

# LIGHT *At The* DOOR

Welcome to the Weekly Newsletter for The Bain Valley & Woodhall Spa Group of Churches

## Services in our Churches Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> August

- 9.15am Eucharist St Margaret Langton - Revd Sall  
9.30am Morning Praise St Margaret Bucknall - David  
9.30am Morning Prayer St Margaret's Roughton  
With Reader Sheila, and Alwyn and Ros  
11am Eucharist St Peter's Woodhall Spa  
Revd Sall and Michael (presiding)  
6pm Evensong St Leonards Kirkstead Sall

Holy Communion St Peter's Woodhall Spa  
on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> August at 9.30am

Mother's Union Holy Communion  
Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> August 11am Lady Chapel St Peter's

Sheila Mullinger's FRIDAY SLOT is LIVE on  
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Almighty and everlasting God, who gave to your  
apostle Bartholomew grace truly to believe and to  
preach your word: grant that your Church may love that  
word which he believed and may faithfully preach and  
receive the same; 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.



VJ DAY COMMEMORATION - Reader Sheila Mullinger led a short service at 11am in Woodhall Spa on Friday to commemorate the 80th anniversary of VJ Day. 25 people stood alongside her to take part in prayers before going to the Conservative Club to watch the televised service attended by the King, Queen and Prime Minister standing alongside crowds and veterans at the National Memorial Arboretum in Staffordshire to pay their respects to those who fought the Japanese military in Asia.

## Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2025 St Bartholomew Trinity 10

Lincoln Diocesan Guild (Eastern Branch) Lincolnshire -Tower Captain Tess reports that the Coningsby and Tattershall band rang rounds, call changes, and plain hunt for an hour at St Michael & All Angels on the evening of Friday 15 August 2025 as part of the national celebrations for VJ Day. Sitting eating my tea in the Rectory kitchen was a great joy and delight as I listened to them ring.

Thank you team for filling the air with such a joyful sound. Our ringers were

1 Steve Ankers 2 Russell Green 3 Lynda Hankin 4 Jackie Harris 5 Mark Hibbard & 6 Neil Stone

Thank you also to the team for calling the people of Coningsby to worship on Sunday 17th August



### Bucknall Village Hall

Monday Community Hub



9:30am - 11am

All welcome

It's just £1

for tea &

cake

Monday's Community Hub raises funds for St. Margaret's Church

The Hub is 'drop in' and is a great way to meet people, have a chat, or use our book exchange.

### LINCOLNSHIRE WOLDS & COAST CHURCHES FESTIVAL

Saturday 13 September 2025,

Sunday 14 September 2025

Theme is the 'Battle of Britain'

commemorating the 85th anniversary this year.

Refreshments and Tombola

all in aid of the  
roof replacement fund



### FREE Children's Holiday Activities at Holy Trinity Church Tattershall



Come and Have a Go at Brass Rubbing

Plus a variety of children's  
colouring Pages featuring  
medieval life for children

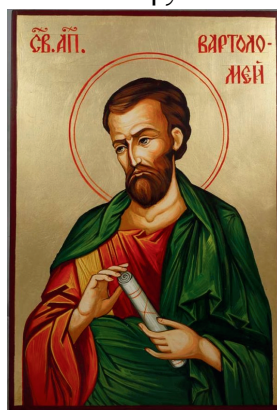
All Resources provided

Choice of Resin 'Brass Plaques'  
to create your own pictures.

Grown Ups can have a go  
or sit and enjoy a hot drink &  
piece of cake for £3.00

Children's drinks & snacks at sensible prices

Bartholomew was one of the twelve apostles of Jesus according to the New Testament. Jesus referred to him as a man without deceit. Modern scholars identify Bartholomew as Nathanael, who appears in the Gospel of John (1:45–51; cf. 21:2). He is mentioned in all the Gospels and the Book of the Acts of the Apostles. Historians of the time state that after the Ascension, Bartholomew went on a missionary tour to India, where he left behind a copy of the Gospel of Matthew. Tradition also suggests



that he served as a missionary in Parthia and Mesopotamia, as well as Lycaonia and Ethiopia in other accounts and then, along with his fellow apostle Jude "Thaddeus", went to Greater Armenia where Christian tradition offers differing accounts of Bartholomew's death. One speaks of his being kidnapped, beaten unconscious, and cast into the sea to drown sometime between AD 67 and AD 71. Others record

different methods, but his apostolic symbol is 3 knives which may be an indicator of his death. The Russian Orthodox Eparchy of Baku and Azijan and Catholic Prefecture of Azerbaijan honour Saint Bartholomew and St Thaddeus as the Patron Saints of Azerbaijan and regards them as the bringer of Christianity to the region of Caucasian Albania, modern-day Azerbaijan. The feast day of Bartholomew the Apostle is celebrated there on 24 August by the Christian laity and the Church officials alike.

Mother's Union Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> August 2pm

Afternoon Tea and Cake at

The Rectory Coningsby 2pm

Guest Speakers are Jayne and Ann  
of Lincolnshire Guild of Spinners & Weavers

# Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2025 Trinity 10 St Bartholomew's Day

## Acts 5.12-16 The Apostles Heal Many

Now many signs and wonders were done among the people through the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. None of the rest dared to join them, but the people held them in high esteem. Yet more than ever believers were added to the Lord, great numbers of both men and women, so that they even carried out the sick into the streets, and laid them on cots and mats, in order that Peter's shadow might fall on some of them as he came by. A great number of people would also gather from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and they were all cured.

## Psalm 145

I will exalt you, O God my King, • and bless your name for ever and ever.

Every day will I bless you • and praise your name for ever and ever.

Great is the Lord and highly to be praised; • his greatness is beyond all searching out.

One generation shall praise your works to another • and declare your mighty acts.

They shall speak of the majesty of your glory, • and I will tell of all your wonderful deeds.

They shall speak of the might of your marvellous acts, • and I will also tell of your greatness.

They shall pour forth the story of your abundant kindness • and joyfully sing of your righteousness.

## 1 Corinthians 4.9-15

For I think that God has exhibited us apostles as last of all, as though sentenced to death, because we have become a spectacle to the world, to angels and to mortals. We are fools for the sake of Christ, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honour, but we in disrepute. To the present hour we are hungry and thirsty, we are poorly clothed and beaten and homeless, and we grow weary from the work of our own hands. When reviled, we bless; when persecuted, we endure; when slandered, we speak kindly. We have become like the rubbish of the world, the dregs of all things, to this very day. I am not writing this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. For though you might have ten thousand guardians in Christ, you do not have many fathers. Indeed, in Christ Jesus I became your father through the gospel.

## Luke 22.24-30

### The Dispute about Greatness

A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. But he said to them, 'The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves. 'You are those who have stood by me in my trials; and I confer on you, just as my Father has conferred on me, a kingdom, so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

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.

Lord God, the source of truth and love,  
keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching  
and fellowship,  
united in prayer and the breaking of bread,  
and one in joy and simplicity of heart,  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.