Benefice Noticeboard

February

- **~Compline –** Our next Compline will be **Friday 7**th **February** via zoom. If you would like to join us for Compline please email Nicki Phillips at nicki.a.phillips@googlemail.com for the link. Everyone welcome.*
- ~ Wednesday Worship Our next Wednesday Worship will be on Wednesday 12th February 7pm for tea/coffee & cake ready for a 7:30pm start. Because the weather can still be rather cold in February Toni has very kindly offered the use of her house again. So we shall be at 18 North Street, Raunds. Everyone welcome.

~ *Easter Eggs Collection* – St Laurence's Church, Stanwick will once again be collecting Easter Eggs for children in the care system/those known to Social Services. If you are able to provide any Easter Eggs please leave these in St Laurence's or Nicki's porch by the 16th March. All donations gratefully received. Thank you.

Readings for Sunday 9th February The Fourth Sunday Before Lent

Psalm 138 Isaiah 6: 1-end 1 Corinthian 15: 1-11 Luke 5: 1-11



Sunday 2nd February 2025

The Presentation of Christ in the Temple Candlemas

Luke 2: 22-40

Jesus Presented in the Temple

²² When the time came for the purification rites required by the Law of Moses, Joseph and Mary took him to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord ²³ (as it is written in the Law of the Lord, "Every firstborn male is to be consecrated to the Lord"), ²⁴ and to offer a sacrifice in keeping with what is said in the Law of the Lord: "a pair of doves or two young pigeons." ²⁵ Now there was a man in Jerusalem called Simeon, who was righteous and devout. He was waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was on him. ²⁶ It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not die before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. ²⁷ Moved by the Spirit, he went into the temple courts. When the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what the custom of the Law required, ²⁸ Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying:

- ²⁹ "Sovereign Lord, as you have promised, you may now dismiss your servant in peace.
- ³⁰ For my eyes have seen your salvation,
- which you have prepared in the sight of all nations:
- ³² a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and the glory of your people Israel."

³³ The child's father and mother marvelled at what was said about him. ³⁴ Then Simeon blessed them and said to Mary, his mother: "This child is destined to cause the falling and rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be spoken against, ³⁵ so that the thoughts of many hearts will be revealed. And a sword will pierce your own soul too." ³⁶ There was also a prophet, Anna, the daughter of Penuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was very old; she had lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, ³⁷ and then was a widow until she was eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshiped night and day, fasting and praying. ³⁸ Coming up to them at that very moment, she gave thanks to God and spoke about the child to all who were looking forward to the redemption of Jerusalem. ³⁹ When Joseph and Mary had done everything required by the Law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee to their own town of Nazareth. ⁴⁰ And the child grew and became strong; he was filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was on him.

St Peter, Raunds

Churchwardens

Mike Turner Tel. 623289, Andrea Haseldine Tel. 07837 619823

Today 3pm Service for All Ages with Holy Communion

This week

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday 8:50am Collective Worship in St Peter's Academy

Friday Saturday

Sunday 10am Morning Worship

All Hallows, Hargrave

Churchwardens

avitri Pollard Tel. 626960, Helen Parry Tel. 622959

Today: 10am Holy Communion

This Week

Monday

Tuesday 7:30pm Homegroup at Xanadu

Wednesday

Thursday 10:30am Coffee Morning

Friday Saturday

Sunday 10am Morning Worship

Nativity of blessed virgin Mary, Ringstead

Churchwardens

Cliff Harris Tel. 625126, Rosemarie Coles Tel. 624262

Today: 10am Morning Worship

This week

Monday 1:30pm Little Angels

Tuesday Wednesday

Thursday 10:30am Collective Worship in St Mary's

Friday Saturday

Sunday 10am Service for All Ages

St Laurence, Stanwick

Churchwardens

Sam Chambers Tel. 623855

Today: 9:30am Café Church

This Week

Monday

Tuesday 4pm-5:30pm Bell Ringing Practice

Wednesday

Thursday 9:30am Little Treasures Friday 7pm Compline via zoom*

Saturday

Sunday 10am Holy Communion