

The Church is Open every day 9-4.30pm

The Alpha Course @DSN
Tuesday, 18th August 2026
18:30 - 19:30 (GMT)

Meeting link:

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You are welcome to create your own display
or share knowledge or experience
Contact 07751323584

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FOR POWER OF ATTORNEY/WILLS etc

Kindly given by Calthrops of Spalding or

Need some advice for

**a Loved One from Ashwood Nursing Home
or LCC Adult Social care.**

FRIDAY 21ST AUGUST 2026 10.15am -3.30pm

at Deeping St Nicholas Church PE11 3ET

Everyone is welcome. Further information

Contact Maggie Ball magsball@btinternet.com

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Sunday September 13th at 3pm

Civic Service of Thanksgiving

for Community With Bishop Nicholas

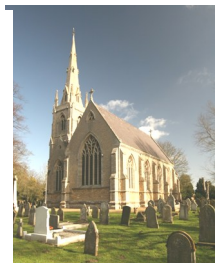
All Welcome

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Bell Ringing contact Paul Barrett 078026622145

Ring, Text or e-mail Erica : erica.crust@gmail.com
you wish to put something on the News sheet.
The Church is available for booking for activities/
meetings .Please ensure these are entered in
the church diary
by contacting **Carolyn Sumner Tel. 07808350802**



August 16th 2026



Welcome to Morning Prayer
9.30am

HYMNS

525 One more step along the world

419 Shine Jesus shine

67 Be still for the presence of the Lord

676 This is the day

Music Florence Numa

Prayer

Heavenly Father, thank you for your love and mercy, thank you for every good thing that comes from heaven above. Lord, bless the work of our hands, help us to be an encouragement and help us to sow seeds of love by sharing the Good news of Jesus Christ. Amen

Next week Sunday August 23rd

Holy Communion 9.30am

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Sunday

16 August 2026 Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

COLLECT

O God, you declare your almighty power
most chiefly in showing mercy and pity:
mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace,
that we, running the way of your commandments,
may receive your gracious promises,
and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure;
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 Isaiah 56:1. 6-8

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the LORD: Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed. And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD, and to be his servants, all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it, and hold fast my covenant – these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt-offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. Thus says the Lord GOD, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, I will gather others to them besides those already gathered.

Or **Genesis 45:1-15**

PSALM Psalm 67

R *Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.*

May God be merciful to us and bless us,
show us the light of his countenance and come to us.
Let your ways be known upon earth,
your saving health among all nations. **R**

[Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.]
Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide all the nations upon earth. **R**

[Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.]
The earth has brought forth her increase;
may God, our own God, give us his blessing.
May God give us his blessing,
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him. **R**

SECOND READING

Romans 11:1-2a. 29-32

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

GOSPEL

Matthew 15:[10-20] 21-28

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

[Then Jesus called the crowd to him and said to them, "Listen and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles." Then the disciples approached and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees took offence when they heard what you said?" He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has

not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit." But Peter said to him, "Explain this parable to us." Then he said, "Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile." Jesus went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. A Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

POST COMMUNION

Lord of all mercy,
we your faithful people have celebrated that one true sacrifice which takes away our sins and brings pardon and peace:
by our communion keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel
and preserve us from all sin;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.