



SEPTEMBER 2026 NEWSLETTER

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



THE PILGRIM GROUP



Feast Day of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross
14th September



A Message from Fr Paul

I always feel that September is a bit of a strange month, feeling that it is a month of transition between one thing and another, a time when we know all is about to change, whether we like it or not. We try our hardest to hold on to what is left of the summer, knowing that the chill in the evening air is just the start of things to come. The same could be said for our lives, as we feel those long hot days beginning to pass by, remembering those days spent on a lonely beach, knowing our working lives are before us once more, where any chance of a break is far out of our sight. We may look at this month and feel gloomy, but not all transitionS are for the worst, change can be for the better, particularly as we see the leaves change, and the ground takes a sigh of relief as rain falls once more, and our lives are filled with hope.

It is the same hope that the Church celebrates on the 14th September in the Feast Day of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. With the beauty of the crosses we find in our churches, around our necks, within our homes, we can be in danger of over-romanticizing the cross to the extent that we forget what the cross used to be. The cross was a sign of oppression used by the Romans to suppress the people, it was the most barbaric form of execution that slowly and painfully killed those who hung upon it as they suffocated to death. With this being the case, why would we exalt such a cruel execution, particularly as it was the way in which Jesus died. If the story of Jesus stopped with his death on the cross, then it would have remained a vile form of torture, that stripped people of everything even their lives. However, through his resurrection, Jesus conquered sin and death, therefore, the image of the cross has now transitioned from an evil form of torture, to a sign of love and hope. A sign of God's love for us as he gave us his only son that we may find reconciliation with him, a sign of hope that as Jesus Christ was raised to eternal life so may we.

The next time you see a cross do not disregard it as just a thing of beauty, but recognise it as a sign of transition, a sign of change from evil to good by the very resurrection of Jesus. This is a sign of transition not just in the life of Jesus, but also in our own lives as we are transformed by the love of God. Be transformed by Christ's Holy Cross and know God's love for you as he brings you out of darkness into his most wonderful light.



Skirbeck St Nicholas Service times

**Sundays - Parish Mass, 9.15am
Holy Hour, 5pm**

Tuesdays – Mass, 9.30am

Wednesdays – Mass, 6.30pm

Saturdays - Mass, 10am

**Rosary, 9.30am (first
Saturday of the month only)**

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

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:-

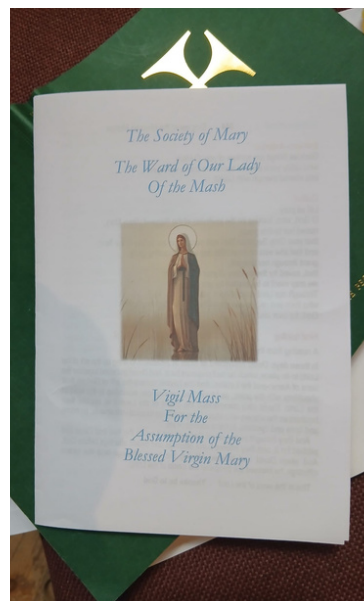
www.achurchnearyou.com/church/14663 or

www.facebook.com/AllSaintsFosdyke

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THE PILGRIM GROUP NEWS

Many members of the Benefice came together for this wonderful occasion on 15th August. A few photos below from the day.



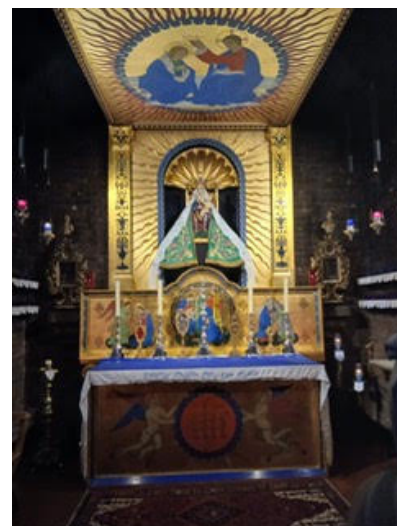
Please note that Fr Paul is away from 7th September to 29th September. If you need help in anyway, the Church Wardens of the Group will be able to signpost you to the best support. If you need a priest please speak with the Church Wardens of the Group who have the available numbers.
We thankyou for your continued support and cooperation.

