



Thoughts, notices and reminders
June 3 2018

Our walk with God is never a lonely walk,
it is a family occasion, if taken in the company
of God's children.

If we lag behind, there are those who will turn
and offer words of encouragement,
hold out a hand and offer assistance
over stiles and other obstacles,
share refreshment, help us from our knees when we stumble.

Our walk with God is never a lonely walk,
it is a joyful experience as along the path others join us,
attracted by the company of God's children,
singing the same songs of praise that angels sing,
following a path worn down by tears and joy and sacrifice.

Our walk with God is never a lonely walk,
for he walks with us, on a track that leads
to a glorious destination.

John Birch

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THE PRAYER PAGE

Saint's Day	Prayer in the parish	Prayer in the diocese
Sunday Trinity 1	Our Lady of Lincoln church and school Fr Colin, the clergy and people; the staff, governors and pupils of Our Lady Primary School Residents of: Barkston Gardens, Basingham Crescent, Bilsby Close, Blankney Crescent	PLEASE PRAY FOR CHRISTIAN LEADERS WHO ARE FACING OPPOSITION, HOSTILITY OR BULLYING BECAUSE OF THEIR STAND FOR THE GOSPEL, AND FOR THOSE CARING FOR THEM
Monday	Ermine House; Ermine Voices Residents of: Brattleby Crescent, Broxholme Gardens, Buchanan Street, Burnside Close	CHURCH SCHOOLS IN HAVERSTOE DEANERY
Tuesday St Boniface Apostle of Germany	Our parish visitors Residents of: Burwell Close, Cabourne Avenue, Carlton Grove, Carlton Walk	HUMBERSTON Revd Louise Vincer
Wednesday Ini Kopuria Melanesian Brotherhood founder	Flower arrangers, Community Larder Residents of: Chatterton Avenue, Clarendon Gardens, Clarendon View, David Avenue,	THE MEETING OF THE TRANSFORMATION FUND PANEL IMMINGHAM
Thursday	Staff and users of the church hall Paul Musson, Olive Musson, Liz Straw, Tim Wright, the hall committee and all hall users Residents of: Dunholme Court, Dunston Close, Edendale Gardens, Edendale View	THE MEETING OF THE BUSINESS PLANNING GROUP TOURISM
Friday Thomas Ken Bishop of Bath and Wells	The lunch club; Guides and Brownies Sue Fleshbourne and the lunch club team Residents of: Edlington Close, Epworth View, Ermine Close, Escombe View	THE MEETING OF THE DIOCESAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Saturday St Columba Abbot of Iona	Our charity for this year Macmillan Cancer Support Residents of: Fiskerton Drive, Garfield Close, Garfield View, Gayton Close	NORTH CHAPEL PARISHES

Give thanks for:	The work of Amnesty International
Special prayers this week for:	People who have given evidence at the Grenfell Fire enquiry over the past two weeks; refugees and all fleeing conflict and violence
People in need:	Doug Bradley, Fr John Clark, Gill Clayton-Hewson, Dick Moore, Joan Pratt, Joseph Skehell, Tony Swain, Gerrard
Rest in peace:	

Coming up this week:

Sunday 3	10:00am	Eucharist
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	6:00pm	Prayer for Healing
Monday 4	10:00am	Ermine Community Action Group meeting in church
Tuesday 5	1:30pm	Lincoln Castle Academy in the Mary and Martha room
Wednesday 6	9:30am 10:30am 11:15am 12:00pm	Eucharist Ruckland Court Eucharist Ermine House Eucharist Lunch club in the hall
Sunday 10	10:00am 2:30pm	Family Eucharist (St Barnabas) Ruckland Court Songs of Praise

Coming up soon:

Monday 11	7:30pm	St John's Singers
Tuesday 12	1:30pm	Lincoln Castle Academy in the Mary and Martha room
Wednesday 13	9:30am 10:30am 2:00pm	Eucharist Choir practice Mothers Union service
Thursday 14	2:00pm	Transition group meeting
Saturday 16	12:00pm	OHP tertiaries in church
Sunday 17	10:00am 6:00pm	Eucharist Benediction
Tuesday 19	1:30pm 7:00pm	Lincoln Castle Academy in the Mary and Martha room Archive meeting
Wednesday 20	9:30am 12:00pm	Eucharist Lunch club in the hall
Thursday 21	9:00am 2:45pm 7:00pm	Philippa taking assembly at St Francis school Fr Stephen taking assembly at Ermine Primary Ermine Voices
Friday 22	2:00pm	EASA conference at St John's
Sunday 24	10:00am	Patronal Festival Eucharist Standing committee meeting
Tuesday 26	1:30pm	Lincoln Castle Academy in the Mary and Martha room
Wednesday 27	9:30am 10:30am	Eucharist with prayer for healing Choir practice
Thursday 28	9:00am	Fr Stephen taking assembly at St Francis school
Sunday 1	10:00am 12:00pm 6:00pm	Eucharist Baptisms Celtic Mass
Wednesday 4	9:30am 10:30am 11:15am 12:00pm	Eucharist (St Thomas) Ruckland Court Eucharist Ermine House Eucharist Lunch club in the hall

