

St Wulfram's Community

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

28th June 2026 Celebrating Peter and Paul, Apostles



Service details for today:

8.00am Eucharist (CW)

Celebrant and Preacher: Fr Peter

9:30am Parish Eucharist

Celebrant: Fr Stuart

Preacher: Fr Peter

Setting: Archer, Lincoln

Readings: Acts 12.1-11 and Matthew 16.13-19

Lesson Reader: Stephen Bate

Intercessor: Helen Dawkins

*Hymns: AMNS 105 (omit *s), 184, 256, 148*

11:00am Holy Baptism

For: Grace Margaret Hartley

6.30pm Choral Evensong

Officiant: Fr Stuart

Responses: Rose

Psalm: 50.1-15

Lesson Readers: Paul Davie and Lynda Basford

Readings: 1 Samuel 28.3-19 and Luke 17.20-37

Hymns: AMNS 170, 12

COLLECT:

Almighty God, whose blessed apostles Peter and Paul glorified you in their death as in their life: grant that your Church, inspired by their teaching and example, and made one by your Spirit, may ever stand firm upon the one foundation, 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 12.1-11

About that time King Herod laid violent hands upon some who belonged to the church. He had James, the brother of John, killed with the sword. After he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to arrest Peter also. (This was during the festival of Unleavened Bread.) When he had seized him, he put him in prison and handed him over to four squads of soldiers to guard him, intending to bring him out to the people after the Passover. While Peter was kept in prison, the church prayed fervently to God for him.

The very night before Herod was going to bring him out, Peter, bound with two chains, was sleeping between two soldiers, while guards in front of the door were keeping watch over the prison. Suddenly an angel of the Lord appeared and a light shone in the cell. He tapped Peter on the side and woke him, saying, 'Get up quickly.' And the chains fell off his wrists. The angel said to him, 'Fasten your belt and put on your sandals.' He did so. Then he said to him, 'Wrap your cloak around you and follow me.' Peter went out and followed him; he did not realize that what was happening with the angel's help was real; he thought he was seeing a vision. After they had passed the first and the second guard, they came before the iron gate leading into the city. It opened for them of its own accord, and they went outside and walked along a lane, when suddenly the angel left him. Then Peter came to himself and said, 'Now I am sure that the Lord has sent his angel and rescued me from the hands of Herod and from all that the Jewish people were expecting.'

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 16.13-19

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.'

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, Christine, Kathleen, Alan.

Recently departed: Delia Hearmon, Laura Church, Carole Lane, Steve Coulson.

Anniversary of deaths: Gertrude Hewes, Kathleen Porter, Helen Redmile, Derek Lee.

If you would like to add a notice to the Community news, the deadline for the next issue is: Wednesday, 8th July 2026.

Sponsor a Chorister 2026. In 2026, our 'Sponsor a Chorister' fund supports the weekly musical education of our choristers and allows us to subsidise day and residential Cathedral trips for the children and young people in our choir community. Across the week more than 60 children and young people sing in the choirs of St Wulfram's with most of our children and young people having access to 6-12 hours a of music teaching and activity for free each week. Our ongoing fundraising throughout the year also allows us to subsidise week-long residencies and day trips, singing in Cathedrals and provides equal access for longer stays. This summer, the choir will be in residency at Ely Cathedral, singing daily services. The actual cost of a day trip (because of increased travel costs) is around £40 and a weekend trip around £650.

If this is something that you feel you would be happy to contribute to, please complete the form below and make your donation. Suggested donations are Bronze £20, Silver £40, Gold £100. There is also an option to donate an amount of your own choosing and any amount small or large will make a massive difference. Thank you so much for helping us to provide these enriching experiences for our children and young people. There is more information on our website or [please click HERE to make your donation.](#)

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.

Three Free Fridays – 26th June, 3rd July and 10th July - This summer we are taking another chance to embrace some of that French *ju ne sais quoi*. It's simple, come along to Grantham House with friends and/or family, enjoy some live music, perfect company and eat your picnic. Each Friday starts at 7:30pm and finishes by 10:00pm. There will be a bar available as usual plus coffee, cake

and soft scoop ice-cream from the Grantham House NT Tea Room.

Donations to cover the costs are always welcome. If you can bring a chair all the better.

Please note: no alcohol can be brought onsite. All alcoholic drinks must be bought from the onsite bar due to the licensing. Nathan's Kitchen will also be on site if you want to buy great food instead of brining a picnic.

Sunday 5th July — service times will be slightly different on this day. The schedule will be: 8:00am Said Eucharist (BCP), 10:00am Confirmation Service, 6:30pm Evening Prayer. Please do come along to the 10:00am Confirmation Service to support the candidates being confirmed.

Wulfram Tots for preschool children and their parents/carers. Meets on Friday mornings during school terms times from 9:30am to 10:30am. The final session in church this term will be on the 10th July. On Friday 17th July there will be a Teddy Bear's Picnic in the garden at Grantham House. If you have a pre-school child that you would like to bring along to these sessions Ann, Eileen and Jan would love to see you.

Soup Lunches - The next soup lunch will be held on Tuesday 14th July. We would very much like you to join us for the 12:00noon Eucharist followed by the lunch, alternatively just come to the lunch, and enjoy the fellowship. The soup will be served at 12:30pm and there is no need to book. There is no charge for the lunch, but donations are welcome.

