The Parish Church of
St Nicholas, Wells-next-the-Sea
Benefice of Holkham, Warham, Wells-next-the-Sea and Wighton

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND
Diocese of Norwich

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1st November 2026 All Saints Day

Welcome

Evening Services will now start at 4pm until the Spring

TODAY

9.30am Holy Communion with baptism of Hugo Baxter-Maxwell, St Withburga Holkham
11am Holy Communion, St Nicholas Wells
4pm ALL SOULS SERVICE Wells Churches Together @ St Nicholas Church.
All are welcome to this Service of Remembrance of loved ones. Refreshments served following the service.

This week we pray for:

those among us: Mary Woolgar, Evelyn Waits, Neil Woodruff, Revd Trevor Shannon, Revd Tony Douglas, John and Pauline Miller, Donald Gray, Wendy King-Underwood, Margaret Barnes, Liz Lamb
those who have died recently: Tom Sands
and at this time in years past: Donald Gray, John Rix, Maurice Adcock, Peter Cook, Edith Able, Tracy Lear, Anita Lown

Congratulations to Lynsey and Matthew on the birth of their baby girl, Poppy Grace. May God's blessing be upon her and her family

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Mon 2nd 10am Weekly Prayer Group, St Nicholas church
" " **12noon** Community Lunch, Congregational Church Hall
Tues 3rd 1pm-3pm Talk: Creating Eco-Communities (see opposite)
" " **7.30pm** Bell Ringers Practice
Wed 4th 10.30am Prayer & Praise, Methodist Church
Thurs 5th 2-4pm Churchyard Maintenance Gang
" " **5 -5.30pm** Quiet Worship, Quaker Meeting House

Remembrance Sunday Services 8th November

9.15am Holkham Village War Memorial Act of Remembrance followed by Morning Service at St Withburga
10.50am Wighton Memorial Act of Remembrance followed by Morning Service All Saints Wighton
10.50am Wells St Nicholas Act of Remembrance followed by Morning Service
2.15pm Wells War Memorial Act of Remembrance followed by Parade and Remembrance service at St Nicholas Church

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Please see over for links to Safeguarding Training for all church-related volunteering

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

TUES 3rd 1pm-3pm St Francis Church Norwich: Launch of new partnership between our Diocese and the Hazelnut Community to support churches creating an eco-community that deepen worship, welcome local people and care fro creation. See Alison if you'd like to book a place have a lift
Thurs 12th 2pm Funeral of Tom Sands followed by burial
Thurs 12th 6pm for 6.30pm Supper and Quiz Evening Congregational Hall. Tickets £8. Join a team of up to 6 people. Raffle *(prizes gratefully received).* Bring your own drinks. Please spread the word and sign up at back of church or call Kate 07826 280915

Sat 14th 10am - 11.30 Saturday Social St Nicholas. For the 0's to 90's! Come and enjoy a chat, coffee, bacon rolls and fun.

Many thanks to Geoff Finkemeyer for seeing through the task of installing securely the flagpole - a complicated and difficult job.

Supporting St Nicholas, the Community and Environment

The Rector and Churchwarden are looking for more readers, intercessors, communion assistants, welcomers and pastoral visitors. Please speak to Revd. Sharon if you'd like to find out about these roles or volunteer.
Community Lunch every Monday. If you could lend a hand serving and clearing up please speak to David or Joolz 711085
Food Bank Gifts of non-perishable foodstuffs and toiletries are always welcome and can be left at the back of church.
First Aid Are you a trained first aider with a current certificate? We would love to hear from you if you would be happy to be called upon in an emergency.
Heritage House Caring Group Ltd is looking for more volunteers to help with delivering hot lunches to local people. Please

Christ has no body but yours,
No hands, no feet on earth but yours,
Yours are the eyes with which he looks
Compassion on this world,
Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good,
Yours are the hands, with which he blesses
all the world.

Teresa of Avila

Readings for All Saints Day

COLLECT

Almighty God,
you have knit together your elect
in one communion and fellowship
in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord:
grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints
in all virtuous and godly living
that we may come to those inexpressible joys
that you have prepared for those who truly love you;
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.

1 John 3.1-3

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Matthew 5:1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:
'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
'Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
'Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
'Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
'Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
'Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
'Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
'Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
'Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

Revelation 7.9-end

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,
'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!'
And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing,
'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honour
and power and might
be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.'
Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.
For this reason they are before the throne of God,
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.
They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat;
for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

POST COMMUNION

God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things:
may we who have shared at this table
as strangers and pilgrims here on earth
be welcomed with all your saints
to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Important message about SAFEGUARDING and SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

For those people who would like to complete their safeguarding training online, here is the link. You just need to set up an account on:
Home | Safeguarding: Training Portal

Here is the link for the INEQE safeguarding survey Church of England – Norwich - Ineqe Safeguarding Group -click on 'Parish Workforce for the correct survey'.

This is important work that we do all what we can to make sure that people can come together, worship together, and thrive in an environment that is safe and secure for all