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School Term Times for the Academic Year.

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Summer Break	23rd July - 3rd September 2026
Half Term	24th October—1st November
Christmas Break	19th December—4th January 2027
Half Term	13th February—21st February 2027

Church
Bellringing
At
St. John The Baptist, Carlton.
For more information on this ancient traditional British pastime.

Contact:
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Deadline for the August Magazine is 14th July.

Welcome back to this July issue of your Parish Maunder magazine. Following the wet and cooler weather for the first couple of weeks last month with the prior hot May, the plants, shrubs and lawns have exploded in growth, which is great for the plants but made it difficult for me to keep on top of it, cutting and trimming. So, the last week or so in June saw me busy in catchup. That also including our churchyard at St Edith's. Wendy and Dave did a great job with the extra grass cutting, leaving me to strim the pathways to the south churchyard. I also had to cut and trim all the hedges and shrubs. This early cutting will mean that there will be two cuts this year at least, whereas last year we only had one cut. I do not really like such early cutting which can disturb any nesting birds, however, not doing it now would mean the new growth would get out of control.

What's new this month? Well do look out for the new monthly Friday morning Worship Service at St Mary's Manby and the monthly Start The Week Coffee Morning at St Edith's. Do come along and support your local churches, they do need you being there. See you next time.

A Prayer for Ukraine

Most holy God and Father,
hear our prayers for all who strive for peace
and all who fight for justice.
Help us, who today remember the cost of war,
to work for a better tomorrow;
and, as we commend to you
lives lost in terror and conflict,
bring us all, in the end,
to the peace of your presence;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

A PRAYER FOR THE HOLY LAND

God of justice and peace, we hold before you the Israeli and Palestinian people in all their need, pain, and fear. Bring an end to humiliation, injustice, corruption and violence. Prosper all who work for peace with justice, that all the people of the Holy Land may know security and prosperity. We ask this through your Son, the Prince of peace, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Bishops of Lincoln, Grantham & Grimsby

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for families in our parishes who have marked a significant family event in the last month.

There are also a number of families in our parishes facing serious and life threatening illnesses, so please also hold them in your prayers.

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Count Your Blessings

Have you counted your blessings today?'

In an account of a Christmas Dinner written in 1836, Charles Dickens said *"Reflect on your present blessings, on which every man has many, not on your past misfortunes, of which all men have some."*

But what is a blessing? Most of us think we know, but it is very easy to take the word, and blessings themselves, for granted. 'Blessing' is much more than the collective noun for a group of unicorns!

There are two things to say about the word itself, which is two-dimensional: it has both an Old English heritage, and an association with the Latin verb benedīcere. Such two-dimensionality is a characteristic of modern English, since our now world-dominant language is a blend of the old Germanic languages of Northern Europe through the Saxons, and French and Latin as a consequence of the Norman invasion of 1066.

Thus, on the first hand, in Nordic and Saxon pagan cultures, to 'bless' something was to make it holy by some ritual act, which in some case involved marking it with blood. On the other, Norman, hand is the idea of benediction, which literally means 'to speak well of', or to wish well. Clearly today, our use of the word 'bless', as noun or verb, involves both of these two understandings.

In contrast, Hebrew culture, from which our Bible emerges, thought of a blessing as something coming directly from God. God is either credited with or is invoked in blessing. From antiquity priests, as ministers of God, were able to pronounce God's gracious favour on people and on food and drink.

Traditions of Passover and Holy Communion draw on the idea that the Creator is not only the provider of the food and drink in the first place, but that as we acknowledge and thank him for it, particular meals, or dishes take on a special divine significance and power. A blessing also entailed protection and conferred approval, sometimes altering the course of history.

So as we enjoy barbecues and summer parties and holidays this season, let's remember to both count and give thanks for all the blessings we receive from God that come in and through our common faith in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Rev. Julie Oddy– Bates

Maunder Adult Brain Drain

The Bible is full of rascals and downright bad guys. See if you can find all the rogues listed below in our word search grid.

