

THE WEEK AHEAD

Tuesday 19th September

10am-12 Tiddlywinks in the church room

Wednesday 20th September

10am Mid-week Communion

6pm Vestry Hour

Thanks

"Jo-Anne, the girls and I would like to thank all the church family for the celebration of their first anniversary at St Botolph's at the church picnic last Sunday and for the lovely card, which was opened on the plane as instructed. Thank you for all your kind and encouraging words. We feel greatly blessed to be in Quarrington.

Every blessing to you all

Mark"

Tea and cleaning rota

If you like to help out with the tea serving and cleaning rota, please talk to Jaki.

50/50 club winners

Ticket No 2 Andrea Barker - £20.

Ticket No 8 Mrs B Pick- £5.

800th Birthday 2018

Please see the sheets in the pews about next year's proposed activities to celebrate this event

Sunday Flowers

If you would like to sponsor flowers in the church to remember or celebrate an event, please talk to one of the Churchwardens, who will be happy to help.

Advance Notices

Saturday 30th September

Harvest Supper 7.00pm

St Botolph's Community Hall, Grantham Rd

music by Terri and Nigel price £7-50

Tickets available from Jean and Jaki.

Tuesday 10th October

This year sees the 30th anniversary of the ordination of women to the diaconate and 25 years since General Synod voted in favour of ordaining women to the priesthood. In recognition of this, there is to be a diocesan Service of Celebration of Women's Ministry on Tuesday, 10th October 2017. To be held at St Denys' Church in Sleaford (7.30pm), this service will be a celebration of all areas of women's ministry, lay and ordained, and will be followed by refreshments and fellowship.

Saturday 9th December

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

In the midst of all the preparations for Christmas a

Retreat Day for Ladies at St Denys Church and

Hall Sleaford, 9.30am - 4.00pm.

Leaflets at back of church.

Notices for Pew sheets:

Please send any notices for the pew sheet to Maria by Wednesday. Maria's contact details are printed below.

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WELCOME TO CHURCH TODAY!

We hope you will enjoy our worship this morning.
Everyone is welcome to join us for tea/coffee after this service.

OUR SERVICES

Sunday 17th September

Holy Communion

Rev'd Heather Nesbitt will lead, preach and preside

Hymns

555	Praise my Soul
384	Be still my Soul
456	Happy are they
429	Forth in the peace of Christ

1.00pm Holy Baptism

Next Week's Services

11.00am Holy Communion

Rev Mark will lead, preach and preside

Next week's Gospel reading is Matthew 20.1-16

Sunday 17th September – 14th after Trinity

– Proper 19

Collect

Merciful God, your Son came to save us and bore our sins on the cross: may we trust in your mercy and know your love, rejoicing in the righteousness that is ours through Jesus Christ our Lord.

First Reading

Genesis 50.15-21

Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, 'What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?' So they approached Joseph, saying, 'Your father gave this instruction before he died, "Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you." Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father.' Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, 'We are here as your slaves.' But Joseph said to them, 'Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones.' In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

Second Reading

Romans 14.1-12

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarrelling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables.

Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgement on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgement on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand. Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honour of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honour of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honour of the Lord and give thanks to God.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. Why do you pass judgement on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgement seat of God. For it is written, 'As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God.' So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 18.21-35

Then Peter came and said to him, 'Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?' Jesus said to him, 'Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.'

'For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who

owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything." And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow-slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, "Pay what you owe." Then his fellow-slave fell down and pleaded with him, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you." But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he should pay the debt. When his fellow-slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, "You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow-slave, as I had mercy on you?" And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he should pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.'

Post Communion Prayer

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.