



Week beginning 29<sup>th</sup> March 2020  
5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of 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

Most merciful God,  
who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ  
delivered and saved the world:  
grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross  
we may triumph in the power of his victory;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Lord Jesus Christ,  
you have taught us  
that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters  
we do also for you:  
give us the will to be the servant of others  
as you were the servant of all,  
and gave up your life and died for us,  
but are alive and reign, now and for ever.

Response to the Psalm:

*With the Lord there is mercy and plenteous redemption.*

<b>Readings for today</b> Ezekiel 37: 1 – 14 Psalm 130 Romans 8: 6 – 11 John 11: 1 – 45	<b>Readings for next Sunday</b> Liturgy of the Palms: Matthew 21: 1 – 11 Psalm 118: 1 – 2, 19 – end. Liturgy of the Passion: Isaiah: 50: 4 – 9a Psalm 31: 9 – 18 Philippians 2: 5 – 11 Matthew 26: 14 – end of 27.
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A copy of the information sent to 1000 homes, delivered by sixth-form students from Lincoln Castle Academy.

Members of Lincoln, St John the Baptist Parish Church are working together to help the residents of the Ermine Estate through this difficult time.

If you are self-isolating due to COVID-19 (corona virus) and need help with shopping, urgent supplies or just want to chat, please call us on

07954 035865. To contact the vicar, Revd Rachel Heskins directly call 07813 617977.

If you are a resident who is happy to be added to the list of volunteers who are willing to help, please call either of these numbers and let us know.

This is a FREE service so please don't hesitate to call us if you need to.

You can also follow us on Facebook  St John the Baptist Church Ermine



There will be no public worship at St John the Baptist Church until further notice. Daily offices are being said at the Vicarage at 9 am and 5 pm and a weekly Eucharist is being said on Sundays. If you are accessing this newsletter online and you know of a neighbour who might like to see it, please print off a copy and pop it through their letter box.

You can join in prayer wherever you are by downloading the Church of England free app 'Daily Prayer'. <https://www.chpublishing.co.uk/apps>

For the latest updates on COVID-19 visit <https://www.churchofengland.org/>

## PRAYER THIS WEEK

Saint's Day	Prayer in the parish	Prayer in the diocese
<p><b>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent</b></p> <p>Thomas Kendall, Vicar of Louth, 1537</p>	<p><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</p>	<p>We pray for all who are bereaved and those facing death, and give thanks for the promise of new life in Christ. <i>Today, the fifth Sunday in Lent, is the focus of the Primates' Task Group's call for a period of prayer and repentance in the Anglican Communion.</i> <i>(A prayer is available on the Anglican Communion website.)</i></p>
<p>Monday 30<sup>th</sup></p>	<p><b>Choir and musicians</b> Sue Young, Ros and Terry Millward Residents of: Rolleston Close, Rothwell Road, Roughton Court, Ruckland Avenue</p>	<p><b>Withamside: Aubourn, Bassingham, Carlton-le-Moorland, Norton Disney, Stapleford, Thurlby:</b> The Revd Dee Freeman. <i>Mbamili (Nigeria): The Right Revd Henry Okeke;</i> <i>Wau (South Sudan): The Most Revd Moses Deng Bol;</i> <i>Ibba (South Sudan): The Right Revd Wilson Elias Kamani</i></p>
<p>Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup></p> <p>John Donne, Priest, Poet, 1631</p>	<p><b>Lincoln Castle Academy; Yarborough Leisure Centre and the Sports Hub</b> Residents of: Rusland Close, Rushlip Close, Sanders Close, Sanders View</p>	<p><b>Washingborough w. Heighington and Canwick:</b> The Revd George Goalby. "Please pray for our Mission Action Planning, that as we reach out the Spirit might guide and lead us and that God's presence might be experienced throughout our whole benefice." <i>Mbeere (Kenya): The Right Revd Moses Masamba Nthukah;</i> <i>Wellington (Aotearoa NZ &amp; Polynesia): The Right Revd Justin Duckworth;</i> <i>Idah (Nigeria): The Right Revd Joseph Musa</i></p>
<p>Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April</p> <p>Frederick Denison Maurice, Priest, Teacher of the Faith, 1872</p>	<p><b>Vergers and servers</b> Residents of: Scopwick Place, Searby Road, Sedgebrook Close, Stainton Gardens</p>	<p><b>The Deanery of Grantham.</b> The Revd Stuart Craddock, Rural Dean; Peter Chalk, Lay Chair. <i>Mbhashe (Southern Africa): The Rt Revd Elliot Williams;</i> <i>Wernyol (South Sudan): The Rt Revd Gabriel Kuol Garang</i></p>
<p>Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup></p>	<p><b>United Reformed Church</b> The elders and people of the church Residents of: Stapleford Avenue, Steeping Court, Sturton Close, Sudbrooke Drive</p>	<p><b>We pray for our Rural Deans.</b> <i>Meath &amp; Kildare (Ireland): The Most Revd Patricia Louise Storey;</i> <i>West Ankole (Uganda): The Rt Revd Johnson Twinomujuni;</i> <i>West Buganda (Uganda): The Rt Revd Henry Katumba-Tamale</i></p>
<p>Friday 3<sup>rd</sup></p>	<p><b>The Estate Managers and council workers; postal workers</b> Residents of: Swaby Close, Tangshan Court, Tetney Close, Thoresway Drive</p>	<p><b>Church schools in Grantham Deanery:</b> Barrowby, Denton, West Grantham Academy St Hugh's, Grantham St Anne's, Grantham Harrowby, West Grantham Academy St John's, Grantham Little Gonerby, Grantham National, Gonerby Hill Foot, Great Gonerby St Sebastian's, Harlaxton.</p>

		<i>Medak (South India): The Rt Revd A.C. Solomon Raj;</i> <i>West Lango (Uganda): The Rt Revd Alfred Acur Okodi</i>
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Lincoln North Children's Centre; the Women's refuge</b> Residents of: Thurlby Crescent, Torrington Road, Trelawney Crescent, Troutbeck Close	<b>The Evangelists' Network.</b> Please pray for the network, and for God to raise up those gifted in evangelism in our diocese. <i>Melbourne (Australia): The Most Revd Philip Leslie Freier;</i> <i>West Missouri (USA): The Rt Revd Martin Field</i>

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

<b>Give thanks for:</b>	Shop workers in our local food stores the Co-op, Waitrose, Fresh from the Fields.
<b>Special prayers this week for:</b>	Postal workers, delivery drivers, refuse collectors who are all working hard to keep us safe.
<b>People in need:</b>	Clive Seabury, Dave Notman,
<b>Rest in peace:</b>	Catherine Parkinson

### Coming up this week:

Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup>	10:00am	Parish Eucharist IN THE VICARAGE
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Morning Prayer
	5.00 pm	Evening Prayer
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup>	9.00 am	Morning Prayer
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<p>Revd Rachel can be contacted Saturday – Thursday on 07813 617977 e-mail: <a href="mailto:revd-rachel@stjohnthebaptistparishchurch.org.uk">revd-rachel@stjohnthebaptistparishchurch.org.uk</a> Web site: <a href="http://www.stjohnthebaptistparishchurch.org.uk">www.stjohnthebaptistparishchurch.org.uk</a> Any items for this weekly sheet should be received by Revd Rachel <i>no later than Wednesday evening.</i> If you would like to receive this weekly sheet by email, please e-mail <a href="mailto:revd-rachel@stjohnthebaptistparishchurch.org.uk">revd-rachel@stjohnthebaptistparishchurch.org.uk</a> or speak to a churchwarden</p>
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