Walsingham Youth

Pilgrimage 2026

by Joel & Elliot Cash

"Gaudete", meaning Rejoice, was the theme of this year's Walsingham Youth Pilgrimage, and we think we found plenty of Joy while we were there. From the simple things to sharing a drink in the evening together, to worshipping and praising God with all of the wonderful services this Pilgrimage had to offer.



Originally attending as young pilgrims ourselves, it was indeed a joy to see it from the other side attending as guardians. For we once received that guidance, and the opportunity to be there helping younger people receive that same experience was fulfilling.

Being away from the fast-paced world of everyday life really allowed us to connect with one another, form new bonds and free ourselves from worry, giving space to focus on what brings us joy in our lives.



The 5 days we were there seemed to pass by surprisingly quickly. We visited the shrine, attended Bible study and Mass was celebrated every morning in the Big Top where all the pilgrims gather. Healing ministries were received on Wednesday, and a walk to the Slipper Chapel on Thursday. Amid worship and prayer was a boisterous array of activities including a football tournament, a nerf gun war, and various different inflatables for everyone to enjoy. The companionship that noticeably grew as the week went on was pleasant to see.



People grew more confident and closer, and by the end all youths were having great fun over board games and card games. Flip Seven was a favourite! It was lovely to see something so simple bring them so much fun and joy.



EVENTS

AT

St Nicholas Church

QUIZ NIGHT

Saturday 5th September
From 7pm.
Tickets £8.00

Includes Ploughmans Supper
 [Bring you own Drink]
 Soft drinks available

St Nicholas Community hall, Fishtoft road, Boston
 Tickets from Linda 01205354687

St Nicholas Church Skirbeck

Rosary and Mass

First Saturday of the month



9.30am for Rosary
10.00am Mass

Listening ear cafe

A friendly space to talk, be heard and feel supported. ♥

Chat ♥ Connect ♥ Care

A listening ear makes a difference ♥

Everyone welcome

TUESDAY MORNINGS
9AM TO 11AM

ST NICHOLAS CHURCH, Community Hall
 FISHTOFT ROAD, SKIRBECK BOSTON

ANY HOT DRINK OR CAKE
 ♥ **£1.00** ♥

You're not alone ♥

SKIRBECK

ST

NICHOLAS

Harvest THANKSGIVING LUNCH

ST NICHOLAS CHURCH
 ST NICHOLAS COMMUNITY HALL, FISHTOFT ROAD, SKIRBECK

SUNDAY 27th SEPTEMBER
 DOORS OPEN 11.30AM | SIT DOWN AT 12 NOON

3 COURSE MEAL
 INCLUDING SUNDAY ROAST AND FIRST DRINK

VEGETARIAN OPTION ON REQUEST

ADULTS **£17** (BEEF OR TURKEY (£19 LAMB))
 U16 **£10** (£12)

FOR A BOOKING FORM, PHONE LINDA ON **354687**
 BY 20th SEPTEMBER

PROCEEDS TO CHURCH FUNDS

St Nicholas Church
 at
 St Nicholas Community Hall, Fishtoft Road, Skirbeck

Come and Join in our

PRIZE BINGO

Saturday 24th October at 7pm
 (doors open at 6.30pm)

Admission £2 including refreshments

Bring your Friends

Proceeds to Church Funds

St Nicholas CHURCH and COMMUNITY HALL

FISHTOFT ROAD, SKIRBECK

Christmas TREE FESTIVAL
 with STALL, CRAFTS and REFRESHMENTS

SATURDAY 14th NOVEMBER
SUNDAY 15th NOVEMBER
 11AM - 4PM

'Celebrating Lincolnshire'

Something for the young people!

St Nicholas, community Hall, Fishtoft Rd., Skirbeck

Messy Church

St Nicholas Church, Skirbeck.
 Messy Church
 Saturday 6th June
 Saturday 11th July
 Saturday 12th Sept
 From 3pm to 5pm
 Fun, Faith and fellowship
 Games, activities, Praise and food. All ages welcome
 To book a place call Linda on 01205 354687

ST NICHOLAS CHURCH SKIRBECK
 St Nicholas Community Hall, Fishtoft Road, Skirbeck

PIZZA, PRAISE & PRAYER

Jun 23rd, July 28th, Sept 29th

FAITH, FUN, FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP
 LEARN ABOUT THE LIFE OF JESUS IN OUR LIVES TODAY, PLAY GAMES AND EAT PIZZA. PARENTS WELCOME TO STAY. THIS IS A FREE EVENT.

