



**Service details for today:**

**8.00am Eucharist (CW)**

*Celebrant and Preacher:* Fr Stuart

**9:30am Parish Eucharist including Holy Baptism**

*Celebrant and Preacher:* Fr Stuart

*Setting:* Archer, Lincoln

*Readings:* Acts 9.1-22 and Matthew 19.27-30

*Lesson Reader:* Colin Green

*Intercessor:* Katy Castañeda

*Hymns:* **AMNS 53, 262, 115, 431**

**6.30pm Choral Evensong**

*Officiant:* Fr Stuart

*Responses:* Shephard

*Psalm:* 33.1-12

*Lesson Reader:* Paul Davie

*Readings:* Joshua 3.1-8, 14-17 and Hebrews 1.1-12

*Hymns:* **AMNS 184, 16**

**COLLECT:**

Almighty God, who caused the light of the gospel to shine throughout the world through the preaching of your servant Saint Paul: grant that we who celebrate his wonderful conversion may follow him in bearing witness to your truth; 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: Acts 9.1-22**

Meanwhile Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, 'Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?' He asked, 'Who are you, Lord?' The reply came, 'I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do.' The men who were travelling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, 'Ananias.' He answered, 'Here I am, Lord.' The Lord said to him, 'Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight.' But Ananias answered, 'Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem; and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name.' But the Lord said to him, 'Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name.' So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, 'Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit.' And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

For several days he was with the disciples in Damascus, and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, 'He is the Son of God.' All who heard him were amazed and said, 'Is not this the man who made havoc in Jerusalem among those who invoked this name? And has he not come here for the purpose of bringing them bound before the chief priests?' Saul became increasingly more powerful and confounded the Jews who lived in Damascus by proving that Jesus was the Messiah.

**GOSPEL: Matthew 19.27-30**

Then Peter said in reply, 'Look, we have left everything and followed you. What then will we have?' Jesus said to them, 'Truly I tell you, at the renewal of all things, when the Son of Man is seated on the throne of his glory, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or fields, for my name's sake, will receive a hundredfold, and will inherit eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.'

**POST COMMUNION:**

Almighty God, who on the day of Pentecost sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles with the wind from heaven and in tongues of flame, filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel: by the power of the same Spirit strengthen us to witness to your truth and to draw everyone to the fire of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Please pray for:**

**Those who are unwell:** Amelia, Christy, Terry, Reg.

**Recently departed:** Keith Boyfield

**Anniversary of deaths:** Ruth Wallace, Barbara Teague, Elizabeth Ann Cox, Mark Davie, John Baker, Joan Hardy, Nigel Hillier, Helen Dawkins, Wendy Hare.

**St Wulfram's Annual Fish and Chip Supper with Quiz** will take place on Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> January from 6:00pm, come and join in the fun. There will be several quiz rounds written by the Clergy team of St Wulfram's, a picture round, a mystery round, a lucky dip raffle, and of course Fish & Chips! The food tickets have now sold out but Quiz only tickets at £4.00 each are still available. Tickets will be available after the 9:30am Parish Eucharist, the Parish Office or online via the following link:

[St Wulframs Family Fish Chip Quiz Night 2026 | St Wulfram, Grantham | ChurchDesk](#)

**Women's Bible Study Group** will meet again on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> January from 7:00pm to 8:30pm at St John's, Spitalgate, tea and coffee served from 7:00pm. This community provides space for women to come together to share and reflect through the Scriptures and prayer. All welcome.

**The King's School's Jazz Nite, Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2026** – The school's Music Department will be performing in their very popular Jazz Nite, this year celebrating 30 years. The doors will be open from 6:30pm, music starts at 7:00pm. Tickets £18.00 per person, no Concessions. Please follow the link to book your tickets: [The King's School online ticket sales powered by TicketSource](#)

**Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal**—we have received a Thank You from the Royal British Legion for the collection that was taken during the Service of Remembrance back in November. The collection sent on to the RBL was for £981.83 contributing to their district total of over £49,000.

**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](mailto:janesharp11@hotmail.com) or telephone her on: 07775878369.

**PCC Meeting**—the PCC met during the evening of Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> January. If you want to know anything about the meeting, please speak to a member of the clergy or a churchwarden.

