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# St Guthlac's Church



## Holy Week and Easter Services

**Palm Sunday, 13th April, 10:00am**

Celebrating with palm crosses  
& procession from Rectory paddock to church

**Monday - Wednesday of Holy Week**

**7:30pm - Compline**

Traditional night prayer

**Maundy Thursday, 17th April, 7:00pm**

Holy Communion in the context of a meal,  
starting in Green School  
& moving to church for stripping of the altar

**Good Friday, 18th April, 2:00pm**

Reflective Good Friday service

**Easter Day, 20th April, 10:00am**

All age Holy Communion service  
with Easter eggs & a fire  
to celebrate light





The Craft Group hard at work making bunting for the Fete.

**EASTER CHILDREN'S CRAFTS**

A morning of crafts, including the Easter Story & Hot Cross Buns!

**Good Friday -  
18th April 2025**  
@ the Green School (Church St)  
10:30am till 12noon

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Rector  
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Other Parish Representatives are listed near the back of this publication.

The Daily Office of Morning Prayer is said at 10.00am Monday to Saturday. The Evening Prayer is at 5.00pm Monday to Friday. All are welcome.

For details of our on-line services please refer to our website or facebook page.

If previously arranged any Baptisms will take place at 12noon on the first or third Sunday of the month.



*Dear friends,*

“Thank you”. Two words we use so frequently – probably more so than “please” as we respond in gratitude for unexpected acts of generosity. We speak those two words to those dearest to us and to strangers. We write them in emails, letters and on cards. We communicate them silently with a hand’s wave and a gentle smile in acknowledgement of a vehicle driver’s courtesy. We think them. We pray them. We express them in worship and hymns of praise to God.

Sometimes we say thanks without really thinking about it – the words trip off our tongue in automatic reaction to what someone has said or done. At other times our “thank you’s” come from deep within us and are weighed with emotion. Such “thank you’s” reach into those we are thanking and bind us closer together. And when those “thank you’s” flow through our prayers and worship, they draw us into a deeper relationship with God.

As the days lengthen and the gloomy cold of winter gives way to the sparkle of spring, it’s that bit easier to be hopeful amidst the cares and concerns of life. The burst of flowers, the flitting about of birds, the sight of new-born lambs in the fields – all these and more can prompt thoughts of thanks to God who so generously blesses us in Creation.

But our concerns remain, challenging us in the reality of our lives today and casting shadows over our thoughts for the future. Yet even when those concerns turn to grief over the loss of someone dear to us, we can still find cause for offering thanks – thanks for all that that fellow child of God meant to us and how they enriched our lives.

As Lent progresses, Easter approaches. First, though, we must experience the mounting tension of Holy Week, from Jesus's triumphal entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, through his final meal with his closest followers, to his betrayal, arrest, sham trial and brutal execution on Good Friday. In Jesus, God has lived life as we live it, as a mortal human. He has shared its joys. He has experienced its agonies and sufferings to an extent far beyond that of any of us. God knows how we feel and what we experience. That alone is cause for us to give thanks to God.

There is, though, a far greater cause for thanking God. The dark desolation of Jesus's Good Friday death on a cross, gives way to the bright joy of his Easter resurrection to new life – the new life that he promises to all who put their trust in him.

God does not stop at just understanding what we feel and experience. Of his deep love for us, he gives himself for us. He does not abandon us to the gloom of lives that end in wintry death. He journeys with us through all we experience in this life and, through death, calls us to enter the gleaming springtime of new life with him. For that, let us join in giving thanks to God with, as the well-known hymn puts it, ever joyful "hearts and hands and voices".  
With prayer and best wishes,

*Nigel Bacon.*

### *Prayer for the Month*

Gracious and loving God, giver of life and source of freedom,  
we know that all we have received is from your hand. You call us to be stewards of your abundance, the caretakers of all you have entrusted to us. Help us to always use your gifts wisely and teach us to share them generously. This we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord,

*Amen*

## Palm Sunday Holy Communion Service, Sunday 13th April 10am.

Our Palm Sunday service starts again this year in The Rectory Paddock (the grassy area near the little pond, next door to the Rectory). We'll receive palm crosses as we celebrate Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem, and make the short walk from there to church, singing songs. Once we get to church the service will continue, and the Sunday Club will have their own creative session. Those of us in church will hear the story of Jesus' arrest and crucifixion read. It's a powerful way start Holy Week.

