

St Wulfram's Community

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

4th October 2026 Harvest



Service details for today:

8:00am Eucharist (BCP)

Celebrant and Preacher: Fr Peter

9:30am All-Age Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: Fr Stuart

Readings: 2 Corinthians 9.6-15 and Luke 17.11-19

Hymns: As per order of service

11:00am Choral Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: Fr Peter

Readings: 2 Corinthians 9.6-15 and Luke 17.11-19

Hymns: AMNS 289, 290, 288

2:00pm Civic Service for the Chair of SKDC, Cllr Anna Kelly

Officiant: Fr Stuart

5:00pm Pet Blessing Service

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6:30pm No evening service at St Wulfram's today

Instead, we join our brothers and sisters at St John's, Spitalgate with Earlsfield for Evensong at 6:00pm

COLLECT:

Eternal God, you crown the year with your goodness and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season: grant that we may use them to your glory, for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being; 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: 2 Corinthians 9.6-15

The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. As it is written, 'He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever.' He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

GOSPEL READING: Luke 17.11-19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, 'Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!' When he saw them, he said to them, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, 'Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?' Then he said to him, 'Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.'

POST COMMUNION:

Lord of the harvest, with joy we have offered thanksgiving for your love in creation and have shared in the bread and the wine of the kingdom: by your grace plant within us a reverence for all that you give us and make us generous and wise stewards of the good things we enjoy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please pray for:

Those who are unwell: Amelia, Kathleen, Alan.

Recently departed:

Anniversary of deaths: Ernest Climpson, Eileen Bayes, William Townsend.

If you would like to add a notice in the Community news, the deadline for the next issue is: Wednesday, 14th October 2026.

Harvest collection – On Sunday 4th October we will be celebrating Harvest. All the donations received will be shared between The Passage and Grantham Foodbank. Your donations can be brought into church in the week leading up to Harvest or bring along to any of the services on 4th October. Here are the items that are particularly in need of, if you can, please do add some of these to your regular shopping list: tinned soup, tinned fruit, tinned rice pudding, tinned vegetables, tinned fish, jam, tinned tomatoes, breakfast cereal, pasta sauce, rice (500g), baked beans, bottles of squash.

Our annual Pet Blessing Service will take place on Sunday 4th October at 5:00pm. Please bring along to church your animal companions (or a photo of them) for a blessing.

Relocation of the Parish Office – on Monday 5th October work will begin to relocate the Parish Office from downstairs at Grantham House to ‘The School Room’, which is upstairs at Grantham House. The School Room is one of the four rooms that St Wulfram’s leases from the National Trust. Access to the Parish Office will be via the kitchen door in the courtyard at Grantham House then up the uncarpeted stairs. In time a sign and doorbell will be installed outside on the wall by the door, along with a letterbox at the bottom of the staircase. If you can get up the stairs, then please do come in and up to the office. Otherwise, please ring the bell and I will come to you. Thank you. Elaine

Friday 9th October – 7:30pm Army Benevolent Fund Concert with the Band of the Welsh Guards. Tickets available online only from:
<https://register.enthuse.com/ps/event/LincolnshireBigBandConcert> If you would be able to help as an usher or help on the bar for this concert, please let Mel Fletcher know.

Baby Loss Awareness Week – a service to mark Baby Loss Awareness Week will be held on Wednesday, 14th October at 6:30pm. Anna James, a member of our congregation, is organising a gentle Starlight Walk on 14th October in partnership with Sands, the baby loss charity. The walk begins at Wyndham Park at 5:30pm, pauses briefly at Guildhall Green, and finishes at St Wulfram’s Church in time for the Service of Remembrance at 6:30pm. The walk is free to join, fully accessible, and open to anyone who wishes to walk in memory of a baby or to support those who have experienced loss. Some lanterns and LED lights will be available, and participants are welcome to bring their own. Donations to support the work of Sands can be made here:
<https://fundraising.sands.org.uk/s/10132/97885>

Soup Lunches - The next soup lunch will be held on Tuesday 13th September. 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.

Thursday 22nd October to Saturday 24th October – The Beer Festival returns! If you are able to help at the festival, please see the sign-up sheets that are in church.

Saturday 31st October – The Artisan Brocante Christmas Fair in church from 10:00am to 3:00pm.

The All Souls' Service will take place on Sunday, 1st 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 2026 | St Wulfram, Grantham | ChurchDesk](#)

Friday 13th November – Discos for Grown Ups – to book your tickets please click on the following link: [GRANTHAM - DISCOS FOR GROWN UPS 70s, 80s, 90s disco party ST WULFRAM'S Tickets, Friday, November 13 • 6:30 PM - 11 PM | Eventbrite](#)

Wednesday 25th November to Sunday 29th November – The Christmas Tree Festival. For more details about how to enter your tree in the festival please see our website: https://www.stwulframs.org.uk/b/christmas-tree-festival-wednesday-25-to-sunday-29-november-2026-233203?utm_source=Widget+on+www.stwulframs.org.uk%2Fwhats-on%2Fevent-highlights&utm_medium=Widgets

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, 23rd May 2027. 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 22nd November 2026**).

Joining now will enable a member to stand for election at the APCM on Sunday 17th 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](#)

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.

