

Mothers' UNION 
Christian care for families

Diocese of Leicester

Speakers List

2026

Updated January 2026

MOTHERS' UNION SPEAKERS 2026

PLEASE NOTE:

1. Speakers from this list will claim their expenses from the diocese as they are covered by Mothers' Union subscriptions. Expenses for speakers not on this list should be paid by the branch.
2. When booking a speaker, please let them know that under charity law we are not allowed to make a donation from our funds to other charitable causes.
3. Please take care that your speaker's talk includes a Christian element and reflects the Aims and Objects of the Mothers' Union.
4. I've tried to make any amendments that I'm aware of but I'm also conscious that some of this information may still be incorrect, may yet become subject to change, and that, following the pandemic, some speakers may still feel a little anxious about committing to coming out to the branches. However I wish you luck and God's blessings as you try to navigate your way back to regular branch meetings. Sandra.

BENNETT

Revd Ivan

Church of the Nativity

Mayflower Methodist Church & Uppingham Rd Methodist Church.

102 Dumbleton Avenue

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0116 223 9730 after 4pm

ivanbennettsaysgodlovesyou@gmail.com

1. Away From It All Holidays
2. Working with Young People
3. Scouting
4. Evangelism (as a trained evangelist)
5. All Age Worship – hands on session

BIRD

Mrs Pamela

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Thorpe Acre

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1. Box of Pearls
 2. Fashion & Faith
 3. Passwords & Pin Numbers
 4. Whispers and Secrets – meditation
 5. Encounters – for Lent
 6. Taking it for granted.
 7. 21st Century Nativity (Nov & Dec)
- May have more talks available on enquiry.

FRYER

Mrs Ruth

7 May Close

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1. The Fair-trade Difference
2. My 2025 trip to Tanzania
3. God in the muddle and the mess – my experience of separation and divorce in 2018-19.

GIBSON

Kat

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Working with asylum seekers in Leicestershire

GRANT

Martin

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Ingenuity Enabling Independence

Leicestershire & Rutland REMAP*Retired Engineers Making Anything Possible*

for disabled individuals

HARVEY

Rev Pamela

72 Chestnut Road

Glenfield

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1. Desert Island Discs -MU style
2. What's in a name?
3. Advent /Christmas /Lent /Easter
4. Round the world in 30minutes.
5. Paperchain

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Rev Julie-Ann

Fairmount House

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Our Cathedral Adventures

JONES

Michael

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Weddington

Nuneaton

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A Musical Life.

Michael presents his musical life from church choirboy in Whitley Bay through to professional musician. Now semi-retired he is available at short notice and does not charge a fee.

NYE

Wendy

Queniborough

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1. With love from me to you – a history of greetings cards
2. My box of memories: how small things hold big memories

3. Beside the Seaside
4. Let us write prayer – how and where, leading to us Writing a prayer together.
5. Legends, Customs and traditions and the stories behind them.
6. Christmas Celebrations at home and around the world.
7. Nana’s house – memories of childhood.
8. Stars of the Silver Screen (1930-60)
9. The nativity – from Joseph’s point of view & the 4 emotions of Christmas.
10. Back to the Future or Things ain’t what they used to be.

POOLE

Mrs Linda

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Linda is no longer taking new speaking engagements but is always willing to bring the MU Shop to meetings.

ROUSE

Miss Margaret

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Subject to availability of transport

1. Banners – a short history with reference to MU
2. The 23rd Psalm (illustrated meditation)
3. Any topic related to MU
4. The history of MU in its 150th year
5. Slavery in our time

SPENCER

Canon Dr Codra

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1. Why MU Still Matters: Lessons from Africa
MU changes lives -spiritually, socially and practically.
2. Every Member a Missionary: Growing MU Through Personal Invitation
Recruitment works best through relationships, not posters.
3. MU is for Everyone: Breaking Myths that Hold us Back
MU is broader & more inclusive than many people think.
4. Prayer and Action: What Attracts People to MU
People are drawn to faith that acts.

WRIGHT, Jane
Mary's Meals

The charity Mary's Meals now provides meals for over 2.4 million children. Learn how it has grown from its humble beginnings in Dalmally, Scotland

Supporter Engagement Officer
(East Midlands & East England)
jane.wright@marysmeals.org

OTHER SPEAKERS TO CONSIDER:

COMMUNITY POLICE contact your local community police officer for a speaker on personal safety

FIRE SERVICE contact your local fire service for a speaker on home safety

LEICESTER STREET PASTORS **contact Margaret Sharman**

0116 2554111 Street Pastors Administrator
Please note there may be a fee for this talk

LOROS *Leicester Hospice*
0116 2313771

MACMILLAN NURSES

RAINBOWS *Children's Hospice, Loughborough*
01509 638000

SERVANTS OF THE LORD MINISTRY

Dave Kennard
Stapleford, Nottingham The other half of prayer – the God to man bit – that still calm voice
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ST PHILIP'S CENTRE Multifaith Education resourcing centre
Laura Johnson
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Leicester Cathedral Its history, background & its work today.

For any additional information please contact:

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NB. We are always looking for new input so if you come across any other interesting speakers who would be willing to talk to Mothers' Union branches please e-mail me their details. They do not need to be MU members.