**Volunteering Opportunities** - We are looking for a number of people to volunteer as Stewards during the week to welcome visitors to the Church. We normally run this from Easter to October.

We are also looking to extend the opening hours of the Triggs Library if possible. At present it is open once a month on a Wednesday and two Saturday mornings per month before moving to every Wednesday and Saturday from Easter to October.

Finally, a group of people to meet every 2 months or so to clean the church. Ideally, we would agree a morning that suited everyone, and then we could enjoy a coffee together too.

Please contact Jan Burrows for further information or contact the Parish Office.

**The Benefact Group Movement for Good** is your chance to help them give away their profits to good causes. Please click on the following link: [https://movementforgood.com/draws/1000?utm\\_source=Email-giving&utm\\_campaign=MFG25-Email-1&cmp=1&utm\\_medium=HTMLEmail](https://movementforgood.com/draws/1000?utm_source=Email-giving&utm_campaign=MFG25-Email-1&cmp=1&utm_medium=HTMLEmail) and enter our charity number: 1131575 to nominate St Wulfram's Church giving us the chance to win £1000.

**Celebration of Cultures**—in church on Saturday, 28<sup>th</sup> February from 5:00pm we will be celebrating our church community's global heritage through food, music, dress and treasured items. Everyone is welcome!

If you would like to take part by bringing some food, drink, cultural items, clothing, music or anything you would like to share please see the sign-up form in church. If you would like to bring food you have the option to reclaim the cost of the ingredients provided a valid receipt supplied.

Tickets for the event are limited and are £5.00 per adult, free entry for children under 16. Tickets are available in church on Sundays, from the Parish Office or online from the home page on our website. [Celebration of Cultures](#)

**Further details for all the Lent, Holy Week and Easter** services and activities that are taking place at St Wulfram's, St John's Manthorpe and St John's Spitalgate will be available soon.

**Ash Wednesday** takes place on Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> February, marking the beginning of Lent. We will hold a Said Eucharist with Ashing at 10:30am and a Choral Eucharist with Ashing at 7:30pm. All welcome.

**'Draw Near – Life-giving habits for Lent'** is this year's theme for Lent from the Church of England. There are full-colour Church House Publishing reflections booklets for adults and one for families and children. Each booklet is £2.99 direct from Church House Publishing or, if we receive 10 or more enquiries we can do a bulk order, bringing the cost down to £2.50 per booklet. To see a sample of the booklet please go to the Church of England's website: [Draw Near](#)

If you prefer to read something on your mobile or tablet, why not download the [Everyday Faith app](#)? The app, which is free, will have reflections for adults every Monday to Saturday throughout Lent, based on the booklet and will continue to offer content into the season of Easter and beyond throughout 2026.

