

**BOSTON DEANERY
PARTNERSHIP
QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER
December Quarter 2025**



Soon be Christmas..... do I need to duck for cover now I've said that?

A busy, hectic but joyful time in our church calendar as Harvest Festivals, All Souls, Remembrance and a host of other services will be in full swing over the next few months.

Then, the Christmas Season is here, with wonderful seasonal flower displays, decorations, trees and incredibly moving services.

So I would like to be the first to wish you all a happy, peaceful and joyous Christmas time.



St Botolphs Church tower renovation pictures.

In 2018/2019 an awful lot of work was carried out at St Botolphs, including scaffolding the whole height of the tower (84m). It was such a special sight that we were featured on the front cover of Scaffolder Magazine....not many can say that!

Here are a few photos of that memorable time, I hope you enjoy looking at them.



The start in November 2018



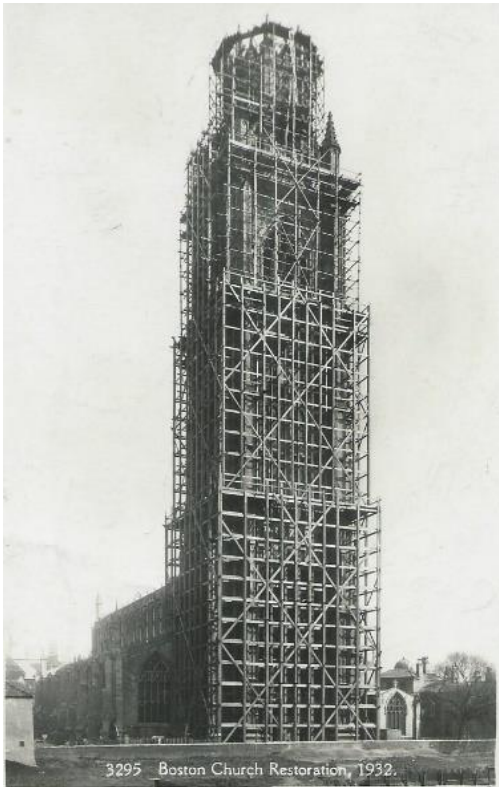
In progress January 2019



Hard at work



Different view



Full Scaffolding in 1932

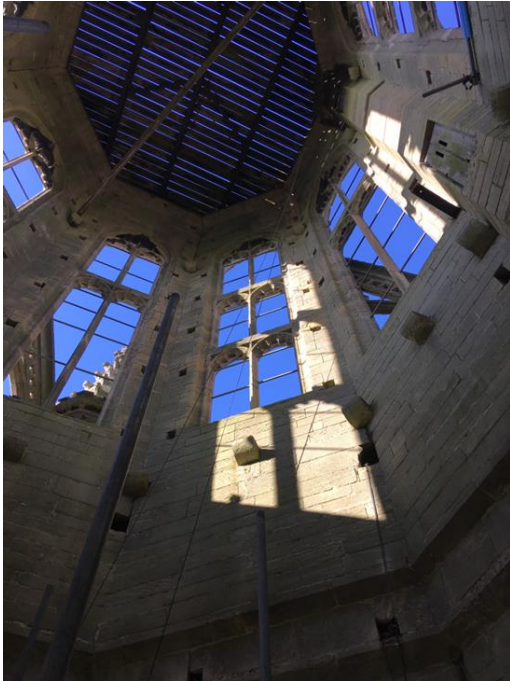


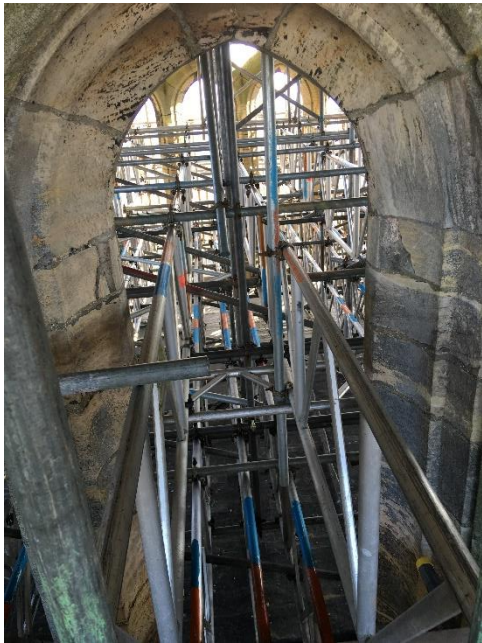
Full scaffolding July 2019



Scaffold poles coming down on a pulley system Long climb to get to work!

