

Ringstone in Aveland News Sheet

28 June 2020
Third Sunday after Trinity
Celebrating the Patronal Feast of
the Birth of St. John the Baptist



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A message from Revd Neil

Today as we celebrate St John the Baptist, Morton church's patronal festival, we take a tangible step into doing what he himself did in signposting others to Christ.

Today Rippingale and Morton churches open their doors for private prayer for the first time since lockdown.

We know that there have been many people looking to the church through social media and technology during lockdown who had little or no involvement in the church before the pandemic.

Who knows who will come to our churches for prayer? What we do know is that we will be there for any who do come, pointing them towards Jesus.

I cannot think of a better day on which to open our doors again and to say 'Come one and all and meet with our risen Lord'.

Revd Neil

Collect for the Feast of the Birth of St. John the Baptist

Almighty God, by whose providence your servant John the Baptist was wonderfully born, and sent to prepare the way of your Son our Saviour by the preaching of repentance: lead us to repent according to his preaching and, after his example, constantly to speak the truth, boldly to rebuke vice, and patiently to suffer for the truth's sake; 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. **Amen**



Readings for the Feast of the Birth of St. John the Baptist

[Isaiah 40.1-11](#)

[Galatians 3.23-end](#)

[Luke 1.57-66, 80](#)

Click on the reading to
link through to the text

Post Communion Prayer for the Feast of the Birth of St. John the Baptist

Merciful Lord, whose prophet John the Baptist proclaimed your Son as the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world: grant that we who in this sacrament have known your forgiveness and your life-giving love may ever tell of your mercy and your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

From our prayer list. Please pray for...

Eben Atkinson, Sheila Bates, Margaret Brumby, Stephen Buckman, Annie Ewer, Sue Grainge, Paul Hardingham, Annie Hersey, Arthur Jeffries, Imogen Matthews, John Rowntree, Shelagh Sands, Jose Stokes, Bob Tennant, Christine Ward, and for any others whom we name in the silence of our hearts.

We give thanks for those on the road to recovery.

We also remember the souls of all the faithful departed may they rest in peace and rise in glory; and we also pray for those who mourn their loss.

Sharing in Prayer – the Diocesan Prayer Diary. Please pray for

Our Assistant Bishops working across the Diocese

All those working in the tourism industry across the Diocese

The Bishop's Council of Diocesan Trustees

The Church Schools in the Louthesk Deanery

For all ordinands who will today be licensed as Lay Workers pending a service of ordination at a later date: Jane Foster-Smith, Lynne Hawkins, Liz Johnson, Kath Pickering. Jon Speirs-Davies, Teena Twelves, Michelle Webb, Ross Copley, Helen Eke, Lisa Hughes, Barbara Manterfield, Julie Miles, Lynne Smith

The intentions of the following parishes, groups and deaneries: the Deanery of Louthesk; the Binbrook Group; the Fotherby Group

The intentions of all those from outside our diocese but listed in the prayer diary, including the united Church of North India; the churches in North Dakota, Atlanta (USA); Athabasca (Canada); Juba, Attooch, Magwi, Aweil, Awerial (South Sudan); Kabba (Nigeria); North Eastern Caribbean & Aruba (West Indies); North Karamoja, North Kigezi, North Mbale (Uganda); Auckland (Aotearoa NZ & Polynesia); Kadugli & Nuba Mountains (Sudan)

NB a full copy of the diocesan 'Sharing in Prayer' can be [found on our website](#)

Readings for Morning Prayer for this week
(click on the reading to link through to the text)

Monday: [Psalm 71](#); [Isaiah 49.1-6](#); [John 21.15-22](#)

Tuesday: [Psalm 73](#); [Judges 9.1-21](#); [Luke 15.11-end](#)

Wednesday: [Psalm 77](#); [Judges 9.22-end](#); [Luke 16.1-18](#)

Thursday: [Psalm 78.1-39](#); [Judges 11.1-11](#); [Luke 16.19-end](#)

Friday: [Psalm 146](#); [2 Samuel 15.17-21](#); [John 11.1-16](#)

Saturday: [Psalm 76](#); [Judges 12.1-7](#); [Luke 17.11-19](#)

Archdeacon Justine's Resilience A to Z

Justine Allain Chapman suggests practical ways to cope with the mental-health challenges of the pandemic

Accessible through either the Church Times or the Diocese of Lincoln

website: <https://www.churchtimes.co.uk/articles/2020/15-may/comment/opinion/an-a-z-of-resilience-in-lockdown>

or without pictures: <https://www.lincoln.anglican.org/news/resilience-a-z>

Ringstone worship online

While we may not be able to worship in our church buildings, here in the Ringstone group there is a daily act of worship online: Morning Prayer, Monday to Saturday and a streamed Eucharist service every Sunday.

If you would like to join Morning Prayer, please [email Neil](#).

Sunday Eucharist can be viewed either on [Facebook](#), [Youtube](#) (search for the Ringstone in Aveland Group), or on the group website

<https://www.ringstonegroupchurches.org/streamed-services>.

The Eucharist service books can also be viewed and/or downloaded from the [group website](#).

Volunteers needed

Could you act as steward when our churches open for private prayer? We need volunteers to 'man' the churches and welcome those coming for private prayer. This is likely to be Wed morning and Sun afternoon at Morton and Wed evening and Sun morning at Rippingale (final details to be agreed). If you think this is something you might be able to help with, please contact either Jonathan Newell for Rippingale or Revd Neil for Morton.

Please note: If you are in the vulnerable or shielding categories please do not volunteer



Bourne Food Bank

An update: Since the start of the lockdown the Ringstone in Aveland group has donated approx 250kg of food to Bourne Foodbank!! Thank you all for your generosity.

If you are able to leave anything in the boxes as you go on your daily walk around the parish, I will take it to the Food bank on Tuesday or Friday.

Please continue to observe the social distancing advice when you come to drop off.

I am not asking you to risk your health or well-being.

If you would rather give in another way, you can make a gift of money, please see their website <http://www.bournefoodbank.org.uk/page10.html>

Fund raising

St. John the Baptist Church has now set up an online donation page which can be found [here](#). There is also a short video explaining the work that is done, and why help is desperately needed, even though the church buildings are closed. This can be seen on the group website [here](#).

We need you to do two things:

1. Make a donation
2. Share this link as widely as you can and encourage other members of the village community to make a donation.

Communication

www.ringstonegroupchurches.org.

If you have items to be included in the news sheet, please let Sue know by emailing ringstoneoffice@gmail.com before 10am on a Tuesday