Women's Bible Study Group will meet again on Wednesday 8th July from 7:00pm-8:30pm at St John's, Spitalgate with Earlsfield, 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 Choir are going on a residency to Ely from Monday 27th July to Sunday 2nd August. If you fancy a day out, why not go to the city of Ely and the cathedral for Choral Evensong, with our choir, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday at 5:30pm or Sunday at 4:00pm.

Day and Prayer Intention	Church Calendar followed by events and services for the day
Mon 29th June <i>Young Peoples Uniformed Organisations</i>	Peter and Paul, Apostles. 7:30pm-9:00pm Community Choir meet in church
Tue 30th <i>The Diocese of All Saints—The Anglican Church of Kenya</i>	Feria. 9:00am Morning Prayer 12:00noon Eucharist 7:00pm-8:30pm String Ensemble meet in church
Wed 1st July <i>Those who work in animal care</i>	Henry, John, and Henry Ven, priests, evangelical divines, 1797, 1813, 1873. 9:00am Morning Prayer 11:00am-12:00noon Coffee Morning in church
Thurs 2nd <i>Our Armed Forces</i>	Feria. 9:00am Morning Prayer
Fri 3rd <i>The Abbey of St Wandrille</i>	Thomas the Apostle. 9:00am Morning Prayer (livestreamed) 9:30am-10:30am Wulfram Tots meet in church 2:00pm Pastoral Team meeting at Grantham House 5:15pm Choral Evensong with the Youth Choir 7:30pm-9:00pm Youth Group Yrs 5-7 meet at Grantham House 7:30pm Three Free Fridays in the grounds at Grantham House—see opposite page for more details
Sat 4th <i>St John's, Manthorpe and St John's, Spitalgate with Earlsfield</i>	Feria. 1:00pm Moment of Prayer
Sun 5th <i>Our Parish</i>	Fifth Sunday after Trinity. See page 4 for more details of today's services 7:30pm-9:00pm Youth Groups 7-13 meet in church
Mon 6th <i>Skirbeck Holy Trinity—the Revd Adrian Morton</i>	Thomas More, scholar, and John Fisher, bishop, martyrs, 1535. 7:30pm-9:00pm Community Choir meet in church
Tue 7th <i>The Diocesan Strategic Development Fund and Programme Board Trusts Committee</i>	Feria. 9:00am Morning Prayer 10:15am-11:30am LCC Grantham Adult Disability Services Coffee Morning in church 12:00noon Eucharist 7:00pm String Ensemble meet in church 7:30pm Social PCC Sub-group meeting at Grantham House
Wed 8th <i>Our Finance Team</i>	Feria. 9:00am Morning Prayer 11:00am-12:00noon Coffee Morning meet in church 1:30pm Funeral for Mrs Delia Hearmon 7:00pm Women's Bible Study—meet at St John's Church, Spitalgate 7:30pm Fabric PCC Sub-group meeting in church
Thurs 9th <i>All those who work in the healthcare services</i>	Feria. 9:00am Morning Prayer 7:30pm-9:00pm Youth Confirmation Group meeting at the Rectory
Fri 10th <i>The Abbey of St Wandrille</i>	Feria. 9:00am Morning Prayer (Livestreamed) 9:30am-10:30am Wulfram Tots meet in church 1:00pm-2:00pm Chair Yoga in church with Right at Home—all welcome 5:15pm Choral Evensong with the Youth Choir 7:30pm-9:00pm Youth Group Yrs5-7 meet at Grantham House 7:30pm Three Free Fridays in the grounds at Grantham House—see opposite page for more details
Sat 11th <i>St John's, Manthorpe and St John's, Spitalgate with Earlsfield</i>	Benedict, abbot, c550. 9:00am-11:00am Baby Clothes Carousel in church 1:00pm No Moment of Prayer today
Sun 12th <i>Our Parish</i>	Sixth Sunday after Trinity. See back page for more details of today's services

Please note: some of our services are livestreamed and broadcast via our Facebook page. These videos are only available to view for 30 days following the broadcast date. <https://www.facebook.com/stwulframs/>

WHO'S WHO AT ST WULFRAM'S www.stwulframs.org.uk Rector: Rev'd Canon Fr Stuart Craddock 01476 569582 rector@stwulframs.com Associate Rector: Fr Peter Pathikrit Das 01476 561342 frpeter@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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8.00am Eucharist (BCP)

Celebrant and Preacher: Fr Stuart

10:00am Parish Eucharist including Confirmation

Celebrant and Preacher: Bishop Nicholas, Bishop of Grantham

Hymns: As set in the order of service

6.30pm Evening Prayer

Officiant: Fr Stuart

COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name; through our Lord and 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: Romans 7.15-25a

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

GOSPEL: Matthew 11.16-19, 25-30

'But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the market-places and calling to one another, "We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn." For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, "He has a demon"; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, "Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax-collectors and sinners!" Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.'

At that time Jesus said, 'I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

'Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.'

POST COMMUNION

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by your governance, that your Church may joyfully serve you in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please pray for:

Those who are unwell: Amelia, Christy, Christine, Kathleen, Alan.

Recently departed: Delia Hearmon, Laura Church, Carole Lane, Steve Coulson.

Anniversary of deaths: Simon Goodge, Margaret Day, Ron Young, Bill Read, Jean Muskett, Connie Weightman, George Catlin, Carl Caddle.

Service Details for 12th July 2026

8:00am Eucharist (CW)

9:30am Parish Eucharist

6:30pm Choral Evensong

Readings for 12th July 2026

Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Romans 8.1-11

Matthew 13.1-9, 18-23