Day and Prayer Intention	Church Calendar followed by events and services for the day
Mon 5th October The construction industry	Feria.
Tues 6th The Diocese of Bunbury – The Anglican Church of Australia	William Tyndale, translator, martyr, 1536. 9:00am Morning Prayer 10:00am LCC Coffee Morning in church 12:00noon Eucharist
Wed 7th Our local farmers	Feria. 9:00am Morning Prayer 11:00am-12:00noon Coffee Morning in church
Thurs 8th The Parish of Saltfleetby	Feria. 9:00am Morning Prayer
Fri 9th <i>The Abbey of Wandrille</i>	Denys, bishop, and companions, martyrs, c.250. 9:00am Angelus and Morning Prayer (livestreamed) 9:30am-10:30am Wulfram Tots meet in church ~~5:15pm~~ No Choral Evensong today 7:30pm ABF Concert with the Band of the Welsh Guards – see opposite page for more details
Sat 10th <i>St John's, Manthorpe and St John's, Spitalgate with Earlsfield</i>	Paulinus, bishop, missionary, 644. Thomas Traherne, poet, spiritual writer, 1674. 9:00am Men's Breakfast – meet at Kings Walk Café, Guildhall Street 9:00am-11:00am Baby Clothes Carousel in church 11:00am-4:00pm Choir Workshop in church with Suzzy Vango 1:00pm Moment of Prayer
Sun 11th <i>Our Parish</i>	Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity. Network Sunday. 7:30pm-9:00pm Youth Group 8-10
Mon 12th Our Healthcare Services	Wilfrid, bishop, missionary, 709. Elizabeth Fry, prison reformer, 1845. Edith Cavell, nurse, 1915.
Tues 13th The Diocese of Lincoln – Environmental Implementation Panel	Edward the Confessor, king, 1066. 9:00am Morning Prayer 12:00noon Eucharist 12:30pm Soup Lunch in church 7:00pm-8:30pm String Ensemble meet in church
Wed 14th Our local Hospices	Feria. 9:00am Morning Prayer 11:00am-12:00noon Coffee Morning in church 6:30pm Service of Remembrance for Baby Loss Awareness Week – see opposite page for more details 7:00pm Women's Bible Study—meet at St John's Church, Spitalgate
Thurs 15th The Diocese of Byumba – Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda	Teresa of Avila, teacher of the faith, 1582. 9:00am Morning Prayer 6:30pm King's School Speech Night in church
Fri 16th <i>The Abbey of Wandrille</i>	Nicholas Ridley and Hugh Latimer, bishops, martyrs, 1555. 9:00am Angelus and Morning Prayer 9:30am-10:30am Wulfram Tots meet in church 2:00pm Little Gonerby School Harvest Service 5:15pm Choral Evensong with the Youth Choir 7:30pm Youth Group 5-7 meet at Grantham House
Sat 17th <i>St John's, Manthorpe and St John's, Spitalgate with Earlsfield</i>	Ignatius, bishop, martyr, c.107. 10:00am to 1:00pm Coffee Shop open 11:30am Saturday Morning Recital with Tim Selman, organ ~~4:00pm~~ No Moment of Prayer today 2:30pm Friends of St Wulfram's AGM in church
Sun 18th <i>Our Parish</i>	Celebrating St Wulfram.

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 Rector: Rev'd Canon Fr Stuart Craddock 01476 569582 rector@stwulframs.com Associate Rector: Fr Peter Pathikrit Das 01476 561342 peter.das@stwulframs.com Churchwardens: Mrs Jan Burrows 07745948720 and Mrs Mel Fletcher 07973699901 churchwardens@stwulframs.com Readers: Nick Kerry 07971177781 Katy Castaneda 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: To be appointed 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. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 10:00am to 4:00pm. Tel: 01476 561342 Email: admin@stwulframs.com The Parish Office is based at: Grantham House 45 Castlegate Grantham, NG31 6SS
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Service details for today:

8:00am Eucharist (CW)
Celebrant and Preacher: Fr Stuart

9:30am Parish Eucharist
Celebrant and Preacher: Fr Stuart
Setting: Archer, Lincoln
Readings: Philippians 4.1-9 and Matthew 22.1-14
Lesson Reader: John Manterfield Intercessor: Val York

Hymns: **AMMNS 125, 170, 259, 148**

6:30pm Choral Evensong
Officiant: Nick Kerry
Reponses: Archer (for trebles) Psalm: 130
Lesson Readers: Stephen Bate and Katie Brownlow
Readings: Proverbs 3.1-18 and 1 John 3.1-15

Hymns: **AMNS 16**

COLLECT:
O God, forasmuch as without you we are not able to please you; mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; 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: Philippians 4.1-9
Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.
Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.
Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 22.1-14
Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, "Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet." But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, maltreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, "The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet." Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.
'But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, "Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?" And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'

POST COMMUNION:
Holy and blessed God, you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son and filled us with your Holy Spirit: may we honour you, not only with our lips but in lives dedicated to the service of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please pray for:
Those who are unwell: Amelia, Kathleen, Alan.
Recently departed:
Anniversary of deaths: Kathleen Kirk, Lionel Dawson, David Lawrence, Isavel Parry-Jones, Janet Hauton.

Service Details for 18th October 2026
8:00am Eucharist (BCP)
9:30am Parish Eucharist
6:30pm Choral Evensong and Benediction

Readings for 18th October 2026
Celebrating St Wulfram
Isaiah 61.1-3
Acts 16.6-10
Matthew 28.16-20