

PCC Accounts month ending 31st July, 2026

	£		£
Balance B/F	579.93	TBG Lease	130.90
June income	<u>1,855.86</u>	Gas	88.48
Total	2,435.79	Electric	77.00
Expenditure	<u>2,082.25</u>	Cathedral Shop	80.94
Balance C/F	<u>353.54</u>	Church Insurance	398.96
		SumUp – Tiles	469.72
		DBF (Funeral Fees)	262.00
		Visiting Clergy	342.25
		Donations – Charity Box	
		Roof Fund	50.00
		World villages for children	50.00
		Alan Carr – Noticeboard	<u>132.00</u>
		Total	<u>2,082.25</u>

2026 Parish Share

£4,500 paid to end of June 2026.

£10,500 due to be paid by end December 2026.

P.C.C. meeting: Monday 7th Sept, 7.30pm in Jubilee Room

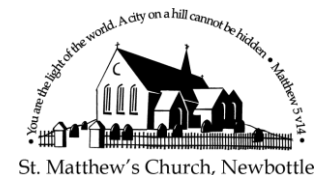
S.M.D.T. meeting: Monday TBA, 7.00pm in Vestry

Church Hall meeting: Friday TBA, 9.30am in Vestry after flowers

Vacancy Audit Review: Wednesday 26th August, 7.30pm in Lady Chapel.

Confirmation

We understand that autumn confirmation in our Deanery will take place probably October, November this year. We have been in touch with the Diocese and should get to know full details shortly. If anyone is considering being confirmed, would you please speak to Joy or Tom.



Sunday 16th August, 2026

The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity (Proper 15)

9.45am: Parish Communion with Baptism

Welcome: Pat French and Susan Dick

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Celebrant and Preacher – Rev. Paul Grundy

Hymn – 467: ‘Morning has broken’

N.T. reading: Rom. 11: 1–2a, 29–32 – Jacqui Harriman

Gospel: Matt. 15: 21–28 – Rev. Paul Grundy

Baptism and Prayers: Rev. Paul Grundy – **Lyla Grace Galley**

Collection hymn – 445: ‘Shine, Jesus, shine,’

Holy Communion Music – ‘Let there be love’ Guitar

Closing hymn – 499; ‘O Happy Day!’

Mid-week Services

19th August, 2026 – Wednesday.

10.00am Morning Worship: Stephen Holmes

Readings: Ezek. 34: 1–11. Matt. 20: 1–16 – Joseph

A warm welcome to Lyla Grace Galley who is being baptised in our service today!

Lyla is here with her parents Scott and Adele, and her godparents, Rachel, Laura and Ryan.

If you have come to celebrate with Lyla, then we are delighted to see you this morning.

Prayers for: Florence & Derek Coffey, Dianne Whatcott, Michelle McDonald, Dawn McDonald, Bell Wake, Nicky (nee Davison) & Jimi Harkins, Kristofer Marshall, Mike Glover and Annabelle Wilson.

Departed: Friends and Family

Roof Replacement Fund

Information is available on the noticeboard in the entrance lobby and at the back of church.

If you are interested in purchasing slates or helping us with this very important project and making our church weather tight for years to come and for future generations, please see Mike or Tom.

St Matthew's Vacancy Update

We have received an email from the diocese Growing Mission Enabler requesting to meet with our PCC. The objective is to update them in respect of what has or hasn't changed since the last audit carried out by Rev. Steph Clark in March 2025.

A Meeting has been arranged with PCC members for Wednesday 26th August, 2026 at 7.30pm.

Sunday 23rd August, 2026
The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 16)

9.45am: Parish Communion

Welcome – Jim Burnett

Celebrant and Preacher – Rev. Peter Hood

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O.T. reading: Exod. 1: 8 to 2: 10 – Vera Marshall

N.T. reading: Rom. 12: 1–8

Gospel: Matt. 16: 13-20 – Rev. Peter Hood

Sermon: Rev. Peter Hood

Prayers: Stephen Holmes

Food Bank

The P.C.C. is accepting donations of tinned food and other non-perishables to support those going through a hard time. As well as occasionally giving out emergency hampers, we feed into Space4's foodbank at St Michael's at Houghton le Spring.

Suggested items: UHT Milk Instant Mash Cereal Jar of coffee
Tinned – Soup, Baked Beans, Spaghetti, Tomatoes, Rice, Sponge Pudding, Meat, Fish and Vegetables (peas, carrots etc.)
Long Life Fruit Juice (boxed or tinned), Pasta, Rice, Pasta Sauces
Tea Bags, Sugar, Biscuits and Snacks.

Please make sure items have a fairly long use by date/shelf life.
