

# LIGHT *At The* DOOR

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

## Celebrating Mothering Sunday

9.30am Morning Prayer

St Michael's Coningsby

Sheila and BainValley Team

9.30am Morning Prayer St Margaret's

Bucknall Revd Sall & Team

11am Eucharist St Peter's

Woodhall Spa Revd Sall and Team

## Collect for Mothering Sunday

God of compassion,  
whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary,  
shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross  
drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in  
our daily living that in joy and sorrow we may know the  
power of your presence to bind together and to heal;  
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

1 Samuel 1.20-end This extract from The Old Testament reading for this Sunday speaks of a mother's deep love for her much wanted child, and her personal sacrifice that enables her son to be all God planned him to be. The reading begins 'In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, 'I have asked him of the Lord.' The man Elkanah and all his household went up to offer to the Lord the yearly sacrifice, and to pay his vow. But Hannah did not go up, for she said to her husband, 'As soon as the child is weaned, I will bring him, that he may appear in the presence of the Lord, and remain there for ever; I will offer him as a nazirite for all time.' A Nazirite is an Israelite who was consecrated to the service of God, Hannah was so grateful to God for her son that she gave him to the Lord, at the expense of her own happiness

Psalm 127.1-4 Verse 4 of our psalm reminds us Children are a heritage from the Lord and the fruit of the womb is his gift

Colossians 3.12-17 Paul's letter to the Colossians is often used at weddings, it reminds us of the love we should bear for one another and the way in which we should express that love in our daily life.

John 19.25b -27 Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, 'Woman, here is your son.' Then he said to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

## SAFEGUARDING INFORMATION

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## Benefice Lent Course

What did Christ do on the cross?

This WEDNESDAY Afternoon at the Rectory

from 2pm for about an hour

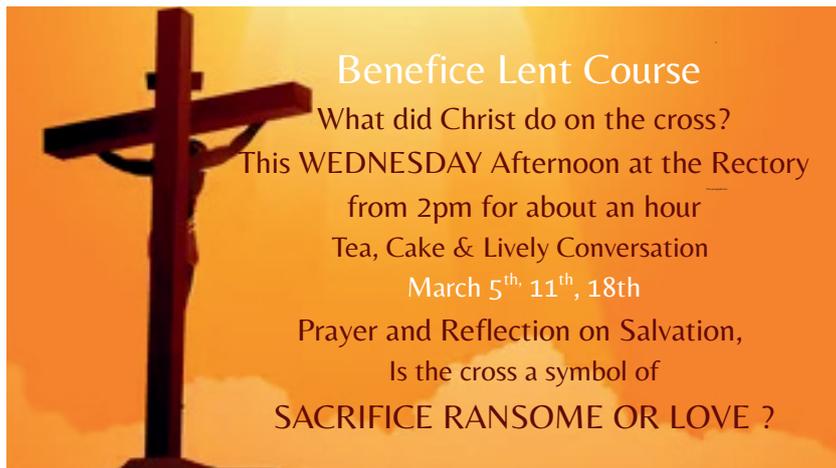
Tea, Cake & Lively Conversation

March 5<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>

Prayer and Reflection on Salvation,

Is the cross a symbol of

SACRIFICE RANSOME OR LOVE ?



## The Full Readings for this Sunday Mothering Sunday 15th March

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Psalm 127 Unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labour in vain. Unless the Lord keeps the city, the guard keeps watch in vain. It is in vain that you hasten to rise up early and go so late to rest, eating the bread of toil, for he gives his beloved sleep. Children are a heritage from the Lord and the fruit of the womb is his gift.

Colossians 3.12-17 As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

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### ROUGHTON KNIT and NATTER

Plans are also afoot to try to make St Margaret's Church at Roughton more cosy, comfortable and welcoming. To this end, we plan to knit pew runners. A group of us are meeting at 2pm on 11<sup>th</sup> March at 74 Horncastle Road, Roughton Moor.

If you would like to join us please let Jean Hill or Ann Pickup know. If you can't knit or crochet, but have lots of wool you no longer need we'd be very grateful for any donations. Please call Revd Sall 07949 556494 if you know of anyone who knits or does crochet, and could you pass the word round



### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

#### Woodhall Spa in Bloom

Please see the adverts in church or around the village - join in the effort to make our church gardens and the village environment a lovely space for everyone to enjoy.

God's Creation is worthy of love and care

#### Community Events in Bucknall Village Hall in March

Men's Shed on 12<sup>th</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> 6.30-9pm

Bingo 6<sup>th</sup> Doors Open 6.30pm

Quiz 20<sup>th</sup> Doors Open 6.30pm

Games Night 26<sup>th</sup> March 7-9pm

Community Hub

Monday and Wednesday Mornings

Refreshments Good Conversation and a Book Swap Service

# The Services in Holy Week in Woodhall Spa and Bain Valley

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March

6pm St Margaret's Bucknall Stations of The Cross - Wardens and Team

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Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March 11am

Chrism Service Lincoln Cathedral

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Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April

9.30am Holy Wednesday Eucharist St Peter's Woodhall Spa - Revd Sall

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MAUNDY THURSDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> April

Foot Washing and Last Supper Eucharist- Revd Sall

7pm St Peter's Woodhall Spa

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GOOD FRIDAY

Veneration of The Cross and Good Friday Eucharist - Revd Sall

2pm St Peter's Woodhall Spa

6pm Holy Trinity Tattershall Stations of The Cross - Sheila and Team

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EASTER SUNDAY

9.15am Eucharist St Margaret's Langton Revd Pam

9.30am Eucharist Holy Trinity Tattershall Revd Barbara

9.30am Eucharist All Saints Horsington Sall

11am Eucharist St Peter's Woodhall Spa Sall

3pm Eucharist St Leonard's Kirkstead Sall

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Holy Saturday - Church Preparation for Easter Sunday