OCTOBER NEWSLETTER 2025



ST NICHOLAS, SKIRBECK ALL SAINTS, FOSDYKE SS PETER & PAUL, KIRTON



THE PILGRIM GROUP



St Carlo Acutis
3rd May 1991 to 12th October 2006

Born in London, St Carlo Acutis was an Italian computer programmer who became widely venerated as 'the first millennial saint'. Only 15 years old when he died of leukemia in Monza, Italy, he was beatified on 10th October 2020 by Pope Francis and his interest in using digital communication to teach others led Carlo being dubbed "the patron saint of the Internet". He was canonized by Pope Leo XIV on 7th September 2025.

His Feast Day is 12th October.



A Message from Fr Paul

The parable of the Good Samaritan is probably one of the best known passages from the bible, but does it hold any relevance for us today, do we recognise the meaning of the parable in our lives?

Jesus gives us this parable in answer to the question 'who is my neighbour?' The parable is set upon the road to Jerusalem where a traveller is robbed of all his possessions and left for dead on the road. It happens that two religious men walk past, one after the other, and they both walk by on the other side of the road, showing no compassion to the man. These religious men were followed by a Samaritan, who not only showed the man compassion, he also took him to an Inn and paid for him to be cared for.

The point that Jesus was making is that anyone and therefore everyone is our neighbour, no matter who they may be, particularly if they are in need. This is more than just a nice story of people being kind to each other, for at that time the people of Samaria and the people of Israel were sworn enemies, if we think of the modern day Israelis and the Palestinians we would not be far off.

To show compassion, care and love to our families and friends, even to the people we know, is an easy thing to do. To show that same compassion, care and love to those we do not know, to those who are different from ourselves, to those who speak a different language, is not so easy and yet these are our neighbours also.

With the darker nights and the colder days we tend to hide ourselves away, this is the time to consider those around us, to consider our neighbours, those who may be in need but do not like to ask. Take the time to show compassion to your neighbour, for you never know when you will need compassion shown to you.

Skirbeck St Nicholas Service times

Sundays - Parish Mass, 9.15am
Holy Hour 3pm, November to March
5pm, April to October
Tuesdays - Mass, 9.30am
Wednesdays - Mass, 6.30pm
Saturdays - Mass, 10am
Rosary, 9.30am (first

Feasts, Solemnities and Holy Days of
Obligation
as shown in notices

Saturday of the month only)

SS Peter & Paul, Kirton

SERVICE TIMES

Sundays – Parish Mass, 11.15am
Thursdays – Mass, 10am
Fridays – Mass, 6.30pm
4th Saturday of the Month – Rosary, 9.30am:
Mass, 10am

Social Media

Website – www.kirtongroup.com/kirton
Facebook – 'Like' us at St Peter & St Paul's Church, Kirton
Email – kirtonchurch@mail.com A Church Near You –
www.achurchnearyou.com/church/14667
Priest in Charge – Fr Paul Norwood (01205) 635817

All Saints, Fosdyke

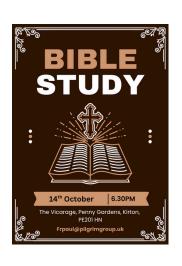
SERVICE TIMES

Sundays – Parish Mass – 11.15am (2nd), 9.15am (4th) Wednesdays (2nd & 4th) – Worship, 10am – Includes workshop on 2nd Wednesday Social Media

For general details please find us on:www.achurchnearyou.com/church/14663 or www.facebook.com/AllSaintsFosdyke Priest in Charge – Fr Paul Norwood (01205) 635817

THE PILGRIM GROUP MONTHLY NEWS

Bible study starts on Tuesday 14 th October from 6.30pm at the vicarage.





Three members of Kirton congregation took part in the bike 'n' stride raising funds for The Pilgrim Group.

Richbrough Festival

- at Leicester, at

12 noon, on the

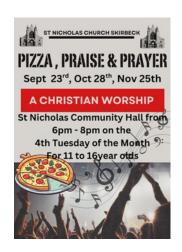
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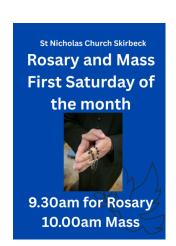


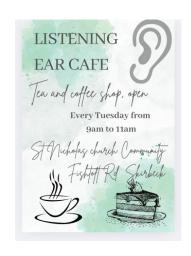
Christmas Social - Mulled wine and mince pies at the vicarage – 6pm to 9pm – 21st December.



