

St Wulfram's Community

*Sharing God's love with everyone
in the heart of Grantham*

26th October 2025 Last Sunday after Trinity



Service details for today:

8.00am Eucharist (CW)

Celebrant and Preacher: Fr Stuart

9:30am Parish Eucharist

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Setting: Archer, Lincoln

Readings: 2 Timothy 4.6-8, 16-18 And Luke 18.9-14

Lesson Reader: Stephen Bate

Intercessor: Katy Castañeda

Hymns: AMNS 336, 184, 256, 375

11:30am Holy Baptism

For: Archie Pilgrim and Louis Smith

6.30pm Evening Prayer

Officiant: Nick Kerry (Reader)

7:15pm Said Compline

Officiant: Nick Kerry (Reader)

COLLECT:

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: 2 Timothy 4.6-8, 16-18

As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

At my first defence no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory for ever and ever. **Amen.**

GOSPEL: Luke 18.9-14

He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: 'Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax-collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, "God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax-collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income." But the tax-collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner!" I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.'

POST COMMUNION:

God of all grace, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please pray for:

Those who are unwell: Amelia, Christy, Terry, Barbara.

Recently departed:

Anniversary of deaths: Michael Bennett, Violet Marriott, David Ridgers, Eric Lister, David Barron, Muriel Pinchbeck, Frederick Cox, Daphney Gray.

If you would like to add a notice to the Community news, the deadline for the next issue is: Thursday, 6th November 2025.

Thank you to all the volunteers and those who came to the Beer Festival. We would not be able to deliver these large events with such success in church without your continued support.

The All Souls' Service will take place on Sunday, 2nd November at 6:30pm. If you would like the name of a departed loved one to be included in the prayers during this service, please either see a member of the Clergy on arrival at the service or click on the link to fill in the online form. [All Souls' Commemoration Service 2025 | St Wulfram, Grantham | ChurchDesk](#)

Do you have primary school aged children? Bring them along to our Autumn Craft Wulfram Wednesday Workshop this half term on Wednesday, 29th October from 10:30am to 12:00noon. Parent/Carers are required to stay with children to aid them in each activity after, initial guidance by the Wulfram Wednesday Team. Light refreshments of tea/coffee, squash and biscuits will be available. Please see our website or [click HERE to book your places](#).

Date for your diary: Lincoln Cathedral, Monday 17th November at 5:30pm, there will be a service in which Fr Stuart will be made a Canon within the College of Canons at Lincoln Cathedral. All welcome.

St Wulfram's Sunday Lunch Group—For those who would otherwise be having lunch on their own and have a connection with St Wulfram's. The group meets at various local restaurants and pubs on the second Sunday of the month. For more information please email Jane Sharp: janesharp11@hotmail.com or telephone her on: 07775878369.

Livestreaming our services—we are looking into changing the platform for the livestreaming of our services from using Facebook to YouTube. More details will be available over the coming weeks.

MacMillan Coffee Morning—thank you to everyone who participated in the MacMillan Coffee Morning on 12th October, £260 was raised for this wonderful charity.

The Artisan Brocante Christmas Fair will be held in church on Saturday 1st November from 10:00am to 3:00pm. Carefully curated vintage and artisan stalls with lots of festive treats. The Coffee Shop will be open selling mince pies, mulled wine, a selection of homemade cakes and scones. Entry to the fair is £3.00 per person, children under 16 yrs free.

The Passage – As the cold weather approaches would you be able to donate some warm winter socks, ladies and gents. The people that are cared for often have wet socks and cold feet so your generosity would be very welcome. Please give any donations to Sheila Knight in church or leave for her attention in church, on the cabinet in front of the old parish office, by the end of November Thank you in advance.

Philip Lank Trust – vacancy for a PCC appointed trustee. The Philip Lank Trust (PLT), a Registered Charity (number 1135362), formed in 2008, supports the development of music in St Wulfram's and surrounding parishes through the education and training of choristers and instrumentalists. The Rector serves on the Board of Trustees, as did Fr Clay Roundtree until his departure from St Wulfram's on 1st October 2025. The PCC is seeking suggestions for a replacement for Fr Clay as trustee. Ideally the new trustee should have an interest in music and possess skills in fundraising and marketing/publicity and, if possible, have contacts in the wider community which the PLT could tap into. Names will be considered by the PCC at its meeting on 20th November 2025. If you wish to put yourself forward for consideration for this vacancy, or to nominate someone else, please speak to the Rector or email rector@stwulframs.com. Thank you.