## Maundy Thursday, 17th April, 7:00pm, Holy Communion in the context of a meal

Like last year, we will be enjoying a meal together in the Green School, as we remember Jesus' last supper with his followers, as well as hearing Bible readings, having prayers and receiving Holy Communion around the table. This is a time of sharing and celebrating the community we experience with each other and our unity in Christ. We will also include the washing of feet, and after we have eaten will walk quietly to church for the stripping of the altar where the ornaments in church are solemnly removed as a reminder of how everything was stripped away from Christ before his crucifixion. Following this, you are invited to stay in silence and pray in the Lady Chapel area, in the same way that the disciples were called to watch and pray with Christ.

## Easter Day all age Holy Communion service, Sunday 20th April, 10am.

Join us on Easter Day for a joyful celebration of Jesus' resurrection! Starting with a little fire outside the church and the lighting of the

Easter candle, this service also includes renewing the promises made at our baptisms and the blessing and giving of Easter eggs. All ages are welcome to celebrate with us on Easter day! Everyone will also receive a little egg, with more eggs hidden around the church for children to find after the service. Please do join us on this special day.

## Annual Church meeting, Sunday 27th April 10.00am

You are all invited to the church's annual meeting on Sunday 27th April, taking place during the 10.00am service.

All the church community are welcome to join us. Like last year, we will be providing copies of the papers needed for the meeting via email and expect them to be read in advance. Please come along even if you are not on the PCC or any committee or group. It is an important meeting to bring everyone up to date with the life of our church and community, and is when we vote for various roles including PCC members and Churchwardens. Please do join us.

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# Churchwardens' Notes.



We hope that you and your families are well.

## Acts 2: 44, 47

"All who believed were together, and had all things in common, they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as they had need. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved."

I have a shed and lean-to full of tools that I occasionally use. I actually have 3 spades; goodness knows why as I rarely use one! But I needed a wood saw. For a very small job. And then I won't need it again. I'm sure someone at St Guthlac's has a wood saw I could borrow but I don't know who to ask.

Then, I thought, suppose there was a list, a list with everything that we, the church in Market Deeping were prepared to make available to each other? It could have a name and contact details too (or just one number, one number, one person who knows who to contact)? So I'm going to put up a list at church where, if you think this is a good idea, you could add what you are prepared to lend, with a name and a contact number if you're happy. Or you can email me ([nicke1054@icloud.com](mailto:nicke1054@icloud.com)) with the items you're prepared to lend. I now have 3 wood saws! (I also need a chain saw but I might be afraid to use it!) And who needs a spade?

The Public Notice Period for the Faculty Application submitted for the new Heating and Lighting system has now closed and the Application is with the Chancellor awaiting his final approval. We do not expect there to be any issues and things should now start to progress. We have held an initial site meeting with National Grid to review the plan for the installation of the new Three-phase power supply required for the new system. At the time of writing we are waiting for their final quote



The Public Notice Period for the Faculty required for the repairs to the Baptistry window has also closed. As with the Application for the Heating this is now with the Chancellor.

Our Quinquennial Inspection is due this year and this will be carried out by our architect on April 24th.

Nick Evans     Peter Hilton.



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# A reflection on the practice of Faith at Home

*'As parents, carers and members of extended families, we are perfectly positioned to help children meet and know God. We spend on average between 2,000 and 3,000 hours of the year with our children, whereas the church only has 100 hours of all-together event time a year. The church isn't meant to be the centre of children's discipleship. It could never be as effective as we can be in the spiritual life of our children.'*

*Rachel Turner – Parenting Children for a Life of Faith: Helping children meet and know God*

Dear friends,

It has been laying on my heart to do a written reflection for you on the role of Faith at Home; what is this? How can this affect the discipleship of our children and youth? Why is it important? – and out of that, what if I don't feel equipped to do it?

Well, I wanted to start this reflection by stating that this is not to state that I do not feel the church, the gathered body of Christ, and dare I say, even me as an employed Children and Youth Worker does not have an important role to play in the life and discipleship for and with children and youth. Still, I wholeheartedly believe that we do have a role to play. As Rachel Turner (I know Rachel personally, and she taught on my degree a few times) goes on to propose, 'it is important that you know that church is behind you, is for you, is cheering you on and the is the community you can rely on.... There are people of all ages in your church who are willing to surround you, love you, and help you on this journey.' One of the things I love about the worshipping community here at St Guthlac's is that week in and week out, I see people of all ages and stages of faith helping and supporting families in their journey of faith and cheering them on, giving them the word of encouragement, that is sometimes needed the most.

