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NOTICES FOR SUNDAY 26th APRIL 2026

WEEKLY DIARY

Playgroup meets every day during school term time

Sunday 26 April	10.15 am	Rev Martin Swan Steward: Natalie Coffee: Sandra
Monday 27 April	8.45 am – 4.00 pm 6.30 pm 7.30 pm	Playgroup Guides Sharing Scripture
Tuesday 28 April	8.45 am – 4.00 pm 4.30–7.30 pm 7.30 pm	Playgroup Cosmic Theatre School Men's Supper Group
Wednesday 29 April	8.45 am – 1.00 pm 7.30 pm	Playgroup Ladies Circle
Thursday 30 April	8.45 am – 4.00 pm 6.30 pm	Playgroup BATS
Friday 1 May	8.45 am – 4.00 pm 4.00 pm	Playgroup Minimarket preparation
Saturday 2 May	10.00 – 11.00 am 6.15 pm	Minimarket and Coffee Morning Karate

SUNDAY WORSHIP

Sunday 3 May	10.15 am	Carol Scarborough Steward: Janet Coffee:
Sunday 10 May	10.15 am	Rev Karen Beecham – Holy Communion Followed by Annual Meeting and Church Council Steward: Philip Coffee:
Sunday 17 May	10.00 am	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity CTIB United Service at Barrow upon Soar Baptist Church
Pentecost Sunday 24 May	10.15 am	Sharon Guy Steward: Heather Coffee
Sunday 31 May	10.45 am	Circuit Service at Christchurch, Shepshed

As always, our thoughts and prayers are with anyone in need.

HAPPY BELATED BIRTHDAY this week to Bill Steel who celebrated his 90th birthday on 24th April – lots of love and best wishes to you, Bill!



THANKS

Sue and Adrian would like to thank the Church Council for their recent very kind greetings as we step back a bit at Barrow.

Having married in Nottingham in 1970, we first moved to the area in 1973 when Adrian took a teaching post at Hall Orchard and we moved into the bungalow facing the school in the spring 1974. It was not long before we were welcomed into Barrow Methodist Church, which was to become part of our "family".

Over the next 52 years there cannot be many aspects of the church life that have involved us; Church Council, Steward, Ladies Circle, Men's Group, 2 building schemes, Treasurer, Sunday School, Happy Hour and Cuppa and Chatta. As Local Preachers we have got to know many people in the circuit, who are still our friends. We have also had the privilege of representing the church and Circuit at District and national level. Through all those years, we have always felt welcomed and supported, as first our own family grew in the church and as we grew with the "Church Family"

We have been pleased to have had the opportunity to serve in so many ways but now feel that we are at a time in our lives when we have to be content with being members of a wonderful worshipping community – our "Church". May our Lord continue to bless us all. Adrian and Sue

GLASS FUSION WORKSHOP – FUND RAISING EVENT FOR CHURCH

Join us on Saturday, 13th June, from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm for a Glass Fusion Workshop. The fee is £16, where you can choose to create either an owl or a hedgehog. If you'd like to display your creation in a plant or garden, glass stakes are available on the day for an additional £4. A raffle will also be held, and all profits from the event will go towards church funds.

Payment is due at the time of booking please see Natalie for details or email barrowmeths@gmail.com. Numbers are limited so book your place asap. Don't think that you cannot do this believe me if I can then anyone can and you will find it a relaxing experience.



PRAYER FOR THE DAY

Dear Lord, we come to you in prayer, seeking your guidance to help us to continue to make our churches places of welcome and acceptance. We know so many people of all ages are lonely and long to be belong. We want to build church families of all ages, who worship together with joy. We need always to put prayer at the heart of all our planning and action. Help us to sing a new song that tells of your love, by always listening and learning to become receptive to new ideas that translate into loving action in our neighbourhoods. Amen.

Eileen Simmons, Anna Chaplain and local preacher, Leigh on Sea

JOHN BATEMAN

Many of you will know that John Bateman, a local preacher and formerly the Local Preachers' Secretary in the Loughborough Circuit, sadly died recently following a period of illness. His wife, Ruth, has asked us to circulate the following information:

John's funeral will be a celebration of a life well lived, and you are welcome to join us.

Friday 8th May at 1.45pm - Trinity Methodist Church, Royland Road, Loughborough, LE11 2EH.

Refreshments will be served at the church for everyone following the cremation, which is for family only. Smart casual / colourful clothing is encouraged. Donations in memory of John will be shared between LOROS hospice and Loughborough Salvation Army....thank you.

It would help, for seating and catering purposes, if you could let us know if you'd like to come via this link: <https://forms.gle/eKGgtJSbPLSxyS4CA>

christian aid
Loughborough

Afternoon Tea

With Musical Accompaniment



On Saturday 9th May

Two Sittings – 2pm and 4pm (Pre-Booking Essential)
At Trinity Methodist Church, Royland Road, Loughborough

Suggested minimum of £10 per head donation

Contact for booking and to give any dietary requirements;
bookings taken from 10th April:
either email: andythorpe01509@gmail.com
or phone - 07980 841775
or arrange through your church Christian Aid contact

Net proceeds going to Christian Aid
UK charity number 1105851 : Company number 5171525

Loughborough Male Voice Choir

LMVC

A THREE CHOIR CONCERT

with special guests

City of Coventry Male Voice Choir & **Rugby Male Voice Choir**



at
Trinity Methodist Church
Royland Road Loughborough LE11 2EH
Saturday 16th May 2026 at 7.30pm

Tickets £12.00 including complimentary refreshments
Under 12's free
Tickets available from: Email bobisaac@btinternet.com
Loughborough Male Voice Choir is most grateful for the support of:



Registered Charity No: 1211491

You're invited!



MUFFINS FOR MESO DAY

ONLY £2.50 FOR A CAKE AND A DRINK!

Come and join the Mesothelioma UK Team for a drink and a slice of cake.
Bring your friends, family and your sweet tooth!

Date: Friday 29th May 2026
Time: 11am - 2pm
Location: Mesothelioma UK, 235 Loughborough Road, Mountsorrel, Loughborough, LE12 7AS.

Love baking and would like to contribute? Please consider donating cakes, muffins or any sweet treats. Every contribution makes a difference!

Please rsvp to fundraising@mesothelioma.uk.com



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