<b>Day and Prayer Intention</b>	<b>Church Calendar followed by events and services for the day</b>
<b>Mon 26<sup>th</sup> January</b> <i>The Diocese of Sur—Iglesia Anglicana de Chile</i>	<b>Timothy and Titus, companions of Paul.</b> 7:30pm-9:00pm Community Choir meet in church
<b>Tue 27<sup>th</sup></b> <i>Boston AMPC</i>	<b>Feria.</b> 9:00am Morning Prayer 10:00am-11:30pm Grantham U3A Coffee Morning in church 12:00noon Eucharist 7:00pm String Ensemble meet in church 7:30pm Safeguarding PCC Sub-group meeting at Grantham House
<b>Wed 28<sup>th</sup></b> <i>The Diocese of Swansea and Brecon— The Church in Wales</i>	<b>Thomas Aquinas, priest, philosopher, teacher of the faith, 1274.</b> 9:00am Morning Prayer 11:00am-12:00noon Coffee Morning in church 7:00pm Women's Bible Study—see opposite page for more details
<b>Thurs 29<sup>th</sup></b> <i>Youth and Children's Work</i>	<b>Feria.</b> 2:30pm Funeral for Mr Keith Boyfield
<b>Fri 30<sup>th</sup></b> <i>The Abbey of St Wandrille</i>	<b>Charles, king and martyr, 1649.</b> 9:00am Morning Prayer 9:30am-10:30am Wulfram Tots meet in church 5:15pm Choral Evensong with the Youth Choir
<b>Sat 31<sup>st</sup></b> <i>St John's, Manthorpe and St John's, Spitalgate</i>	<b>John Basco, priest, founder of the Salesian Teaching Order, 1888.</b> <del>1:00pm</del> No Service of Prayer today 6:00pm Fish and Chip Supper with Quiz—see opposite page for more details
<b>Sun 1<sup>st</sup> February</b> <i>Our Parish</i>	<b>Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas).</b> See page 4 for more details of today's services
<b>Mon 2<sup>nd</sup></b> <i>The Armed Forces</i>	<b>Feria. Ordinary time begins today.</b> 7:30pm-9:00pm Community Choir meet in church
<b>Tue 3<sup>rd</sup></b> <i>Church Schools in Yarborough Local Mission Partnership</i>	<b>Anskar, archbishop, missionary, 865..</b> 9:00am Morning Prayer 10:15am Lincolnshire County Council Coffee Morning 12:00noon Eucharist
<b>Wed 4<sup>th</sup></b> <i>South Ferriby - The Rev'd Canon Liz Brown and the Rev'd Lizzie Brown</i>	<b>Gilbert, founder of the Gilbertine Order, 1189.</b> 9:00am Morning Prayer 11:00am-12:00noon Coffee Morning in church
<b>Thurs 5<sup>th</sup></b> <i>The Construction Industry</i>	<b>Feria.</b> 9:00am Morning Prayer 6:30pm Volunteer Thank You Evening in church
<b>Fri 6<sup>th</sup></b> <i>The Abbey of St Wandrille</i>	<b>Martyrs of Japan.</b> 9:00am Morning Prayer 9:30am Wulfram Tots 5:15pm Choral Evensong with the Youth Choir 7:30pm-9:00pm Youth Group 5-7 meet at Grantham House
<b>Sat 7<sup>th</sup></b> <i>St John's, Manthorpe and St John's, Spitalgate</i>	<b>Feria.</b> 1:00pm Service of Prayer 6:30pm King's School Jazz Nite—see opposite page for more details
<b>Sun 8<sup>th</sup></b> <i>Our Parish</i>	<b>Second Sunday before Lent.</b> See back page for more details of today's services 9:30pm-9:00pm Youth Groups 8-10 and 11-13 meet in church

#### WHO'S WHO AT ST WULFRAM'S

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#### 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

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#### The Parish Office is based at:

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# St Wulfram's Community

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

## 1<sup>st</sup> February 2026 Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas)



### Service details for today:

#### 8.00am Eucharist (BCP)

Celebrant: Fr Francis

Preacher: Tom Stockwell (Ordinand)

#### 9.30am All Age Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: Fr Stuart

Readings: Hebrews 2.14-18 and Luke 2.22-40

Hymns: **As per order of service**

#### 11:00am Choral Eucharist

Celebrant: Fr Stuart

Preacher: Nick Kerry (Reader)

Readings: Hebrews 2.14-18 and Luke 2.22-40

Hymns: **AMNS 172, 453, 256**

#### 6.30pm Evening Prayer

Officiant: Fr Francis

#### 7:15pm Said Compline

Officiant: Fr Francis

#### COLLECT:

Almighty and ever-living God, clothed in majesty, whose beloved Son was this day presented in the Temple, in substance of our flesh: grant that we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts, by your Son Jesus Christ 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: Hebrews 2.14-18

Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

#### GOSPEL: Luke 2.22-40

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, 'a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.'

Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, 'Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.'

And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband for seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

#### POST COMMUNION:

Lord, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and Anna, who lived to welcome the Messiah: may we, who have received these gifts beyond words, prepare to meet Christ Jesus when he comes to bring us to eternal life; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

#### Please pray for:

**Those who are unwell:** Amelia, Christy, Terry, Reg.

#### Recently departed:

**Anniversary of deaths:** Millicent Bond, Bill Johnson, Nina Shone, Zena Brack, Mary Pond, Mary Markham, Barry Priest, Eva Walpole.

#### Service Details for 8<sup>th</sup> January 2026

8:00am Eucharist (CW)

9:30am Parish Eucharist

6.30pm Choral Evensong

#### Readings for 8<sup>th</sup> January 2026

**Second Sunday of Lent**

Romans 8.18-25

Matthew 6.25-34