

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

We welcome Ford Henry Ray
Baptised on the 13th June
We pray for him and his family and Godparents

Sunday July 5th at 3pm
Service for the 180th Anniversary of
Deeping St. Nicholas Church and Parish

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.
Contact 07751323584**

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
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**



21st June 2026 Trinity 3

Welcoming all since 1846

Holy Communion 9.30am

Hymns

573 Praise to the Lord the Almighty
286 Holy, Holy, Holy, lord God
752 Will you come and follow me
449 Mine eyes have seen the glory
Music Carolyn Sumner

Prayer

We pray for all who inspire and serve community
and for all who need our prayers and support at
this time and may we remember no one is outside
the love of God.

Next week

Sunday June 28th
Holy Communion 9.30am

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COLLECT

Almighty God,
you have broken the tyranny of sin
and have sent the Spirit of your Son
into our hearts whereby we call you
Father:
give us grace to dedicate our freedom
to your service,
that we and all creation may be brought
to the glorious liberty of the children
of God;
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.

FIRST READING Jeremiah 20:7-13

A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

Jeremiah cried out: O LORD, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughing-stock all day long; everyone mocks me. For whenever I speak, I must cry out, I must shout, "Violence and destruction!" For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. If I say, "I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name," then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. For I hear many whispering: "Terror is all around! Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. "Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him, and take our revenge on him." But the LORD is with me like a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonour will never be forgotten. O LORD of hosts, you test the righteous, you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause. Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.

Or **Genesis 21:8-21**

PSALM

Psalm 69:8-11. (12-17). 18-20

R *In your great mercy, answer me, O God.*

Surely, for your sake have I suffered reproach,
and shame has covered my face.
I have become a stranger to my own kindred,
an alien to my mother's children. **R**

Zeal for your house has eaten me up;
the scorn of those who scorn you has
fallen upon me.

I humbled myself with fasting,
but that was turned to my reproach. **R**

[I put on sack-cloth also,
and became a byword among them.
Those who sit at the gate murmur
against me,
and the drunkards make songs about me.
But as for me, this is my prayer to you,
at the time you have set, O Lord: **R**

"In your great mercy, O God,
answer me with your unfailing help.
Save me from the mire; do not let me
sink;
let me be rescued from those who hate
me
and out of the deep waters.
Let not the torrent of waters wash over
me,
neither let the deep swallow me up;
do not let the Pit shut its mouth upon
me.] **R**

Answer me, O Lord, for your love is
kind;
in your great compassion, turn to me.
Hide not your face from your servant;
be swift and answer me, for I am in
distress.
Draw near to me and redeem me;
because of my enemies deliver me." **R**

SECOND READING Romans 6:1b-11

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptised into Christ Jesus were baptised into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

GOSPEL Matthew 10:24-39

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Jesus summoned the twelve and sent them out with the following instruction: "A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground unperceived by your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and one's foes will be members of one's own household. Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it."

POST COMMUNION

O God, whose beauty is beyond our
imagining
and whose power we cannot
comprehend:
show us your glory as far as we can
grasp it,
and shield us from knowing more than
we can bear
until we may look upon you without
fear;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.