



PARISH OF NESTON

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SUNDAY 26th JULY 2026 EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Readings: Genesis 29.15-28 (P.26) Romans 8.26-end (P.154)
Matthew 13.31-33, 44-52 (P.14)

St Mary & St Helen 8.00am Holy Communion
10.45am Sung Eucharist
St Michael's 9.30am Sunday Praise
St Thomas' 9.30am Sunday Praise

YouTube Live Stream 10.45am Sung Eucharist. Search Parish of Neston

Collect for Eighth Sunday after Trinity: Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

We pray for Peace and an end to wars causing death and destruction in our increasingly troubled World

CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Mo - Thur 9am Morning Prayer in the Parish Church

Mo 27 Ps 82 or Deut 32.18-21; Mt 13.31-35

Tu 28 Ps 79.8-end; Mt 13.36-43

We 29 Ps 59.1-4, 18-end; Mt 13.44-46

10am Holy Communion in the Falklands Chapel followed by Coffee

Th 30 Ps 146.1-5; Mt 13.47-53

9.30am Last Bible Study in Paisley Grey. All welcome

2pm Holy Communion in St Michael's

Fr 31 Ps 69.4-10; Mt 13.54-end

5pm Parish Prayers on Zoom:

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/89035035754?pwd=Ds1dYJAOWcHXjCtPWsqyauQxxjFEK9.1> Meeting ID: 890 3503 5754 Passcode: Neston2

Sa 1st AUGUST Ps 69.14-20; Mt 14.1-12

SUNDAY 2nd AUGUST 2026 NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Readings: Genesis 32.22-31 (P.31) Romans 9.1-5 (P.154)
Matthew 14.13-21 (P.15)

St Mary & St Helen 10.45am **Sung Eucharist with Bishop Julie of Birkenhead** and Prayers for Healing

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PLEASE PRAY FOR HEALING

PARISH David Johnson
HOSPITAL Arrowe Park: Colin Mealor, Ruth Snowdon and Norman Sutton



We remember those who have died: We give thanks for the lives of those who have died recently: Revd Simon Chesters, June Pemberton Cross and David Roberts. We pray for their families and friends at this sad time. We remember anniversaries that fall at this time.

HOME COMMUNIONS: Anyone wishing to receive Holy Communion at home because of illness or infirmity, please contact Kevin on 353 1000.

UNITED SERVICE with BISHOP JULIE of BIRKENHEAD
at 10.45am on SUNDAY 2nd AUGUST
in the PARISH CHURCH

There will be no other services in the Parish on this Sunday

UPDATE ON OUR HEALING FELLOWSHIP

The first Healing Fellowship Service of Communion with prayers for Healing and Wholeness took place on Tuesday, 7th July 2026. Praying for the sick is an important ministry of everyone in the Church; members of the Healing Fellowship also commit themselves to pray personally every day for two people from the list of those who have asked for our prayers. Communion Services with prayers for healing and wholeness are now taking place at 2pm in St Michaels on the first Tuesday of each month, and in St Mary & St Helen at the 10.45am Sunday Eucharist on the first Sunday of the month. All services and any special Speaker events are open to everyone, and will be advertised in P&A, and on the website.



After the first Tuesday Service, a pleasant time of fellowship was shared, and the following noted for future reference.

Regarding safeguarding, as this is a PCC approved activity, lay members who will be administering the prayers for others by praying with them will be offered appropriate training as necessary. The Healing Fellowship form of praying with, and for others, will be offered only within a Communion service, and will not take place in a person's home.

Names of the members who volunteer to pray with and for others will be given to the PCC. At present there are 12 members who are willing to pray for others in this way.

Regarding confidentiality, and the lists of people for whom prayer is requested: permission is needed from a person whose name is published for prayer in P&A. This is a public document, and names are read out in streamed services. The Church prays for all those requests for prayer from members of the general public and our congregation which are written on our prayer boards. These names are placed in a basket on the altar and prayer offered at each Eucharist. Another list for healing prayer contains names which are given to the clergy, or other individuals, but whose names are not in the public domain.

These prayer requests are referred to as the Prayer Chain. Confidentiality is maintained by only using Christian names in the Tuesday services. These names are never read out at public services. Christine will collate names each month from P&A and the Prayer Chain, and send all members two names each to pray for each day. Names on the lists will be updated monthly for P&A and the Prayer Board. The next Healing Fellowship Communion with prayers for healing takes place on August 4th, 2pm at St Michaels. All are welcome. *Lynne Vaughan*

MESSAGE FROM THE BISHOP OF CHESTER

Dear friends, I am devastated to have to let you know we were informed yesterday of the death of our friend and brother, Simon Chesters. Simon has been part of the life of this diocese for 30 years, and I personally have counted him as friend throughout that time: he was and is an important part of my own vocational journey. We stand together with his family in grief and shock. Please do hold the family, the team, and all who mourn in your prayers as I do in mine. I will be in contact as and when there is more to say, for now I simply wanted to let you know and ask for your prayers.

With my thoughts, love and prayers for us all as we receive this shocking news. Please do reach out if you would value support. +Mark

SUMMER COFFEE, CAKES and CLASSICS

Fridays 7th and 21st August at 10am in the Parish Church

Come and join us for these wonderful summer events. After the coffee/tea and cakes, Daniel Wakefield, our Parish Organist, will be performing an Organ Recital from 10.45 to 11.15am. A wide range of music from well-known classics to stage and screen music – something for everyone. We would appreciate offers of cakes and help on these mornings. Please contact *Diane* on 07368 302450



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Explore your Calling in a 10 week course. Monday evenings in Macclesfield or Wednesday evenings in Ellesmere Port. Launch event on Saturday 26th September.



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