Words to Find:

Hophni	*Phinehas*	*Cain*	*Samson*
Rehoboam	*Judas*	*Ahab*	*Nabal*
Hazael	*Satan*	*Adonijah*	*Horam*
Herod	*Zedekiah*	*Goliath*	*Eglon*
Nadab	*Absalom*	*Ahaz*	

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Answer to Adult Brain Drain for June: Reverence

Maunder Junior Brain Drain

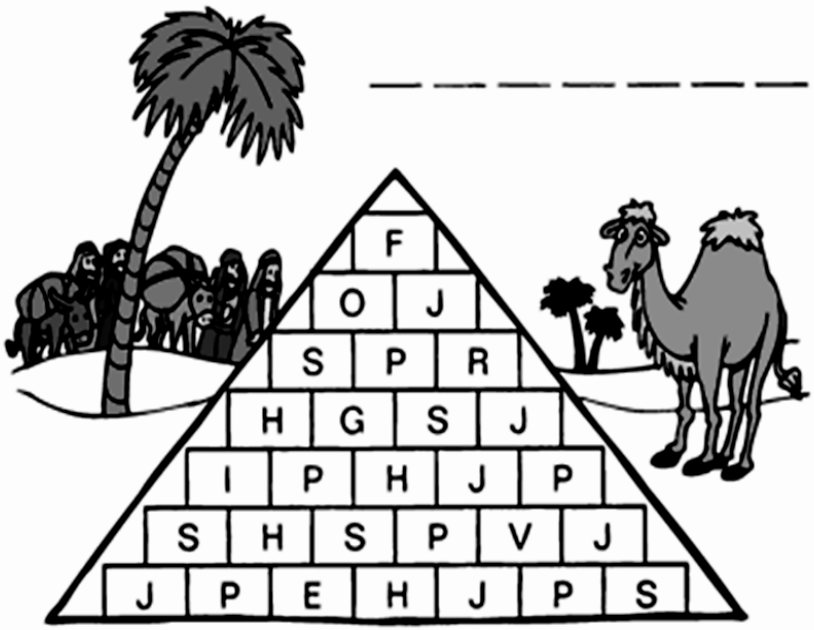
BibleWise

Joseph Forgives His Brothers
—Genesis 41–43, 45

Be Like Joseph

Joseph's brothers were not nice to him. They sold him to be a slave. They pretended he was dead. Much later, Joseph became a powerful leader in Egypt. When the brothers needed help, they went to Egypt. What did Joseph do?

Use a dark color to fill in all the bricks in the pyramid that have the letters J, S, P, and H. Copy the leftover letters, from top to bottom, onto the spaces below. They will spell the answer.



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Due to the war in the middle east and the closure of the Straits of Hormuz there is a world shortage of colour toner which is produced from oil products,
and is getting more expensive to obtain.
As a temporary measure the magazine is cutting down on the amount of colour used in producing the Parish Maunder Magazine in order to extend our supplies.
We will, when the situation permits, resume to full colour printing as soon as possible.
We thank you for continuing to support your magazine.
Editor

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Every 1st Wednesday of the Month
10.30am till Noon
At
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FREE

Tea, Coffee and Cakes
Everyone welcome

WALKING FRAME & WHEELCHAIR

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For Details Contact Peter Bates
Tel; 07743350542

He heals the brokenhearted
and binds up their wounds.

– PSALM 147:3 NIV

St. Edith's Church, Grimoldby

Is open for private prayer, for a time of gentle peace, and quiet reflection.
Open Monday to Friday during school terms
Look for our 'Church Open' Noticeboard at the Lychgate.

BAPTISMS, MARRIAGES AND FUNERALS

St Mary's Church Manby.

is still open for baptisms, marriages and funerals.
Please contact Louthesk Deanery office on 610247 to make a booking.

