

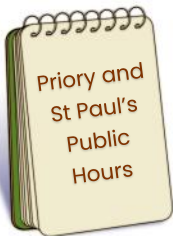
# **Parish Magazine of Worksof Prioory and St Paul's Manton**



## **August 2025**



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## The Parish Office

Applications for baptisms, weddings, etc:

At the Priory	Fridays	10.30am - 11.30am
St. Paul's	Tuesdays	10.00am - 11.00am

## Our Giving

Bank details for standing orders or donations are:

### **Workshop Priory Parochial Church Council**

Virgin Money Sort Code: 05-09-89 Account Number: 38125853

### **St Paul's Church (Manton) Workshop Parochial Church Council**

HSBC Sort Code 40-47-21 Account Number: 20724599

Due to bank charges for processing cheques and cash, we kindly ask that, wherever possible, people donate money using online banking, even for small amounts. This doesn't cost us a penny. Please indicate in the reference field who it's from, and what for, then we can Gift Aid your donation wherever possible.

You can also donate quickly and easily by scanning our QR code, there is also an option to register to gift aid your donation, it takes a matter of seconds!

Thank you!



We  
**GIVE**  
*because He first*  
**GAVE**

# Regular Public Worship Times

## Sundays

9.30 am	Parish Sung Mass with Junior Church
11.15am	Parish Sung Mass at St Paul's
11.30am	Mass at Clumber Chapel
6pm	Evening Prayer and Benediction (First Sunday)

## Monday - Saturday (when possible)

9am	Lauds	(Morning Prayer)
6pm	Vespers*	(Evening Prayer)

## Daily Mass

Monday	9.30am	Mass at Priory
Tuesday	9.30am	Mass at St Paul's
Wednesday	9.30am	Mass at Priory
Thursday	6.30pm	Mass at Priory
Friday	12noon	Mass at Priory
Saturday	9.30am	Mass at Priory



## Family Worship

Wednesday	10.15am	Songs and Stories for pre-school children and their parents and carers at Priory
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## Confessions

Thursday	5.45pm	at Priory
Friday	11.30am	at Priory

other times at Priory and at St Paul's by appointment.

[vicar@worksoppriory.co.uk](mailto:vicar@worksoppriory.co.uk)

**Weddings and Baptisms** by appointment. Enquiries to

[admin@worksoppriory.co.uk](mailto:admin@worksoppriory.co.uk)

*\*On the last Thursday of the month the Rosary replaces Vespers and Mass is offered for the Society of Mary, if no other occasion is being kept that day.*

**We aim to make our services as accessible as possible by making the best of the resources available to us across Priory and St Paul parishes.**

# Activities For Children and Young People



**All children and young people activities are cross parish ventures putting their joint resources to best use.**

## **Pre-school:**

*'Songs & Stories'*, for our youngest [new-born to nursery] and their grown-ups. We meet every Wednesday 10.15 to 11.30am, in Priory Lady Chapel. We have play with soft toys, sound toys, a ball park, picture books and baby gyms followed by story and song.

Please see our Facebook page, 'Worksop Priory Family Page' for updates.

## **Children of primary school age:**

Junior Church for children aged 7-11 on Sundays:

- ◆ during the 9.30am Parish Mass at Priory
- ◆ during the 11.15am Parish Mass at St Paul's

***See St Paul's Facebook Page each week for details of other activities for Children and Young People.***

***Parental consent forms are required for all children and young people accessing any activities unaccompanied.***

# Registers for July 2025

## Funerals

8th	Sandra Moore
15th	Elsie Rebecca (Becky) Freeman
22nd	Jane Helen Rixon
31st	Barrie Sleigh

## Baptisms

6th	Oskar Lagowski
6th	Victor Majewski

Baptisms can be booked each Friday morning at the Priory between 10.30am and 11.30am. If you have queries please email [admin@worksoppriory.co.uk](mailto:admin@worksoppriory.co.uk)



Baptisms can be booked in person at St.Paul's on Tuesday morning between 10.00am and 11.00am. If you have queries please email [stpaulmanton@gmail.com](mailto:stpaulmanton@gmail.com)



Baptism preparation sessions are held at the Priory on the first Saturday of each month at 5pm. Families registering a Baptism, at either Priory or St Paul's are invited to join our new Facebook group: **Workshop Priory Family Page**



## Weddings

26th	Thomas Andrew Rhodes & Emily Elizabeth Barge
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## WeddingVow Renewal

25th	Michael & Melissa Wagstaff
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# August 2025

## Dates, Observances and Prayer Intentions

1	S Alphonsus de'Liguori	Those in need
2	Of Our Lady	Shrine at Egmonton
3	<b>18th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	<b>The Parish</b>
4	S John Mary Vianney	Parish Priests
5	Feria	Walsingham Youth Pilgrimage
6	<b>The Transfiguration of the Lord</b>	<b>The Parish</b>
7	Feria	Carburton & Clumber
8	S Dominic	Preachers
9	S Teresa Benedicta of the Cross	Peoples of Europe
10	<b>19th Sunday In Ordinary Time</b>	<b>The Parish</b>
11	S Clare	Vocations to the Religious Life
12	Feria	Lowtown & Sparken Hill
13	Feria	Kilton & Larwood
14	S Maximilian Kolbe	Prisoners of Conscience
15	<b>The Assumption of Our Lady</b>	<b>The Parish</b>

MONTHLY DEVOTION:

THE IMMACULATE HEART  
OF MARY

16	Of Our Lady	Shrine at Walsingham
17	<b>20th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	<b>The Parish</b>
18	Feria	The Town Centre
19	Feria	Our Local Police
20	S Bernard	Spiritual Directors
21	Feria	Diocese of Hallam
22	Our Lady, Queen & Mother	Increase in devotion to Our lady
23	Of Our Lady	Bishop Stephen
24	<b>21st Sunday In Ordinary Time</b>	<b>The Parish</b>
25	Feria	Bishops Paul & Andy
26	Feria	The Food Bank & Pantry
27	S Monica	Mothers
28	S Augustine of Hippo	The Gatehouse Trust
29	Beheading of S John the Baptist	Persecuted Christians
30	Of Our Lady	Societies of Mary & OLW
31	<b>22nd Sunday In Ordinary Time</b>	<b>The Parish</b>

## 7 Sorrows Rosary

"Pray for us, O Virgin most sorrowful, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ."

