



June 2026 Notice Sheet

Rector: Rev Jodie Brown
Church Wardens: Colin Osborne,
Jennifer Watson and Anthony Lock

Worship Services this month

You are welcome to any of the following services:

Sundays: 8.15am Said Communion* | **9.30am** Sung Communion |
10.40am Refreshments | **11am** Contemporary Worship

7 June	Together at 10 Service – John Wynne/Bread Sunday Exodus 16: 2-4 and 13-15 John 6: 25-35	Preacher Rev Jodie Brown
14 June	Trinity 2 Exodus 19: 2-8a Matthew 9: 35 – 10: 8	Preacher Andrew Holford
21 June	Trinity 3 Jeremiah 20: 7-13 Matthew 10: 24-39	Preacher Rev Jodie Brown
28 June	Trinity 4 Jeremiah 28.5-9 Matthew 10: 40 – end	Preacher Jane Godley

Holy Communion Service Wednesdays at 10.30am in the Church
Tuesday Fellowship Group at 8.15-10am, 33 Bedford Road
Home Group Bible Study Tuesdays at 6.30pm
Pizza & Chat (11-18s) Last Wednesday in month 6-8pm in Church Rooms

*8.15am preachers may vary from those listed above. For information about our youth groups, evening prayer services, baptism, confirmation or weddings, please contact Rev Jodie on 07845 735880

News & events

Are there dustbins in heaven?

The **third part** of Andrew Holford's 5-session course on **CHuRCH and Climate Change** continues on **Thursday 4 June**, 2 July and 6 August, 7.30–9pm at St Swithun's. All are welcome to this lively evening of Bible discussion, conversation, challenge, practical projects and much more.

The **Deanery Summer Evening Prayer Service** is on **Sunday 6 June, 6pm** at St Mary's, Potton.

On **Friday 12 June at 7.30pm** in the church we are screening the **People's Emergency Briefing** film, endorsed by the Joint Public Issues Team of the Baptist Union of Great Britain, Methodist Church and United Reformed Church, to inform and encourage people to act on the climate crisis. It will be followed by a discussion on what steps we could take in response.

Our next **Eco Church meeting** is on **Thursday 18 June at 7.30pm** in the Church Rooms. All welcome.

Plus we are holding a **Churches Count on Nature** event on **Sunday 14 June at 2.30pm** in the Churchyard. Stephen Snow has more details about these events.

Our **June Eco tip** is:
Taste the benefits of seasonal

and local food.

Try to add locally grown foods to your diet/shopping list. Produce grown locally is picked at its peak of ripeness and will be full of flavour, tasting better than cold-stored imported produce that has travelled thousands of miles before it reaches you.

The **St Swithun's Singers Summer Concert** is on **Wednesday 15 July** at 7.30pm at the church.

Our **Summer Fete** is on **Saturday 18 July** with games, raffle, stalls and refreshments. We need raffle prizes and help setting up, running and packing away the stalls and serving refreshments, so please sign up on the sheets by the noticeboard to pledge your support for this popular event.

There are just a few places left on our **Parish Weekend Away 18–20 September**, so do book your place.

Financial giving

It costs **£304 a day** to support the mission and ministry of St Swithun's Church and we warmly encourage you to set up a regular gift through the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) at parishgiving.org.uk or tel: 0333 002 1271 – quote our parish code 320632304. Or you can donate online at sandyparishchurch.org

May events

We'd like to thank **Barry Groom** and **Trevor Warrs** for their wonderfully informative tour of St Swithun's Church and its fascinating stained glass windows and churchyard on Sunday 17 May. A repeat event is in the pipeline for 2027.

Our thanks also go to **Cate Lawson** for leading another lovely **Pamper & Prayer** session on 23 May. Those who attended really enjoyed the time spent in relaxation and prayerful activities. Look out for news of the next event, potentially in August.



Leprosy Mission

Our 2026 'I Am Nisha' Project: We have pledged to raise £25,150 to help Stop Child Leprosy by School Screening of 30,000 children, plus support for reconstructive surgery, prosthetic limbs and vocational training for ten children. To date £11,599 has been sent off. Please speak to Colin Osborne for more details about the following fund-raising events:

The Hit Parade Spring Quiz Competition raised £339. Result sheets are available from Colin. The winner out of 35 correct entries was June Sims.

Church & Churchyard Tour: 40 people attended, which raised £111 for both TLM and St Swithun's. TLM also raised £84 from refreshments and raffle.

Sandy Ukulele Group Concert: On 5 June, at 7.30pm at Sandy Baptist Church Hall. Tickets £6

Gardeners' World Live: On Thursday 18 June we are off to the NEC for Gardeners' World Live. Reserve list available

Tea Party Afternoon: On Sunday 21 June, 2.30pm, enjoy scones and cakes galore at 2 Leeds Smith Drive. Tickets £7

Daily Fundraising Stall on our drive at 2 Leeds Smith Drive, 10am to 5pm, weather permitting. Contributions welcome.

The Need Project



This ongoing and increasing ministry relies on the love, prayers and generous donations from the church community. It urgently needs cereal, long-life milk, coffee (small jars), rice & pasta as well as tinned meat/fish, fruit juice, household cleaning products, larger-size nappies, squash, canned, bottled and packeted food and toiletries. Donations can be left in the box in the church entrance. NEED provision is available for anyone who is struggling to make ends meet for whatever reason. Please speak to a church warden who will refer you to the NEED project coordinators. theneedproject.org.uk

St Swithun's Flower Group

If you'd like to sponsor the Church flowers for a birthday, anniversary, or any family celebration, please contact **Trixie Cooper**. We also welcome sponsorship for one month of flowers over the year. If you'd like to join our small group of eight, you would be very welcome.

Bell Ringing

Our friendly bell-ringers ring for Sunday services and weddings. We practise Wednesdays 7–8.30pm. To find out more, email sandy@bacbr.org.uk

Safeguarding

Church should be a safe place for all, especially children, young people and vulnerable adults. Sandy Stopher is the Parish Safeguarding Officer. Our safeguarding policy is on the noticeboard and church website: sandyparishchurch.org/safeguardingpolicy

Pinnacle Magazine

The **May/June** edition of *The Pinnacle* magazine is available, price **£1** from **Adrienne Massey** or **Stephen Snow**. Editorial contributions welcome for future editions. Email: sandybeestonpinnacle@gmail.com



Pastoral Care

If you'd like a **home visit** for prayer or Holy Communion, for yourself or someone you know, please speak to Rev Jodie or one of the Wardens. Do get in touch with Rev Jodie if you are interested in finding out more about **confirmation, baptism, weddings** or **christenings**. Have you sensed a calling to serve in **Church ministry**? You can always have an informal chat about your story and hopes, and I'd love to pray for and with you.

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Newsletter submissions to marinajordanrugg@gmail.com by the **third Sunday** in the preceding month please