Grantham Ark Sleep Out - Grab your thermos and dig out your sleeping bag. Every year, along with local businesses, we sleep outside so that a homeless person doesn't have to. This year's Sleep Out will be held at Grantham House from 9:00pm on Friday 21st to 7:00am on Saturday 22nd November. For more information and to register please go the Grantham Ark's dedicated Sleep Out website: <https://grantham-ark-sleep-out-2025.raiselysite.com/>

Lord, Show Us The Way News – The Diocese of Lincoln has a series of important Strategy Engagement Events that will be happening across Lincolnshire. This is an opportunity for you to have a conversation with the diocesan central team, including the Strategy Working Group, about the strategy. You'll also gain insight into how far we've come on the journey and what we could possibly expect next. These engagement events are taking place across Lincolnshire. It is crucial that you sign up to an event so they can plan. There will be a meeting held in church on Monday, 1st December at 7:00pm. Please click on the following link to book your place: [Diocese of Lincoln Strategy Development Engagement Events](#)

Remembrance Sunday , 9th November—Just a reminder for you that the Parish Eucharist will be a said service beginning at **9:15am**. The Royal British Legion's Service of Remembrance will begin at 10:55am following the parade through the town centre.

Mthr Hannah —On Thursday, 6th November at 7:00pm the Rev'd Mother Hannah Grivell will be licensed as Vicar of Lincoln St Nicholas with St John by Bishop Nicholas, Bishop of Grantham. The service will take place at St Nicholas' Church, Newport, LN1 3PD. Refreshments will be available following the service. If you can, please attend to show your support.

During the winter months, on the occasions that we hold Evening Prayer at 6:30pm on Sundays, the service will be followed 15 minutes later by Said Compline. In that quiet 15 minutes between the services, we will have a warming drink as we spiritually prepare for the hours ahead. It is not obligatory to attend both services, the Office of Compline finishing at 7:30pm.

Inclusive Church – Living in Love and Faith. Inclusive Church has produced an open letter for members of the Church of England. Please click on the link to read the letter and show your support. [LLF Open Letter – Inclusive Church](#) There is also a copy of the letter in church in front of the old parish office.

We will be running our 'Christmas Cheer! Support for Families at Christmas' campaign throughout November. Please click on the link to find out more information and make your donation: [Christmas Cheer! Support for Families at Christmas](#)

Photos from a the recent Parish Walk, Exton to Greetham and



Photos from the Harvest Barn Dance

Church Electoral Roll - The Church Electoral Roll is the basic list in every parish of all those entitled to vote on elections within the *Church of England*. Those entitled to have their names on this roll must be 16 years of age or more and they must reside in the relevant *parish* or be regular worshippers in church whose roll they wish to join.

Joining the Electoral Roll opens the way for greater involvement in the life of your Church, at deanery, diocesan and national levels as well as being entitled to vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting. With your name on the Electoral Roll, the strength of the Church can be seen in your area and across the county.

If you want to be on the Electoral Roll for St Wulfram's Church, please complete for form below. The next APCM (Annual Parochial Church Meeting) will take place on at 11:00am on Sunday, 17 May 2026. If you think you might be interested in standing for election to the PCC on that occasion or to vote at the meeting, you will have had to have been on the Electoral Roll for at least six months beforehand (**ie by 16 November 2025**).

Joining now will enable a member to stand for election at the APCM on Sunday 17 May 2026. If you are not already a member, please click on the following link to join our Electoral Roll: [Electoral Roll Application 2025-2031 | St Wulfram, Grantham | ChurchDesk](#)