### THE PRAYER

Repeat at each mystery: 1 Our Father + 7 Hail Marys + Most Merciful Mother

### BEGIN

Sign of the Cross, 3 Hail Marys, Most Merciful Mother

The First Sword of Sorrow: The Prophecy of Simeon (Luke 2:34-35)

The Second Sword of Sorrow: The Flight Into Egypt (Matthew 2:13-14)

The Third Sword of Sorrow: The Loss of Jesus in the Temple (Luke 2:43-45)

The Fourth Sword of Sorrow: Mary Meets Jesus on His Way to Calvary (Luke 23:27-29)

The Fifth Sword of Sorrow: Mary Stands at the Foot of the Cross (John 19:25-27)

The Sixth Sword of Sorrow: Jesus is Taken Down From the Cross (John 19:32-34)

The Seventh Sword of Sorrow: The Burial of Jesus (John 19:41-42)

### CLOSING

Mary, who was conceived without sin and who suffered for us, pray for us. (Pray 3x)

Sign of the Cross





## *Fr Spicer writes....*

In 1103 this land in the u shaped valley, a natural break in the forest, was given to Priests of the Order of S Augustine to build a church and monastery. Until the dissolution of the monastery in November 1539 the Augustinian Fathers, with the local people built the Church and monastic buildings, created fields and fish ponds offered hospitality to travellers and, when they had enough money and people, built another church – 23 of them in all. This month we celebrate on the 28th S Augustine's Day with a parish trip to Grimsby another place with similar historic roots.

Meanwhile today we are seeking to build on the Augustinian heritage by offering worthy worship everyday, welcoming visitors and serving this community. This takes time, money, and an open heart and mind but just as it blessed in the past so we will experience blessings and be sources of blessings, especially when we step out of our comfort zones and make sacrifices for God or others.

S Augustine wrote "Take care of your body as if you were going to live forever; and take care of your soul as if you were going to die tomorrow". For many August is a time of rest and relaxation something we all regularly need. Each of us created and loved by God, can in the power of the Holy Spirit reach our full potential as a daughter or son, but this doesn't just happen. Just as movement and exercises, sleep and a healthy diet make our bodies strong, "as if we were going to live for ever" so our daily prayer and Scripture reading, regular Mass attendance, and charitable giving "take care of our souls as if we were going to die tomorrow".

Opportunities for worshipping God and meeting with our brothers and sisters are available daily here, a blessing in itself. Attending Mass, especially on birthdays, anniversaries and year's minds, in thankfulness or in need, or simply because we need to be reminded that God is with us in every experience and situation is possible. May we know this be blessed and a blessing.



*Fr Spicer*



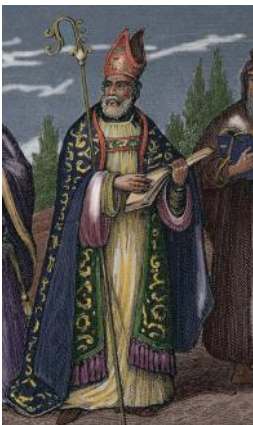
## St Augustine of Hippo

St. Augustine of Hippo is the patron of brewers because of his conversion from a former life of loose living, which included parties, entertainment, and worldly ambitions. His complete turnaround and conversion has been an inspiration to many who struggle with a particular vice or habit they long to break.



This famous son of St. Monica was born in Africa and spent many years of his life in wicked living and in false beliefs. Though he was one of the most intelligent men who ever lived and though he had been brought up a Christian, his sins of impurity and his pride darkened his mind so much, that he could not see or understand the Divine Truth anymore.

Through the prayers of his holy mother and the marvelous preaching of St. Ambrose, Augustine finally became convinced that Christianity was the one true religion. Yet he did not become a Christian then, because he thought he could never live a pure life. One day, however, he heard about two men who had suddenly been converted on reading the life of St. Antony, and he felt terrible ashamed of himself. "What are we doing?" he cried to his friend Alipius. "Unlearned people are taking Heaven by force, while we, with all our knowledge, are so cowardly that we keep rolling around in the mud of our sins!" Full of bitter sorrow, Augustine flung himself out into the garden and cried out to God, "How long more, O Lord? Why does not this hour put an end to my sins?" Just then he heard a child singing, "Take up and read!" Thinking that God intended him to hear those words, he picked up the book of the Letters of St. Paul, and read the first passage his gaze fell on.



It was just what Augustine needed, for in it, St. Paul says to put away all impurity and to live in imitation of Jesus. That did it! From then on, Augustine began a new life.

He was baptized, became a priest, a bishop, a famous Catholic writer, Founder of religious priests, and one of the greatest saints that ever lived. He became very devout and charitable, too.



On the wall of his room he had the following sentence written in large letters: "Here



we do not speak evil of anyone." St. Augustine overcame strong heresies, practiced great poverty and supported the poor, preached very often and prayed with great fervour right up until his death. "Too late have I loved You!" he once cried to God, but with his holy life he certainly made up for the sins he committed before his conversion.

Source: [www.catholic.org](http://www.catholic.org)

**PARISH TRIP**  
**ST AUGUSTINE OF HIPPO,**  
**GRIMSBY**  
**THURSDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST**

**JOIN US FOR AN AFTERNOON**  
**ON CLEETHORPES**  
**SEA FRONT**

**FOLLOWED BY 7PM MASS**  
**TO CELEBRATE THE FEAST OF**  
**ST AUGUSTINE**

The coach will leave Priory at 11am and return after Mass at 9pm - price will be confirmed when we know final numbers.

