maidford  |
| 10.30am | Holy Communion | Blakesley |
| 6.00pm  | Compline       | Adstone   |

We have been asked to remember the following  
in our prayers:

David Aked-Walker, Katie Hakin, Carole Harrington, Diane Jones,  
Philip Le Roux, Sylvia Reynolds, James Wagstaffe  
and Chris Wright.

## Collect and Readings for Third Sunday of Easter

### Collect

Almighty Father,  
who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples  
with the sight of the risen Lord:  
give us such knowledge of his presence with us,  
that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life  
and serve you continually in righteousness and truth;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

### Acts 9:1-6

<sup>1</sup> Meanwhile Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest <sup>2</sup> and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. <sup>3</sup> Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. <sup>4</sup> He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, 'Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?' <sup>5</sup> He asked, 'Who are you, Lord?' The reply came, 'I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. <sup>6</sup> But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do.'

### John 21:1-9

<sup>1</sup> After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. <sup>2</sup> Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. <sup>3</sup> Simon Peter said to them, 'I am

going fishing.' They said to him, 'We will go with you.' They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

<sup>4</sup> Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was

Jesus. <sup>5</sup> Jesus said to them, 'Children, you have no fish, have you?' They answered him, 'No.'

<sup>6</sup> He said to them, 'Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some.' So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. <sup>7</sup> That

disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord!' When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some

clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the lake. <sup>8</sup> But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

<sup>9</sup> When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread.



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### Leading Your Church into Growth

God of Mission,  
who alone brings growth to your Church,  
send your Holy Spirit to give vision to our planning, wisdom to  
our actions, joy to our worship and power to our witness.  
Help our church to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to  
you, and in service to our local community,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.