St Nicholas Community Hall from 6pm - 8pm on the 4th Tuesday of the Month
 Pop along and see what we are about.

PATRONAL FESTIVAL OF

ST NICHOLAS CHURCH

FISHTOFT RD, SKIRBECK

5th DECEMBER
12 NOON

LUNCH AFTERWARDS - IN THE COMMUNITY HALL

PRIESTS ARE WELCOME TO ROBE

PLEASE CONTACT Fr Paul@pilgrimgroup.uk FOR FURTHER DETAILS

Wreath MAKING

6th DEC
2PM TO 4PM

ST NICHOLAS Community Hall
 FISHTOFT ROAD

Equipment and basics materials will be provided - bring special bits if you wish.

£20 PER PERSON REFRESHMENTS available

to book a place
CALL LINDA on 01205354687
 BEFORE DEC 1st

NEWS FROM SKIRBECK ST NICHOLAS

Listening Ear Café re-starts on Tuesday 1st September, 9am to 11am. Pop in for a cuppa, cake and a chat.

MESSY CHURCH returns on Saturday 12th September from 3pm to 5pm in the Community Hall. An afternoon of crafts, celebration and a yummy tea. All welcome, children must be accompanied by an adult.

Our first MESSY SUMMER SPECTACULAR had a slow start to the week but we did have some families join us from Wednesday. Our mornings in church were lovely and cool – we looked at the stained glass windows and designed our own, counted the crosses (145 in total including those in pictures and the backs of the chairs), Marys around the world and created our own Lady of Boston, brass rubbings and why we have flowers in church. Our display is at the back of church for all to see. Afternoons were in the hall from 12 noon – we had lunch and followed by free crafts (junk modelling, tile decoration, making helmets and crowns) plus giant games of jenga, dominoes, snakes and ladders, four-in-a-row and noughts and crosses. Great fun was had by all, here's to next year!

Pizza Praise and Prayer next session is on Tuesday 29th September, 6pm to 8pm in the Community Hall. We have games out to play, including table tennis, look at passages from the Bible and discuss, sing some songs and, of course, pizza!! For 11 to 16 year olds, why not join us?

FUND-RAISING

QUIZ NIGHT Saturday 5th September at 7pm in the Community Hall. £8 per ticket includes Ploughman's Supper. Bring your own drink. Phone Linda on 354687 to book your place, ticket entry only.

HARVEST LUNCH Sunday 27th September, 12 noon. 3-course lunch includes a roast dinner. Adults £17 (beef and turkey), £19 (lamb); U16 £10/£12. Vegetarian option available upon request. Phone Linda on 354687 to book your tickets and choose your options by Sunday 20th September.

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

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS **Holy Baptism** – 1st August, Lorenzo Gabriel Esteves.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Website – www.skirbeckstnicholas.com

Email – skirbeckstnicholas@gmail.com

A Church Near You – www.achurchnearyou.com/church/14655/

Facebook – 'Like' us at St Nicholas Church Skirbeck

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.

PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICER – Contact Carol Woods on stnicholasskirbecksafeguarding@gmail.com.

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 AND NEWS AT ST PETER & ST PAUL KIRTON

 **Coffee morning** ♥♥♥

ST Peter and ST Paul, Kirton **March 21st**
3rd Saturday of the Month **10am to 2pm**

Free Childrens Lego Plays sessions

April 18th **10am to 2pm**
May 16th **10am to 2pm**
June 20th **10am to 2pm**
July 18th **10am to 2pm**
Aug 15th **10am to 2pm**
Sept 19 th **10am to 2pm**
Oct 17th **10am to 2pm**



Follow us on Facebook - The pilgrimgroup or St Peter and St Paul . Kirton.
email _ Office@pilgrimgroup.uk

KIRTON Summer FAYRE

IN AND AROUND THE GROUNDS OF ST PETER & ST PAUL CHURCH

SATURDAY 5 SEPTEMBER
10AM - 4PM



...and lots, lots more!

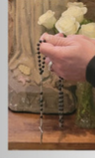
TOMBOLA • RAFFLE • PLANTS • GAMES • BOOKS • BOUNCY CASTLE
LOCAL CRAFTS • CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES • MUSIC AND MUCH MORE!

FREE ENTRY!