To book your place either add your name to the list at the back of church or contact Susan  
[admin@worksoppriory.co.uk](mailto:admin@worksoppriory.co.uk) or 07355 850735

**PILGRIMAGE TO**  
**EGMANTON**

**SATURDAY**  
**2ND AUGUST**

**MASS**  
**12.00NOON**

CELEBRANT AND PREACHER:  
**THE RT REV'D PAUL THOMAS**  
 BISHOP OF OSWESTRY

**SHRINE DEVOTIONS**  
**2.30PM**

LUNCHES AVAILABLE IN SAINT MARY'S HALL

[WWW.EGMANTON-SHRINE.NET](http://WWW.EGMANTON-SHRINE.NET)

## ***ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY***

This month sees the Church celebrating the Assumption of Our Lady Mary (August 6.30pm 14<sup>th</sup> and 12noon 15<sup>th</sup> ). Church teaching has it that at the end of her earthly life Our lady Mary “fell asleep” and was taken up into heaven. Elijah the prophet was also Assumed into heaven at the end of his earthly life. The feast tells us a great deal about Our Lady and that she was seen by God to be taken straight into his presence, because of how she had lived her life.

The feast is one of great hope for you and me too. It tells us that it is possible for each of us to be taken into God’s presence too. Many of you will be thinking, “what’s he on about now? Surely we are all going to be in heaven when we die?” That is certainly a common understanding, but nowhere in Scripture are we told this. In fact, again and again Our Lord tells us that it is not an automatic right. Indeed, it’s even more challenging for those of us who profess to be Christians, who try to read our Bibles and say our prayers each day, calling “Lord, Lord”, who try to be at Mass Sunday by Sunday, and then live out our faith in what we do and say.

It is our hope that at the end of our lives that God will be loving and merciful as he promises and the feast of the Assumption shows us that it is a real possibility. Unlike Our Lady though we are not perfect and so when we come face to face with our loving Creator Father, there will have to be some acknowledgment of those times when we were not loving or merciful. What about those times when we put an obstacle in the way of a new Christian, or were not welcoming to the stranger? What about those times when we failed to bring something for the Food Bank or didn’t respond to the Christian Aid appeal?

Celebrate this feast with great joy, because it is about yourself, about your life now and in the future with God. Where needed make confession, make recompense, say sorry, resolve to be generous, take risks, live a Christian life to the full in preparation, pray God, for eternal life with Our Lady and the Saints.



**“Our hearts are restless until they find their rest in thee”**

**“Please God, make me good, but not yet”**



August 28<sup>th</sup> is our Patronal Festival at St. Augustine's here in Grimsby. It is the feast Day of St Augustine of Hippo (not to be confused with the other St. Augustine, of Canterbury, an equally nice chap).

Now that I am the resident Parish Priest at St. Augustine's we can make something of our Patron Saint, on his day rather than the Sunday nearest. We will possibly do that as well. It is an excuse for a cake plus.

Stemming from a suggestion that the choirs from St. Augustine's and Worksope Priory might join forces for an act of worship, this year on August 28<sup>th</sup>, choir members are coming from Worksope to join us and co-lead the music at Mass. They are bringing a coach load with them and having a day out at the seaside. We have also invited friends from another Society Parish, All Saints, Monks Road, Lincoln. It should be a good do in honour of St. Augustine.

The plan is that the choirs will rehearse at about 6.00pm reading for Solemn Mass at 7.00pm with priests from all parishes involved concelebrating. Afterwards, weather permitting, we plan to have strawberries and bubbly in the vicarage garden next to the church, or a similar in season alternative.

That seems to cover both of the quotations from the writings of St Augustine at the top of this article. Hopefully our restless hearts may come close to God in the Mass. Let's hope we aren't too indulgent with refreshments that we feel the need to ask that God make us good but not yet.



St. Augustine of Hippo was not a cradle Christian. Indeed, he was a fairly late convert much to the distress



of his mother St Monica. He was born in northern Africa and was known as bright young person. He sampled many different philosophies that were popular at the time (between 354 and 430). His mother prayed earnestly for his conversion to Christianity, but was disappointed during his young life, when Augustine himself reflected that maybe he was a bit wayward. He had a



long relationship with a lady-friend (at least 15 years) and they had a child. It seems that in the society of the time this was deemed almost respectable, even though they weren't married.

He converted to Christianity and was baptised in 386 having been seriously influenced by S Ambrose. Being somewhat learned in philosophy he developed an open way of thinking about theology, but was firm in believing that the grace of Christ was indispensable to human freedom.

My home parish of Bourne boasts an Abbey Church of Augustinian foundation. Worksof Priory is a similar Augustinian foundation. St. Augustine's Parish in Grimsby is made up largely of land which was part of Wellow Abbey in Grimsby (which disappeared completely at the Dissolution), hence the dedication to St. Augustine. The Augustinian order was at the times when these foundations flourished, and is indeed today, a great force for the spread of the Christian Gospel. I feel an honorary Augustinian because of my connection with such foundations and because of my own ordained ministry. We have great opportunities if we follow the ways of Augustine in sharing the Gospel, even if we sometimes think as he did "please make me good, but not yet" and because we are restless until

we find our rest in Our Lord Jesus Christ.



*Fr. Adrian*

*August 2025*

## ***Parish Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham - September 23<sup>rd</sup>-26<sup>th</sup>.***

This year's Parish Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham is Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> (after the 9.30am Mass) to Friday 26<sup>th</sup> (after the 9.30am Mass). The cost, not including travel is £258.75. If you would like to join us please let have Susan have a deposit of £40 asap.

In 1061 the Lady of Walsingham Manor had a vision and built a replica of the Holy House at Nazareth, to increase devotion to the Holy family of Our Lord and Our Lady and S Joseph. Guardianship and building of a Priory was passed into the care of Augustinian Canons between 1146 and 1171. A few years after the Augustinian Canons began building the Priory here. Its not fanciful to think that our predecessors were well acquainted with Walsingham and may well have made pilgrimage there. Both Priors were destroyed at the Dissolution by Henry VIII and both began to be restored again in the 1800s. In the 1920s as pilgrim numbers increased the local Vicar, Fr Hope Patten, himself a follower of the rule of S Augustine, appealed for funds to build a Holy House and church once more. The Priest and people responded generously to this appeal and as a mark of that two stones from the Priory are embedded in the wall of the Holy House.

