EAST TRENT CHURCHES
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GRAPEVINE

All Saints' Day **1st Nov 2026**

Prayer for the Day *by Revd Canon David White*

This prayer is taken from the New Zealand Prayer Book which is the official Anglican prayer book for Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia. It combines traditional Anglican spirituality and is the main prayer book for the Anglican church in these places. It provides liturgies for both private devotion and public worship.

We praise and thank you, Holy Spirit of God,
for the men and women you have called to be saints;
from your first, fallible frightened friends
who followed you to Jerusalem,
through the centuries of discovery and growth,
people of every class and temperament
down to the present day.
We praise you, Holy Spirit, for calling us
to serve you now,
for baptizing us to represent you
in this broken world.
Help us to be Christ's united body to heal and reconcile;
help us to share Christ's life with everyone.. Amen.

Today is All Saints' Day when the Church throughout the world offers thanks not only for all those whose names fill calendars or prayer books, but also those unknown followers of Christ who, since the earliest times of the Christian faith down to the present day, have worshiped, loved and stumbled their way towards God. This day is not a celebration of perfection and the word 'saint' does not imply someone who is superhuman or unreachable. All of the saints, both those we know of and those about whom we know nothing, who lived truly Christ-like lives, were also invariably deeply human – flawed, questioning, broken – and still carrying within them the light of Christ.

John Wesley, the founder of Methodism, wrote in his journals that this is "a day I peculiarly love". This prayer is inclusive of all, right down to the present time for we all have the potential to be saints.

SERVICES & OPEN CHURCHES FOR THIS WEEK

Sun. 1st	**10.00am**	**Holy Communion**	**Clifton**
	10.00am	**Joyful Noise**	**Collingham All Saints**
	10.00am	**Morning Worship**	**Holme**
	10am-4pm	Open Churches	Besthorpe and Girton
	11am-4pm	Open Church	Thorney
Tues 3rd	**10.00am**	**Pause for Thought**	**Collingham St John the Baptist**
Thurs. 5th	1.30-3.30pm	Open Church	Winthorpe
Sat. 7th	10am-4pm	Open Churches	Besthorpe and Girton

Open Churches: Holme St Giles is open every day, 10am to 4pm.
Collingham All Saints is open every day, whenever the "Church Open" sign is displayed.

NOTICES

SAVE THE DATE! SATURDAY 7TH NOVEMBER, CHRISTMAS CRAFTS at ST HELEN, THORNEY from 2pm. Jewellery, pottery, stained glass, recycled plates and the Lincoln Map Lady, to name but a few of our stallholders! Cakes, Tombola, Raffle and Refreshments. We look forward to seeing you.

The next meeting for Worship Leaders will be on Monday 23rd November, St Helena's Church, South Scarle, at 7pm, when we will be looking at the readings for December. Everyone is welcome.

Girton is holding its popular wreath making workshops on Saturday 28th November in the village hall. Workshop 1 is at 2pm until 4pm; workshop 2 at 5pm until 7pm. All materials are included as well as hot chocolate, mulled wine and mince pies. There will also be crafts for sale. The cost is £27. Booking is essential with Samantha on 07944 466220.

Churches Together in Collingham require a Minutes Secretary to record the minutes for 3 meetings a year (Jan, April & Sep) held at Collingham Methodist Church and to circulate the minutes by email afterwards. Please contact Mr Owen Yeomans (roandajyeomans@hotmail.co.uk) or Mrs Anne Massey (team.massey@btinternet.com) if you are interested or require further information.

Safeguarding: Val Watson and Sally Lee are our Parish Safeguarding Officers (PSOs). If you have any safeguarding concerns, please contact either of them – see Contacts below. More information about safeguarding can be found on our website, www.easttrentchurches.org.uk.

Churches Together in Collingham are holding two regular house groups in the village to share a time of fellowship, prayer and discussion every alternate week. Everyone is welcome – if you're interested and would like more information, please ring Duncan Smith on 07394 325675.

For information on the Newark Food Bank and the **Collingham Area Pantry** please see the Community Action page on our website (under 'About Us' on the menu).

NEXT SUNDAY 8th November – Remembrance Sunday

10.00am	**Holy Communion & Act of Remembrance**	**Besthorpe**
10.30am	**Remembrance Service**	**Thorney**
10.45am	**Remembrance Service**	**Winthorpe**
10.45am	**Remembrance Service**	**Clifton**
10.45am	**Remembrance Service**	**Harby**
10.45am	**United Remembrance Service**	**Collingham All Saints Churchyard**
10am-4pm	Open Churches	Besthorpe and Girton
11am-4pm	Open Church	Thorney

Readings for next Sunday: Isaiah 57.15-19; Psalm 72.1-7; 1 Timothy 2.1-6; John 14.23-29.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- Peace in the Middle East, Ukraine, Russia and all other countries where there is conflict.
- Arthur and Max, who will be baptised at Winthorpe this afternoon.
- Those who are unwell – Revd Canon John Smith.
- Those who have recently died – Max Neale.
- In our year's mind – Hector Young, Audrey Noble, Anthony Mumby, Muriel Bennett, John Broughton, Arnold Hewson, David England, Margaret Wood, Sue Harrison, Karen White.

CONTACTS

PASTORAL ENQUIRIES ~ Please contact your church warden(s).

SAFEGUARDING – Val Watson (07815 644236) or Sally Lee (01522 778691).

ALL OTHER ENQUIRIES, INCLUDING WEDDINGS & BAPTISMS, AND ITEMS FOR GRAPEVINE ~

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GRAPEVINE ONLINE:

http://www.easttrentchurches.org.uk/community/east-trent-churches-7910/grapevine