



Thoughts, notices and reminders
July 9 2017

What Jesus left us with wasn't a set of rules or instructions.

He left a community.

It was a huge risk.

An old legend has Jesus returning to heaven
when it was all over and meeting two archangels.

They said to him

"How is the work to carry on?"

Jesus replied

"Not a problem, I've left Peter and the others to carry it on".

"You can't be serious",

said the angels,

"that bunch of losers who all let you down?"

"Well", said Jesus, "I have no other plans".

Nor does he.

We are it.

We are the Body of Christ.

John Pritchard

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but please remember that his usual day off is Friday.

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no later than Wednesday evening.

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THE PRAYER PAGE

Saint's Day	Prayer in the parish	Prayer in the diocese
Sunday Trinity 4	Our charity for this year War Child Residents of: Fiskerton Drive, Garfield Close, Garfield View, Gayton Close	SEA SUNDAY
Monday	Bishop Grosseteste University Staff and students Residents of: Glynn Road, Glynn View, Greenholme Close, Greyling Close	WELTON, DUNHOLME AND SCOTHERN
Tuesday St Benedict of Nursia Abbot of Monte Casino	St Francis School; Enterprise House Ann Hoffmann (head), staff, pupils and governors Residents of: Greyling View, Hackthorn Place, Hardwick Place, Harmston Close	THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOLS IN THE LAWRES DEANERY
Wednesday	Ermine Primary Academy Andrew Sale (head), staff, pupils and governors Residents of: Harpswell Road, Hatcliffe Gardens, Hawkshead Grove, Haydor Avenue	DIOCESAN SYNOD MEETING THIS EVENING
Thursday	Ermine West Methodist Church Residents of: Ingleby Crescent, Jesmond View, Keddington Avenue, Kershaw View	CHERRY WILLINGHAM GROUP Revd Penny Green
Friday John Keble Priest and poet	Ruckland Court; Lincoln Cathedral Quarry workers Residents of: Langdale Close, Langton Close, Laughton Crescent, Laughton Way	MANLAKE DEANERY Canon Fr Cameron Martin
Saturday St Swithun Bishop of Winchester	The Neighbourhood Management team Residents of: Laughton Way North, Lenton Gardens, Manton Road, Midville Close	SOUTH MANLAKE GROUP Revd David Swannack

Give thanks for:	Our Guides and Brownies
Special prayers this week for:	The Mothers' Union sponsored walk in Wednesday Families still needing accommodation following the Grenfell fire David and Lisa preparing for their wedding next weekend
People in need:	Doug Bradley, Oliver Bromiley, Jacob Chapman, Fr John Clark, Eleonora Ferrra and Nicola Meloni, Jack Harley, Sarah Lusby, Sheila Lusby, Simon Mattam, Joan Pratt, Sue Priestley
Rest in peace:	

Coming up this week:

Sunday 9	10:00am 2:30pm	Family Eucharist Ruckland Court Songs of Praise
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Monday 10	9:00am	Hall committee meeting
Wednesday 12	9:30am	Eucharist
	10:30am	Mothers Union – Sponsored walk
Thursday 13	9:00am	Fr Stephen taking assembly at St Francis School
	7:00pm	Ermine Voices rehearsal
Saturday 15	3:00pm	Wedding in church
	4:00pm	Ermine Voices concert at Lincoln Castle Academy
Sunday 16	10:00am	Eucharist
	11:30am	Standing committee meeting
	6:00pm	Benediction

Coming up soon:

Monday 17	10:00am	Ermine Primary Celebration of the Year service in church.
Tuesday 18	4:30pm	Choir practice
Wednesday 19	9:30am	Eucharist
	10:30am	Staff meeting
	12:00pm	Lunch club in the hall
Thursday 20	9:00am	Fr Stephen at Ermine Primary leavers' assembly
	1:30pm	Bingo and coffee in the church hall
Sunday 23	10:00am	Eucharist (Mary Magdalene)
	1:00pm	Wedding in church (Tom and Jessica)
Monday 24	7:30pm	St John's Singers
Tuesday 25	7:00pm	Eucharist and PCC meeting
Wednesday 26	9:30am	Eucharist with prayer for healing
Sunday 30	10:00am	Eucharist (Mary, Martha and Lazarus)
Tuesday 1	4:30pm	Choir practice
Wednesday 2	9:30am	Eucharist
	10:30am	Ruckland Court Eucharist
	11:15am	Ermine House Eucharist
	12:00pm	Lunch club in the hall
Sunday 6	10:00am	Eucharist (Transfiguration)
	12:00pm	Baptisms
	6:00pm	Celtic Mass
Wednesday 9	9:30am	Eucharist
	10:30am	Mothers Union
	10:30am	JJs in the hall
Sunday 13	10:00am	Family Eucharist
Tuesday 15	4:30pm	Choir practice
Wednesday 16	9:30am	Eucharist (BVM)
	12:00pm	Lunch club in the hall

A MESSAGE FROM WAR CHILD

Hi St John's
I wanted to tell you a bit about a very special project in Iraq and Jordan.