Again the connection between us and Walsingham was made and since then countless people have made pilgrimage from here to there. The Parish banner has been at every National pilgrimage for many years; an image of Our Lady of Walsingham stands in the South Transept and is a favourite place of prayer for many.

A pilgrimage is a time of travel, prayer, praise, rest and fun; everything is well organised and explained. It's a time away from the pressures of daily life, to strengthen us to return to daily life closer to God. Please speak with Fr Spicer if you would like to know more and book soon.



## *Betty Jarrett writes...*

### **BOTANICAL PAINTING EXHIBITION**

Many of you will be familiar with my paintings of flowers, fruits and seeds. The cards made from them are often on sale at Church events both at Priory and St. Paul's.

There is an exhibition of my paintings in Retford from July 5th until August 23rd.

**Cath Ray Gallery and Studios  
58b Bridgegate  
Retford DN22 7UZ**

Gallery opening times are  
Monday-Saturday 10am-5pm  
(closing at 2pm on Tuesday)

There is no charge for admission.  
The paintings, drawings and cards are all for sale.  
You are very welcome to come along and enjoy  
the exhibition.







# Worksop Priory C of E Primary Academy



## Welcome to Priory Nursery and Reception



Our Nursery Times are:

*Morning – 8:30am to 11:30am*

*Afternoon – 12:30am to 3:30pm*

*We are also able to offer 30 hrs by application*



**We offer some fun groups to attend *with your little one*, either before your child starts with us or once they are at Nursery.**

### **Playgroup @ Priory Nursery**

Activities, dancing, stories and rhymes for the under 5's. Every Monday  
1.15 – 2.15pm.

### **Family Fitness**

Action activities with stories and rhymes for the under 5's. Tuesday 3.30-4:15pm. Runs for six weeks each term, please contact the office for dates.

### **Wiggly Worship at Priory Church**

For the under 5's (pram service), every Wednesday 10.15-11.15am.



**We look forward to seeing you!**

*Contact the Academy Office on 01909 478886*

*Or email [office@worksoppriory.snmat.org.uk](mailto:office@worksoppriory.snmat.org.uk)*





# Children's Liturgy

**Every Sunday**

**Priory Church 9.30am**

**St Paul's Church 11.15am**



Wisdom 18:6-9  
Psalm 32  
Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19  
Luke 12:32-48

# Speak, Lord

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SUNDAY LITURGY FOR CHILDREN

Year C — 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time



**JESUS SAYS:**

**HAPPY** are

**those**

**SERVANTS**

**whom the**

**MASTER**

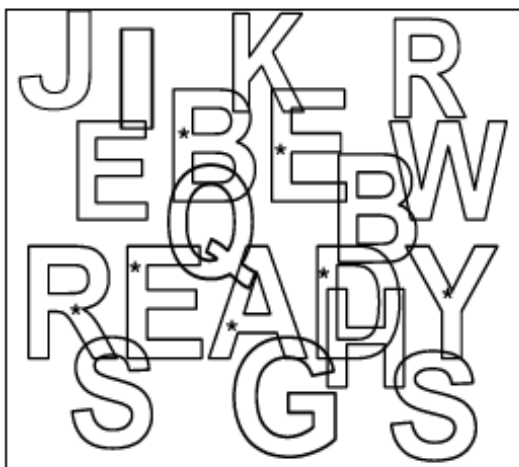
**finds**

**AWAKE**

**when he**

**COMES**

Colour in the letters with a star (\*) to reveal today's Gospel's message



In the spaces below write or draw how you can get ready to meet Jesus.

**Dear Jesus, I want to be ready to meet you when you come. I will do this by**



Jeremiah 38:4-6,8-10  
Psalm 39  
Hebrews 12:1-4  
Luke 12:49-53

# Speak, Lord

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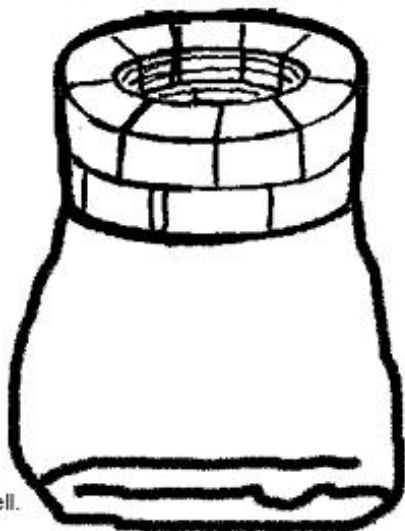
SUNDAY LITURGY FOR CHILDREN

Year C — 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time



## GOD RESCUES ME

Jeremiah was a prophet.  
Some people did not like  
him and threw him into a  
muddy well. But his friend  
went to ask the King to  
rescue him from the well.



Draw Jeremiah standing in the muddy well.

GOD HELPED ME TOO!

Draw a picture or write  
about a time when  
something bad happened  
to you and God helped you  
and rescued you!



PRAY  
TODAY'S  
PSALM.