And a few different views that not many people have seen





Lord, Show Us The Way Newsletter (Second Edition)

Our journey of listening, prayer and strategy across the diocese continues in earnest – all with the intention of designing a living document that will sustain our diocese for the next ten years ahead.

It is vital at this stage that we hear from each other while we hear from the spirit. We're delighted to announce that a period of engagement across the diocese is about to begin – a full list of dates and times to get involved can be found in this newsletter.

It's also been an insightful few months for the Lever Groups. They have provided us with plenty of findings from their conversations, including some key emerging themes that we'll expand on during the engagement events.

We earnestly encourage you keep praying alone and together as we continue to make sense of what needs to happen for the future of God's kingdom to be fully realised in Lincolnshire.

Strategy engagement events are on the way



A series of important Strategy Engagement Events will be happening all across Lincolnshire in November. This is an opportunity to have a conversation with the diocesan central team, including the Strategy Working Group, about the strategy.

You'll also gain insight into how far we've come on the journey and what we could

possibly expect next. These engagement events are taking place across Lincolnshire.

It is crucial that you sign up to an event so we can plan ahead. Please email parishsupport@lincoln.anglican.org and we will book you onto your local meeting.

Strategy Lever Groups discover emerging themes



The Lever Groups, which includes those looking at Resources, Discipleship, People, Places, Growth, have already been instrumental in identifying key themes that give a flavour of how the ten-year strategy may play out when it is finished next year.

We must stress that this is not finalised, and that the journey will continue to uncover further insights, particularly as we begin to engage with churches across the diocese.

Strategy timeline: Current stage

We are currently at the 'shaping the vision', and 'sharing and reflecting' stages of our strategic journey.

'Shaping the vision' means we have begun to see early themes and ideas begin to form through shared insight.

'Sharing and reflecting' means draft strategy themes are beginning to emerge. Churches and deaneries are being invited to respond, reflect and offer feedback on the strategy development.

DEANERY NEWS AND EVENTS

Message from Trevor Baily from St Thomas Church

I am pleased to inform you that the proceeds from the street collections, church donations and the sponsored walk during the Christian Aid Week 2025 totalled £1890. The sponsored walk from Boston to Anton's Gowt and back, in which Peter Lawson and Trevor Baily participated raised £657. We wish to thank all who contributed to this year's appeal.

Regards,

Trevor, on behalf of the Boston Christian Aid Group

Walsingham 2025 Youth Pilgrimage

Report by Ethan Greensmith.

The 2025 Youth Pilgrimage happened in Walsingham from the 4th to the 8th August and I had a good time there! As I was the only youth pilgrim from Lincolnshire I was nervous about going and making new friends, also I hadn't been away from home or camping for that long too. Although it was very windy and rainy on the first day as we pitched our tents, the weather during the rest of the week was amazing, which helped make it really enjoyable.

For me the most enjoyable part was the worship and bible study we attended, this is because it helped me understand things that were not making sense to me before the pilgrimage and it helped me grow in my faith. Not only that but the worship sessions in the big top tent were so good to be part of, with live worship bands and so many people there, it was really spectacular. We also spent some time over in Walsingham itself, which is one of my favorite places and always makes me feel really close to God. As well as the worship and bible study there were other events too, we had activity afternoons where I played combat archery and played on inflatables! I also enjoyed challenging other pilgrims to table tennis and relaxed in the hub tent. On Thursday afternoon, we had free time and Fr Paul and Carol took me to Wells on the Sea, which is beautiful and gave us a chance to have fish and chips :)

There were some parts that I struggle with, mostly due to the size of our group, because I was the only youth pilgrim in the Lincolnshire group it made it a bit more difficult to fully concentrate at times during the 5 days because of all the unfamiliar people often in bigger groups. But Fr Paul and Carol both really helped me to meet other pilgrims and enjoy the week without getting homesick.

