# BOSTON DEANERY PARTNERSHIP QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER SEPT QTR 2023

Well, we are already on issue 4! We have celebrated Easter and crowned our new King now, and I am sure that we were all glued to the TV at some point during the celebrations. Time has passed very quickly; we are over halfway through the year.

I imagine it has already been busy for our featured churches from the last newsletter, the Coastal Cluster. This glorious weather will be attracting the crowds.

This newsletter features one of those churches, St Guthlacs at Fishtoft, a church that I have been to many times over the years, sometimes for happy events and sometimes not so happy.



I know it has a strong link with the local Scout Group at Fishtoft, and they attend the Remembrance Service there every year.

So, welcome to issue number 4 which will take us to the end of September 2023, when I imagine the weather will be slightly cooler.



## FOCUS CHURCH FOR SEPTEMBER QTR 2023 ST GUTHLACS CHURCH FISHTOFT

#### Sanctum at St Guthlac's

During a Quiet Day back in 2019 one of our church members had a vision of the church as a place of peace and sanctuary for the whole community, a place where people could just pop in and sit quietly or pray and experience God's love. During that Saturday it was apparent that lots of people were coming to the church to tend graves and visit the churchyard, however they weren't usually able to actually enter the building. With this in mind it was agreed by the PCC that we would open the church throughout the week. This was particularly good timing as we had this in place in time for the pandemic meaning that after the lockdowns (when no one was allowed to enter the church), people could attend for private prayer even when the church was still closed for services.

We have had such positive feedback from both the local community and people who have travelled from further afield. They have found it to be a place of peace and blessing. Whether they already have a faith, have "a bit" or none, we have tried to make the church welcoming for all. We have a quiet area for prayer, a mission board with some of the outreach activities we do and a couple of stations for prayer for healing. We hope to build on this over time with more prayers, labelling for the different parts of the church to explain more about what we do, a children's leaflet and more. We hope that everyone who visits will encounter God's love for them. If you would like to call in the church is normally open Mon-Sat from 10am-4pm except for Thursday morning which is set aside for cleaning. You would be most welcome.

This vision is part of our wider mission strategy seeing St Guthlac's as a place of Spiritual nourishment. Whether it is Sunday or Weekday services, open church - which we have called Sanctum – Quiet Days on several Saturdays a year open to all, we hope people find a glimpse of the divine in this place and the events held there. Perhaps it also might become a place of pilgrimage linked to our Patron Saint, Guthlac to whom there are a number of churches dedicated, mostly in the East of England. We hope this would encourage people on their literal and spiritual journeys.

This we hope fits in with our overall aim to "Love God; Love people and Follow Jesus"

#### **EVENTS AROUND THE CHURCHES**

#### KIRTON HOLME





## FRIDAY 11th AUGUST FRIDAY 25th AUGUST

Doors open 6.00pm Eyes down 7.00pm

#### KIRTON HOLME CHURCH HALL

£5.00 book 10 games.
Proceeds to Charities

#### **CHRIST CHURCH KIRTON HOLME**



COFFEE MORNINGS 10th July 2023 14th August 2023 11th September 2023 10.00am - 11.30am

COFFEE/TEA & CAKE £1.50 per person

RAFFLE SALES TABLE

#### WILDMORE - ST PETERS



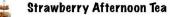


#### **LANGRICK**

St. Margaret's Church, Langrick
Invites you to a
Songs of Praise Service
In Langrick Church
Sunday 2nd July © 2.00pm
Followed by

CONINGSBY AND TATTERSHALL STRUMMERS (CATS UKULELE (ROUP)







Tickets £10.00

Raffle Langrick Village Hall

Proceeds for upkeep of the Church Yard Marilyn 01526 342 039 Hilary 0794 781 0245

#### **FREISTON**



#### **HOLY TRINITY BOSTON**

#### **Weekly Events:**

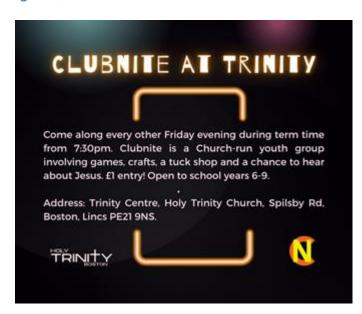
Wednesdays in term time: Trinity Tots, a toddler group for under 5's parents and carers 9:00 am to 11:45 am

Wednesdays in Term time: Milkshake Shack a drop in after school 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm



Thursdays every week: Trinity Café 11:30 am to 3:30 pm serving drinks, snacks and light lunches Youth Events:

Ignite, Clubnite





#### Children's Events

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> July Messy Together 4:00 pm in the Church Lounge, a fun family centred service

Our Annual Holiday Club:



#### Community Events:

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> July 3:00 pm Memorial Service for anyone who has lost someone a quiet reflective service with a chance to light a candle and remember those who have died.

