#### Ladies Group

The Ladies group will meet as normal in the Church Room at 2pm on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2025. Please see Rev Heather for further details.

## The Book Club

The next book group meeting is on May 13<sup>th</sup> at 2.00 pm in the Church Room. We have selected to read this month "Poisonwood Bible" by Barbara Kingsolver. 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 3<sup>rd</sup> April at The Horseshoes, will be. Please talk to Charles Coulson for more details.

# **Coffee and Chat**

Our next meeting will be held on Thursday  $20^{th}$  March at 10.30am. We meet on the  $1^{st}$  and  $3^{rd}$  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

# **New Electoral Roll Forms**

Just a reminder that this is the year that we have to completely re-do our Electoral Roll. All regular worshippers are welcome to join and so far, 30 forms have received. There are still quite a few still to come in as the roll six years ago was 63 and it would be really great to have some more people join. There are forms at the back of the Church or talk to Jennifer on Sunday if you have any queries. My email is jenny.forrester45@btinternet.com. Many thanks for your support.

# The churchyard clear up dates

Churchyard clear-up dates for 2025 are: -Saturdays April 5th, June 21st, August 30th, and November 1st.

# St. Botolph's Church, Quarrington Notices Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2025

# To Know God and to Make God Known

Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> March	11am	Family Communion
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	11am	Holy Communion
Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup> March	11am	Mothering Sunday
Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> April	11am	All Age Worship
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> April	11am	Holy Communion

## Monday 17th March

12pm Lent Lunch at St Denys – see below for details **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> March** 7pm PCC meeting in the church room **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March** Bible Study course continues – see Caroline for details **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March** 10.30am Coffee and Chat in the church room **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> March** 2pm Funeral of Helen Gregory **Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> April** 10am Churchyard Clear-up -All Welcome

# Our Prayers this week:

O God, who would fold both heaven and earth in a single peace: let the design of thy great love lighten upon the waste of our wraths and sorrows: and give peace to thy Church, peace among nations, peace in our dwellings, and peace in our hearts: through thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

# Please pray this week for:

World leaders that they seek justice, peace and fairness in their talks with each other; local legal services; all working in the sports & leisure industry; Lincs community and voluntary services; local councillors, MP's, all who work for the local authorities and those who rely on those services; all local conservation projects protecting our wildlife and our planet; everyone who contributes to the Arts, musicians, actors, writers, painters, performers of all kinds, and all who work behind the scenes.

#### **Pastoral Care**

The main pastoral groups are Prayer; emergency assistance (shopping, meals, lifts); ongoing contact either by phone or visiting. 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 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

#### **APCM – Annual Parochial Church Meeting**

The annual meeting for St Botolph's Church is on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm in church. Everyone is welcome to attend but you can only vote at this meeting if you are on the Electoral Roll (see revision notice above). For those who write reports, please email them to Maria by Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2025 at the latest.

#### Shed

The shed next to the church room needs to be dismantled and disposed of. If anyone would like it for a wood burner of could take it to the tip for us, we would appreciate it. See Mike, Jaki, Patrick, or Pauline.

# **Easter Services**

**13<sup>th</sup> April** – 11am – Palm Sunday Communion Service with Rev David Woods

**18<sup>th</sup> April** – 9.30am – Good Friday - Reflection with Rev Heather 11.00am – Walk of Witness – details below

 $20^{\text{th}}$  April – 6.00am – Easter Sunday – Dawn service with Rev Heather

11.00am Easter Sunday Holy Communion with Padre Alex Hobson

# **Easter Flowers**

Donations for Easter flowers can be made in memory of a loved one. Please put the monitory donation in an envelope clearly labelled on the outside with the donor's name and who is being remembered. Please give these to Pauline by Friday 11th April.

# **Good Friday Walk of Witness**

If anyone wants to take part in the Good Friday Walk of Witness, please join Churches Together Sleaford at 10.45am on Station Road, ready to leave at 11.00am. The walk is aiming to be at the Market Place by 11.20am.

# **Churches Together – Lent Lunches**





Delicious soups will be served each Monday during Lent

Donations go to:

**Christian Aid** 

or give online at www.caid.org.uk

10th March | OLGC Catholic Church 17th March | St Denys' 24th March | Riverside 31st March | Salvation Army 7th April | Methodist Church 14th April | St Botolph's (at New Life)

Lunches served at 12pm

If you would like to help at our Lent Lunch, please talk to Rita.

## Lent Refreshments

As Lent begins, we will not be serving cake after the services, to remember Jesus in his struggle. However, because fellowship is so important to St Botolph's, we will still serve biscuits with the coffee.

We would like to thank everyone who gives money for coffee and cake as this money goes towards church flowers.

#### 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. <u>https://learn.lincoln.anglican.org/</u>

#### **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 continue on March 19th. 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 Shepheard and Sue Tuck (ALMs)