Over all, I felt that I have grown spiritually and personally from the pilgrimage and it really was such an enjoyable few days. I would recommend anyone to attend who are looking to meet similar minded young people and to grow in their faith and closeness to God, I can't wait to go next year to see some more young pilgrims in the Lincolnshire group next year. The dates are already out for the 2026 Youth Pilgrimage, and it'll take place from 3rd to 7th August 2026, see you there!

Thank you for your report Ethan.

St Marys Frampton

AUTUMN
HARVEST
Festival



Fri 10th to Sun 12th October
Fri & Sat Coffee morning and community displays
10am til 2pm. Sun Harvest Festival service 11am
with shared lunch.
St Mary's Church
Frampton

Wreath Making
Thursday 4th December 2025
Friday 5th December 2025 or Saturday 6th December 2025
Thursday & Friday Session - 6pm - 9pm
Saturday sessions 10am, 12 noon or 2pm.
£30 per session, all materials supplied, just bring along secateurs to be held at St Mary's Church, Frampton, PE 20 1AA
To book on a session, please contact
Louise Baggins, lbbaggins@hotmail.com or call
07961 313268
Places limited, to secure your place, please book as soon as possible!



Christmas
Craft Fayre

Saturday 8th November 10am to 3pm
St Mary's Church Frampton PE20 1AA
Refreshments by Frampton WI



St Mary's Church
Frampton
Christmas
Festival

Join us for our annual Christmas Tree Festival. Community, Business and Supporters with displays of decorated trees.
Light up St Mary's Church throughout the festive evenings.
Brass Band Carol Concert 2pm Sunday 14th Dec
Performances by local community groups
Cafe

SATURDAY	SUNDAY
13th Dec	14th Dec
20th Dec	21st Dec

St Mary's Church Frampton PE20 1AA



St Guthlacs Fishtoft



CHRISTMAS FAIR 2025

Saturday 22nd of November, 10 am to 3 pm.

There will be many craft stalls, books, tombola, bric-a-brac, cakes and more.

Delicious refreshments will be available.

Everyone is welcome.

All Saints Church Fosdyke

All Saints Patronal Festival

All Saints Church

24 Old Main Rd, Fosdyke PE20 2BL

Saturday 1st Nov 12 noon.

All welcome



St Peter and St Paul Kirton

News from Kirton

During September, St Peter and St Pauls had a fabulous summer fair, with 24 stalls in the church and the local fire engine and a wood carver outside, attracting a lot of attention! We had lots of visitors through the church, and Graham Timbell came along with his paintings to sell. It had a positive vibe and raised over £1,000 for church funds.

The following weekend we took part in the Heritage open days in conjunction with National Trust and Heritage Lincolnshire. We had lots of visitors through the building and during that week Roger Hancock delivered a lecture on Dame Sarah Swift and then Frances Rayne delivered a talk on the Menopause.

Three members of the congregation took part in the bike 'n' stride, raising funds for the Pilgrim Group.

Moving into October we will be hosting our Harvest Festival on the 5th October, where we are collecting for the food bank. On the 15th of October St Peter and St Pauls will be open for the Sands - 'Wave of Light' from 7pm to 9pm. A coffee morning on the 18th October will be a Sands fundraising event too.



St Peter and St Paul's Kirton

Christmas Tree Festival & Christmas fair.

22nd November from 12 noon to 4pm
in the church with games,
stalls, refreshments.

23rd November from 1pm to 4pm

Wreath making from 12 to 3pm
£20.00 - includes materials and
refreshments - booking essential -
Office@pilgrimgroup.co.uk

St Peter and St Paul's Kirton

Deck the Holly

21st November

2025

From 7.30pm to 9pm

Outside service, Lighting
up the Holly tree,
Blessing the tree and the
parish, carols, Mulled
wine and mince pies,

This is a free event donations to parish projects.

