

## HELLO ..THIS YEAR 2026 is...

THE 180th Anniversary of  
the Church and Parish

The Church is Open every day 9-4.30pm

THE AGAPE FOOD BANK BOX

IS AT THE BACK OF CHURCH FOR DONATIONS

Bell Ringing contact Paul Barrett 078026622145

## FUTURE EVENTS

with Deeping St. Nicholas Church

SATURDAY JUNE 13th 7pm



THE SLEAFORD TRAINING BAND IN CHURCH

MUSIC FROM THE 60's and 70's

Tickets £10 including refreshments

Children under 12 free

Sunday July 5th at 3pm

Opening Service

for the 180th Anniversary of

Deeping St. Nicholas Church and Parish

with Archdeacon Gavin Kirk

Come and share your knowledge and passion

For the history and activity of Deeping St. Nicholas  
Church and Village during

This Celebration of Thankfulness for the 180yrs  
since the church was built.

Space available free of charge to set up your display in  
church for the month of August.

SUNDAY AUGUST 9TH 3PM HARVEST IN THE FIELD

Courtesy of David and Sue Steele

With afternoon tea

Chapel farm Hop Pole PE11 3DS

Faith and Learning a celebration of gifts

With Revd. Canon Dr. Hugh Jones

Saturday August 15th 3pm in church

All Welcome

Sunday September 13th at 3pm

Civic Service of Thanksgiving for Community

With Bishop Nicholas

All Welcome

Ring, Text or e-mail Erica : [erica.crust@gmail.com](mailto:erica.crust@gmail.com)  
you wish to put something on the News sheet.

All updates welcome .The Church is available for booking for  
activities/meetings . Please ensure these are entered in the  
church diary by contacting Carolyn Sumner Tel. 07808350802

## St. Nicholas Church Deeping St. Nicholas News Sheet

24th May 2026

Pentecost



We Welcome you

Holy Communion 9.30am

with

Renewal of marriage vows of Eileen and Rob

Hymns

525 One more step

114 Come down O love divine

666 The Spirit lives to set us free

419 Shine Jesus Shine

*Music by Carolyn Sumner*

Prayer

Lord, on the day of Pentecost, you transformed fearful disciples into men and women of power. We pray that your Holy Spirit falls afresh on us today. Blow away the fear, doubt, and apathy in our lives. Ignite our hearts with your love and grant us the boldness to share your Gospel, bringing light and hope to a broken world.

Help us to be agents of peace and justice in our communities. Amen

Next week

Sunday May 31st

Holy Communion 9.30am

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## COLLECT

God, who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your

Holy Spirit:  
grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort;  
through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour,  
who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

## FIRST READING

*The reading from Acts must be used as either the first or second reading.*

Either **Acts 2:1-21**

*A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.*

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs – in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine." But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons

and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Or **Numbers 11:24-30**

**PSALM Psalm 104:25-35. 37**

**R** Send forth your Spirit, O Lord,  
and renew the face of the earth.

O Lord, how manifold are your works! in wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures. **R**

Yonder is the great and wide sea with its living things too many to number, creatures both small and great. There move the ships, and there is that Leviathan, which you have made for the sport of it. **R**

All of them look to you to give them their food in due season. You give it to them, they gather it; you open your hand and they are filled with good things. You hide your face and they are terrified; you take away their breath and they die and return to their dust. **R**

You send forth your Spirit and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth. May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; may the Lord rejoice in all his works. He looks at the earth and it trembles; he touches the mountains and they smoke. **R**

I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.

May these words of mine please him; I will rejoice in the Lord. Bless the Lord, O my soul. Alleluia! **R**

## SECOND READING

Either **1 Corinthians 12:3b-13**

*A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.*

No one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but

the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses. For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptised into one body – Jews or Greeks, slaves or free – and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Or **Acts 2:1-21**

## GOSPEL

Either **John 20:19-23**

*Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.*

It was evening on the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

Or **John 7:37-39**

## POST COMMUNION

Faithful God,  
who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal:  
open our lips by your Spirit,  
that every tongue may tell of your glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.