WE NEED YOUR HELP

As reported in last week's piece on our PCC discussions, we will need people to help to lead some aspects of our church life. These are listed below with a brief outline of what each role entails. If you are interested, please have a word with the churchwardens.

Christian Aid contact

This involves:

Receiving information about Christian Aid throughout the year and ensuring people are aware of it in church.

Ordering resources for Christian Aid Week

Planning and running events for Christian Aid Week with people from Ermine URC

Ensuring all donations for Christian Aid are collected and paid in.

Women's World Day of Prayer contact

This involves:

Attending the annual local conference in October each year to learn about the theme for the following year and ordering resources for our local service when held every third year at our church.

Working with Ermine URC representatives and Our Lady of Lincoln representatives to set up, rehearse and implement the WWDoP service each year – this works on a three year rota with 2019's service being held at Our Lady of Lincoln.

Ensuring people from St John's are involved in the service, and taking the lead when the service is held at St John's

Ensuring all donations made at the service for WWDoP are collected and paid in.

Ermine Community Action Group

This involves:

Regularly attending meetings of the group to represent the church (meetings are around every 6 weeks)

Ensuring the PCC is informed of developments with the group

Supporting any initiatives from the group and co-ordinating the church responses

Electoral roll officer

This involves:

Inputting new names to the electoral roll and ensuring the roll is kept up to date.

Removing names from the roll as appropriate

Providing a report for the Annual Meeting on the numbers currently on the roll.

It is really important that these roles in the church are filled. Please ask if you have any questions.

IMPORTANT DATE FOR YOUR DIARIES

As previously reported, Philippa's last Sunday with us will be on Sunday July 22nd, when she will celebrate and preach at the Eucharist. Following the service, there will be a shared lunch in the hall from midday. Please do make a note of this date in your diaries – there will be a list to sign up on closer to the date – it would be really good for everyone to be present to celebrate Philippa's time with us and to wish her and the family well for the future.

ERMINE VOICES SUMMER CONCERT

The summer concert will be on Friday 13th July in the evening at Lincoln Castle Academy. Please do make a date for this in your diaries, and do come along to support the work of Ermine Music during the project's 5th anniversary year.

SPONSORED WALK

Fr Stephen and Sheila completed their sponsored walk for Christian Aid over the Humber Bridge last Sunday. The weather was ideal and we completed the walk in around 90 minutes. We will have raised around £200 for Christian Aid, but it is not too late to donate if you haven't already done so and would like to. We would appreciate all sponsor money in as soon as possible please so that we can get both these donations and proceeds from the coffee morning and envelopes off to Christian Aid as soon as possible. We are still looking for someone to take on the role of Christian Aid representative, so please do pray about this.

AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL DISPLAY

There is a display at the back of church featuring the new Amnesty International campaign "I welcome refugees". On their website, Amnesty International say:

Everyday family life is full of wonderful moments.

Imagine fleeing conflict, to arrive in the UK alone. You're safe, but you're separated from your mum, dad, sisters and brothers. Because of the UK government's strict and unfair rules, many are forced to make an impossible choice – family or safety. But change is possible. On March 16, 129 MPs supported the Refugee Family Reunion Bill in Parliament to help make the wonder of family life a reality for refugees – thanks to thousands of people like you.

The display will be in church for the next couple of weeks, so please do take some time to have a look at it.