Sunday 23rd November
1pm to 4pm



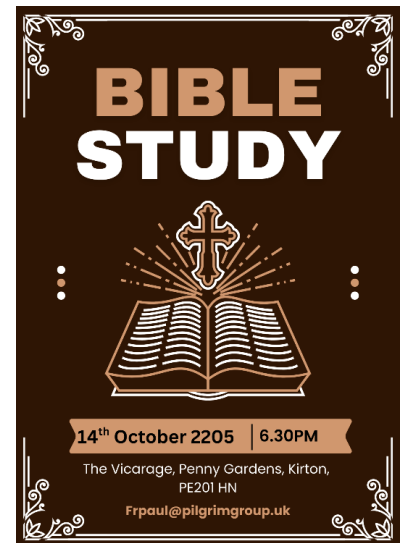
Tickets are £20 each, which will include mulled wine and mince pie, wreath making equipment and some instruction. Tickets from Eventrite or Carol at Office@pilgrimgroup.uk

Pilgrim group news

Bible study starts on Tuesday 14th October from 6.30pm at the vicarage.

Richbrough festival – at Leicester, at 12 noon, On the 18th October.

Christmas Social - Mulled wine and mince pies at the vicarage – 6pm to 9pm – 21st December.



On 12th October, Kier Sellars, Churchwarden at St Peter and St Pauls, will be completing a half marathon to raise money for the Light Project.

If you are able to donate towards the cause in any way this would be a massive help and if you can share this with others that would be great, thanks.

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/keir-sellars-1>



St Nicholas Church, Skirbeck

Prize Bingo

**Saturday 1st November
@7pm.**

**Skirbeck St Nicholas
Community Centre, Fishtoft
Road, Boston**

**Admission £2.00
including refreshments
Bring your friends
Proceeds to Church Funds**

LISTENING
EAR CAFE




Tea and coffee shop, open
Every Tuesday from
9am to 11am

*St Nicholas church Community
Fishtoft Rd Skirbeck*



ST NICHOLAS CHURCH SKIRBECK



PIZZA, PRAISE & PRAYER

A CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

St Nicholas Community Hall from
6pm - 8pm on the
4th Tuesday of the Month
For 13 to 20 year olds



Starts on 27th May

St Nicholas Patronal Festival

St Nicholas Church, Fishtoft
Road, Skirbeck.

Saturday 6th
December
from 12 noon

Principle
Celebrant and
preacher
- Bishop Norman
Banks



Refreshments in the hall afterwards.



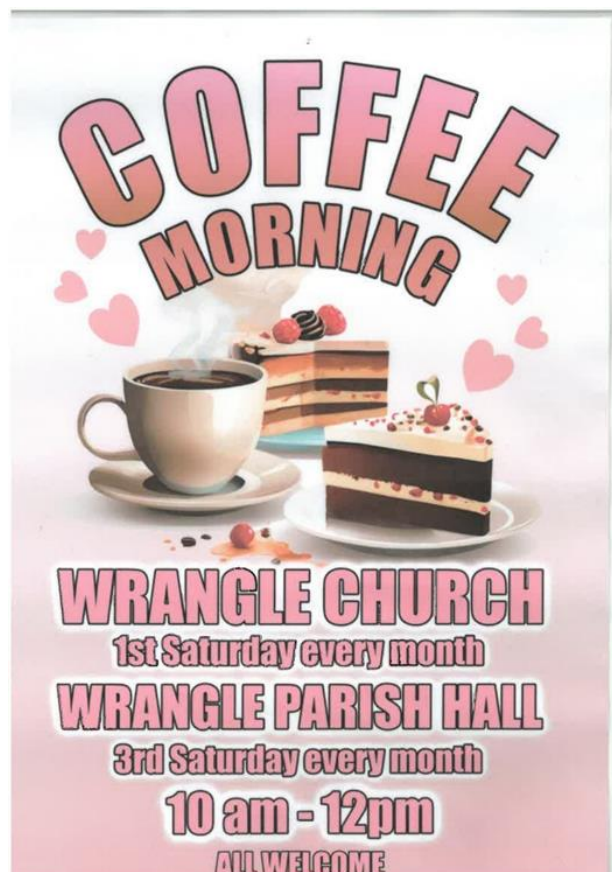
WREATH MAKING SESSION

Sunday 7th December at 2pm to 4pm
St Nicholas Community Hall, Fishtoft Road,
Skirbeck