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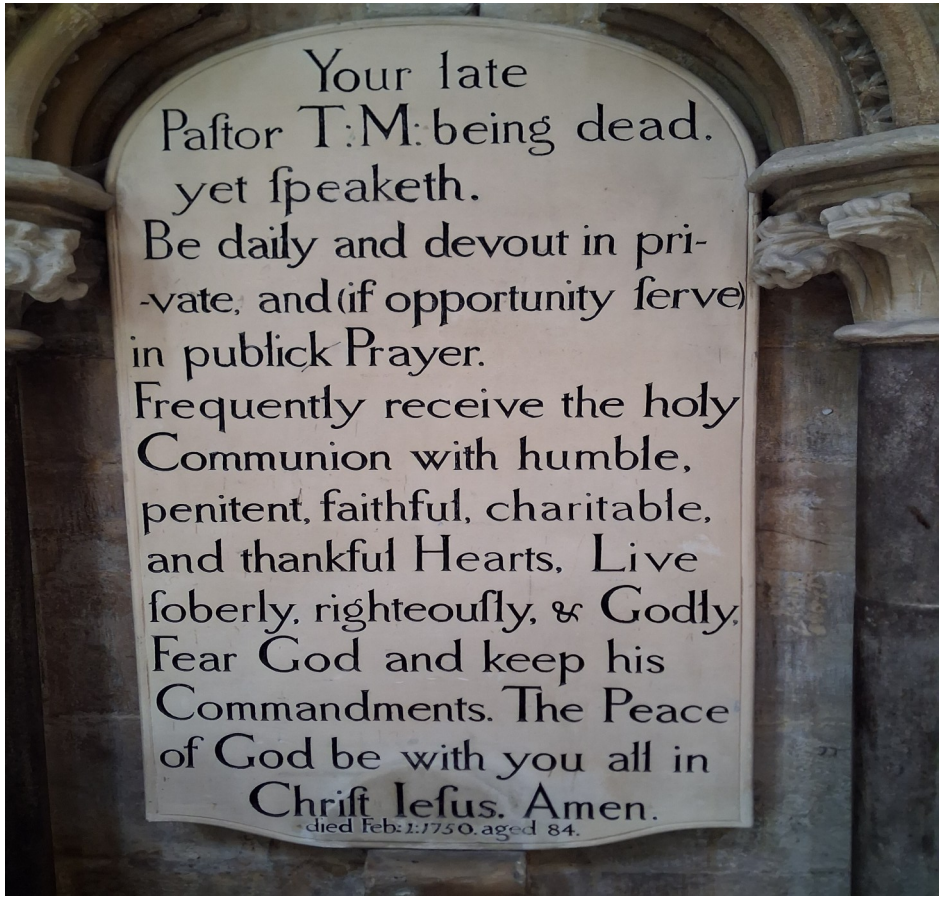
Can be collected from our church porch entrance gate at any time.

GENEROUS GIVING

What you can do to help your church.

We all know that times are now financially difficult, and generating funds for your church is now more difficult than ever, threatening the survival of some of our churches for future generations.
Regular giving from those who can, however small the amount of donation is very important for cash flow.
Regular giving helps the church to plan for the financial year ahead, ensuring our financial obligations can be met.
You can give by paying weekly or monthly by your bank's standing order direct from your chosen account.
If you wish to help your church by regular giving, then contact your church treasurer or churchwarden for details.

Your church will thank you for it.



On a very nice sunny day last month on a daytrip to the beautiful historic town of Beverley across the Humber, this above plaque was seen in St Marys Church.
Can you decipher his last words?
This comical priest died 2nd February 1750 aged 84 years.

FREDA'S CHARITY SHOP

Continues every Saturday at
The Elms, Middlesykes Lane, Grimoldby.
Please do visit and support Freda in her most important work in raising funds for our local Charities.

St. Edith's Church, Grimoldby.

"START THE WEEK"

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With SEW & SEW

EVERY 3rd MONDAY
of the month

20th July

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St John the Baptist Church, Great Carlton

St Edith's Churchyard, Little Carlton,
Pet Service 3:00pm Sunday + 26th July +
Rev. Robert Mansfield New Date

All creatures are welcome.
The furrier, more feathery, scalier, the better.

Limited parking available - please walk or cycle if possible.
Under 10 minute walk from Great Carlton Church Car Park.
Light refreshments including toasted marshmallows.
Hymns and action songs.
We do hope that you can join us for a fun afternoon

Memories from 2024 Pet Service

+++++ Date for the Diary +++++
12th and 13th September, 2026 Lincolnshire Wolds and Coast Churches Festival
Display of old maps and documents collected by the Taylor Family, many to be seen for the first time. More details to follow.

