



Welcome
18 July 2021



Today's Service can be found on our website :
stleonardswollaton.org.uk
on our home screen 'Worship and Prayer'

St Leonard's at 10.00am on Zoom

'Prayer with Jesus—Yours is the Kingdom, the power and the glory'

Leader Elaine Thompson Preacher Tim Pullen



Micah 5:2-5a, John 1:1-14,18:33-37; Luke 11:1-4

St Leonard's @ 4.00pm

Leader Tim Pullen



Collect for the Seventh Sunday after Trinity
Generous God, you give us gifts and make them grow:
though our faith is small as mustard seed,
make it grow to your glory and the flourishing of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord



Our values as a church community are:

Welcome, Worship, Exploring Faith, Generosity and Caring

Find out more about us and about what's going on at
www.stleonardswollaton.org.uk

COVID-19 - Moving forward

With the lifting of restrictions from 19th July we will be taking some steps in response. The changes we are making will reflect the need for caution given the rising rates of COVID-19 infections in the community.

Our pattern of worship services for the summer period from 19th July to the end of August will move to a single "hybrid" service at 10.00am on Sundays beginning on 25th July (onsite and online via Zoom and YouTube livestream) and a midweek service at 10.30am on Thursdays beginning on 22nd July. *There will be no requirement to book in for these services.*

The main entrance, office lobby and south aisle doors will be open throughout the time people are in the building to ensure the best possible circulation of air. You may wish to have a spare layer of clothing to avoid becoming cold - although we hope the weather will be on our side!

Our hope is to have refreshments following the services but this will be risk-assessed beforehand and carefully managed.

Hands, Face, Space

We will continue to provide hand sanitiser stations and ask everyone to make use of them on entering and exiting the building.

For the present we are asking all who attend onsite in St Leonard's to wear a mask in the building, including whilst singing.

We will also be designating an area in church for those who wish to maintain social distancing, and encouraging everyone to avoid crowding together in any part of the building.

Following this guidance will help as many as possible feel more confident and comfortable about coming into the church, and we hope that we will gradually be able to relax things further as we move forward.

Please do not attend if you feel unwell, have any symptoms of COVID-19, have been requested to self-isolate or had a positive COVID-19 test result.



RealLIFE 2021 2022

Look in detail at ten key aspects of discipleship as we together seek to follow after Jesus and step into real life.

For more info and to register: southwell.anglican.org/reallife

LOCATIONS

Thursdays, starting 16th Sept:
St Peter's Ruddington
St Wilfrid's, Calverton

Wednesdays, starting 22nd Sept:
St Mary's, Eastwood
Online Group

Our next series of RealLIFE begins in September and an invitation is extended to you to join us.

RealLIFE is for anyone who wants to follow-after Jesus and into real life—living the gift of knowing God in Jesus Christ through the Holy Spirit and shaping the world through discipleship.

If you would like more information please see the notice board or speak with Carol in the office.

In 2016 St Leonard's supported a Broxtowe family who are a huge part of Woven St Martha's and again need our help.

Devout Pakistani Christians they have been struggling for almost 7 years to secure Refugee Status or Humanitarian Protection in the UK, based on facing targeted persecution and hostility, and having a *fatwa against the mother Nasreen, a school teacher whilst in Pakistan. The children are two boys, aged 17 and 12 and a British born female toddler with developmental difficulties aged 3.*

Nasreen, diagnosed with PTSD and post-partum depression, worked as a teacher in a Muslim school in Pakistan. During one school lunch break she urged the Christian students to pray in accordance to the Christian religion, and the Muslim pupils to pray in the Muslim tradition. She was then accused of anti-Islamic behaviour, was thrown out of school, attacked and burnt with a cigarette by a group of men outside the school.

The family were forced to move to another region of Pakistan and when applying for childrens certificates for schooling they once again were found and Nasreen *was charged with blasphemy and a First Information Report registered against her with the police.*

The family came to the UK in November 2014 pursuant to a previous grant of a visit visa, and claimed asylum on 16 December 2014. The application was based on religious persecution and the Pakistani authorities unwillingness to protect them. They were refused, and appealed unsuccessfully in 2015-6.

Fortunately, the children have been able to progress in their education, integrate, and be able to practise their faith openly and without fear of discrimination. The family participate in their local churches and are able to express their true feelings towards their faith without being discriminated against. This was not the case in Pakistan, where like religious minorities of all types, they were subjected to discrimination, harassment (including bullying at school), and punished for expressing their faith in public, and even at school.

A fresh claim with expert medical and child-risk evidence was made in early 2020, raising funds to do so with a Crowd Justice campaign. The Home Secretary has however, recently refused the fresh claim without careful scrutiny of the various expert Reports, but given the family an in country Right of Appeal.

The family, with their legal team, are appealing and seek your help to prepare for this with updating country and medical evidence, as well as the increased risks created by their mother's fragile mental health, parenting concerns and even the pandemic.

This family needs financial help to appeal against the unfair and unjust decision made on their case which neglects the expert assessments of risk.

Please help them obtain the legal assistance and evidence so they can present a powerful appeal and finally achieve their welfare and safety. This can only be done through your generosity and prayers! For further information please speak with Anne Walters or Philip Brooks. More information can be found at the web address below.

<https://www.crowdjustice.com/case/listen-nasreen-imran-needs-you/>



Please Pray:



Contacts

Nasreen and her family.

*The Sick - Brenda Barber, ,
Joan Shakespeare, Eileen Hudson,
Henry Mitson, Kathleen Price and George
Shaw.*

*We remember the families of those who
have died recently: Ruby Billau*

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Thurs 11.00-1.00pm
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Prayer Challenge

Following our prayer challenge last week we continue to offer our prayers. They'll include different ways of praying to try and different things to pray for. Some may be more challenging than others, depending on the person you are, but have a go (it's only a week) and let us, and anyone who'll listen, know how you got on.

This week 'Yours is the kingdom, the power and the glory'

Tell God as many words you can think of that describe him: glory, power, kingly, awesome, majestic, overwhelming, beautiful, impressiveAs you think of more during the week, quickly tell him about them.

Wollaton Dovecote

Grand re-opening and launch of Ron Cruxon's book *The life and Times of a Wollaton Man*.

Sunday 25 July at 2.15pm for drinks and nibbles and a chance to celebrate a return to normality. 3.00pm guided walk round village and church.

Full details of the summer's activities visit

<http://www.spanglefish.com/WollatonHistorical>

Children's Society Collecting Boxes

Despite lockdown in 2020 the boxes raised an amazing £760,000 over the country! We will collect the boxes in October as usual. Thankyou for being a box holder and please continue to support the Society in this way—it really is a case of every little helps". Patsy Fletcher

**BACK OF
THE NET!**



10 am- 12pm

Ages 6-14

Wollaton Park

Sunday 25th July

Two hours of fun filled faith and football followed by pizza

All Covid-19 restrictions will be adhered to and you must register a place by contacting Lindy Jones.

07872047718 or Lindyadel@hotmail.co.uk