

Thursday 28th March - 7pm - Maundy Thursday service

Join with the disciples in a service of footwashing and anointing with oil. Share in their story as we journey to the cross.

Friday 29th March - 9.30am - Good Friday Reflections

Followed by the Walk of Witness in Sleaford

Sunday 31st March - 6.30am - Easter Sunrise Vigil

Open air fire-pit service followed by hot breakfast

Please remember the clocks spring forward.

11am - Easter Day Communion

Family celebration followed by coffee and cake

World Day of Prayer

The World Day of Prayer service will be held on Friday 1st March at 13.30 at St Denys Church, Sleaford. This year the service has been written by the women of Palestine. An offering will be taken for the work of the World Day of Prayer during the service. All are very welcome to attend. Refreshments will be served after the service.

Coffee and Chat

Our new coffee and chat gathering takes place every Thursday morning from 10.30am until 12.00pm in the Church Room. Everyone is very welcome.

St. Botolph's Church, Quarrington Notices Sunday 18th February 2024

To Know God and to Make God Known

Sunday 18th February 11am – All Age Communion Sunday 25th February 11am – Holy Communion Sunday 3rd March 11am – All Age Worship Sunday 4th March 11am – Holy Communion

Monday 19th February

12pm Soup Lunch at the Salvation Army Church

Tuesday 20th February

1.30pm - Lent Course - details below

Thursday 22nd February

10.30am - 12.00pm Coffee and Chat in the Church Room

Monday 26th February

Soup Lunch at the Methodist Church

Wednesday 28th February

7pm – Lent Course – details below

Friday 1st March

1.30pm – World Day of Prayer – St Denys Sleaford

Morning Prayer

An informal service of Morning Prayer meets on Zoom every Monday and Thursday at 9.00am. Everyone is welcome. Please ask Maria for the link.

Things to pray for this week:

Diocesan administrators; those who work in the Arts; MPs and local councillors; police and fire services; our neighbours,; and the parish of Osbournby in our Local Ministry Partnership (LMP)

Verger Training

We are looking at training more people to become Vergers to assist at weddings and funerals. If you are interested, we are holding a training session on Tuesday 20th February at 10.30am in church. If you are interested but cannot make this meeting, please speak to Pauline Coulson.

Lent Lunches

We are hosting the Lent lunch on Monday 25th March and need someone to organise this. Please speak to Rev Rebecca if you are willing to manage the lunch. A sign-up sheet is at the back to make soup, we need 4 people to each make eight portions of soup.

Cakes during Lent

During Lent in order to reflect on Jesus' sacrifice for us and to demonstrate our sacrificial commitment to him, it is traditional to give something up. The mission and ministry team has decided that, in keeping with this tradition, there will only be plain cakes or biscuits served with coffee and tea after the services during Lent. Please still stay to chat. As there will be no flowers in church during Lent, the coffee money will be donated to Cancer Research.

Lent Groups

We will be holding two groups.

Tuesdays from 1.30pm to 3.00pm in place of Cornerstone: 20th February at Christobel's home – 28, Montrose Grove, Greylees NG34 8XZ

27th February in the Church Room

5th March at Ted and Sue's home, 21, Abbey Road

12th March in the Church Room

19th March at Chrystabel's home

Wednesday evenings at 7pm. The first session will be on Wednesday 28th February in the Church Room.

If anyone would be willing to host one or more of the Wednesday evenings, please let Rebecca know.

Please take a Lent Reflections book from the back of church and enjoy leaning into God through the series of daily readings and reflections. "Pilgrim Journeys – the way of love" by Steven Croft.

APCM - please note the new date.

The annual meeting for St Botolph's Church is on **Tuesday 23rd April** at 7pm in church. You can only vote at this meeting if you are on the Electoral Roll

For those who write reports, please email them to Maria by Friday 17th March 2024

Electoral Roll

This is the register of people who attend St Botolph's Church regularly and call St Botolph's their main church. It is important for our records that this accurately reflects the people who attend. If you're not sure if you're on this roll or if you have joined the church in the last twelve months and would like to be included please speak to one of the Churchwardens or one of the Welcome Team who will be able to give you a form to fill in.

Ladies' Group

There will not be a meeting in February as this falls in Lent. The next meeting will be on Wednesday 13th March at 2pm in the church room. Please speak to Rev Heather for more details.

Men's Group

This meets for a meal at the Horseshoes on the first Thursday of each month. Please speak to Charles Coulson for more details.

Parish Giving

As our thoughts turn to Lent and to the discipline of following Jesus, perhaps this is a good time to think about a commitment to regular giving to the church. Please consider giving through the Parish Giving Scheme or the envelopes as both allow us to claim additional tax on top through gift-aid. Please ask one of the Welcome Team for details. The church budget supports not only the practicalities of managing a heritage building, but the cost of mission and ministry activities and support to the wider mission and ministry of the whole church in this area. Last year, as a result of the PCC's careful stewardship our expenditure was £67,000, we need everyone's contribution to sustain this.

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