## What is Faith at Home?

Firstly, at its core, faith at home is everything and anything we do with children and youth to help us and them connect with each other and the God that made us. This could be as simple as walking down the street and offering praise to the Creator God for the

nature we see around us. This could also be sitting around the meal table at home and offering a word of thanksgiving for the food. This could also be sitting around as a family, opening the Bible and learning more about God through reading the Bible together. Rachel Turner suggests it is just a way of creating windows into your faith by showing children you are reading the Bible, showing children that you are praying, and explaining why we do it this way in our family because of our faith.

### Why is this important?

Well, it is important because it is biblical, as we see in Deuteronomy 6:4-7 'Israel, listen to me. The LORD is our God. The LORD is the one and only God. Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul. Love him with all your strength. The commandments I give you today must be in your hearts. Make sure your children learn them. Talk about them when you are at home. Talk about them when you walk along the road. Speak about them when you go to bed. And speak about them when you get up.' - So, as you can see, it is at the heart of our Christian faith that we should allow our homes to be a place where children and youth can encounter, love, and know God.

### What if I feel unequipped to do this?

Well, rest assured, you are not! – I am here to support you; God is here to support you! In their book (Raising Faith: Helping Our Children Find a Faith That Lasts), Katharine Hill and Andy Frost put it beautifully, 'we don't have to be the perfect Christian. The truth is that none of us fully has it all together... as parents, most of us will find ourselves out of our depth when trying to explain difficult theological concepts to our children, especially ones we might not understand ourselves... *But here is the thing: God has entrusted his children into our care, and he knew what he was doing!*'. So hear me when I say, you have got this, you can do this, you can help your children grow and develop their relationship with God. I am always at the end of a message, I am always here to go for a coffee, and I am always here to help you think through things and pray through things. As part of my role at St Guthlac's, I am here to help and support you as a family unit.


*As we bring this article to a close, I find it a joy to see you all connect with children and youth, both the parents and*

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*grandparents. That is every one of you who connects with the children, youth and families in our worshipping community. As I said, please get in touch with me if you would like to explore the idea of encouraging and enhancing the faith interactions you have in the home setting more.*

With all my prayers and blessings,  
Andrew.

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## *Ladies' Guild.*

Our February meeting was full of promise as our knowledge was tested with quizzes and anagrams set by Julie. We were on tables of six and worked together answering such things as what two animals are on the Australian flag – kangaroo and emu – and an anagram West Chestie – cheese twist. In between trying to find answers, Julie gave us some food tasters which were very enjoyable. We were asked about our favourite mouthfuls, to eat, to make, first one you remember etc. All in all it was an enjoyable evening and gave us opportunity to chat with our friends on the table.

At our March meeting we will find out more about Hall Theatre Trips and Excursions when Sharon Hall the founder will tell us all.

If you would like to try an evening with us then speak to one of the committee or just come to a meeting which are held on every fourth Tuesday of the month in the Green School at 7.30pm. All are welcome.

Julie Bacon 01778 342737, Jean Jones 07976810654,  
Ann Lymburn 01778 703269, Carol Moore 01778 342979  
Liz Parkinson 01778 347020.

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## The Magazine

Thank you to all who contributed, copy for the May magazine is required please not later than Wednesday 23rd April.

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Willersley Castle



## You, Born in a Castle? Getaway...

From Jeff Evans

Viewing 'Call the Midwife' on BBC TV caused me to think of the circumstances of my own arrival on this earth in early 1944; Lily, my mother-to-be, was living in Holloway, London, at that time. She always claimed to have been born 'within the sound of Bow Bells' and therefore a true native cockney (although this has been disputed!) Father, a Tottenham lad, was away serving with the Wiltshire Regiment. Lily was to be in the care of the Salvation Army Maternity Hospital in Hackney, known affectionately by the locals as 'The Mothers'. Following bomb damage to the hospital (despite reinforcement with girders and blocked-up windows) it was arranged to move those most vulnerable in the later stage of pregnancy in fortnightly groups to the Derbyshire countryside for their safety; to Willersley Castle in fact, the traditional seat of the Arkwright family, previously used for a period to house badly injured soldiers of an earlier war.

