

### Ladies Group

The Ladies group will meet as normal in the Church Room at 2pm on Wednesday 12th March 2025. Please see Rev Heather for further details.

### The Book Club

The next book group meeting is on March 11th at 2.00 pm in the Church Room. We have selected to read this month "Sense of Ending" by Julian Barnes. If you'd like to read it and come along to the group to discuss it you would be most welcome.

Jennifer

### Men's Group

The Men's Group next meeting will be Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March at The Horseshoes, will be. Please talk to Charles Coulson for more details.

### Coffee and Chat

Our next meeting will be held on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> February at 10.30am. We meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month and everyone is very welcome

### Giving

Regular giving is part of Christian discipleship and we encourage people to think and pray about a regular amount to give to the life of the church in Quarrington. There is information about the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) for monthly giving at the back of the church.

You can make a one-off gift by scanning the QR code, following the link and selecting a donation amount.



Please also consider signing up to the EasyFundraising scheme and earning money for St Botolph's while you shop.

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk>

search for St Botolph's Church Quarrington and sign up to support the work of the church. It really is as easy as that

### Would you like to take on a new role?

At present we only have one person, Pauline, who is available to verge at funerals. The role, among other things, involves getting the church ready for funerals, being present during the service and tidying up afterwards. Pauline would like help and may not always be available, so if you are interested, please talk to Pauline.

# St. Botolph's Church, Quarrington

## Notices

### Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2025

#### To Know God and to Make God Known

<b>Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>11am</b>	Family Communion
<b>Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> February</b>	<b>11am</b>	Holy Communion
<b>Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> March</b>	<b>11am</b>	All Age Worship
<b>Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>11am</b>	Holy Communion

### Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> February

7.30pm Prayer meeting at Angela's house – details below

### Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February

11am Prayer meeting in the church room – details below

### Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> March

Facing the Storm – at Lincoln – details below

### Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March

2pm Pancakes at Patricks – details below

### Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March

Men's Group meets at The Horseshoes Silk Willoughby

### Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March

1.30m World Day of Prayer service at Sleaford Methodist Church

### World Day of Prayer Friday 7th March

The service will be held at the Methodist Church in Sleaford at 1.30pm. Please speak to Pauline if you are interested in taking part with representatives from the other churches in the town. I am not able to attend this year so it would be good to have someone else to represent St Botolph's. Thank you.

### Our Prayers this week:

Lord Jesus, I ask you to open my eyes so that I may really see. Tune my ears so that I may really hear what you are saying to me. May the many experiences of my senses remind me to be aware of others and all that is around me. May all that I experience lead me closer to you. Amen

### Please pray this week for:

Our local solicitors, judiciary and legal services; all those working within the leisure and sports area, especially Sally who lost her whole business through last week's fire; Lincs Community and voluntary service; MP's, local councillors and all working for the local authorities; musicians and those who share their talents within all fields of the Arts; the preservation of our natural world through the work of conservationists.

## Pastoral Care

The main pastoral groups are Prayer; emergency assistance (shopping, meals, lifts); ongoing contact either by phone or visiting. If there are any other areas you think we should cover please let me know. I intend to make contact with the hospital chaplaincy department for anyone who is in hospital. If you have been receiving any help from the pastoral teams, could you also please let me know so this can continue. My contact details are: email: [carolepastoral@icloud.com](mailto:carolepastoral@icloud.com) mobile: 07970 748983 can be contacted by calling, on text messages, or on WhatsApp. Please let me have your email address and any other contact details you are happy to share, if you would like a visit an address would be useful! Thank you so much to all of you who continue to show God's love by the support you give to one another, it is so important that this continues during these uncertain times. God's blessings to you all. Carole

## 'Lord, Show Us the Way' Prayer initiative from Bishop Stephen

What does the future of our Diocese look like?

Bishop Stephen invites us to join a period of prayer about the future of our Diocese, running through Epiphany and up to Ash Wednesday. He is asking us to seek God's guidance as we look towards the next steps of a new 10-year Diocesan strategy. (Full details can be found at: <https://www.lincoln.anglican.org/lord-show-us-the-way/> )

St Botolph's are answering the call to be part of this, and as such, Lisa and Angela will be running two prayer events:

Evening: **Wed 19th Feb, 7.30pm**, at Angela's house: 1 Bass Cottages, NG34 7JS Daytime: **Friday 21st Feb**, 11am, in the Church Room

On both occasions, we will be using prayer resources provided by Bishop Stephen, consisting of 'Dwelling in the Word.' We will read through a short, pertinent passage of Scripture, dwelling in it through discussion and prayer. Please sign up for this at the back of the church. Early signatures help us to anticipate how many people will be coming, though if you are unsure at the present time, please do just come along on the day.

Any queries, please contact Angela on 07932 646561, or Lisa on 07710 462988 We look forward to seeing you there!

## Help Needed

The standing committee members are not always available to meet workmen when they come to church. If anyone could offer to be available to help with this, please see Jaki or contact Maria. Thank you.

## Pancakes at Patrick's

Pancake day will be celebrated on  
4<sup>th</sup> March 2pm – 6pm at Patrick's  
1 Bass Cottages Sleaford  
All Welcome. Different flavours available



## 'Facing the Storm - Preparing for a Different Future'

**Saturday 1st March, Lincoln**

"Jesus told the religious leaders of his day that they needed to read the signs of the times! What are the signs of the times that we need to see today and how should we respond? As well as the climate and nature crisis there are so many other crises in the UK and around the world - poverty, conflict, migration, disinformation, pandemic, etc. How do we read these signs? How can churches respond to these changes and how can we build communities which can thrive in what is likely to be a very different future? Bishop Nicholas, Anglican Bishop of Grantham, will be joining us to report on his visit to Fiji last year for the Moana 2 conference and to participate in panel discussions." Tickets £5 from <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/facing-the-storm-tickets-1195742892179>

## A Chance for Learning

The Diocese of Lincoln has launched a new digital learning platform. It is free to use and we encourage you to sign up! Designed to help everyone to take their next step in the journey of faith, the platform represents an important new resource for supporting Christian mission, ministry and discipleship. Explore the resources and see what you could learn. <https://learn.lincoln.anglican.org/>

## With thanks

The family of the late Christine and Peter Gratton are kindly donating a bench in their memory. They are going to deliver it to church after the service on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December. It will be sited in Our Peaceful Place where it will be enjoyed by us all.

Thank you to the family for your generous gift.

## Bible Study Course

There will be a new course running in March, for anyone who wants to know about the Bible. 'The Bible Course – 'Explore the big picture' is an eight-week course and will start March 12th. Anyone interested should speak to Caroline.

## Contacts

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**Churchwardens:** Caroline Routledge and Patrick Pope may be contacted through Maria's email address

**Lay Ministers:** Carole Shephard, Sue Tuck (ALMs) and Penny Trotman (Reader in Training).