



The Benefice of
St. Withburga, Holkham, All Saints, Warham,
St Nicholas, Wells-next-the Sea and All Saints, Wighton

Trinity 20 Proper 24
17th October 2021

Today's Services

- 9.30am Holy Communion at St Nicholas, Wells
Please stay for refreshments after this service
There will be a TraidCraft stall after the service
- 11.00am Harvest Festival at St Withburga, Holkham
Please stay for refreshments after this service
- 6.30pm Evening Prayer with healing at St. Nicholas, Wells and via Zoom

Our Prayers

In our benefice this week we pray especially: -

- for those who need our prayers: - Tony Parkington, Sherrill Dye, James Goodman, Baby Evie, Amanda Newton, Diana Claxton, Stella Richardson and Gill Smith.
- for those who have died recently: -
- for those who died at this time in years past : - Maureen Shannon and Enid Jordan

Congratulations to Rupert and Rahil Coke on the birth of their son Theodore

This Week

Wednesday 20th

10.00am Holy Communion at St. Nicholas, Wells
which will be recorded and uploaded to YouTube later in the day

Thursday 21st

10.00am Quiet Prayer at St. Nicholas, Wells
1.45-3.30pm Little Fishes at St. Nicholas, Wells
6 for 6.30pm Spud and Quiz evening at Gordon Barrett Hall - Fully Booked

Friday 23rd

7.00pm Chanter's Jigge at St. Nicholas, Wells - donations to Church funds

Next Sunday 24th October

9.30am Family Communion at All Saints, Wighton
This service will be recorded and uploaded to YouTube later in the day

11.00am Family Communion at St. Nicholas, Wells

4.00pm Harvest Festival and Blessing of the plough at All Saints Warham

6.30pm Celtic Evening Prayer at St Nicholas, Wells and via Zoom

Upcoming Events

29th October 7.30pm 'Lines & Loops' - an eclectic mix of music from Steve Bingham and friends at Wells maltings, Tickets £12.50 (Conc £11.50) 01328 710885, info@wellsmaltings.org.uk, https://www.wellsmaltings.org.uk/events

2nd November 6.30pm All Souls service at St. Nicholas, Wells, Please give names of those you would like to be commemorated at this service to Alison Bowles.

7th November 7.30pm Concert - Fairhaven Singers with the Bingham Quartet -
More details to follow

Wells Churches collect for the Food bank. The collection boxes are now back in St Nicholas' church, Wells hospital and the Co-op are working together and deliveries are made from the hospital to those who need it in Wells and villages.

Psalm 24

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it,
the world, and those who live in it;
for he has founded it on the seas,
and established it on the rivers.
Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord?
And who shall stand in his holy place?
Those who have clean hands and pure hearts,
who do not lift up their souls to what is false,
and do not swear deceitfully.
They will receive blessing from the Lord,
and vindication from the God of their salvation.
Such is the company of those who seek him,
who seek the face of the God of Jacob.
Lift up your heads, O gates!
and be lifted up, O ancient doors!
that the King of glory may come in.
Who is the King of glory?
The Lord, strong and mighty,
the Lord, mighty in battle.
Lift up your heads, O gates!
and be lifted up, O ancient doors!
that the King of glory may come in.
Who is this King of glory?
The Lord of hosts,
he is the King of glory.



Mission Overseas - USPG:-

Today, 17th October, is the United Nations International Day for the eradication of Poverty. We pray for those who are marginalised due to wealth inequality, especially for the people of rural communities in Zambia. Unpredictable weather patterns caused by climate change has had a severe impact on Zambia's traditional rain fed crops. The Zambia Anglican Council is working to build hope by providing advice and resources to encourage self-sufficiency.



Ditch unrecyclable cling film and re-use the plastic bags from bread/fruit/magazines you buy. Or use beeswax wraps or jars. All brilliant for storing food in fridge.

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Today's readings

The Collect

God, the giver of life,
whose Holy Spirit wells up within your Church:
by the Spirit's gifts equip us to live the gospel of Christ
and make us eager to do your will,
that we may share with the whole creation
the joys of eternal life;
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.

Old Testament Reading Job 38.1-7

Then the Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind:
'Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?
Gird up your loins like a man,
I will question you, and you shall declare to me.
'Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?
Tell me, if you have understanding.
Who determined its measurements—surely you know!
Or who stretched the line upon it?
On what were its bases sunk,
or who laid its cornerstone
when the morning stars sang together
and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

New Testament Reading Hebrews 5.1-10

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not presume to take this honour, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was. So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,
'You are my Son,
today I have begotten you';
as he says also in another place,
'You are a priest for ever,

according to the order of Melchizedek.'

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

The Gospel Mark 10.35-45

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, 'Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.' And he said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' And they said to him, 'Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.' But Jesus said to them, 'You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?' They replied, 'We are able.' Then Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.'

When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, 'You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.'

Post Communion Prayer

God our Father,
whose Son, the light unfailing,
has come from heaven to deliver the world
from the darkness of ignorance:
let these holy mysteries open the eyes of our understanding
that we may know the way of life,
and walk in it without stumbling;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

St Nicholas Church in Wells-next-the-Sea secures National Lottery support

Wells Parochial Church Council has been awarded a National Lottery Heritage Fund Grant of £286,100 for restoration work and to deliver a range of new activities at St Nicholas Church, Wells-next-the-Sea.

The project will safeguard the building, which is on Historic England's 'Heritage At Risk Register', and will deliver innovative activities, including a new interpretive scheme exploring the heritage of the building and its churchyards, enabling the church to forge stronger links with the wider community.

The church is a Grade II* building situated in the central Conservation Area of the town of Wells-next-the-Sea. Originally built in the 13th century, with a large scale restoration taking place around 1460, it was destroyed by a devastating fire in 1879. The medieval tower, most of the external walls and the south porch survived the fire and the church was re-built in 1883.

Working with key partners to establish St Nicholas as a heritage and well-being hub for the town, the funding will deliver new activities such as a Heritage Detective Trail and a new well-being conservation area within the churchyard in partnership with the Norfolk Wildlife Trust. The scheme will also link to and support the popular Heritage Centre at Wells Maltings and will deliver public events such as heritage well-being days in partnership with Wells Community Hospital Trust, and Conservation Skills Days where people will be able to meet the project team to learn about the conservation skills used to restore both the building and churchyard.

The project will also reduce the building's carbon footprint by installing secondary glazing to some windows and introducing a cycle stand in the churchyard to encourage visitors to cycle (or walk!) to the church.

Commenting on the award, Revd. Brenda Stewart said "We're delighted that we've received this support and would like to say a huge thanks to National Lottery players. St Nicholas Church has always been such an important building in Wells-next-the-Sea and it's great to know that we will now be preserving it for future generations of local people and visitors to our town. We're also very excited about the project's activities and interpretation, including the habitat conservation and well-being activities planned in the churchyard. We are very grateful that this has been made possible by money raised by National Lottery players."

Liz Bates, Head of Investment, Midlands & East said: "We are delighted that our funding award will support St Nicholas Church to remain an important heritage building and continue as a vital and vibrant community hub. A huge thanks to National Lottery players for their support of this restoration project and the new activities, that will impact positively on the health and well-being of the people who live in Wells-next-the-Sea and beyond."