

The Good News for Nettleham

Sun 27th July 2025

Sixth Sunday after Trinity

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| 8.30am | Said Holy Communion |
| 10.00am | Parish Communion with Rural Dean Penny Green |
| 11.15am | BCP Holy Communion at St Mary's Riseholme |
| 2.00pm | Meeting in church for Becky and Max (upcoming wedding) |

Mon 28th

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| 9.00am | Morning Prayer on Facebook Live with Martin |
| 10.00am | Coffee Shop |
| 3.00pm | Family Film Club |

Tues 29th

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| 9.00am | Morning Prayer on Facebook Live with Jean |
| 9.30am | Ducklings |
| 10.00am | Meeting in Rooms 19/20 |

Weds 30th

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| 9.00am | Morning Prayer on Zoom with Andy |
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Thurs 31st

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| 1.30pm | Meeting in Rooms 19/20 |
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Fri 1st

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| 9.00am | Morning Prayer on Zoom with Andy |
| 12.00pm | BCP Holy Communion |

Sun 3rd

Seventh Sunday after Trinity

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| 8.30am | Said Holy Communion |
| 10.00am | Parish Communion |

Readings for the Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Ecclesiastes 1.2, 12-14, 2.18-23 Psalm 49 Colossians 3.1-11 Luke 12.13-21

Prayer for our Community

Sunday	27 th Streets: Lodge Lane, Mulsanne Way, Weldon Drive, Arnage Court Community: Nettleham Surgery
Monday	28 th Streets: The people of our church who live outside the parish. Church Life: Bellringers, Musicians Churchwardens, Flower Team, Pastoral Visitors, Welcomers, Youth, Worship Leaders, Children's Teams...
Tuesday	29 th Streets: Wragby Road East, Westfield Drive, Westfield Approach, Westfield Avenue Community: Wragby Road East Businesses
Wednesday	30 th Streets: Lime Crescent, Lawley Close, Westacre Court Community: Self-Employed People
Thursday	31 st Our families, friends, neighbours and colleagues.
Friday	1 st Streets: Riseholme Lane, Hall Lane, St George's Lane Community: St Mary's Church
Saturday	2 nd Streets: Grange de Lings, Riseholme Farms Community: University of Lincoln

In need of prayer.... Lynne and Barry Combes, Mavis Kirton, Barry Crum, Christine Crum, Russ Coulter and Tony Gledhill.

RIP.... We give thanks for the lives, pray for the souls, and ask comfort for the relatives and friends of Colin Clifford.

Year's Mind... Mark Blagburn

St Mary's, Riseholme...

Our pattern of worship is: 2nd Sunday in the month BCP Matins at 11.15am
4th Sunday in the month BCP Holy Communion at 11.15am
You will always find a warm welcome at St Mary's. Richard Smith – Churchwarden.

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Growing Faith

Ceilidh : Save the date, dig out your dancing shoes, and start a countdown to the All Saints Summer Ceilidh. On 15th August we're hosting a Ceilidh. Tickets available now... see Jenny for more information!

Contemplative HeART – An Autumn Invitation. During October and November, we hope to create a sacred space (within the Reflective Prayer Space) where art becomes a doorway to encounter God through prayer and contemplation. This is a special invitation for those in our church family who feel drawn to creativity—whether through painting, poetry, textiles, or any expressive form—to be part of this journey. If you're interested, please speak to Ann Marie or Jane for more details.

August: During August everything will be a little simpler as we take a break over the summer. Ducklings, Families, Youth and Coffee Shop pause and GNFN will be a little simpler too. On 31st August there will not be a 10am service in Nettleham as we are invited to join the rest of the Local Mission Partnership at St Clement's, Fiskerton.

Mens Breakfast: Meet for fellowship with Christ at our Centre, breakfast and to listen to our speaker on Saturday August 2nd 2025 at The Plough, Nettleham from 08:30am. The speaker is Mike Hawkins (retired Baptist Minister who attends The Vine Community Church). Please let Chris know whether or not you are coming by midday on Wednesday July 30th so that I can let Christos know. As always, if there is anyone who you think might be interested in attending - please let me know their name and if they have any dietary restrictions/requirements or dislikes by the date and time above. If it is their first time attending then, if possible we ask that you pay for them. However, if this will be a problem then let me know and the organising group will pay for them. nettlehammensbreakfast@gmail.com

Serving

To Love and Serve the Lord: This course is aimed at helping us discern what God might be saying to us. This may be God's call to a specific type of ministry, an invitation to a deepening of faith or maybe something else. We'd like to run the course here in September and wonder if you'd like to be part of it. If you'd like to know more, please see Michelle.

Community

Road Closure: The road outside church (High Street) will now be closed until 29th July. We understand that this will include the weekends. If you need any support to get to church over this time, please let us know. If you have any specific questions, we will do our best to help.

Save the Dates: Harvest Lunch - 9 October and Christmas Lunch - 11 December. Both at Lincoln Rugby Club.

Eco-Church

Awards: A group, led by Ced Hanson, is meeting to explore how we can best care for creation, and perhaps achieve the Eco Church Silver award.

Michelle writes...

The morning of Thursday 24th July was scheduled to be very ordinary in the Webb household. The energy company were due to replace a smart meter at the vicarage and the church photocopier also required the ministrations of an engineer. I was planning a very ordinary day... and I suppose I wasn't expecting much holiness amidst the ordinariness of the morning. God, as many people say, has a wonderful sense of humour.

I was a bit surprised to find that the engineers were keen to talk of church, faith and God. One of them works as a pastor of a church each weekend. We shared the most wonderful conversation about the joy of noticing God's presence through the gift of ministering to others. Through those simple conversations with the engineers, God brought blessing, joy and encouragement, and a gentle reminder that God's holiness shines through even the most 'ordinary' days.

Later on in the day, I spotted an unopened Easter egg, in the corner of a parishioners living room. The owner of the egg assured me that their wife would ensure they ate it before Christmas! I rather liked the sight of the Easter egg sat on the table in the living room. A reminder of Easter hope, the extraordinary hope which lives on, even after the Easter season has ended, through all of the 'ordinary' days. Through that simple sight, God brought me assurance, light, and a gentle reminder that God enables hope to be present through even the most 'ordinary' days.

This week, the Gospel reading includes, what could be described as, a very ordinary prayer. The Lord's Prayer is more widely recognised than one of the most famous phrases from Star Wars, according to a poll. The survey results also suggested that the prayer is better known than the national anthem and Shakespeare's "To be, or not to be" line from Hamlet. It is the prayer most people find themselves able to recite at a baptism, wedding or funeral. It is the prayer those with advanced dementia join in with in services in care homes. It is the prayer which moves the lips of those close to death. Through that simple prayer, God brings comfort, connection, and a gentle reminder that God is with us through even the most 'ordinary' days.

This week, the evangelistic engineers and the Easter egg were gifts; echoes of God's presence breaking through the ordinary. They reminded me that God brings blessing and hope and joy and life, not only in the extra special moments, but in the quiet, everyday ones too.

So, it seems fitting that we consider that most 'ordinary' of prayers this week. My prayer for us this week is that we might glimpse something of God anew as we pray the familiar words of The Lord's Prayer. And that, through the words we may well know by heart, God would bless us with moments of joy, hope, life, and light amidst the ordinariness of our days.

Weekly Prayer

Please pray your chosen version of The Lord's Prayer this week.