Please feel free to contact Churchwardens
Carol Carter 07887 623803 or Kathy Crust 01507 450552
if you ever need to discuss any aspect of our Church
as we are here to serve our community through Christ.

St. Edith's, Grimoldby

Grimoldby Short Mat Bowling Club

We meet most Wednesdays in St. Edith's Church, Tinkle Street, Grimoldby, between 6.30 and 8.00pm. We have a bit of gentle exercise while playing, lots of friends talking together, and we finish with a cup of tea or coffee and a biscuit or two.

Soft soled shoes please so we don't damage the Bowling Mat.

We have a few bowls you can borrow just to try the game.

Your first "taster" session is free and we don't have a membership fee, just £3.00 for the session when you play.

Any questions contact

Jeff or Juli on 07504 228 972.

QUIET REFLECTION

St. Marys church Manby,

will be open on a

Monday, Wednesday and Friday

between 10 am and 2 pm for quiet reflection.

The Church will be closed during School Holidays

For further details contact the Churchwardens.

Tel: Roger Green 01507 327260 or Dita Lacey 07568473413

Therefore, my dear brothers, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.

– 1 Corinthians 15:58 NIV

St. Peters, Saltfleetby.

Regular Events

Each Monday 9:30am to 12:30pm *Craft Group*.

Each Wednesday (except the first Wednesday of the month) 9:00am till Noon *Art Group*.

For more information contact

June Spetch on 07961 424988

or Pete Hatton on 07443 508055

The Worship Committee.

This meeting will take place on ;

Thursday 16th July 2026 at 7.00pm

Venue: St. John The Baptist, Great Carlton.

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INSPIRING WOMEN

We meet every 2nd Thursday of the Month at 7.00pm in Manby & Grimoldby Village Hall. Unless otherwise advised.

Contact details for further information on how to join or upcoming events are:

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Service Rota for July 2026

Date	Season	Alvingham St. Adelwolds	Great Carlton St. John The Baptist	Grimoldby St. Edith's	Manby St. Marys	Saltfleetby St. Peter's	South Cockerington St. Leonards	Set Readings
Sunday 5th July	Trinity 5 Green		9.30am Holy Communion Rev Robert Mansfield			11.00 Morn ing Prayer Mark Hunkin		Genesis 24.34-38, 42-49, 58-67 Psalm 45.10-17 or Canticle: Song of Solomon 2.8-13 Romans 7.15-25a Matthew 11.16-19, 25-end
Sunday 12th July	Trinity 6 Green			10.30am Rise & Worship Rev Julie Oddy-Bates Peter Bates		11.00am Methodist Service Mrs Fox		Genesis 25.19-end Psalm 119.105-112 Romans 8.1-11 Matthew 13.1-9, 18-23
Sunday 19th July	Trinity 7 Green		9.30am Morning Prayer John Smith Carol Carter	10.30am Morning Worship Peter Bates		11.00am Holy Communion Rev Karen Gooding		Genesis 28.10-19a Psalm 139.1-11, 23, 24* Romans 8.12-25 Matthew 13.24-30, 36-43
Sunday 26th July	Green 8	10.30am Morning Worship Ann Stratford Christine Lowis	3.00pm Pet Service Rev Robert Mansfield	10.30am Holy Communion Rev Julie Oddy-Bates		11.00am Methodist Service. Mr T Johnson		Genesis 29.15-28 Psalm 105.1-11, 45b* or Psalm 128 Romans 8.26-end Matthew 13.31-33, 44-52
Friday 31st July	Trinity Green				10.00am Morning worship Said Service Peter Bates			1 Samuel 17. 31-54 Psalm 31 Luke 24. 13-35
Sunday 2nd August	Trinity 9 Green		9.30am Holy Communion Rev Robert Mansfield			11.00am TBC		Genesis 32.22-31 Psalm 17.1-7, 16* Romans 9.1-5 Matthew 14.13-21

If you have ANY Cold, Flu or Covid Symptoms, Please DO NOT Attend Services.
Readings at services may vary depending on type of service. For any late variations, please check Church notice boards.