Nurses travelled too. A newspaper article on this evacuation told of mothers-to-be travelling all the way to Willersley by charabanc! In fact they went to Derby by train and thence by road to disembark at points in the Wirksworth area where they met their temporary hosts. The castle had room for fifty women, for the actual birth they visited the Delivery Room (room 19) a smallish one with south-facing aspect, still retaining today its cast-iron fireplace. Such a room was rarely vacant in the hotel period of its history, being usually booked by nostalgic Princes and Princesses as the 'Willerby Babies' came to be called. A total of 5,683 babies were born here and at 'The Mothers' Bragborough Hall 1940 - 1943 (more than 4000 at Willersley)!

The history of Willersley and the adventurous life of Sir Richard as he was eventually dubbed, and his inventions is another story. Willersley Castle, as one of five Methodist inspired Christian Guild Hotels and Conference Centres for a century or more is currently in Administration due to Covid and its future is problematic .....

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## Church Flowers

As the season of Lent continues and Holy Week approaches , there are still no displays in church at the start of the month. Please sign up to bring a small arrangement, bowl of bulbs or vase of flowers for Easter Sunday. These contributions can be brought to church on Easter Saturday and placed directly on the window sills or you may leave them under the tower earlier. If you would like to donate money towards the pedestal display of lilies , please inform me. I know that the Good Friday craft workshop for children includes creating mini Easter gardens and baskets – some of the children might like to bring their creations to stand on the wooden cross on Easter Day to be admired and give joy. Some creative adults might like to create Easter gardens and we look forward to Kate’s display under the Lady Chapel altar.

Some of us continue to enjoy attending the Deepings Flower Club and watching wonderful demonstrations , as I write this article it is the day after the March meeting – led by Nick Grounds whose title was Oran Mor , This is a Gaelic phrase to take joy in creativity in the song of Life. He showed us how to use structures and then intersperse with flowers but also gave extremely amusing tales from his experiences over the years. A couple of sayings remained in my mind – funeral flowers, he learnt from some slightly eccentric ladies that best to practice laying in the position of the coffin if you wanted to place stands nearby and avoid having to clear the church before removing the coffin due to bad spacing, or lie down to look at the last wonderful company celebrating a life loved.....and to ‘read the book, rather than look at the cover’ helped by his realisation that outwards appearances can be so deceptive when his mother sent him to deliver a message to someone he thought was a farm worker who had left school early to work on the land, this man

was found in his kitchen conversing in Latin with the archbishop of Canterbury about pigs. Nick emphasised that everyone should follow their own creative pathway and not worry about following accepted practice. This is the ethos I hope that we follow here at St Guthlac's where all are welcome and whether you enjoy designing stunning pedestals, creating a froth of country flowers, using vase or even floral foam, bring a planter – everything gift is appreciated. Oh and Nick did tell us that floral foam was an incidental product from 1950s work on inventing insulation for rockets into space.

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## Friday Crafting

The end of March saw a session making bunting , people were carried away with ideas for decorating the Green School, future church events and has led to plans for VE day bunting under Elizabeth Parkinson's direction to decorate the local display (to be created on Friday April 28th) The 11th April will be devoted to Easter decorations / cards and we will have had the opportunity to create a flower/plant basket with Ann-Marie on Friday 28th March. Remember you are all welcome – The Green School 9.30-11.30 £5- for hire of hall and refreshments.

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## Altar Guild

*Can you help us?*

We're pleased to announce we are starting an Altar Guild. This is a group of volunteers who kindly care for items associated with the church altar. In practice, this means, making sure altar linens are clean for services, candles are refreshed and silverware such as candles holders are cleaned as necessary. This is a ministry of love that involves offering a little bit of time and your talents, with a group of others, in a way which helps services to take place.

If you are interested in joining this small group, please speak with Rev George. She would be delighted to hear from you.  
Thank you.



# Garden Fete preparation

from Kate Brown

Did you know that your indefatigable social committee is already hard at work preparing for the July Garden Fete? And if the date July 12th, if it isn't already in your diary, stop reading and go and write it in now! It isn't too early for you to get Garden Fete ready either.

