

Men's Group

The men's group will start meeting again for fellowship and food. Our first meeting will be on Thursday 19th May at 7pm in the Horseshoes at Silk Willoughby. Contact Charles Coulson for more details on 01529 307779

Ladies Group

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 11th May at 2pm in the Church Room. Speak to Rev Heather for more details.

Prayer Breakfast

Prayer breakfast will be starting up again at Riverside Church from next month. The first one since lockdown will be on Saturday 7th May at 8:30am. There will be prayer for half-an-hour (using both local and national topics as well as church work in town as pointers) before then sharing fellowship together. All are welcome to join in.

Sempringham Walk

A date for your diaries. There will be parish walk around Sempringham including the Abbey one afternoon in August. Watch out for more details.

The Acting Bishop of Lincoln, The Rt. Revd Stephen Conway gave a speech to open Diocesan Synod at on the 23rd April 2022. Here's an extract from his speech.

'...God is faithful and good all the time. I am confident that we can together build a more transparent and trusting way ahead. I want to end by applauding our clergy and lay ministry teams for all that they have done and are doing to provide faithful and fruitful ministry in the tough times of pandemic and deep uncertainty. I have discovered that I have great colleagues across this great Diocese who are rising extraordinarily to massive challenges. I am confident that we have the faith, hope and love to be ready and resilient for what God has in store for us.'

You can read the full speech by following this link:

<https://www.lincoln.anglican.org/news/synod-presidential-address>

Book Group

The date of the next meeting will be Tuesday 10th May at 2pm in the Church Room. The book for May is 'The Underground Railroad' by Colin Whitehead. Speak to Jennifer for more information.

St. Botolph's Church, Quarrington

Notices for 1st May 2022

Sunday 1st May 11am All Age Worship
Sunday 8th May 11am Holy Communion
Sunday 15th May 11am All Age Communion
(Christian Aid Week)

Sunday 22nd May 11am Holy Communion
Sunday 29th May 11am Celtic Communion Praise

Upcoming Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 3rd May

7pm APCM in church

Thursday 5th May

2pm Cornerstone Bible Study meets at Sally-Anne's home

Tuesday 10th May

2pm Book Club in Church Room

Wednesday 11th May

2pm Ladies Group – Church Room

Saturday 14th or 21st May (Date to be confirmed)

4pm to 5.30pm Messy Church

Thursday 19th May

7pm Men's Group – Three Horseshoes at Silk Willoughby

BEING A LOCAL MISSION CHURCH

Phone someone you have spoken to for a long time and pass on blessings from Jesus to them.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY - SATURDAY 25TH JUNE

Rebecca's Priesting Service

Rebecca's priesting will be at 10.30am at St Mary and St Nicholas Church in Spalding. All are invited to come and support Rebecca. on 07748928553 (Please note, it's NOT in the Cathedral). We are planning on having a coach. **Please sign up on the list at the back of church if you would like travel on the coach.** There will be a cost to this but this will be the cost of the coach divided between the number of people travelling.

New Mission Statement

The PCC met recently and agreed on a new mission statement for St Botolph's Church. It is: **To know God and to make God known.**

Jubilee Planning

There is a meeting on Tuesday 4th May at 7pm in the Church Room to plan the events for celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Everyone welcome.

New Keyboard

Our old keyboard died and, thanks to a generous bequest, we have now bought a new keyboard.

Let Us Pray

The Let Us Pray card for May is now ready to be collected from church. Please pick up a copy and use this to help you pray throughout the week.

Help for Ukraine

There are several families arriving from Ukraine to stay with host families in Sleaford. The people at Rauceby Hall are hosting two families but are also collecting items to help all refugees when they first arrive. If you can help by providing toiletries and/or stationery, it would be a great help to them. The stationery is for children to take to school so needs to be pens, pencils, pencil cases, highlighters, rulers and felt-tip pens. Perhaps you could put a pencil case together with items for a primary or secondary school child. Bring the items to church and we will arrange to sort the items for each family and deliver them.

Caythorpe Singers Celebrate the Queen's Jubilee

The Caythorpe Singers will be performing on Friday 3rd June at 7.00pm in church. Tickets include a glass of wine or fruit juice and a cake. £5 a ticket or £12 for a family. Tickets will be on sale from Sunday 23rd April. Why not invite your family and friends to help celebrate the Jubilee weekend?

Church Picnic for the Queen's Jubilee

After the 11am church service on Sunday 5th June, we are planning to hold a picnic. Teas, coffees, and juices will be available but bring your food.

Cornerstone

Our Cornerstone Study Group will start meeting again on the first and third Thursdays of the month. Our next meeting will be on 5th May. We will be looking at the Book of Acts. We have changed the meeting time to 2pm - 3pm. We will be meeting in-person. Please ask Mark or Rebecca for more details.

Wednesday Morning Services

We are planning to re-start our Wednesday morning services at the **new time of 11am**. These will meet in the Church Room and will be a mixture of communion and morning prayer services. There will be a time for refreshments and socialising afterwards. Please come along. The first service is on Wednesday 1st June 2022 at 11am.

Prayer for Ukraine:

God of all peoples and nations, who created all things alive and breathing, united and whole,
Show us the way of peace that is your overwhelming presence.
We hold before you the peoples of Ukraine and Russia,
every child and every adult.
We long for the time when weapons of war are beaten
into ploughshares
When nations no longer lift up sword against nation.
We cry out to you for peace;
Protect those who only desire and deserve to live
in security and safety.
Comfort those who fear for their lives and the lives of their loved ones
Be with those who are bereaved.
Change the hearts of those set on violence and aggression
And fill leaders with the wisdom that leads to peace.
Kindle again in us a love of our neighbour,
And a passion for justice to prevail and a renewed recognition
that we all play a part in peace.
Creator of all hear our prayer and bring us peace. Make us whole.
Amen.

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