

HAIL WESTON VILLAGE HALL

is available for advance bookings

Further information is available on the Village Hall website:
www.hailwestonvillagehall.co.uk

Bookings: Liz Bacon
Contact: Bookingshwvh@gmail.com

Hire Rates: £10 ph Hail Weston Residents
£12 ph Non-Village Residents

Deposit: £20

Regular weekly bookings - 1 hour minimum

Friday and Saturday evening bookings - 5 hours minimum

All other bookings - 2 hours minimum

If you have news, articles or events for inclusion in the next issue, please contact Ruth. Publication deadline is 15th of each month (7.00pm)

Editor: Ruth Easom, 6 Barker Close (01480 217034)
E-mail: rutheasom@gmail.com



ST NICOLAS' CHURCH, HAIL WESTON

May 2026

VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

All Church Associated Enquires please contact:

Mary Deacon 01480 812363

or

Elaine McCarthy 01480 474542

Village Contact for St Nicolas' Church Access:

Mrs Sarah Herdman 07724 512851

Rector: In Vacancy

Churchwarden: In Vacancy

Dear Friends,

May - sometimes I think one of the prettiest months of the year; trees in leaf, nature abuzz, blossom, warmer longer days. So much to be thankful for - and two bank holidays as well!

In May we are in the Church Season of Easter until **Ascension Day on Thursday 14th May**, celebrating Christ going back to rejoin our Father in Heaven, followed quickly by **Pentecost on Sunday 24th May**, celebrating the birth of the Church through the gift of the Holy Spirit to all and lastly on **Sunday 24th May Trinity Sunday**, we celebrate the **Holy Trinity - Father, Son and Holy Spirit**, one of the great Christian mysteries.

Do come along to find out more at one of our services, listed below.

On 15th April, we held our Annual Parochial Church Meeting, and I have with great reluctance resigned from the office of Churchwarden. No-one else put themselves up for election so, St Nicolas is without Churchwardens.

We have an experienced Parochial Church Council of seven at present who will continue to keep the church running day to day, with the oversight of our Acting Rural Dean, The Reverend Canon Philip Howson, and our Archdeacon, The Venerable Richard Harlow. Mary Deacon and I will remain as first Church Contacts.

We are still awaiting news of a possible new vicar, as we advertise again and hopefully a candidate will apply this time. Please remember this in your prayers, as it is not an easy process.

The Church is now available for hire - Please contact me on 01480 474542

With very best wishes to you all,

Elaine, Church Contact

HAIL WESTON WILDLIFE AND GARDENING GROUP



Tuesday 5th May

7.30pm in the Village Hall

The National Gardens Scheme

A talk by Chris Damp about his involvement in NGS and the creation of his own garden in Bedford which we visited in August 2025.

Members £1.00 per meeting (annual membership £7.00/year), non-members £3.00 per meeting (certain meetings/events may cost more), light refreshments will be available for a donation and there will be a Raffle (4-6 prizes) including a garden centre voucher (£25)

Visitors always welcome

Friday 5th June

6.30pm, meet at Hail Weston Village Hall

Garden Safari

A self-guided tour of several Hail Weston village gardens with refreshments before and afterwards at the Village Hall. £10:00 for HWWGG members and £12:00 for non members - please email Jane Buckham for tickets:

janevicky@yahoo.co.uk

HWWGG would like to offer a big THANK YOU to our garden hosts for welcoming us all and for supporting this event

If you require any further information about the HWWGG please email Secretary Maggie Lakey on: tel_maggs2@225771mgl.co.uk or telephone Chairman, Barbara Wallis on 07849 272915



The Mondays:



Your Community Choir

**We are hoping to start singing for fun in May
Watch out for social media messages!**

**New members welcome - there is no audition
call Elaine on 474542**

An Invitation to the Women of Hail Weston from

GREAT STAUGHTON WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

to join them for the following events:

Tuesday 12th May

Strength and Balance – a chair based exercise experience
with
Alana from Huntingdon District Council, One Leisure

Tuesday 9th June

Full English Breakfast Show
with
Black Cat Radio presenter Ste Greenall

Ladies interested in going along to the above event (7.30pm) at
the Village Hall in Great Staughton or those interested in the
coffee mornings and lunches please contact:

Barbara Wallis on 07849 272915

Services in the Benefice for May 2026

Please visit our website at www.swhw.co.uk to find out more about
services and other activities.

All 10.30am services can be accessed via Zoom
ID: 380 915 8110 Passcode: 90Mn1s

Hail Weston - St. Nicolas'

Sunday 10th May	3.00pm	Benefice Communion
Sunday 17th May	3.00pm	Creative Communion
Sunday 24th May	9.00am	Parish Communion for Pentecost
Sunday 31st May	10.00am	Benefice Communion

Great Staughton - St. Andrew's

Thursday 14th May

Ascension Day 7.30pm **Benefice Communion**

Sunday 17th May	10.30am	Parish Communion
Sunday 24th May	10.30	Parish Communion for Pentecost

Little Staughton - All Saints

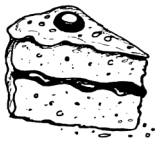
Sunday 3rd May	3.00pm	Benefice Communion (by Extension)
Sunday 17th May	9.00am	Parish Communion
Sunday 31st May	6.00pm	Evensong for Trinity Sunday

St Nicolas' Church 100 Club 2026/27 Draw Year

The winners of the April draw are:

1 st prize	Ticket no 76	Lee & Viki Muckley	£50
2 nd prize	Ticket no 95	Sandra Lacey	£25
3 rd prize	Ticket no 82	Liz Erskine	£10

Congratulations to all the winners!



Neighbourhood Café

The date of the next café is
Sunday 17th May 3.30 - 5pm



If you don't receive emails about the cafe but would like to, please contact us at: hailwestonneighbourhoodcafe@gmail.com to ask to be put on to the updates list.

The HW Neighbourhood Cafe Team

**Hail Weston Village Fete
Saturday 5th September**



To make this the fantastic day that it always is we need volunteers.

There are a variety of ways you can help including setting up the fete, manning a stall (on a rota basis), serving teas and clearing up at the end.

If you can spare an hour or two please let one of us know.

Ann via email on ann.clark.usa@hotmail.com

Or message Naomi on 07870 295913