Day and Prayer Intention	Church Calendar followed by events and services for the day
Mon 27th October	Feria. 7:30pm-9:00pm Community Choir—meet in church—see opposite page for more details
Tue 28th	Simon and Jude, Apostles. 9:00am Morning Prayer 10:00am –11:30am Grantham U3A Coffee Morning 12:00noon Eucharist 7:00pm-8:30pm String Ensemble meeting in church
Wed 29th	James Hannington, bishop, martyr, 1885. 9:00am Morning Prayer 10:30am-12:00noon—Wulfram Wednesday—see opposite page for more details 11:00am-12:00noon Coffee Morning—meet in church
Thurs 30th	Feria. 9:00am Morning Prayer
Fri 31st <i>The Abbey of St Wandrille</i>	Martin Luther, reformer, 1546. 9:00am Morning Prayer
Sat 1st November <i>St John's, Manthorpe and St John's, Spitalgate</i>	Feria. 10:00am—3:00pm Artisan Brocante Christmas Fair—see opposite page for more details
Sun 2nd <i>Our Parish</i>	All Saints' Day. See page 4 for more details of today's services
Mon 3rd	Richard Hooker, priest, teacher of the faith, 1600. Martin Porres, friar, 1639.
Tue 4th	Feria. 9:00am Morning Prayer 10:15am to 11:30am LCC Coffee Morning in church 12:00noon Eucharist 6:30pm Fabric PCC Sub-group meeting at Grantham House 7:30pm Governance Review meeting at Grantham House
Wed 5th	Feria. 9:00am Morning Prayer 11:00am-12:00noon Coffee Morning meet at Grantham House
Thurs 6th	Leonard, hermit, 6th cent. William Temple, archbishop, teacher of the faith, 1944. 9:00am Morning Prayer
Fri 7th <i>The Abbey of St Wandrille</i>	Willibrord, bishop, 739. 9:00am Morning Prayer 9:30am Wulfram Tots 5:15pm Choral Evensong with the Youth Choir 7:30pm Youth Group Yrs 5-7 at Grantham House
Sat 8th <i>St John's, Manthorpe and St John's, Spitalgate</i>	Saints and martyrs of England.
Sun 9th <i>Our Parish</i>	Remembrance Sunday. See back page for more details of today's services 7:30pm Youth Groups Yrs 8-10 and Yrs 11-13 in church

WHO'S WHO AT ST WULFRAM'S www.stwulframs.org.uk Rector: Fr Stuart Craddock 01476 569582 rector@stwulframs.com Ordinand: Tom Stockwell tom.stockwell@stwulframs.com Churchwardens: Mrs Jan Burrows 07745948720 and Mrs Mel Fletcher 07973699901 churchwardens@stwulframs.com Readers: Nick Kerry 07971177781 Katy Castañeda 07594862071 katyjag@outlook.com Director of Music: Dr Tim Williams choir@stwulframs.com Parish Administrator: Elaine Chambers, Parish Office: 01476 561342 admin@stwulframs.com Parish Safeguarding Officer: Jeremy Lloyd 07538789348 safeguarding@stwulframs.com Assist. Safeguarding Officer: Elaine Chambers, Parish Office: 01476 561342 admin@stwulframs.com	WHEN WE ARE USUALLY OPEN Church open for private prayer: Monday to Saturday 9:00am-4:00pm, and on Sundays from 10:30am – 4:00pm. Francis Trigge Library: Wednesday and Saturday mornings 10:00am-12:00noon Parish Office: Monday 10:00am-12:00noon. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 10:00am to 3:00pm. Tel: 01476 561342 Email: admin@stwulframs.com The Parish Office is based at: Grantham House 45 Castlegate Grantham, NG31 6SS
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St Wulfram's Church is a member of the Inclusive Church.
Please go to www.inclusive-church.org.uk for more information and the latest newsletters.



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2nd November 2025 All Saints' Day



Service details for today:

8.00am Eucharist (BCP)

Celebrant and Preacher: Fr Stuart

9.30am All-Age Eucharist

Celebrant and address: Fr Stuart

Readings: Ephesians 1.11-23 and Luke 6.20-31

Hymns: HON 134, 53, 4, 567

11:00am Choral Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: Fr Stuart

Setting: Palestrina, Missa Aeterna Christi Munera

Readings: Ephesians 1.11-23 and Luke 6.20-31

Hymns: AMNS 305, 184, 262

6.30pm All Souls' Mass

Celebrant and Preacher: The Venerable Gavin Kirk, Archdeacon of Lincoln

Lesson Reader: Paul Davie

Reading: 1 Peter 1.3-9 and John 5.19-25

Hymns: AMNS 426, 16, 192

COLLECT:

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; 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. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: Ephesians 1.11-23

In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

GOSPEL: Luke 6.20-31

Then he looked up at his disciples and said: 'Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. 'Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. 'Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. 'But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. 'Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. 'Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.

'Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

'But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

POST COMMUNION:

God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things: may we who have shared at this table as strangers and pilgrims here on earth be welcomed with all your saints to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please pray for:

Those who are unwell: Amelia, Christy, Terry, Barbara.

Recently departed:

Anniversary of deaths: Ian Smith.

Service Details for 9th November 2025

8:00am Eucharist (CW)

9:15am Parish Eucharist

10:55am Service of Remembrance

6:30pm Choral Evensong

Readings for 9th November 2025

Remembrance Sunday

2 Thessalonian 2.1-5, 13-17

Luke 20.27-38