£20.00 Per person
refreshments and
equipment provided.

Call Linda on
01205354687 to book a
place

WRANGLE CHURCH



COFFEE MORNING

WRANGLE CHURCH
1st Saturday every month
WRANGLE PARISH HALL
3rd Saturday every month
10 am - 12pm
ALL WELCOME

ST THOMAS' BOSTON

ST THOMAS' CHURCH HALL WARM SPACE SOCIALS

Tuesdays

Baby & Toddler Group

9.30am – 11.15am

Term time only



Community Lunches

11.30am – 2.00pm



Fridays

St Thomas' Senior Social 10.00am – 12Noon

Refreshments & games such as scrabble & dominoes!



 THE PARISH OF BOSTON
A Place of Belonging, A Place to Belong, A Place to Grow

ST THOMAS CHURCH HALL

BINGO

SATURDAY 1ST NOVEMBER 2025
7.00PM START | DOORS OPEN 6.00PM

Fundraising for The Parish of Boston
TEA | COFFEE | RAFFLE
PRIZES INCLUDING CASH PRIZES

St Thomas Church Hall, London Road, Boston PE21 7EJ

for more information, please call Sue
07943569153

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.

Trinity Tots

*Wednesdays in Term Time
9:00 am to 11:45 am*



Join us 2ND MONDAY OF THE MONTH

Enjoy a tasty main course and
delicious pudding all for £3.00

No meeting in August



www.holytrinityboston.org.uk

clubnite @ Trinity

HOLY
TRINITY
BOSTON

Join us at Clubnite, for games, craft, a tuck shop and
'Chips & Chat' - a fun way to learn about God

Entry fee is £1 with your first session free

The group is open to those in Years 7 - 9

You can find us in the Trinity Centre. Holy Trinity Church,
Spilsby Road Boston PE21 9NS

Starts
12th
September
then every 2
weeks @
7:30 pm

12th & 26th September
10th & 24th October
7th & 21st November
5th & 19th December



WYBERTON WITH FRAMPTON CHURCHES

MID WEEK COFFEE BREAK

For mums, dads, grandparents and carers to drop
in for a refreshing cuppa. To relax, unwind, and
socialise

EVERY WEDNESDAY 9:30AM TO 12 NOON

EVERYBODY WELCOME

THE OPEN HOUSE CAFE

Tytton Lane East, Wyberton
(at the junction with London Rd)



ST BOTOLPH'S BOSTON

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

THE PARISH OF BOSTON
St Botolph's Church | Boston Stump

LEGO CLUB

FREE!

**Do you love Lego? Fancy a challenge?
This club is for you!**

First **SATURDAY** of each month between 10.30am - 12noon

Each month our Lego Club will meet with a different theme to inspire us to build something unique. We will also have some free time to be creative and build whatever we want before sharing our creations with the group.

Lego will be available to use in St Botolph's, no need to bring your own!

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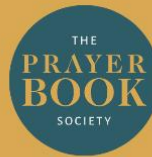
CRAFT AND COMPANY

2ND AND 4TH MONDAY OF EACH MONTH
10AM - 12NOON
FREE TO ATTEND

Bring your craft along to our Refectory and enjoy the company of like-minded people. Free to attend with tea & coffee provided.

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The Cranmer Awards

Lincoln Heat

Saturday 25 October 2025, 3pm
St Botolph's Church (Boston Stump)

Open to young people from all backgrounds and faiths aged 11 - 18yrs. Competitors recite passages of the 1662 Book of Common Prayer.

