

## Notices

### All Saints 800 years!

Throughout 2025 we shall be having a year of celebrations to commemorate the 800th anniversary of the Bishop of Lincoln, Hugh of Wells, licensing the first Priest in Holbeach in 1225.

Since then, the church has been a continuous Christian presence in the community of Holbeach. We are beginning our celebrations on the 2nd February, when Bishop Nicholas will be coming for our 10.30am Candlemas service. Candlemas is the time in the church calendar when we remember our calling to take the light of Christ out into the community, which seems very fitting for this special year. After the service there will be birthday cake and prosecco to celebrate 800 years.

There will be a full programme of events for the year that will be publicised soon. The events will cover everything from music, to arts and crafts, home-grown produce, history and exploring how we can make our beautiful church a more welcoming space for the future.

Throughout the year there will be many opportunities to attend events, support All Saints through volunteering and take part in all that is going on. We very much look forward to celebrating this special year with you.

### The Sponsored Bike Ride from Kim Biggs

I'm delighted to announce that Dr Andrew Sykes, Neil Simons and myself raised £1020 from September's cycle ride. Half of this (£510) has been sent to the Lincolnshire Churches Trust, and the other half has been granted back to All Saints. Huge thanks to everyone who sponsored us and to those stewarded the church on the day, and to the cyclists for their marvellous efforts. Well done, all! This year's cycle ride will take place on 13th September. Please put the date in your diary, and do consider taking part by cycling, walking, roller-skating or any other way you can think of to visit some of our wonderful Lincolnshire churches. The more people taking part, the more money we can potentially raise!

Thank you again, Kim

If you wish to add things to the pew sheet please contact Les Crowson  
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**Please note: This church has a hearing loop installed.  
Please place any donations to the church in the plate on  
the way into church.**

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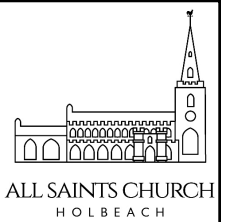
All Saints Church, Holbeach

1st Sunday after

The Epiphany

Baptism of Christ

12th January 2025



**We are an inspiring and inclusive place of worship  
at the heart of the community. We hope and pray  
that you will find this place a blessing to you, a  
place of worship, a place to encounter God, a place  
of community and above all,  
a place of welcome.**

*Gluten free wafers available on request.*

**Do join us for refreshments after the 10.30 service.**

## Today

### 10.30am Holy Communion

*Leader and Preacher Revd Sherine Angus*

**Hymns 527 On Jordan's Bank**

**292 How firm a foundation**

**150 Do not be afraid**

**Anthem - Litany of The Holy Spirit (Hurford)**

**615 Spirit of the living God**

**671 Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old**

### 6.30pm Evensong

*Leader and Preacher Revd Sherine Angus*

**Hymn 620 Such love, pure as the whitest snow**

**Psalms 46**

**Anthem - Brightest and best are the Sons (Archer)**

**Hymns 374 Just as I am, without one plea**

**225 God of grace, God of glory**

## For your Prayers

**For the Sick** Ruth, Raymond & Anastasia Winter,  
Matti Corrado, Sarah Abiss, Julie, David & Val Arnold,  
Roger Qusted, Betty Goodman, Harry Pollard, Ann Onyett,  
Debora Parker, John Bambury, Caz Dennis, Revd Paul Winn

**The Recently Departed** Stephen Peter Kingshott, Leslie  
Brian Martin.

**In Memoriam** Anthony Watson, Mary Heyho

## The week ahead

Tuesday 14th January 7.30pm PCC meeting

Wednesday 15th January 9.30am Holy Communion (said)

Thursday 16th January 2pm Bell Ringing Practise

Friday 17th January 2pm Holbeach Mothers Union

Services for Sunday 19th January 2025 Epiphany 2

10.30am Sung Eucharist.

6.30pm Evensong

## 1st Reading; Isaiah 43. 1-7

<sup>1</sup> But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.<sup>2</sup> When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you.

<sup>3</sup> For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.

<sup>4</sup> Because you are precious in my sight, and honoured, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life.

<sup>5</sup> Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you;

<sup>6</sup> I will say to the north, 'Give them up', and to the south, 'Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth—

<sup>7</sup> everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made.'

## Psalm 29

<sup>1</sup> Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength. <sup>2</sup> Ascribe to the LORD the glory of his name; worship the LORD in holy splendour.

<sup>3</sup> The voice of the LORD is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over mighty waters.

<sup>4</sup> The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

<sup>5</sup> The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars; the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.

<sup>6</sup> He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Sirion like a young wild ox. <sup>7</sup> The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire.

<sup>8</sup> The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kades

<sup>9</sup> The voice of the LORD causes the oaks to whirl, and strips the forest bare; and in his temple all say, 'Glory!'

<sup>10</sup> The LORD sits enthroned over the flood; the LORD sits enthroned as king for ever. <sup>11</sup> May the LORD give strength to his people! May the LORD bless his people with peace!

## 2nd Reading; Acts 8. 14-17

<sup>14</sup> Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. <sup>15</sup> The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit <sup>16</sup>(for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). <sup>17</sup> Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

## Gospel Reading; Luke 3. 15-17, 21-22

<sup>15</sup> As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, <sup>16</sup> John answered all of them by saying, 'I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>17</sup> His winnowing-fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.' <sup>21</sup> Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened <sup>22</sup> and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

## The Collect

Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus revealed him to be your Son, anointing him with the Holy Spirit: grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit, that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children; 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.

## Post Communion Prayer

Lord of all time and eternity, you opened the heavens and revealed yourself as Father in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son: by the power of your Spirit complete the heavenly work of our rebirth through the waters of the new creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.