Now we no longer have the shelter of the spreading chestnut tree in the centre of the Rectory garden, we need gazebos to provide shelter from the sun, or more probably protection from the rain. Do you have one you could lend just for the day? If so, let someone, Susanne, Kate, Nick, Andrew, Rev George.....know, we'd love to hear from you. While we are on the subject of lending stuff it really helps to have several trolleys to move things over from the Green School shed to the garden on the day of the fete. There is the Green School one of course that is used every month at the coffee mornings to move the books and jigsaws from the shed and I have smaller but nevertheless quite sturdy one, but if there are any campers or festival-goers out there who could lend one let us know. Having mentioned books and jigsaws that reminds me that if you are a person who does spring cleaning and is ready to let go of the books and jigsaws that have kept you entertained and sane over the winter months, then hang on to them for a little while longer and donate them to the relevant stalls at the Garden Fete. I'm afraid we have no storage room in the church and the Green School to accommodate them beforehand but from late June onwards you can leave them in church for us.

One other thing keen gardeners can do at this stage is to sow some extra seeds, take a few extra cuttings and nurture plants. Although we haven't had a dedicated plant stall since the pandemic we will find space somewhere for anything you care to give us. Of course, if there is someone who would like to run a plant stall we would be DELIGHTED to hear from you.

I will continue to nag you each month until July about what you can do to help this major fundraising event of the year so don't think you have heard the last from me or the social committee.

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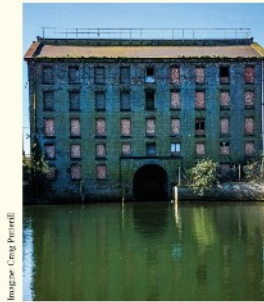


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At our February meeting it was fascinating to see members' photographs and hear the special memories they evoked. What a diverse collection they were: Kay and Hazel contributed snaps of family holidays and Dorothy had a video of her handfeeding a kookaburra at her niece's home in Australia. Anne's recent photo of her family celebrating Daphne's 100th birthday contrasted with Nette's pictures of her father at a POW camp before he settled in the UK. Also on display were some pictures from the archives of us doing much the same sort of thing as we do now but looking much younger and fitter. They were also a sad reminder of the many friends no longer with us.

Reports on all the various activities in March will have to wait for next month's magazine and as mentioned last month there will be no meeting in April as the third Thursday coincides with Maundy Thursday when there is to be a Holy Communion in the context of a meal in the Green School.

Kate Brown 01778 343981 kabstg@btinternet.com

## Deepings Heritage

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### VE Day 80 On : The Deepings Wartime Generation.

Sunday May 11th 2025 11am to 4pm  
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well as the contributions made at home by everyone.

from Liz Parkinson

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		6 April		
8.00am	Keith Warren	Keith Warren		
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		13 April		
10.00 am	Kay Roberts Henry Roberts Chris Warren	Dramatised Gospel	A Gray D Fowler C Fowler	Janice Hewitt Kay Bunn
		20 April		
8.00am	Peter Hilton	Kevin Dawson		
10.00 am	Janis Hewitt Lyll Seale Keith Warren	Daniel Fowler	J Ward J Johnson E Denton	Nettie Mitchell Linda Bates
		27 April		
8.00am	Kevin Dawson	Kevin Dawson		
10.00 am	Carol Cooper Lorna Mellowes Geoff Chambers Nick Evans	June Davies	G Bacon J Johnson E Denton	Lyll Seale Geoff Chambers
6.30pm	David Betts	Henry Roberts		

# Calendar of Services and Activities April Year C

## **Sunday 30th March**

## **Mothering Sunday**

	8:00 am	Said Holy Communion
	10:00 am	All Age Holy Communion 1 Samuel 1: 20 – end, Luke 2: 33 – 35
	5:00 pm	Lent Discussion followed by Compline
Monday 31st	7:00 pm for 7:30 pm	The Bible Course in the Green School
Wednesday 2nd	10:30 am	Said Holy Communion
Thursday 3rd	7:30 pm	Bell Ringing Practice
Friday 4th	6:30 pm	Choir Practice
Saturday 5th	12noon	Lent Lunch at the Open Door Church