For more information about the heat and entry forms, please email admin@parishofboston.co.uk

The final will take place on Saturday 28 February at The Chapel Royal, Hampton Court Palace, London



For more information about the awards please see the Prayer Book Society website; www.pbs.org.uk

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All Souls Services

Remembering those we have loved and lost

Service for All Souls
Saturday 1st November 2025, 11am

During the service of readings, music, prayers and lighting of candles, names of the departed – recent and not so recent - will be read out and remembered. You would be very welcome to attend.

To include names of your loved ones, please complete a form and place in the box at the back of Church.

Names on the boards of remembrance will remain for one week after the service in church.

Requiem for the Departed
Sunday 2nd November 2025, 5pm

Music by Gabriel Fauré
performed by the Parish Choir & B-16 Choir with ...

During the service, candles will be lit in memory of those who have died. Within the context of the Eucharist, this awesome service prays for eternal rest in heaven for those who have died.

*Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord,
and let light perpetual shine upon them.*



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Remembrance Services

Monday 3rd November 2025

10.45am Opening of the Memorial Gardens Boston War Memorial

Sunday 9th November 2025

9.30am Said Eucharist St Botolph's Church

10.45am Act of Remembrance Boston War Memorial

10.45am Remembrance Service St Thomas' Church

11.30am Remembrance Service St Botolph's Church followed by town parade

Tuesday 11th November 2025

10.45am Act of Remembrance Boston War Memorial

*They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old;
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn;
At the going down of the sun and in the morning,
we will remember them.*

The knitted poppy installation will be on display in St Botolph's between 3rd - 14th November 2025

Opening Times

Monday - Friday 9am - 3pm

Saturday & Sunday 10am - 2pm

ORGAN FIREWORKS!

Organ music that goes with a bang!
Come and hear our Director of Music, John Lyon play a programme of exciting and colourful pieces on our fine Harrison Organ.

Saturday 8th November at 7pm
St Botolph's Church | Boston Stump

Tickets £5 in advance
from the Stump Gift Shop, or on the door .

Refreshments available.

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FREE ENTRY

CRAFT MARKET

Saturday 11th October 2025
10am - 3pm

AMOREANDGIFTS | HAND KNITTING BY POLLY | CHRISTOPHER LEWIS PHOTOGRAPHY
CLARE'S CRAFTS | WOODCRAFTPLUS | MARINE MADE GIFTS | THE CRAFTING BEAR
DVD CREATION | PAULAS PRETTY THINGS | LUGEMS HANDMADE GEMSTONE JEWELLERY
SUSAN ANNECARDS | CRAFTS BY BRENDA | MAPLE LEAF POTTERY | TREASURED GIFTS
CRAFTY CREATIONS | PAULAS PAPER-CRAFT | VALERIE BIANCO | JANE'S FABRIC GIFTS
GLENDA'S SUBLIMATED GIFTS | BAILY CRAFT | 1ST CHOICE CANDLES | R.U. CRAFTY
J&K CRAFTS AND GIFTS | JO-JO'S WOOL AND FABRIC CRAFTS | LITTLE LEAF TERRARIUMS
ST THOMAS CHURCH | MOULTON WINDMILL | MARIANNE'S CRAFT | LOCAL HOPE CHARITY
CLAIRE MARSHALL | LB CERAMICS | HANDWOVEN BY AGJ | EVELYN'S BAKERY

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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.

My email is Jayne.maddy@parishofboston.co.uk

or

telephone 01205 310929

Mon-Thur 9am – 2.30pm

**THE NEXT NEWSLETTER WILL BE OUT DURING THE SECOND WEEK OF JANUARY 2026.
THIS EDITION WILL COVER ALL EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES FOR
JANUARY, FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2026, SO LET ME KNOW ABOUT YOUR PLANNED
ACTIVITIES AND I CAN THEN PUT THEM IN THE NEWSLETTER**

Please let me have your items for inclusion by Thursday 8th January 2026

Thank you.