EVENTS AT SKIRBECK ST NICHOLAS













NEWS FROM SKIRBECK ST NICHOLAS

MESSY CHURCH is on Saturday 11th October, 3pm to 5pm in St Nicholas Community Hall. An afternoon of crafts, celebration and a yummy tea. Children must be accompanied by an adult, all ages welcome.

Listening Ear Café every Tuesday, 9am to 11am in St Nicholas Community Hall. Why not pop in for a cuppa, cake and a chat, all welcome.

<u>PIZZA, PRAISE AND PRAYER</u> is on Tuesday 28thOctober, 6pm to 8pm, in St Nicholas Community Hall. For ages 11 to 16, with a slightly different format, so do come along. Parents not required to stay but will need to sign attendance forms.

PCC Meeting, Saturday 4thOctober at 10.45am in the Community Hall.

<u>Lincolnshire Society Parishes LMP Meeting</u> is on Saturday 11th October at Bishop Lincoln University (formerly Bishop Grosseteste) starting with Mass at 10am. All are welcome to attend.

<u>Fosdyke Patronal Festival</u> will be held at All Saints Church at 12 noon, please support our sister parish in The Pilgrim Group.

FUND- RAISING

Beetle Drive - Sunday 14th September raised £102 for Church Funds. Many thanks to all who came.

<u>Christmas Prize Bingo</u> – Saturday 1st November at 7pm (doors open at 6.30pm). Entry £2 includes refreshments, come and join us for a fabulous evening.

<u>CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL</u> – Saturday 15th & Sunday 16th November, 11am to 4pm both days. More details next month but put this in your diary now. **NOT TO BE MISSED!**

CHURCH DONATIONS If you would like to support us, please visit our website and follow the link.

FROM THE PARISHREGISTERS

Holy Baptism 31st August – Ranell Toby Ezerinskas; 7th September – Ava-Mae Hollas. **Holy Matrimony** 6th September – Craig Dobinson & Kirsty Smith.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Website – www.skirbeckstnicholas.com
Email – skirbeckstnicholas@gmail.com
A Church Near You – www.achurchnearyou.com/church/14655/
Facebook – 'Like' us at St NicholasChurchSkirbeck
Please note – Twitter and Instagram are no longer in use.

CONTACT INFORMATION

BAPTISMS AND HOLY MATRIMONY- Please contact Fr Paul Norwood on (01205)635817. COMMUNITY HALL BOOKINGS- Please contact Mr & Mrs Reece on (01205)365324.

If you are unable to get to church and wish to receive communion at home, please contact Fr Paul Norwood on the above number.

EVENTS AT ST PETER & ST PAUL KIRTON

St Peter and St Paul's Kirton

Deck the Holly 21st November 2025

From 7.30pm to 9pm

Outside service, Lighting up the Holly tree,
Blessing the tree and the parish, carols, Mulled wine and mince pies,

This is a free event donations to parish projects.

St Peter and St Paul's Kirton
Christmas Tree Festival
and Christmas Fair
22nd November 2025
From 12 noon to 4pm
Christmas Tree Festival and craft fair

Christmas Tree Festival and craft fair, refreshments, coffee and and games.

23rd November 2025
From 1pm to 4pm

Christmas Tree Festival and wreath making booking essential.

£20.00 per person use Eventbrite or Office@pilgrimgroup.uk

Sunday 23rd November 1pm to 4pm

St Peter and St Paul's Church

Christmas wreath making

Tickets are £20 each, which will include mulled wine and .mince pie, wreath making equipment and some instuction. Tickets from Eventrite or Carol at Office@pilgrimgroup.uk

Kirton Parish News

During September, St Peter and St Paul's had a fabulous summer fair, with 24 stalls, the fire engine and a wood carver. We had lots of visitors through the church and Graham Timbell came with his paintings to sell. It had a positive vibe and raised over £1,000 for church funds.

Then the following weekend was Heritage Open Days –
In conjunction with National Trust and Heritage Lincolnshire, we had lots of visitors through the building and during that week Roger Hancock delivered a lecture on Dame Sarah Swift and then Frances Rayne delivered a talk on the Menopause.

Moving into October we will be hosting our Harvest Festival on the 5th October, where we are collecting for the food bank. On the 15th of October St Peter and St Paul's will be open for the Sands - 'Wave of Light' from 7pm to 9pm. And a coffee morning on the 18th October will be a Sands fundraising event too.



