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GROUP SERVICES FOR OCTOBER 2026

DATE	SWINDERBY	EAGLE	N. SCARLE	THORPE
Oct. 1st		H.C. 10.00a.m.		
Oct. 2nd		Harvest 6.30p.m.		
Oct. 9th			Harvest + Supper 6.30pm.	
Oct. 4th			H.C. 9.30a.m.	M.P. 11.00a.m.
Oct. 11th	H.C. 9.30a.m.	M.P. 11.00a.m.		E.P. 6.30p.m.
Oct. 18th		E.P. 6.00p.m.	M.P. 11.00a.m.	H.C. 9.30a.m.
Oct. 25th	Family Service 4.00p.m.	H.C. 11.00a.m.		

Please read this Service Plan in conjunction with the calendar on the back page

H.C.	Holy Communion	M.P.	Morning Prayer
E.P.	Evening Prayer		Sundays

Additional notes and information:

The online service of Morning Prayer, Monday to Friday at 9.00am, will continue on the North Scarle Facebook page.

Anna Chaplaincy News



Barbara was commissioned as an Anna Chaplain during August. You can read a full account of her journey on the website.

Reminiscence at The Railway

Reminiscence at the Railway will have its inaugural meeting at The Railway Inn, Thorpe on the Hill, on October 5th 3.15 - 4.30pm.

There will be a dementia friendly cuppa. This is a quiet and friendly meeting space for everyone, but especially for people who need a less busy and noisy place and for carers who might benefit from meeting up with others to share concerns and support one another. We will be sharing tea and biscuits.

It will be held on the first Monday of each month 3.15 - 4.30pm. in the Restaurant area in the pub with the generous support of the Railway team.

2026 Dates are 5th October, 2nd November and 7th December.

Barbara

Revd. Andrew writes:

Hello

October always feels a strange month to me, the buzz and excitement of the summer holidays is but a distant memory, harvest services are all but finished, and the business of November and then December are still a few weeks away.

In a way it is an opportune time for a period of reflection, and trying to root ourselves in honesty. This has been a constant theme in recent months where I have been interviewed by a number of news sources about the changes in the shape of ministry in the Church of England. We have seen a glimpse of that with me taking on the role of Oversight Minister for both the Swinderby Group and Withmaside United Parish, a partnership we are calling the Fosseway Parish Partnership. I have been clear in that while there are changes this grouping is perhaps one of the most logical groupings, with many natural links between the different communities. It does mean that Revd Yola and I are spread a little thinner, but with the wonderful support of many within the churches we are seeking ways of serving in the love Jesus revealed.

Many ask what has brought about these changes, put simply the church has moved to a situation where it is asset rich, but cash poor. This is then impacted by falling numbers of regular worshippers contributing. On top of this the escalating costs of maintaining historic buildings is a massive challenge.

In the Fosseway Parish Partnership we are looking at new ways of welcoming people into the worshipping community, and serve those communities.

If people are interested they could perhaps attend one of our services each month, seek to contribute financially via one of the many ways that can be done.

One may even be recognising that the local church is there for you in times of sadness and joy, and the ordinariness of life.

As ever

Andrew

Views From The Pews

SWINDERBY

Coffee Stop – Coffee Stop in Swinderby Church continues on Monday mornings between 10.30am. and 12 noon.

Swinderby Village Lunch – Our next lunch will be on Wednesday 14th October at 12 noon in Swinderby Village Hall. Please let Maureen Fillingham know if you will be joining us, 01522 861711 or 07594 354613. A donation £4.00 will be very welcome.

From Gill

EAGLE

Harvest Festival – Friday 2nd October at 6.30pm. followed by Supper in the Village Hall.

Coffee Stop – Coffee Stop in Eagle Church continues on Tuesday mornings between 10.00am. and 12 noon.

Fellowship Lunch – We look forward to seeing you again on Friday, 30th October, at 12 noon in Eagle Village Hall, price £4.00. Please contact Sue Stiles to book on 869296.

From Jean

NORTH SCARLE

Coffee Morning – The Coffee Morning is on Wednesday 14th October, 10.30 – 12 noon. Everyone welcome.

Harvest Festival

New date - Friday 9th October at 6.30p.m.

**Donations of dried and tinned goods for a local Food Bank
would be much appreciated.**

From Jan

THORPE

Morning and Evening Prayer

Morning prayer 9am broadcast on the North Scarle FB page
<https://www.facebook.com/search/top?q=north%20scarle%20church>

The Church is open for private prayer on weekdays until 5.00pm when Evening Prayer is said – all welcome.

Evening Prayer 5pm when the Church is locked. All welcome.

Taize Style Time of Quiet Reflection and Stillness

Fourth Friday of the month – 23rd October at 5.30 – 6.00p.m. followed by listening space. We will be offering a hot drink and a listening ear, especially to those who are caring for others or have experienced loss.

Mini St. Michael's – meets every Monday 9.30 – 11.00a.m. during term time. No meeting on 26th October.

Knit and Natter – Second Tuesday of the month, 13th October at 1.30 – 3.30p.m. in the Church.

Candle Lit Yoga – Every Thursday in term time at 7.30 – 8.30p.m. in the Church.

Afternoon Tea – Third Wednesday 21st October, 2.30 – 4.00p.m.

Games Night – Fourth Wednesday 28th October, 7 – 9pm. Come and have a digital detox with traditional board games, dominoes and cards. Cake, snacks and hot drinks provided.

From Barbara



These then are the three qualities inherent in every prophet and in the prophetic stream: an encounter with divine love and concern for the world, courage to name oppression, and moral imagination to articulate an alternative future.

Rabbi Nahum Ward-Lev

The 16th century Bible that may have saved the Welsh language

The Spanish Armada may have indirectly helped save the Welsh language.

For at the time when the Spanish were threatening England, Queen Elizabeth 1 decided to commission a Welsh Bible, to help to secure the Church of England's diocese in Wales.

She chose to ask William Morgan, Bishop of Llandaff in 1595 and then St Asaph in 1601. He spent ten years at the task and in the end one thousand copies were printed, and then distributed to every church in Wales.

Nowadays Bishop William Morgan's 16th century Welsh language Bible, *Y Beibl Cyssegr-Ian*, can be found in a farmhouse at Ty Mawr Wybrnant, near Penmachno, in North Wales. The copy at Ty Mawr attracts hundreds of visitors every year and was recently featured in the BBC TV series, "*Hidden Treasures of the National Trust*".

Fflur Medi Owen, programming and partnership officer for the National Trust says that the translation of the Welsh Bible was pivotal for the preservation of the Welsh language. Not only that, but the timing of the translation was significant because the language had become "very dialect-heavy".



From The Hykeham Herald

Church Calendar for October 2026

October 4 th	Trinity 18. Francis of Assisi.
October 11 th	Trinity 19.
October 18 th	Trinity 20. Luke the Evangelist.
October 25 th	Last Sunday after Trinity.
October 28 th	Simon and Jude, Apostles.

From the Registers

Eagle:

<i>Interment of Ashes:</i>	Brian Thomas Butler	21 st August
<i>Renewal of Vows:</i>	Eian and Sandra Green	22 nd August

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Articles for November magazine to reach me by 10th October please.