

ST. NICHOLAS, NEWPORT, LINCOLN, LN1 3DP  
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**9<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**  
1<sup>st</sup> August 2021

### TODAY

9:00 am Said Eucharist  
10:30 am Said Eucharist  
Hymns: 450; 448; 430; 421

### THIS WEEK

#### **MONDAY**

8:45 am Morning Prayer  
10:00 am Church open

#### **TUESDAY**

8:45 am Morning Prayer  
10:00 am Church open

#### **WEDNESDAY**

8:45 am Morning Prayer  
9:30 am Said Eucharist  
10:00 am Church open

#### **THURSDAY**

8:45 am Morning Prayer  
10:00 am Church open  
11:15 am Funeral – Catherine Hutchison

#### **FRIDAY**

10:00 am Church open

#### **SATURDAY**

10:00 am Church open

### NEXT SUNDAY – 10<sup>th</sup> AFTER TRINITY

9:00 am Said Eucharist  
10:30 am Said Eucharist  
Noon Holy Baptism – Ada Ray

### READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

<u>SUNDAY 8th AUGUST</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY 11<sup>th</sup> AUGUST</u>
1 Kings 19:4-8	Deuteronomy 34
Psalms 34:1-8	Psalms 66:14-end
Ephesians 4:25-5:2	Matthew 18:15-20
John 6:35, 41-51	

*'FROM THE VICAR' WILL RETURN IN SEPTEMBER*

### PARISH INFORMATION

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Notices for next week's sheet by Wednesday please.

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### NOTICES

#### ST NICK'S GARDEN TEA PARTY

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> August, 2.00pm – 5.00pm

As part of St Nick's ministry of outreach, we are planning a tea party in the church garden at the end of the summer and would like as many folk as possible to help in whatever way they can. We have already received some very kind offers of help but the more volunteers we have, the happier the afternoon will be so. We will need volunteers to set up and take down, serve refreshments, bake cakes and or biscuits. Happily, we have received great support from the Long Leys Residents Association and information is being distributed electronically to all its members, so flyer delivery is not now so much of a necessity. It goes without saying that everyone at St Nick's will be welcome to join us too! Please contact Sue Humphrey, Sally Hubbard or Betty Brown if you would like to help in some way. Thank you. *Sue Humphrey*

#### RSCM SUMMER SINGING COURSE

For the past number of years, the Royal School of Church Music (RSCM) have run a residential singing course in Bath for young singers, providing an opportunity for each individual to grow and develop, and be nurtured along their own music and faith journey. Because of the pandemic six smaller Singing Courses are being offered across the country, including one at St Wulfram's, Grantham. All young singers are invited to join the Summer Singing Course for Young People aged 8–18 at St Wulfram's, Grantham. For a non-residential course, organised by the Royal School of Church Music between Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> and Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> August, 2021.

Four days of rehearsals, worship and workshops led by enthusiastic and experienced choral directors to enable young people to lift their voices together in song. Rehearsals will be interwoven with specially designed skills sessions which aim to develop wider musicianship and help singers fulfil their potential.

**Official closing date for applications was 30<sup>th</sup> July**, but we are advised that, if applications are received in the early part of next week, they will be considered.

For further information and course booking, please head to: [www.rscm.org.uk/summer-singing-courses](http://www.rscm.org.uk/summer-singing-courses).

#### FAREWELL TO VEN. MARK STEADMAN

The Archdeacon of Stow and Lyndsey, the Venerable Mark Steadman, is soon to leave us after almost six years of distinguished service in the Diocese in order to become Chief of Staff to the Archbishop of York. If you would like to contribute to the presentation gift you can do this by making an online bank transfer to: Lincoln Diocesan Trust and Board of Finance Ltd. Sort Code: 60-13-15 Account number: 00825255 Ref: Mark

### **A TIME TO CHANGE TOGETHER:**

#### **RESOURCING SUSTAINABLE CHURCH**

A Time to Change Together (TTCT) sets a vision for a transformed church in the Diocese of Lincoln over the next five years. We have been asked to share two important documents connected with this programme.

The first is a pew sheet explaining the vision and the plan for the next steps. You can download this at <https://www.lincoln.anglican.org/Handlers/Download.ashx?IDMF=2a57efd2-a727-476d-bb1f-5bbe7f4d8984>

The second focuses on the first of those steps, the church categorisation process. You can download this at <https://www.lincoln.anglican.org/Handlers/Download.ashx?IDMF=5568b161-d744-45de-9db3-41b18564dced>

If you need help in accessing these documents, or want to request a printout of one or both, please get in touch with the Parish Office (540614).

### **CHURCH CLEANING**

As we look forward to re-starting activities and opening up more spaces, we need volunteers to keep our church clean. Can you spare an hour or two each month to join our team of cleaners? You don't have to be super-fit, just let me know what you are happy to contribute. Phone me on 01522 520729 if you can help.

Thank you. *Joan Beresford*

### **READINGS**

***Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> August***

#### **COLLECT**

Gracious Father, revive your Church in our day, and make her holy, strong and faithful, for your glory's sake in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

#### **FIRST READING**

EXODUS 16:2-4, 9-15

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, 'If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.'

Then the Lord said to Moses, 'I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not.'