Last year we held focus groups with young Syrian refugees living in Za'atari Camp. We really wanted to hear about the activities they would like to see. The children told us that they wanted to be able to read and have access to more books. So, we got to work, using their feedback to design a new project. The mobile library was born!



The mobile library in action in Iraq.

There have been mobile libraries rolling in camps in Iraq and Jordan.

Children can borrow books about many different things including Arabic literature, poetry, history, maths and cookery. They can also attend book clubs and take part in storytelling sessions where they read and learn together with their friends. The mobile libraries have already made a difference for children like Saleem in Iraq:

"Hearing about the mobile library project got me very excited since I really love reading. But I was shy so it was the perfect opportunity to do something I love and improve on a weak spot at the same time."

Over 4,500 children have used the mobile libraries and soon we're expanding the project. We'll be giving more children access to books in refugee camps in Jordan.

Thank you for your support.

Claas Beecken

Regional Programme Officer - Asia/Middle East

CONFIRMATION CLASS

We are planning to start a Confirmation class here at St John after the summer holidays. If you have not been confirmed and might be thinking about taking this next step, this might be a good opportunity for you to explore. The course will also be open to anyone who wishes to learn a bit more about the Christian faith or would like to

delve deeper in their understanding of the mystery of Christ and his Church. If you are interested, please speak to Fr Stephen or Fr Ruben.

ELECTRICAL WORK AND ASBESTOS

The electrical work in the church is continuing to make progress, and we now have the lights in the church working again! Sadly, it has not been possible to safely remove the asbestos from the two units at the back of the church and we have had no choice but to dispose of them. The PCC will be discussing what, if anything, we are able to replace them with at its meeting later in the month.

YEAR DIARY 2018

Rachel will shortly be starting work on our year diary for 2018. If you have any events planned or dates that would like included in the diary, please let Rachel have them over the next few weeks.

TOM AND JESSICA'S WEDDING

Tom and Jessica will be getting married here at St John's on Sunday 23rd July at 1:00pm. They have both been an active part of the life of our church (Jessica for many years) and would like to invite everyone at St John's to attend the service in church.

LOOKING AHEAD TO THE AUTUMN

Some dates to make sure you have in your diaries for the autumn:

Sunday October 8th

Thursday 2nd November 7:00pm

Sunday November 12th

Saturday December 2nd

Harvest Festival and lunch

Commemoration of All Souls

Remembrance Sunday

Christmas Fair



JJs Messy Church



SUMMER
CELEBRATION
ACTIVITY
MORNING
Crafts Story
Song Food

St John's Church Hall, Laughton Way

Wednesday 9th August 10:30am to 12:30pm

All under 11s welcome with a parent or carer



Ermine Voices

Sound Company

Director, Wil Jones

with

Director, Mac Crawford



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2017 SATURDAY 15th JULY
4pm @ CASTLE ACADEMY
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Summer Concert with special guest choir 'Sound Company,' featuring performances from Ermine Primary Academy & St. Giles Primary Academy



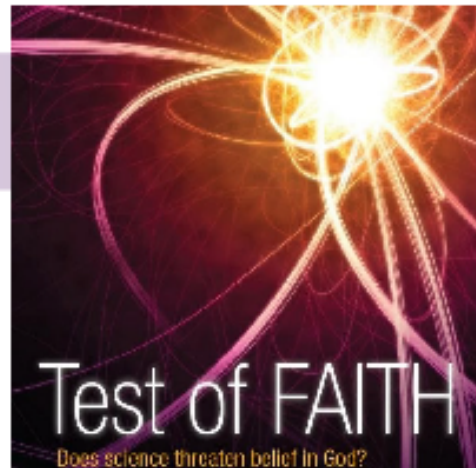
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Science & Faith

A Mutually Fruitful Dialogue

Saturday, 22nd July 2017 (10am—2pm)

This event is offered free for anyone who has an interest in the relationship between science and faith. No academic qualifications, previous knowledge or training is required. Dr Jonathan Foster will initially speak on how, contrary to popular belief, science and Christian faith are mutually supportive for the flourishing of both. After lunch, there will be an introduction to the 'Test of FAITH' resource, produced by The Faraday Institute for Science and Religion, which aims to introduce science and Christianity to both adults and young people.



www.testoffaith.com



Keynote speaker

Dr Jonathan Foster holds a Ramsay Memorial Fellowship and a Sheffield Vice Chancellor's Fellowship in the Department of Chemistry at the University of Sheffield. In the lab, Jonathan spends his time playing with molecules, designing simple building blocks that stack together to form complex structures and materials with useful properties. He enjoys going into schools to give talks on the 'origin of life' and 'amazing bubbles'.

Venue: St Denys Church Hall, Sleaford NG34 7SH

Time: registration from 9.30am, to start at 10.00am

Refreshments and lunch provided

To book or for more information: ministry@lincoln.anglican.org
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