Come along and enjoy a **GREAT DAY OUT**
and support our church & local community

EVERYONE WELCOME!

St Peter and St Paul, Kirton
Rosary and Mass



Last Saturday of the Month.

9.30am Rosary - 10 am Mass

Starts on the 24th May
All Welocme as we come together in Prayer.

THE PILGRIM GROUP

Harvest Supper

Saturday 3rd October at 5pm
St Peter and St Paul, Kirton

Tickets from Carol or Jo.
Email - office@pilgrimgroup.uk
Adults £12, Children £7.00
Three course Meal, wit Light entertainment

August has been a quiet month for Kirton and we are gearing up for the Summer Fayre.

In October we have the Harvest Supper on 3rd at 5pm and 24th coffee morning with preloved clothes and book sale. Volunteers are still needed to keep Kirton open. We are thankful for all who work so hard to keep the building alive and serving the community.

St Peter and St Paul's CHURCH, KIRTON

Community Meeting

Let's work together to care for our church and support one another.

Everyone welcome!
Your time, skills and ideas can make a real difference.

WAYS YOU CAN GET INVOLVED

COMMUNITY SUPPORT Building connections and supporting our community together.	VOLUNTEERING Many hands make light work - there's a place for everyone.	HISTORICAL WALKS Help share the fascinating history of our church and our town.	CLEANING & MAINTENANCE Keep our church beautiful, safe and welcoming for all.	COFFEE SHOP WORKERS Join our friendly team and help serve up warmth and welcome.
BUILDING OPENING SUPPORTERS Be a welcoming face and help keep our church open for all.	BELL RINGERS Keep the tradition alive and call our community together.	BRASS CLEANERS Polish and care for our brass and keep it shining.	FLOWER ARRANGERS Bring beauty and joy to our church through flowers.	MENTAL HEALTH CAFE SUPPORT Be part of a caring space that listens, supports and connects.

Thursday 8th October at 7pm **in the TOWN HALL**

TOGETHER, WE CAN CARE FOR OUR CHURCH AND BUILD A STRONGER COMMUNITY.

Wreath Making Event

Saturday 5th Dec
4:00pm - 6:00pm

St Peter and St Paul, Kirton.

£25 per person
Mulled wine & seasonal pastry included



Equipment & basic wreath supplies provided.
Bring special bits if you wish!

To book before the 1st Dec,
£10 non-refundable required
call Carol on 07828 814299
office@pilgrimgroup.uk

FOSDYKE ALL SAINTS CHURCH

PET SERVICE

SUNDAY 04 OCTOBER 2026 At 3pm



***A service of Thanksgiving and a joyous celebration
for all God's creatures and a Blessing for all our
pets.***



***It would be lovely to see
drawings, paintings and
photos of your pets, all
will be displayed in
church.***

***Looking forward to
meeting a wide variety of
creatures and seeing pictures of your pets who are
no longer with us***

***Please contact John Cowie for any further
information on Facebook or by email: -
johncowie54@gmail.com***

All Saints Church, Fosdyke



Our 'Honesty Library'
is up and running.

FOSDYKE CHURCH SERVICES FOR SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER 2026

September

Wednesday 02, 10:00, Fr Paul, Church at Home - 25 Old Main Road
Wednesday 09, 10:00, Lay Led, Church at Home - School House
Sunday 13, 11:15, Fr Ian Walters, Church
Wednesday 16, 10:00, Lay Led, Church at Home - 25 Old Main Road
Wednesday 23, 10:00, Lay Led, Church at Home - School House
Sunday 27, 09:15, Fr Peter Green, Church
Wednesday 30, 10:00, Fr Paul, Church at Home - 25 Old Main Road

October

Sunday 04, 15:00, Fr Paul, Pet Service - ALL friendly pets with humans welcome
Wednesday 07, 10:00, Fr Paul, Church at Home - School House
Sunday 11, 11:15, Fr Paul, Harvest Festival - Church
Wednesday Service 14, 10:00, Fr Paul, Church at Home - 25 Old Main Road
Wednesday Service 21, 10:00, Fr Paul, Church at Home - School House
Sunday 25, 09:15, Fr Paul, Mass - Church
Wednesday Service 28, 10:00, Fr Paul, Church at Home - 25 Old Main Road

If anyone would like access to All Saint's Church please contact John Cowie at School House, Mill Lane, or on 01205 260501

FUTURE FUNDRAISING EVENT