Then Moses said to Aaron, 'Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, "Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining." ' And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked towards the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. The Lord spoke to Moses and said, 'I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, "At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God." '

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, 'What is it?' For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, 'It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat.'

#### **PSALM**

PSALM 78:23-29

***Refrain: The Lord gave them the grain of heaven.***

So he commanded the clouds above  
and opened the doors of heaven.

He rained down upon them manna to eat  
and gave them the grain of heaven.

So mortals ate the bread of angels;  
he sent them food in plenty. **R**

He caused the east wind to blow in the heavens  
and led out the south wind by his might.

He rained flesh upon them as thick as dust  
and winged fowl like the sand of the sea. **R**

He let it fall in the midst of their camp  
and round about their tents.

So they ate and were well filled,  
for he gave them what they desired. **R**

## SECOND READING

EPHESIANS 4:1-16

I, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said, 'When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people.' (When it says, 'He ascended', what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knitted together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

## GOSPEL READING

JOHN 6:24-35

So when the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. When they found him on the other side of the lake, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered them, 'Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.' Then they said to him, 'What must we do to perform the works of God?' Jesus answered them, 'This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.' So they said to him, 'What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, "He gave them bread from heaven to eat."' Then Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you,

it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' They said to him, 'Sir, give us this bread always.'

Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.'

## POST COMMUNION

Holy Father, who gathered us here around the table of your Son to share this meal with the whole household of God: in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace, gather people of every race and language to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

## *Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> August*

## COLLECT

Gracious Father, revive your Church in our day, and make her holy, strong and faithful, for your glory's sake in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

## FIRST READING

NUMBERS 13:1-2, 25-14:1, 26-35

The Lord said to Moses, 'Send men to spy out the land of Canaan, which I am giving to the Israelites; from each of their ancestral tribes you shall send a man, every one a leader among them.'

At the end of forty days they returned from spying out the land. And they came to Moses and Aaron and to all the congregation of the Israelites in the wilderness of Paran, at Kadesh; they brought back word to them and to all the congregation, and showed them the fruit of the land. And they told him, 'We came to the land to which you sent us; it flows with milk and honey, and this is its fruit. Yet the people who live in the land are strong, and the towns are fortified and very large; and besides, we saw the descendants of Anak there. The Amalekites live in the land of the Negeb; the Hittites, the Jebusites, and the Amorites live in the hill country; and the Canaanites live by the sea, and along the Jordan.'

But Caleb quieted the people before Moses, and said, 'Let us go up at once and occupy it, for we are well able to overcome it.' Then the men who had gone up with him said, 'We are not able to go up against this people, for they are stronger than we are.' So they brought to the Israelites an unfavourable report of the land that they had spied out, saying, 'The land that we have gone through as spies is a land that devours its inhabitants; and all the people that we saw in it are of great size. There we saw the Nephilim (the Anakites come from the Nephilim); and to ourselves we seemed like grasshoppers, and so we seemed to them.'

Then all the congregation raised a loud cry, and the people wept that night.

And the Lord spoke to Moses and to Aaron, saying: How long shall this wicked congregation complain against me? I have heard the complaints of the Israelites, which they complain against me. Say to them, 'As I live', says the Lord, 'I will do to you the very things I heard you say: your dead bodies shall fall in this very wilderness; and of all your number, included in the census, from twenty years old and upwards, who have complained against me, not one of you shall come into the land in which I swore to settle you, except Caleb son of Jephunneh and Joshua son of Nun. But your little ones, who you said would become booty, I will bring in, and they shall know the land that you have despised. But as for you, your dead bodies shall fall in this wilderness. And your children shall be shepherds in the wilderness for forty years, and shall suffer for your faithlessness, until the last of your dead bodies lies in the wilderness. According to the number of the days in which you spied out the land, forty days, for every day a year, you shall bear your iniquity, forty years, and you shall know my displeasure.' I the Lord have spoken; surely I will do thus to all this wicked congregation gathered together against me: in this wilderness they shall come to a full end, and there they shall die.

#### **PSALM**

PSALM 106:14-24

*Refrain: The Lord remembered his covenant.*

A craving seized them in the wilderness,  
and they put God to the test in the desert.  
He gave them their desire,  
but sent a wasting sickness among them.  
They grew jealous of Moses in the camp  
and of Aaron, the holy one of the Lord.  
So the earth opened and swallowed up Dathan  
and covered the company of Abiram.  
A fire was kindled in their company;  
the flame burnt up the wicked. **R**  
They made a calf at Horeb  
and worshipped the molten image;  
Thus they exchanged their glory  
for the image of an ox that feeds on hay.  
They forgot God their saviour,  
who had done such great things in Egypt,  
Wonderful deeds in the land of Ham  
and fearful things at the Red Sea.  
So he would have destroyed them,  
had not Moses his chosen stood before him in  
the breach,  
to turn away his wrath from consuming them.  
Then they scorned the Promised Land  
and would not believe his word. **R**

#### **GOSPEL READING**

MATTHEW 15:21-28

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, 'Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.' But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, 'Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.' He answered, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.' But she came and knelt before him, saying, 'Lord, help me.' He answered, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs.' She said, 'Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.' And her daughter was healed instantly.

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