



PARISH OF NESTON

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SUNDAY 8th FEBRUARY 2026 SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

Readings: Genesis 1.1-23 (P.1) Romans 8.18-25 (P.154) Matthew 6.24-34 (P.6)

St Mary & St Helen 8.00am. Holy Communion

10.45am Sung Eucharist

9.15-10am *Jesus and Me* for young families

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 The Second Sunday before Lent: Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever.

We pray for Peace in our increasingly troubled World

CALENDAR FOR NEXT WEEK

Mo - Thur 9am Morning Prayer in the Parish Church

Mo 9 Ps 132.1-9; Mk 6.53-end

Compline online this evening via Spotify "The Rest Is Gospel" or on Facebook www.facebook.com/parishofneston

Tu 10 Ps 84.1-10; Mk 7.1-13

We 11 Ps 37.3-6, 30-32; Mk 7.14-23

10am Holy Communion in the Falklands Chapel followed by coffee

1.15pm MU AGM in the Parish Church

7.30pm Everyday Faith in the Parish Church. A Deanery event to which all are invited.

Th 12 Ps 106.3, 35-41; Mk 7.24-30

9.30-10.30am Bible Study and Coffee re-starts in Paisley Grey. Bring a Bible and a sense of humour! All are welcome.

2pm Holy Communion in St Michael's

Fr 13 Ps 81.8-14; Mk 7.31-end

9.15-11.15am Stay and Play in the Parish Church

5pm Parish Prayers on Zoom:

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/89035035754?pwd=Ds1dYJA0wcHXjCtPWsqryauQxxjFEK9.1> Meeting ID: 890 3503 5754 Passcode: Neston24

7pm Barn Dance at St Thomas'

Sa 14 Ps 106.6-7, 20-23; Mk 8.1-10

SUNDAY 15th FEBRUARY 2026 NEXT BEFORE LENT

Readings: Exodus 24.12-end (P.72) 2 Peter 1.16-end (P.134)
Matthew 17.1-9 (P.17)

St Mary & St Helen 8.00am. Holy Communion

10.45am Sung Eucharist

9.15-10am *Jesus and Me* for young families

St Michael's 9.30am Sunday Praise

St Thomas' 9.30am Eucharist

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PLEASE PRAY FOR HEALING

PARISH Peter Coward and Val Kay
HOSPITAL Wendy Bayldon (Arrowe Park)

We remember those who have died: We give thanks for the lives of those who have died recently: Harry Dodd, Louie Metcalfe (Louise Irvine's Mother), Ronald William Owen, and Nicholas Anthony Sharp. We pray for their families and friends at this sad time. We remember anniversaries that fall at this time.

Harry Dodd's Funeral is at 12 noon on Wed 11th Feb in the Parish Church followed by the committal at Blacon Crematorium at 1.20pm. His daughter, Ruth Kirk, invites Harry's church friends to join them at his house afterwards for food and drink. Please could you message Ruth if you would like to come (for catering purposes). Her email address is ruth.kirk19@outlook.com and her mobile number is 07851 721711.

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



MOTHERS' UNION AGM

We shall be holding the Neston Mothers' Union AGM on **Wed 11th Feb** in the west end of the **Parish Church** about 1.15pm after Harry Dodd's Funeral has finished. It will only be a short meeting for about an hour with tea/coffee. Come and hear about our reports for last year and what activities are planned for 2026, our 150th Anniversary! This is also your opportunity to make suggestions and submit ideas for growing Mothers' Union in our parish and around the world. *Diane*

LIVING OUT OUR FAITH IN OUR EVERYDAY LIVES

Everyday Faith has grown out of *Setting God's People Free*, a Church of England initiative that aims to help all Christians to live out the good news of Jesus, and follow him with confidence, in all areas of our lives. Our next live audience recording is on: **Wednesday 11 February at 7.30pm at Neston Parish Church** with panellists from churches in the deaneries of Wirral South and Frodsham. *Kevin*

FAIRTRADE EASTER EGGS

Easter falls early this year on 5th April. Please prayerfully consider buying The Meaningful Chocolate Company's Fairtrade chocolate, palm oil and plastic free Real Easter Eggs which share the Easter story with their packaging and a 24-page activity booklet. These cannot be purchased in supermarkets but can be ordered through your Fairtrade Church rep: *Louise Irvine* or online with free delivery on bulk orders. www.realeasteregg.co.uk They can also be donated to the Trussell Trust Food Bank (see Donate Chocolate link). It's a great way to ensure a family in need receive a copy of the Easter Story and a Fairtrade Easter egg. Margaret Heibel will be doing a bulk order for Neston and District churches. Milk Chocolate eggs are £5.50 and dark chocolate eggs are £6.50. Please ensure orders are sent in before **9th February** so that I can pass orders on to Margaret for the next day.

Please email me on louiseirvine111@icloud.com with orders.

LENT GROUP

If you would like to join a LENT group this year but don't want to come out in the cold, then you might like to consider meeting with other people on Zoom. You don't need to have the zoom app on your laptop or computer, you just need to let us have your email details and we will invite you to join us on the night. The group runs on a Monday evening starting on **Monday 23rd February at 7pm** for 6 weeks ending on the 30th March at the start of Holy week. Please think about joining a Lent group and journey through Lent preparing for Easter. Further details of what we will be studying to follow. Please contact **Carol 07929 096443** for further details and let us have your email details.

SHROVE TUESDAY MEAL

Monday 16th February, 6.30pm at the Royal Oak, Little Neston.

First 40 people, please give your details to Sue Thomas at Neston Parish Church, Val Johnson at St Thomas's, or Carol at St Michael's. The menu for the meal is a choice of: Soup or Paté; Turkey Roast, Beef roast or Vegetable lasagne; Lemon Drizzle, Trifle, Ice cream sundae. Total Cost £20. Please let us know your selection and if you have mobility issues to assist with the seating.

Carol 07929 096443

MU Lent Lunches



Fresh Soup and Bread

Friday 20th February 2026

& Friday 27th March 2026

All are welcome to join with us

**Lunch and refreshments served at 12.30 pm
after Stations of the Cross at 12 noon**

St Mary and St Helen

Parish Church, Neston

£5 donations will go to the MU Disaster Risk Reduction Fund

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