# LORD, COME TO MY AID



Isaiah 66:18-21  
Psalm 116  
Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13  
Luke 13:22-30

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SUNDAY LITURGY FOR CHILDREN

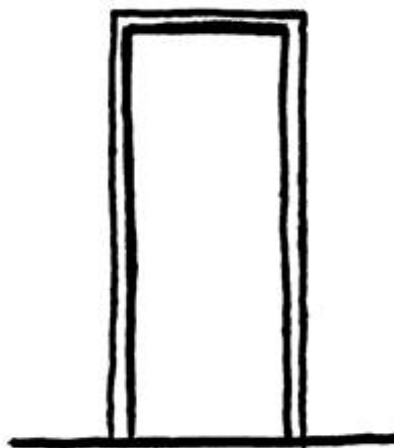
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## JESUS SAID:

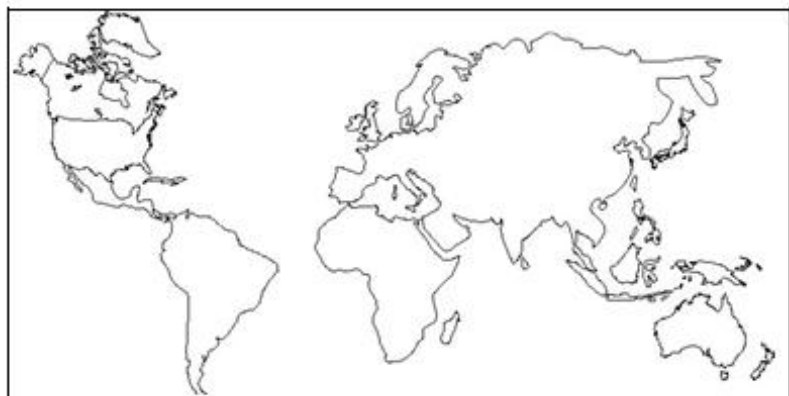
Put in an "o" in each missing space to reveal what Jesus said. Then complete the picture of the narrow door.

Y\_\_u must w\_\_rk hard  
t\_\_ g\_\_ t\_\_ heaven. It is  
like trying t\_\_ enter by a  
narr\_\_w d\_\_\_\_r. S\_\_me  
pe\_\_ple will be left \_\_ut.



## HE ALSO SAID:

\_\_ther pe\_\_ple fr\_\_m all \_\_ver the w\_\_rld  
will g\_\_ t\_\_ heaven t\_\_ be with G\_\_d.



Colour in this map. There are people who love God in each of these countries.





# Speak, Lord

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Eccles. 3:17-20, 28-29  
Psalm 67  
Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24  
Luke 14:1, 7-14

SUNDAY LITURGY FOR CHILDREN

Year C — 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



## A PHARISEE invites JESUS for a MEAL

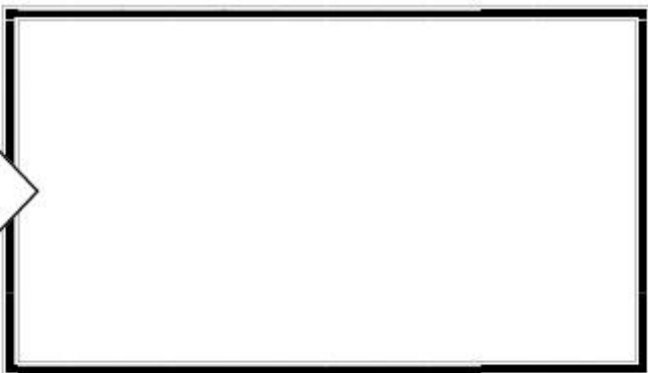


Jesus said to all those invited:

Be humble !  
Do not take the best seats.  
Treat others better than  
yourselves.



I can be  
humble and  
treat others  
better by ...

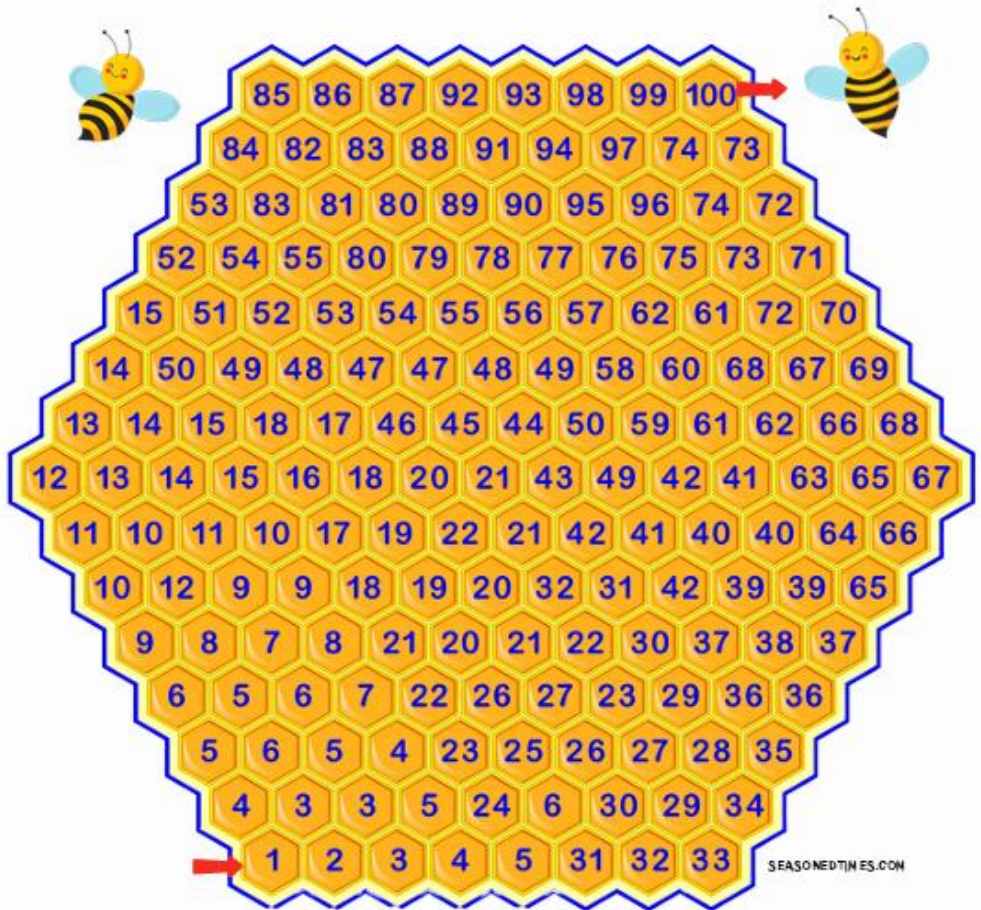




# August Puzzle Page

## FOLLOW THE NUMBERS

FIND THE PATH THROUGH THE HONEYCOMB FROM 1 - 100





# August Moments in History!

## 1 Aug 1740

'Rule Britannia' sung for the first time in public, in Thomas Arne's 'Masque Alfred.

