

Trinity 31st May Liturgical colour White

LIGHT at the DOOR

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

31st May Trinity Sunday

Patronal Group Service

9.30am Eucharist at Holy Trinity Church

6pm Choral Evensong Kirkstead

St Peter's Midweek Eucharist 9.30am
on 27th May and 3rd June with Revd Sall



CHORAL EVENSONG

The Choir with Music Director Alan

6.00pm Trinity Sunday 31st May

St Leonards Kirkstead

Churchwardens Elected for 2026

Roughton Gill Roberts Stixwoud Margaret Forman

Kirkby on Bain Alwyn & Ros Killingsworth

Horsington David Forman

Bucknall David Mills & David Forman

Langton Paul Brewster & Jean Wilkinson

Coningsby Peter Bass

Woodhall Spa and Kirkstead Paul Brewster

Churchwarden's Visitations Services

18th June 7pm St Mary's Horncastle

SAFEGUARDING INFORMATION

Priest In Charge

Revd Sally Clifton 07949 556494

Woodhall Spa Safeguarding Lead

Margaret Forman 07931 574498

Bain Valley Safeguarding Lead

Tina Calvert 07718 884641

Childline: 0800 1111

EdanLincs (Domestic Abuse):

01522 510041

Men's Advice Line: 0808 8010327

Elder Abuse Hotline:

0800 0699 784

Safe Spaces: 0300 303 1056

ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING & ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

Tattershall Holy Trinity

31st May 10.30am

IN CHURCH AFTER SERVICE

Matthew 28:18-20

And Jesus has come to you and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Readings for 31st May 2026 Trinity Sunday

Isaiah 40.12–17, 27–end Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand and marked off the heavens with a span, enclosed the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales and the hills in a balance? Who has directed the spirit of the Lord, or as his counsellor has instructed him? Whom did he consult for his enlightenment, and who taught him the path of justice? Who taught him knowledge, and showed him the way of understanding? Even the nations are like a drop from a bucket, and are accounted as dust on the scales; see, he takes up the isles like fine dust. Lebanon would not provide fuel enough, nor are its animals enough for a burnt-offering. All the nations are as nothing before him; they are accounted by him as less than nothing and emptiness. Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, 'My way is hidden from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my God'? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

Psalm 8

O Lord our governor, • how glorious is your name in all the world!
Your majesty above the heavens is praised • out of the mouths of babes at the breast.
You have founded a stronghold against your foes, • that you might still the enemy and the avenger.
When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, • the moon and the stars that you have ordained,
What is man, that you should be mindful of him; • the son of man, that you should seek him out?
You have made him little lower than the angels • and crown him with glory and honour.
You have given him dominion over the works of your hands • and put all things under his feet,
All sheep and oxen, • even the wild beasts of the field,
The birds of the air, the fish of the sea • and whatsoever moves in the paths of the sea.
O Lord our governor, • how glorious is your name in all the world!

2 Corinthians 13.11–end Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

Matthew 28.16–end Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'



Almighty and everlasting God,
you have given us your servants grace,
by the confession of a true faith,
to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity
and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity:
keep us steadfast in this faith,
that we may evermore be defended from all adversities;
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.

Bucknall Village Hall
 Monday Community Hub
 Coffee Morning 9:30am - 11am. Everyone
 welcome,
 £1 gets you a couple of drinks plus cake.
 Monday's Community Hub raises funds for
 St. Margaret's Church



THE Spa Singers
 LIVE IN CONCERT
 TUESDAY 2ND JUNE
 7PM
 ST PETER'S CHURCH STINWOULD
 TICKETS £6 ON THE DOOR
 PROCEEDS GO TO ST PETER'S CHURCH
 The Women of the Parish & St. Mary's Group of Churches
An evening of music in a beautiful setting

Bucknall Quiz Night in Village Hall
 Friday 19 June 2026, Doors Open 6.30pm
 With prizes to be won, plus a raffle,
 and you'll be raising funds for St. Margaret's Church too.



BUCKNALL
 SCARECROW FESTIVAL & TRAIL 2026
Film & TV CHARACTERS!
 ENTER YOUR OWN SCARECROW!
 Submit your entry by:
31st MAY
 13th & 14th June 2026
 Around the village of Bucknall
 Fun Trail for All Ages!
 All Residents Welcome! Prizes to be Won!



Holy Trinity Church Tattershall
 HERITAGE CENTRE & TEA BAR
 Open Wednesdays &
 Weekends 10am to 3pm
 Tea and Cake still only £3.00



Trinity Sunday
 9.30am 31st May
 Patronal Festival & Group Service
 9.30am
 Holy Trinity Church
 Tattershall

PATCH
MEN'S SHED
BUCKNALL

27th May
 3rd June 10th June
 Bucknall Village Hall
 6.30 - 9.00pm

If you would like to be confirmed
 please speak to Revd Sall on
 07949 556494



Confirmation Service
 5th July
 Bishop Jean has offered to lead a
 Confirmation at St. Mary's Horncastle
 on Sunday, 5th July at 3.00pm.

New major grant funding for urgent repairs for listed churches now live

If you care for a listed church, chapel or meeting house in England and have a live or imminent repair project, we encourage you to apply for the new Places of Worship Renewal Fund.

Swipe to see the details and tips & advice for applying

The Places of Worship Renewal Fund is run by Historic England. It is open to any listed place of worship in England that holds at least six public worship services a year.

To apply, you will need to complete an Expression of Interest and submit this to Historic England via their online form.

The deadline for submissions for this round is Sunday 14 June 2026.

Grants of between £10,000 and £1 million are available.

To help with making your Expression of Interest as strong as possible, we recommend you address the following:

Read the guidance on Historic England's Website first because this will help you write your expression of interest within the parameters that exist for this grant.

Two

Your project must match one of or more of Historic England's priorities, so ensure your application makes strong reference to the following:

- Help more people connect with, enjoy and benefit from the historic environment
- Use heritage to improve civic pride, prosperity, and wellbeing
- Achieve a positive change and sustainable future for historic places, including buildings, landscapes, archaeological sites, and marine assets
- Ensure heritage plays an important role in the fight to limit and manage the effects of climate change

Three

Explain why your project is needed. Lead with the need. Remember, the focus of this fund is repairs, so make sure you emphasise the effects the repairs are having on your congregation, wider community and on the building itself.

Is it damaging significant heritage, do you have to put buckets out to catch the rain, have you stopped using part of your building or running any activities, is it on the Heritage at Risk Register? Why is it important to do the work now?

Four

Who will benefit and how?

Emphasise the community benefit and need for your urgent repair project. Include any community consultations you have done, and how the changes will help local people enjoy and use your building more – including anything new your repaired building will be able to host or run. Think about visitors and interpretation.

Five

Why you think Historic England will support your project: remember, you are the expert on your church – so don't assume everyone knows as much as you do. Make sure you get across how special your building is in your application and do it with enthusiasm.

In 2025, The National Churches Trust awarded £ 2.6 million to churches and chapels for urgent repairs, new facilities and essential maintenance.

The UK Government has now opened the Places of Worship Renewal Fund – a new £92 million four-year-fund to help listed churches in England with repairs. It is good news that the Government sees churches as worth investing in – especially as the future of churches is our biggest heritage crisis. Read our analysis on how the Places of Worship Renewal Fund will work and what it will fund, how it compares to previous support from the UK Government, and what must happen for churches across the whole of the UK to be kept open and in use.