



GRAPEVINE 4th Sunday after Trinity 13th July 2025

Prayer for the Day

by Revd Canon David White

God of Love, show us our place in this world
as channels of your love for all the creatures of this earth,
for not one of them is forgotten in your sight.
Enlighten those who possess power and money
that they may avoid the sin of indifference,
that they may love the common good, advance the weak,
and care for this world in which we live.
The poor and the earth are crying out.
O Lord, seize us with your power and light,
help us to protect all life to prepare for a better future,
for the coming of your Kingdom of justice, love and beauty.
Praise be to you! Amen.

This is part of a prayer of Pope Francis, who died earlier this year, and is from his important pastoral letter (or encyclical) on the care of the earth entitled “*Laudato Si. On Care for Our Common Home*”; published in 2015. *Laudato si* is Latin for “Praise be to You”. The prayer asks God, the creator of all, to help us care for the earth and that he may especially influence those who have economic influence and power. Throughout the Bible it is shown that God has a special care and concern for the poor and disadvantaged. Invariably, these are the ones who are most affected by climate change and the impact of environmental disasters. In this country, we are now into our third heat wave this year and recent flash flooding in Texas has taken the lives of over a hundred people. The increased frequency of such events across the world shows that humanity must change its ways and prayer has a vital role in this.

SERVICES & OPEN CHURCHES FOR THIS WEEK

Sun. 13 th	10.00am	Holy Communion	South Scarle
	10.00am	Morning Worship	Collingham St John the Baptist
	10.15am	Morning Worship	Winthorpe
	10am-noon	Open Church	Collingham St John the Baptist
	10am-4pm	Open Churches	Besthorpe and Gorton
	11am-4pm	Open Church	Thorney
Tues. 15 th	10.00am	Pause for Thought	Collingham All Saints
Thurs. 17 th	1.30-3.30pm	Open Church	Winthorpe
Sat. 19 th	10am-4pm	Open Churches	Besthorpe and Gorton

Open Churches: Holme and Langford churches are open every day, 10am to 4pm.
Collingham All Saints is open every day, whenever the “Church Open” sign is displayed.

NOTICES

DO join us for a Celebration of Re-Ordering at St Helen's Church, Thorney, on Sunday 20th July at 3.00pm. A short service of Thanksgiving and dedication will be led by our Area Dean, Sarah Patten, to be followed by a Tea Party. It would be good to see someone from every Parish to share in our joy. We now have running water, a WC and three newly repaired windows at St Helen's! Please let us know of any dietary requirements beforehand if possible. We look forward to seeing you. Anna (01522 702748) and Anne (01522 703120).

The next two meetings for those who lead our Lay Led Worship are to be: Monday 28th July starting at 7pm and TUESDAY 26TH AUGUST starting at 7.30pm, both at South Scarle. We look forward to seeing anyone who would like to share a time of Bible study and fellowship.

Winthorpe's Pimms and Strawberry Party will be held at church on Saturday 2nd August at 5pm, with entertainment provided by the Hungate Singers. The Raffle will be drawn before 7pm. Tickets cost £10, which includes a glass of Pimms (alcoholic or non-alcoholic) or other soft drink and a bowl of strawberries with cream/ice-cream. Tickets for this popular event are on sale from any Winthorpe PCC member or phone Tisha Applewhite on 01636 643763.

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 20th July – 5th after Trinity

10.00am	Holy Communion	Winthorpe
10.00am	Morning Worship	Collingham All Saints
3.00pm	Celebration of Re-Ordering	Thorney
10am-4pm	Open Churches	Besthorpe and Gorton
11am-4pm	Open Church	Thorney

Readings for next Sunday: Genesis 18.1-10a; Psalm 15; Colossians 1.15-28; Luke 10.38-end.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- ❖ Peace in the Middle East, Ukraine, Russia and all other countries where there is conflict.
- ❖ All those who have died in the recent flash floods in Texas, and for their families and friends.
- ❖ All those struggling with the heat, and for our farmers, caring for their crops.
- ❖ All those known to us who are ill and in need of God's healing care.
- ❖ In our year's mind: Sheila Hewson, James Burton, Paul Vinnicombe, David Gilbert, Michael McCarthy, Ulla Bickel, Julie Barrie.

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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