

St John the Baptist



ERMINE, LINCOLN

Week beginning 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2020  
The Next Sunday before Lent

**Our Mission Statement.**

We aim to be a church which reflects God's love in and with the community, is open to the Holy Spirit working through us and our community, is faithful to the Gospel, helps people to grow in faith and in prayer and is there for everyone at all stages of life.

Collect

Almighty Father,  
whose Son was revealed in majesty  
before he suffered death upon the cross:  
give us grace to perceive his glory,  
that we may be strengthened to suffer with him  
and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Holy God,  
we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ:  
may we who are partakers at his table  
reflect his life in word and deed,  
that all the world may know his power to change and save.  
This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Response to the Psalm:

*You are my son; this day have I begotten you.*

## Hymns

- 441 Christ upon the mountain peak  
199 Immortal, invisible  
63 My song is love unknown v 1, 2 7  
Chant      1. *Be still and know that I am God. X3*  
              2. *It is the Lord that healeth thee. X3*  
              3. *In thee, O Lord, I put my trust. X3*

*Bless the Lord my soul, and bless God's holy name. Bles the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life. (Repeat)*

- 239 Forth in thy name, O Lord

Readings for today	Readings for next Sunday
Exodus 24: 12 – end	Genesis 2:15 – 17; 3:1 – 7
Psalms 2	Psalms 32
2 Peter 1: 16 – end	Romans 5: 12 – 19
Matthew 17: 1 – 9	Matthew 4: 1 – 11

## Coming soon:

### Lent Courses

We are going to offer a two track Lent Course this year. Track one: Read Ruth Valerio's 'Say Yes to Life'. Meet weekly to discuss and reflect on each chapter **after church on Sunday** in the Mary and Martha room. Track two: Movie Night at the Vicarage **7 pm Wednesdays** during Lent. Popcorn and hot and cold beverages will be served. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of church. If you're very keen you can do both. Both tracks offer the chance to reflect on our relationship with the environment and our responsibility for creation.

### World Day of Prayer

We are hosting the World Day of Prayer here on **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March at 2.30 pm**. Odette is looking for people to read and possibly offer refreshments. Could you please let her know if you can help? You don't have to be a woman to join in.

### APCM

The APCM is scheduled for **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March**.

## PRAYER THIS WEEK

Saint's Day	Prayer in the parish	Prayer in the diocese
Sunday next before Lent	<b>Housebound communicants</b> Residents of: Millbeck Road, Minting Close, Moorby Close, Natal View	<b>Church Action on Poverty Sunday.</b> Please pray that as we enter Lent we will be granted a glimpse of who Jesus really is, and a new appreciation of his glory. <i>Pray for the Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America:</i> <i>The Right Revd Julio Murray Thompson – Primate of IARCA &amp; Bishop of Panama</i>
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Health care services; Social Workers</b> Residents of: Nene Road, Nocton Drive, Oxen Park Close, Pietermaritz Street, Pietermaritz View	<b>Fairtrade Fortnight begins.</b> <b>The Glen Group:</b> Pinchbeck, Surfleet and West Pinchbeck. The Revd David Sweeting. <i>Malaita (Melanesia): The Right Revd Samuel Sahu;</i> <i>Tirunelveli (South India): The Right Revd Jayaraj Christdoss;</i> <i>Harare (Central Africa): The Right Revd Chad Nicholas Gandiya</i>
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Work with children and young people on the estate</b> Residents of: Pine Close, Queen Elizabeth Road, Queen Mary Road	<b>Gosberton, Gosberton Clough and Quadring:</b> The Revd Ian Walters. "Please pray for our commitment to prayer, our work in schools and Messy Church, and the planned launch of a new congregation, and for greater commitment to financial giving." <i>Malakal (South Sudan): The Most Revd Hilary Garang Deng;</i> <i>Toamasina (Indian Ocean): The Right Revd Jean Paul Solo</i>
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> <b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>The PCC and Parish officers,</b> Phil Betts, Philip Howell, PCC members Residents of: Ravendale Drive, Redbourne Drive, Retief Close, Retief View	<b>Market Deeping:</b> in vacancy. <i>Malek (South Sudan): The Right Revd Peter Joh Abraham Mayom;</i> <i>Tohoku (Japan): The Right Revd John Masato Yoshida</i>
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> <b>George Herbert Priest and poet 1633</b>	<b>Community Police and Neighbourhood Watch</b> Helen Kumar, Amanda Allen, Craig Mobbs and Tina Worden Residents of: Ridge View, Riseholme Road, Riverton Close, Riverton View	<b>The Ness Group:</b> Baston, Langtoft and Thurlby. The Revd Carolyn Bailey. "Please pray for the group as it looks to the future and how we engage with our communities throughout the week as well as on Sundays." <i>Malek Rup (South Sudan): The Right Revd Peter Marial Agok;</i> <i>Tokyo (Japan): The Right Revd Francis Xavier Hiroyuki Takahashi;</i> <i>Toliara (Indian Ocean): The Right Revd Todd McGregor</i>
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Choir and musicians</b> Sue Young, Ros and Terry Millward Residents of: Rolleston Close, Rothwell Road, Roughton Court, Ruckland Avenue	<b>Spalding St Mary and St Nicolas and St Paul:</b> The Revd John Bennett. "Please pray for the growth and development of our church music groups: Spalding Parish Church Choir, St Mary Singers and St Mary & St Nicolas Girls' Choir." <i>Malindi (Kenya): The Right Revd Lawrence Dena;</i> <i>Tonj (South Sudan): The Right Revd Peter Yuol Gur</i>
Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Lincoln Castle Academy; Yarborough Leisure Centre and the Sports Hub</b> Residents of: Rusland Close, Rushlip Close, Sanders Close, Sanders View	<b>Spalding St John w. Deeping St Nicholas:</b> The Rt Revd Rob Gillion. "Please pray especially for a wise appointment of a new incumbent. We pray too for our church school and St John's Care Home." <i>Manchester (England): The Right Revd David Walker;</i> <i>Torit (South Sudan): The Most Revd Bernard Oringa Balmoi</i>

The Diocesan Prayer Calendar can be downloaded from the website:  
<https://www.lincoln.anglican.org/sharing-in-prayer>

<b>Give thanks for:</b>	Fair Trade
<b>Special prayers this week for:</b>	promoting fairer trading conditions that empower farmers and workers to combat poverty, strengthen their position and take more control over their lives. <sup>1</sup>
<b>People in need:</b>	Revd Brian Barnes, Revd John Clark, Clive Seabury, Dave Notman
<b>Rest in peace:</b>	Emma Ackland-Snow, Maureen Hargreaves, Norman Saywell, Fr Colin.

**Coming up this week:**

Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	10:00am	Parish Eucharist
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Morning Prayer
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am 6.30 – 8.30 pm	Morning Prayer Pancakes in the Church Hall
<b>Ash Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup></b>	9.00 am 9:30am 7.00 pm	Morning Prayer Said Eucharist for Ash Wednesday Sung Eucharist for Ash Wednesday
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Morning Prayer
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> March	10:00am	Parish Eucharist

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Any items for this weekly sheet should be received by Revd Rachel  
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churchwarden.

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.fairtrade.org.uk/What-is-Fairtrade/What-Fairtrade-does>