A LETTER FROM THE BISHOP OF GRANTHAM

Dear Friends,



On 8th June the RAF 100 baton relay enters the Diocese of Lincoln by crossing the Humber Bridge. During the month of June the relay will visit Scampton, Coningsby, Cranwell, Digby, Waddington and Lincoln Cathedral. It will visit 27 Bomber Command airfields in the county and also the new International Bomber Command Centre and memorial. The length of time that the relay will spend in Lincolnshire indicates how important the RAF has been and is to our county and region. I am quite moved by the idea of the relay. It is to be run entirely by volunteers, all of whom have a connection to the RAF. This in itself will demonstrate how deeply the service has influenced the life and the landscape of

Lincoln. Moreover, when I say 'run', actually the baton will also be carried for part of its journey on horseback, by boat and by parachute; ingenuity is to be involved. Finally, every baton carrier will have to complete their own challenge: they will be given just a start point and an end point for their leg, which means that they will have to work out the route for themselves as a piece of orienteering. Here is a participative, collaborative event, which also draws on individual energy, courage and ingenuity, all with a shared purpose: to give thanks for the contribution of the RAF to the protection of the nation and the pursuit of peace, and to root that work in the soil of the past so that it may continue to flourish whatever the future might bring. Society depends upon participation, collaboration and individual effort. In every generation, people have to pick up the baton of the past and carry it through the present into the future. It is the same with faith: it is a great joy for the Christian to be given the flame of faith that has been tended by someone else, to allow that flame to burn in one's own life, and through one's life of faith perhaps to kindle new faith in others. In greater Lincolnshire we stand on the shoulders of generations of people who have prayed to God, cared for their neighbours and shared the story of Jesus with those who would follow in their footsteps. The baton of faith – the flame of faith – has been carried with care and love, ingenuity and effort, since the first missionaries came to this part of England many centuries ago. As during this month of June we may share in the RAF 100 relay, either as spectators or participants, I hope that what we witness in this event may also strengthen our life of faith, and encourage us as we each carry the baton and flame that every Christian was given when we were baptised. My prayers are with those who serve in the RAF today, those who have served in the RAF in the past, and with all who worship and serve in our congregations and parishes – thank you – and may you take heart from these words in the Letter to the Hebrews:

'Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God'. (12:1–2, NRSV)

With every blessing,

Bishop Nicholas

A WEEK OF GUIDED PRAYER FOR UPHILL LINCOLN CHURCHES

7th – 14th July 2018

WHAT IS A WEEK OF GUIDED PRAYER?

A WGP provides an opportunity to reflect on our individual relationship with God, and how the call of Christ is at work in our daily life. It is an invitation to explore new ways of praying and to be supported by a guide who is experienced in this ministry. It is a time for encouragement and renewal, for learning and exploring. The Holy Spirit is the guide for all that happens and all those taking part, guides and participants, find themselves bound together in a mutual awareness of the Spirit, who is 'the source of our lives' directing our course.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

In the week to take place at St Giles, St John the Baptist and St Nicholas the 'week' will be a period of five days (Monday to Friday). Each participant makes a commitment to a half hour's prayer a day – as discussed with their prayer guide at a daily meeting, which is scheduled to last no longer than forty minutes. The week will begin and end with a gathering for all those involved. This initial get together on the Saturday will

introduce the pattern for the week and participants will be 'paired up'. The daily meeting with the prayer guide is crucial – allowing the retreatant to share with their guide their experience in prayer and to discern the next step on the journey through the week. The prayer guides will arrange to meet at a time that is convenient for you. The final meeting reviews the past week and provides an opportunity to look forward, providing material and advice for a continuing walk with Christ.

WHO IS IT FOR?

The week is for anyone from St Giles, St John the Baptist, St Mary Magdalene, or St Nicholas parish churches

WHEN WILL IT HAPPEN?

We will start with the introduction session on Saturday 7th July at St Giles at 11:00am and the week will finish on the following Saturday, again at St Giles with a closing session at 11:00am

Saturday 11:00am Introduction, prayer and gathering for those wishing to take part - Venue: St Giles parish church

Monday – Friday daily 40 minute meeting with your prayer guide at a time and venue appropriate to you within your working day. Venues: St Giles, St John the Baptist, St Nicholas

Saturday 11:00am Gathering of all involved, prayer, thanks and looking forward. Venue – St Giles parish church.

WHAT IS MY COMMITMENT?

A daily 40 minute meeting with your prayer guide and a 30 minute personal time of prayer during each day.

WHO IS LEADING THE WEEK?

Canon Fr Stephen Hoy, Diocesan Spirituality Adviser, is leading the week with the support of a team of experienced prayer guides. Please sign up at the back of church if you would like to take part in the Week of Guided Prayer.



