

Liturgical Colour is Green Sunday 31st August 2025 T11 P17 and Sunday 7th September T12 Proper 18

LIGHT *At The* DOOR

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

Services in our Churches Sunday 31st August

10am Eucharist Holy Trinity Tattershall - Revd Barbara

11am Eucharist St Peter's - Revd Pam

NO SERVICE ON WEDNESDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER

Services in our Churches Sunday 7th September

10am Morning Prayer Holy Trinity Tattershall - Sheila

11am Eucharist St Peter's - Revd Pam (Paul is on Holiday)

Revd Sall is on holiday 31st August to 10th September

Sheila Mullinger's FRIDAY SLOT is LIVE on
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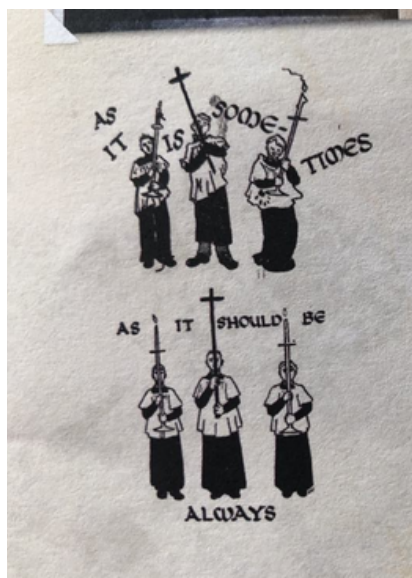
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Collect for 31st August

O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure; 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.

Collect for 7th September

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask for but through the merits and mediation of 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.



Sheila Mullinger sent this little gem in - drawn by cartoonist Enid Chadwick and originally from the 'Our Lady's Mirror' entitled 'A useful reminder to Sacristans and Servers'

Coming Up in September
14th Holy Cross Day &
21st St Matthew the Apostle

Sunday 31st August 2025 and 7th September

LINCOLNSHIRE WOLDS & COAST CHURCHES FESTIVAL

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.

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



40 people from around our churches met on Friday 22nd August in Holy Trinity Church Tattershall and enjoyed a talk given by Ian Nixon of the Lincs Bat Group. The highlight of the evening was watching the bats emerge from their roosts to leave the church and go foraging for their prey. More than 1000 bats took flight and could be seen in the dusk and on infrared cameras, flying around people's heads as they headed for the doors.

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 entry Dog friendly and we have a bicycle rack too.

Mother's Union had a wonderful afternoon on Tuesday 19th August in the company of Jayne and Ann from the Lincs Guild of Spinners and Weavers. The ladies examined fleeces made of animal wool as well as man-made fibres from such diverse ingredients as mint plants and milk protein.. Ann demonstrated weaving on a box loom. and Jayne showed us how to spin fleeces into yarn. She also talked about cleaning and dyeing the fleeces and Ann told us what not to do!! We saw a wonderful variety of woven fabrics from the very fine to the very thick and chunky. The group then enjoyed an afternoon tea.

FRIDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER
6PM HARVEST FESTIVAL
FOLLOWED BY THE HARVEST SUPPER
ST PETER'S STIXWOULD

SUNDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER

9.15AM HARVEST EUCHARIST ST MARGARET'S
LANGTON

11AM HARVEST FESTIVAL ST PETER'S
WOODHALL SPA

BUCKNALL & HORSINGTON
HARVEST FESTIVAL 3PM ST MARGARET'S
BUCKNALL

5PM BUCKNALL & HORSINGTON HARVEST SUPPER

4PM CHORAL HARVEST EVENSONG
ST LEONARDS KIRKSTEAD

Sunday 31st August 2025 Trinity 11

Ecclesiasticus 10.12-18 The beginning of human pride is to forsake the Lord; the heart has withdrawn from its Maker. For the beginning of pride is sin, and the one who clings to it pours out abominations. Therefore the Lord brings upon them unheard-of calamities and destroys them completely. The Lord overthrows the thrones of rulers and enthrones the lowly in their place. The Lord plucks up the roots of the nations and plants the humble in their place. The Lord lays waste the lands of the nations, and destroys them to the foundations of the earth. He removes some of them and destroys them, and erases the memory of them from the earth. Pride was not created for human beings, or violent anger for those born of women.

Psalm 112

Hebrews 13.1-8, 15-16 Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honour by all and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have; for he has said, 'I will never leave you or forsake you.' So we can say with confidence, 'The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?' Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever. Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Luke 14.1, 7-14 On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honour, he told them a parable. 'When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honour, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, "Give this person your place", and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, "Friend, move up higher"; then you will be honoured in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.' He said also to the one who had invited him, 'When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbours, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.'

Sunday 7th September Trinity 12

Deuteronomy 30.15-end See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the Lord your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the Lord your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the Lord your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the Lord swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

Psalm 1

Philemon 1-21 Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow-soldier, and to the church in your house: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith towards the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother. For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back for ever, no longer as a slave but as more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

Luke 14.25-33 Now large crowds were travelling with him; and he turned and said to them, ‘Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, “This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.” Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.