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July: Community Lunch doors open at 12:30 pm food served at 1:00 pm Cost £3:00 Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September: Community Lunch doors open at 12:30 pm food served at 1:00 pm Cost £3:00

Most Mondays (but not Community Lunch days) 10 am to 12 noon, drinks, cake and chat in the church Lounge

### WANTED – PASTORAL OUTREACH WORKER FOR HOLY TRINITY BOSTON

Part time – 24 hours per week.

Salary range £14-16 000 depending on experience.

We are looking for a faithful, prayerful, enthusiastic person who has a deep love for Jesus and his church and a desire to care for and witness to our local community as well as offering some pastoral care to church members.

The Job Description and Application form can be found on the church website: <a href="https://www.holytrinityboston.org.uk/">https://www.holytrinityboston.org.uk/</a>

Closing date for applications is 8<sup>th</sup> July 2023. It is hoped that interviews will be held on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2023.

If you wish for an informal chat about this post or to ask questions about this post, please contact Rev Lis Ward <a href="mailto:rev.lisward@holytrinityboston.org.uk">rev.lisward@holytrinityboston.org.uk</a>

#### ST PETER & PAUL KIRTON

On 2nd September we have an Art demonstration and participation event with Karin Christensen. It starts at 1.30pm in church for 2 hours. Cost will be £15. Some equipment can be provided but people can bring their own if they want to, to create their master piece. Proceeds for roof fund. Karin is a local artist whose paintings sell for a considerable amount. She has recently been to Australia to paint the outback. Her paintings can be viewed on face book. She also is commissioned to demonstrate her art on cruise ships.

Please contact Paula Davies 01205 722757 for more details or to reserve your place.

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John Marshall and Carol Lidgett singing at Moulton Chapel Methodist Chapel

(not strictly our Deanery, however I'm sure you wont mind, as John & Carol are two of ours!)

All welcome to go along and listen, enjoy and have some yummy refreshments afterwards



#### ST BOTOLPHS & ST THOMAS, BOSTON

First Saturday of each month - LEGO CLUB 10.30am - 12 noon

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> August 10.30am – 12 noon

Community Garden Open Morning





Fun At The Stump - Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> August -

Free crafts, Lego and Games for all ages at St Botolphs. Open to all.

10am - 2.30pm



#### ♦ Music at St Botolph's LUNCHTIME CONCERTS THURSDAYS AT 12.30

O4 May - John Lyon The Parish of Boston 11 May - Alana Brook Lincoln Cathedral 18 May - In Fine Voice! Vocal and instrumental music

Vocal and instrumental music 25 May - David Whittle O8 June - Jeffery Makinson

Lincoln Cathedral

15 June - Student Musicians

Talented young performers from Skegi Grammar School 22 June – Anthony Baldery Centenary Church, Boston 29 June – John Keys Nottingham City Organist O6 July – Ivan Linford Oakham

Oakham 13 July - Jaime Wong, Piano

20 July - Primary Schools' Organ

Prom 27 July - Prumary Schools Organ Prom 27 July - Paul Hale Organist Emeritus, Southwell Cathedral Free admission - Retiring collection in aid of the Organ Fund

email - music@parishofboston.co.uk

The Parish of Boston - Make music with us





Thank you to everyone who has supplied information – it is really lovely to see all the wonderful activities that our Deanery Family are providing for the local communities.

Please continue to let me know what is happening so that I can populate the next newsletter, thank you.

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Mon-Thur 9am - 2.30pm

THE NEXT NEWSLETTER WILL BE OUT DURING THE FIRST WEEK OF OCTOBER.

THIS EDITION WILL COVER ALL EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES FOR

OCTOBER, NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER

AND DARE I SAY IT, ALL YOUR CHRISTMAS EVENTS WILL BE INCLUDED IN THIS EDITION!



Please let me have your items for inclusion by Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September.

Have a wonderful summer, and safe holidays to you all.