## 2 Aug 1100

King William (Rufus) killed by a crossbow bolt in mysterious circumstances while hunting in the New Forest, his ghost is still said to haunt the woods.

## 3 Aug 1926

Britain's first set of electric traffic lights appear on the streets of London.



## 4 Aug 1914

Britain declared war on Germany in support of Belgium and France, and on Turkey because of her alliance with Germany. Find out more in our article concerning the Causes of World War One.

## 5 Aug 1962

Nelson Mandela imprisoned for attempting to overthrow South Africa's apartheid rule.

## 6 Aug 1881

Birth of Sir Alexander Fleming, Scottish discoverer of penicillin.

## 7 Aug 1840

Britain bans the employment of climbing boys as chimney sweeps.



## 8 Aug 1963

Britain's Great Train Robbery – £2.6 M stolen from Royal Mail.

## 9 Aug 1757

Birth of Thomas Telford, Scottish civil engineer credited with opening up northern Scotland by building roads, bridges and waterways.

### 10 Aug 1675

King Charles II lays the foundation stone of the Royal Observatory in Greenwich.



### 11 Aug 1897

Birth of best-selling children's writer Enid Blyton, whose books have been among the world's best-sellers since the 1930s, with more than 600 million sold.

### 12 Aug 1822

Lord Castlereagh, British Foreign Secretary, commits suicide. In his role as Foreign Secretary he managed the coalition that defeated Napoleon.

### 13 Aug 1964

Peter Allen and John Walby become the last people to be hanged in Britain.

### 14 Aug 1040

Duncan I of Scotland is killed in battle by his own men, led by Macbeth.

### 15 Aug 1945

Japan surrenders to the Allies, ending the Second World War.

### 16 Aug 1819

The *Peterloo Massacre* took place in Manchester at St. Peter's Fields.

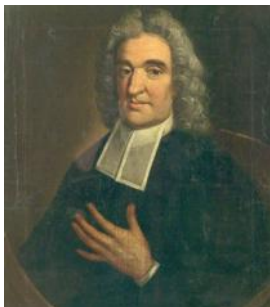
### 17 Aug 1896

Mrs. Bridget Driscoll of Croydon, Surrey, became the first pedestrian in Britain to die after being hit by a car.



### 18 Aug 1587

Birth of Virginia Dare, the first child of English parents to be born in the Roanoke Colony in what is now North Carolina, USA. What became of Virginia and the other early colonists remains a mystery to this day.

**19 Aug 1646**

Birth of John Flamsteed, Britain's first Astronomer Royal. He would go on to publish a catalogue that identified 2,935 stars.

**20 Aug 1940**

Winston Churchill referring to the RAF pilots, says "Never in the field of human conflict was so much owed by so many to so few".

**21 Aug 1765**

King William IV born. William would go on to serve in the Royal Navy, earning him the nickname the "Sailor King".

**22 Aug 1485**

Richard III becomes the last English king to die in battle, killed at Bosworth Field in Leicestershire.

**23 Aug 1940**

The first night of the Blitz as German planes bomb the city of London.

**24 Aug 1875**

Matthew Webb (Captain Webb) started his attempt from Dover in Kent, to become the first person to swim the English Channel. He reached Calais, France at 10.40 am the following morning, having been in the water for 22 hours.

**25 Aug 1919**

World's first international daily air service begins between London and Paris.

**26 Aug 1346**

With the help of the longbow the English army of Edward III defeats the French at the Battle of Crecy.

**27 Aug 1900**

Britain's first long distance bus service begins between London and Leeds.

The journey time being 2 days!

### **28 Aug 1207**

Liverpool is created a Borough by King John.

### **29 Aug 1842**

Great Britain and China sign the Treaty of Nanking, ending the First Opium War. As part of the treaty China gave the territory of Hong Kong to the British.

### **30 Aug 1860**

Britain's first tramway opens in Birkenhead, near Liverpool

### **31 Aug 1900**

Coca Cola is sold for the first time in Britain.



## ***Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary***

means to recall the emotions of joy and sadness that Mary experienced in her own life. When you look at an image of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, you see a burning heart surrounded with a crown of thorns and pierced with a sword. The Immaculate Heart of Mary shows us that despite the sufferings of Jesus (crown of thorns), he loves all of us, regardless of our sins, and spilled his blood (the sword) in hope that we would join him in heaven. It is for this reason that despite the trials and sufferings of Jesus, Mary's heart still burns with love and devotion.



As the mother of Jesus, Mary experienced all of the same feelings that your own mother has for you. Whether you are happy or sad, your mother shares in your feelings (even if she doesn't tell you). The Bible tells us that "and his mother kept all these things in her heart" (Lk 2:51). We can share in Mary's emotions and constant love for Jesus by recalling the mysteries of the rosary and by praying the seven sorrows.

## *My Favourite Hymn...* *Ginny Darby*

How difficult it is to choose a favourite hymn! There are so many different influences that affect such a choice – an influential person, a particular occasion, a special place, a beautiful melody – the list goes on.

My mother's brother, Harry, lived with us until I was eight. He encouraged in me a lifetime love of music and churchgoing and some of my earliest memories are of standing alongside the piano as he played, singing hymns together. One of his favourites was **'Praise to the Holiest in the Height'** and I grew to love it too. The words of Cardinal Newman tell of our Christian faith and journey and the music of J.B.Dykes, (Gerontius), seems to complement the words so well.