## **Sunday 6th**

## **Fifth Sunday of Lent**

	8:00 am	Said Holy Communion
	10:00 am	Parish Holy Communion Philippians 3: 4b – 14, John 12: 1 – 8
	5:00 pm	Lent Discussion followed by Compline
Monday 7th	10:00 am	Prayer Meeting in Church
Wednesday 9th	10:30 am	Said Holy Communion
Thursday 10th	7:30 pm	Bell Ringing Practice
Friday 11th		<b>St Guthlac's Day</b>
	6:30 pm	Choir Practice
Saturday 12th	10:30 am	Coffee Morning in the Green School

## **Sunday 13th**

## **Palm Sunday**

	8:00 am	Said Holy Communion
	10:00 am	Procession from the Rectory Paddock Parish Holy Communion Luke 19: 28 – 40, Luke 23: 1 – 49
	5:00 pm	Lent Discussion followed by Compline
Monday 14th	7:30 pm	Gospel of the day and Compline
Tuesday 15th	7:30 pm	Gospel of the day and Compline
Wednesday 16th	10:30 am	Said Holy Communion
	2:30 pm	Rose Lodge
	7:30 pm	Gospel of the day and Compline



<b>Thursday 17th</b>	<b>Maundy Thursday</b>
	7:00 pm Holy Communion in the context of a meal
<b>Friday 18th</b>	<b>Good Friday</b>
	10:00 am Churches Together Walk of Witness starts in church
	10:30 am - 12:00noon Easter Children's Craft in the Green School
	2:00 pm Reflective Service for Good Friday No Choir Practice
<b>Sunday 20th</b>	<b>Easter Sunday</b>
	8:00 am No Service
	10:00 am All Age Holy Communion Acts 10: 34 – 43, Luke 24: 1 – 12
Tuesday 22nd	7:30 pm Ladies Guild in the Green School
Wednesday 23rd	<b>St George's Day</b>
	10:30 am Said Holy Communion
Thursday 24th	7:30 pm Bell Ringing Practice
Friday 25th	6:30 pm Choir Practice
Saturday 26th	12:00noon Soup and Social in the Green School
<b>Sunday 27th</b>	<b>Second Sunday of Easter</b>
	8:00 am Said Holy Communion
	10:00 am Parish Holy Communion plus APCM 1 Corinthians 13: 4 -8, 13 John 10: 22 – 28
	6:30 pm Evensong Isaiah 52: 13 – 53: 12, Luke 24: 13 - 35
Wednesday 30th	10:30 am Said Holy Communion

## Diary dates May 2025

Sunday May 4th Churches Together  
Lakeside Service at the Deeping Nature |Reserve at 7:00 am

Saturday May 17th Churches Together  
Bandless Barn Dance at the Priory Church Hall

**Flowers:** 20 April, bulbs & flowers to celebrate Easter Sunday.  
27 April & 4 May, Joanne Fowler.

# Parish Directory

Secretary of Bell Ringers	Dawn Richie
Eco Church Coordinator	Liz Gray
Guthlac's Young Explorers	Andrew Mitchell
Safeguarding Officer	Anne Guthrie
Wellbeing Group Co-ord	Keith Warren
Friends of St Guthlac	Rev'd George Holdin
Stewardship Coordinator	Carol Cooper
Convener of Sidespeople	Keith Warren
Coordinator of Servers	Graeme Bacon
Lesson Reading Rota	Kate Brown
Flower Arranging Rota	Anne Guthrie
Church Cleaning Rota	Kay Roberts
Newsletter	Dorothy Harriss
	Kay Roberts
Mothers' Union	Kate Brown
Ladies Guild	Jean Jones
Floodlight Booking	Kay Roberts
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## *Chuckle With Charlie*

I asked my German friend if he knew the square root of 81. He said no. I'm terrified of lifts. I'm going to start taking steps to avoid them.



The Garden Fete  
Plant Stall in all its  
glory manned (?) by  
Isabella.

See page 16.



St Guthlac's  
Church  
Market Deeping



Refreshments &  
biscuits



Songs



St Guthlac's Church,  
Market Deeping

Weekly Club

Toddlers and Primary age  
Sundays starting at 10am  
then finishing in the church  
service



Bible Stories &  
prayer time

FREE



Parents welcome to stay or drop off  
the Green School, Church Street





St Guthlac's  
Church  
Market Deeping



# Organ bursary

We are offering you the chance, free of charge, to learn, and develop your skills, playing a church organ.

## Who is this for?

Anyone who:

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- Is committed to learning the organ

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