DATA PRIVACY NOTICE

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) of St John the Baptist, Ermine

1. Your personal data – what is it?

Personal data relates to a living individual who can be identified from that data. Identification can be by the information alone or in conjunction with any other information in the data controller's possession or likely to come into such possession. The processing of personal data is governed by the General Data Protection Regulation (the "GDPR").

2. Who are we?

The PCC of St John the Baptist, Ermine, is the data controller (contact details below). This means it decides how your personal data is processed and for what purposes.

3. How do we process your personal data?

The PCC of St John the Baptist, Ermine, complies with its obligations under the "GDPR" by keeping personal data up to date; by storing and destroying it securely; by not collecting or retaining excessive

amounts of data; by protecting personal data from loss, misuse, unauthorised access and disclosure and by ensuring that appropriate technical measures are in place to protect personal data.

We use your personal data for the following purposes: -

- To enable us to provide a voluntary service for the benefit of the public in a particular geographical area as specified in our constitution;
- To administer membership records;
- To fundraise and promote the interests of the church;
- To manage our employees and volunteers;
- To maintain our own accounts and records (including the processing of gift aid donations);
- To enable us to hire our church hall.
- To inform you of news, events, activities and services running at St Johns;
- To keep you informed about news, events, activities and services that will be occurring in the local area in which you may be interested.

4. What is the legal basis for processing your personal data?

- Explicit consent of the data subject so that we can keep you informed about news, events, activities and services in the local area.
- Processing is necessary for carrying out legal obligations in relation to Gift Aid or under employment, social security or social protection law, or a collective agreement;
- Processing and sharing data with the Records Office, in line with the “Parochial Registers and Records Measure 1978” and the “Church of England (Miscellaneous Provisions) Measure 1992”.
- Processing data related to hiring the church hall is a contractual obligation of the hall hire.
- Processing is carried out by a not-for-profit body with a religious or philosophical aim provided: the processing relates only to members or former members (or those who have regular contact with it in connection with those purposes); and there is no disclosure to a third party without consent.

5. Sharing your personal data

Your personal data will be treated as strictly confidential and will only be shared with other members of the church in order to carry out a service to other church members or for purposes connected with the church. We will only share your data with third parties outside of the parish with your consent.

6. How long do we keep your personal data?

We keep data in accordance with the guidance set out in the guide “Keep or Bin: Care of Your Parish Records” which is available from the Church of England website.

Details about retention periods can currently be found in the Record Management Guides located on the Church of England website at: - <https://www.churchofengland.org/more/libraries-and-archives/records-management-guides>

Specifically, we retain electoral roll data while it is still current; gift aid declarations and associated paperwork for up to 6 years after the calendar year to which they relate; and parish registers (baptisms, marriages, funerals) permanently.

7. Your rights and your personal data

Unless subject to an exemption under the GDPR, you have the following rights with respect to your personal data: -

- The right to request a copy of your personal data which the PCC of St John the Baptist, Ermine holds about you;

- The right to request that the PCC of St John the Baptist, Ermine corrects any personal data if it is found to be inaccurate or out of date;
- The right to request your personal data is erased where it is no longer necessary for the PCC of St John the Baptist, Ermine to retain such data;
- The right to withdraw your consent to the processing at any time
- The right to request that the data controller provide the data subject with their personal data and where possible, to transmit that data directly to another data controller, (known as the right to data portability), (where applicable)
- The right, where there is a dispute in relation to the accuracy or processing of your personal data, to request a restriction is placed on further processing;
- The right to object to the processing of personal data, (where applicable)
- The right to lodge a complaint with the Information Commissioners Office.

8. Further processing

If we wish to use your personal data for a new purpose, not covered by this Data Protection Notice, then we will provide you with a new notice explaining this new use prior to commencing the processing and setting out the relevant purposes and processing conditions. Where and whenever necessary, we will seek your prior consent to the new processing.

9. Contact Details

To exercise all relevant rights, queries of complaints please in the first instance contact the PCC's data controller lead at mydata@stjohnthebaptistparishchurch.org.uk

You can contact the Information Commissioners Office on 0303 123 1113 or via email <https://ico.org.uk/global/contact-us/email/> or at the Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire. SK9 5AF.

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**JOIN US ON THE
4TH JUNE AT THE VOLUNTARY CENTRE
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Come along to our open session at City Hall, no matter what your skill level, and help to make The Worlds Largest Peace Blanket.. With our guidance you will knit or crochet a 25cm by 25cm square which will help make up a 22,000 sqm blanket!

If you don't feel like knitting then you could donate any old knitted blankets or wool that you have instead!

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