### *Praise to the Holiest in the Height*

*Praise to the holiest in the height,  
and in the depth be praise:  
in all his words most wonderful,  
most sure in all his ways.*

*O loving wisdom of our God!  
When all was sin and shame,  
a second Adam to the fight  
and to the rescue came.*

*O wisest love! That flesh and blood,  
which did in Adam fail,  
should strive afresh against the foe,  
should strive and should prevail;*

*And that a higher gift than grace  
should flesh and blood refine,  
God's presence and his very self,  
and essence all-divine.*

*O generous love! that he, who smote  
in Man for man the foe,  
the double agony in Man  
for man should undergo;*

*And in the garden secretly,  
and on the cross on high,  
should teach his brethren, and inspire  
To suffer and to die.*

*Praise to the Holiest in the height,  
and in the depth be praise;  
in all his words most wonderful,  
most sure in all his ways.*



Tuesday 5th August, 5:30pm  
at The Bridge Skills Hub, Workso

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# Mary Williams: From Workso to New England

A presentation by Dr Charlotte Carrington-Farmer,  
Professor of History at Roger Williams University, USA.

## Bringing history to life in Bassetlaw

Join Dr Charlotte Carrington-Farmer this August for a journey back in time to the 17th century, exploring the early life in Workso of Mary Williams, daughter of former vicar at Workso Priory, Richard Bernard.

## Re-writing history

Telling Mary's story is a pivotal step in the larger movement to reveal the voices of women whose participation have gone unacknowledged in the historical record.



Dr Charlotte Carrington-Farmer beside Roger Williams' statue at the American university which bears his name

Dr Carrington-Farmer's talk draws upon her recent work, including her article "More than Roger's Wife, Mary Williams and the Founding of Providence," *New England Quarterly* (2024) and her new book, *Roger Williams and His World: A History in Documents* (Broadview Press, 2025).

## A unique opportunity to celebrate our community's rich heritage

This not-to-be-missed event is for anyone interested in local and early American history, and the lives and legacy of those who once called Bassetlaw home, yet braved the perilous journey to The New World to escape persecution and help establish what we now know as the United States of America.

Book now to ensure you don't miss this unique event which has been organised in partnership with Bassetlaw District Council and the Workso Priory & Gatehouse Community Trust.



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# **WORKSOP PRIORY & GATEHOUSE**

## **National Heritage Open Day**

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10AM-4PM**





## Exploring Evensong



After last month's overview about what we do and why, in services, here is a little more exploration of the details, about Evensong. At the time the Priory was built, there was a great spread of monastic communities right across Europe. Some of it was driven by disgust at the wasteful and selfish establishments of the powerful, and some was undoubtedly driven by the more introverted souls seeking space, quiet, and routine in which to draw closer to God without outside distractions. There is a whole study of their social and charitable function as well, but that's another story. As part of their worship, there was the conventual (gathered together) Mass, often mid-morning, and the Hours – the set prayer-times with Psalms, a brief extract of Scripture, some ping-pong responsories relevant to the time of day, and all of it themed to show the passage of life mirrored in the passage of time. Even the dialogues are sometimes quotations from the Psalms. Since these snippets do not get put in quotation marks, there is not much to tip us off that they are lifted from somewhere else. Unless, of course, you know your Psalms backwards, which monks do. Just as a sideline, cathedral worship is the direct descendent of the monastic format, in many places. It was offered initially by the community, in community, in quire. The rest of the building was put to other uses; a lot of it secular, and for that reason the quire area was deliberately kept as a sacred space within a vast building.

Right from the start, there was a spearhead group which led the singing. It was called the Schola, meaning that it studied the music and rehearsed. The rest of them hollered along, and still do. At Quarr Abbey on the Isle of Wight, where I once taught some elements of 'singing in tune' to a fairly reluctant but very friendly group of them, the "choir monks" were constantly reminded not to get snooty about the other brethren whose singing was.....agricultural. But, the complex chants which change every day, setting the mood of the season and dealing with the topics set in the calendar and readings – they spent ages getting those right, because (being Benedictines) they saw it as an offering directly to God. This is nothing to

do with leading a congregation, or having others sit and listen; it's a one-way rocket upward-bound. Their reward was to be last at the cake, but they did a good job of sprinting down the cloister for tea.

In an Anglican parish, the norm for Evensong is a mixed economy just like that described above, the congregation moving into the place of the general monks, and the choir taking the place of the schola. Nearly everything has changed in terms of the actual notes since 1103, but one thread is unbroken – the chanting of texts to short passages of music which are re-used throughout the item in question. Anglican Chant is one of the glories of the C of E. It is harmonised, expressive, melodic, and plentiful. Of course with regular usage it could become tedious, lumpy and unloved – and in keeping to a narrow repertoire of chants to facilitate everyone knowing them and joining in, you can get just that problem. As for the schola/choir, there is a subtle shift here, too, in moving from medieval monasticism to a modern parish: there has been a whole raft of stuff composed in the meantime which is inspirational to listen to, and that function of offering inspirational sound is one to consider carefully. It offers space for personal reflection, and assumes that the worshipper is able to join in in heart and mind, not only when using their voice. One of the turning-points of my student years was sitting on the staircase of the organ-loft at St. Paul's cathedral listening to the choir singing *Faire is the Heaven*, by William Harris. I couldn't see the choir; the music, which was new to me, and text (printed in the running order) made its mark. Above me were mosaics of angels, and whilst I never have believed that an angel is a humanoid figure with feathers, there was enough art-input nudging me in the direction of worship to make the point. I am glad I was not singing; to be free of the practicalities of technique, counting, pitching, watching - all that was done for me, and I was able to receive from it.



We've gone for 50/50 sharing at the Priory. Congregation and choir swap Canticles each time we sing; the Psalm of the day, Responses, Hymns and one of the big Benediction hymns are all congregational. The choir sings 4 things on their own, and leads the rest. Come and participate.

***Rosemary Field, Director of Music***

# SAFEGUARDING UPDATE

The Church of England has been in the process of developing a set of National Safeguarding Standards since 2020.

The Standards are essential for the Church to understand the quality and, most importantly, the impact of its safeguarding activity. In addition, the Standards provide a simple approach to tackling the complexity of all safeguarding activity in the Church. All activities requiring safeguarding action will relate to at least one Standard making it easier for churches to communicate its commitment to safeguarding.

## *The Five Standards are:*

1. **Culture, Leadership and Capacity:** Church bodies have safe and healthy cultures, effective leadership, resourcing and scrutiny arrangements necessary to deliver high-quality safeguarding practices and outcomes.
2. **Prevention:** Church bodies have in place a planned range of measures which together are effective in preventing abuse in their context.
3. **Recognising, Assessing and Managing Risk:** Risk assessments, safety plans and associated processes are of a high quality and result in positive outcomes. The assessment and management of risk is underpinned by effective partnership working.
4. **Victims and Survivors:** Victims and survivors experience the timeliness and quality of Church bodies' responses to disclosures, and their subsequent support, as positively meeting their needs, including their search for justice and helping their healing process.
5. **Learning, Supervision and Support:** All those engaged in safeguarding-related activity in Church bodies receive the type and level of learning, professional development, support and supervision necessary to respond to safeguarding situations, victims and survivors, and respondents, effectively.



## *The Development of the Standards*

The National Safeguarding Standards were originally proposed in February 2020. This aimed to create a mechanism for answering the question "How good is our safeguarding activity?".

A series of workshops with dioceses, cathedrals, victims and survivors and parishes led to the creation of the "What Good Looks Like" Indicators that sit within each Standard. This list was then refined, with huge thanks to our Pathfinder dioceses and cathedrals, and the Cathedral Safeguarding Network.

This refined version of the Standards was then put to a wide-reaching consultation, again seeking the views of dioceses, cathedrals, victims and survivors and parishes. Responses to the Standards were overwhelmingly positive and also helped to develop and tweak them into the structure that they are in presently.

The current version of the National Safeguarding Standards were approved by the National Safeguarding Steering Group (NSSG) in July 2023.

### **What to do if you have a safeguarding concern at Priory:**

#### **Urgent concerns**

If you believe someone is at immediate risk of being harmed you must contact either the Police or Social Services directly:

**Police**

**999**

**Nottinghamshire Multi-Agency**

**Safeguarding Hub (MASH)**

**0300 500 8090/0300 456 4546**

#### **Non-urgent concerns**

If the concern is not urgent or an emergency, Worksop Priory has a **Parish Safeguarding Officer – Susan Bekisz**, who manages safeguarding issues at church. She can be contacted on [safeguarding@worksoppriory.co.uk](mailto:safeguarding@worksoppriory.co.uk) alternatively you can call **07355 850735**. This phone cannot always be answered immediately, but you can leave a message. We will endeavour to respond within 48 hours.

There may be occasions when our Safeguarding Officer is not available. If we have not responded within 36 hours after you have raised a concern, consider the following options to get advice:

**Fr Spicer**

**Diocesan Safeguarding Team**

**01909 472180 or 07748 653640**

**01636 817200**



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## The Hundred Club

This is one of our main fundraisers here at Priory. The cost remains £1 per week and we have prizes of £20, £10 and 2 x £5 weekly, £100 twice yearly and £500 annually.

For joining the club please see Ivy either at:



[ivy.underwood1945@gmail.com](mailto:ivy.underwood1945@gmail.com)

or on 07846 245859.

Thanks for the support!

*Ivy Underwood*

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# Looking Ahead...



## August

Sat 2	12noon Pilgrimage at Egmonton ( <i>page 10</i> )
Sun 3	6pm Evensong & Benediction with the Choir
Mon 4	Youth Pilgrimage to Walsingham
Tue 5	5.30pm Gatehouse Trust lecture at the Skills Hub ( <i>page 28</i> )
Thur 14	6.30pm Vigil Mass Assumption of Our Lady
Thur 28	Parish Trip to Grimsby/Cleethorpes ( <i>page 10</i> )

## September

Tue 2	6.30pm Priory PCC
Thur 4	Midday Music concert series resumes.
Fri 5	10am School beginning of year service
Sat 13	Workshop Priory & Gatehouse National Heritage Open Day ( <i>page 29</i> )
Tue 23-26	Parish Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham ( <i>page 14</i> )

## October

Sun 5	Harvest Festival
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## CAN YOU HELP CO-ORDINATE THE 100 CLUB?



### 100 CLUB

Having done an amazing job for many years, Ivy is stepping down from running the 100 Club. Please do consider if you are able to help co-ordinate this incredibly important fundraising scheme. You will have the full support of Keith (Treasurer to the PCC) and Susan (Parish Administrator) who have developed systems to simplify the work involved and reduce the amount of cash being handled by the co-ordinator. Please have a chat with Ivy (07846 245859), Keith (07500 781759) or Susan (07355 850735) to find out more.

**THANK YOU!**

## September Magazine

Please send articles or news for the  
August 2025 magazine to  
[admin@worksopriory.co.uk](mailto:admin@worksopriory.co.uk)  
by Monday 18th July at the latest.

### *Something to make you smile...*

A visitor to a monastery was being shown round by the abbot when a monk shouted out: "64!" All the other monks roared with laughter. Another then called out "15", again much laughter. "What's going on?" asked the visitor. "They know each other's jokes inside out," said the abbott. "So rather than tell them each time, they've numbered them. If one calls out a number, they think of the joke and laugh. Have a go..." The visitor called out "45" and there was a small ripple of polite laughter. "I'm afraid," said the Abbot, "that's not very funny, try again." So the visitor called out "56" and there was uproar. "Must have been a good joke." "Yes," said the abbot wiping his eyes. "And we've never heard it before."



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# Mass Times

## Sundays

- 9.30 am Parish Mass with Junior Church at Priory  
11.15am Parish Mass with Junior Church at St Paul's  
11.30am Mass at Clumber Chapel  
6pm Evening Prayer and Benediction at Priory  
(First Sunday)

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