



Welcome to St Denys, Sleaford Sunday, 22nd February 2026

Service led by
The Rev'd Philip Johnson

Hymns
190, 622, 206, 221

KEY COMMUNITY NOTICES

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER Friday, 6th March 1.30pm at Our Lady

LENT LUNCH - Monday, 23rd Feb 12pm at Our Lady

EMBRACE St.Denys Church supports Embrace who work with disabled and disadvantaged people of all ages throughout the Lands of the Bible. Our lent boxes and envelopes are by the door. If you feel able to support us please take one and return it at Easter. Many thanks, Minyon.

Lent 1

Hymn 1: 190

The Greeting

The Lord be with you

And also with you

The Prayer of Preparation:

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Introduction to Confession

The Prayer of Penitence:

Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed.

We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.

In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.

The Prayer of Absolution

The Kyrie:

Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy,
Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy, Christ, have mercy,
Christ, have mercy, Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy,
Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy.

The Collect of the Day

(This or another collect will be read)

Almighty God,
whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days
in the wilderness,
and was tempted as we are, yet without
sin:
give us grace to discipline ourselves in
obedience to your Spirit;
and, as you know our weakness,
so may we know your power to save;
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

Bible Readings

Genesis 2.15-17

Romans 5.12-19

The Psalm: 32

To follow the psalm please use the
Green Psalm Book The response can be
found on the back page.

Gospel Proclamation

Alleluia x 3

The Gospel Reading

Matthew 4.1-11

The Sermon

The Creed:

We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.
We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.
We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.
We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen

The Prayers of Intercession

Merciful Father, accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son, our Saviour
Jesus Christ. Amen

The Peace

The Offertory Hymn: 622

The collection plate is no longer
passed around. Please see back page
for details of how you can give.

The Eucharistic Prayer

Opening Dialogue:

The Lord be with you
and also with you

Lift up your hearts

we lift them, to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God
it is right to give thanks and praise.

The Preface

The Sanctus & Benedictus

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r
and might, heaven and earth are full,
full of your glory. Hosanna in the
highest, Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name
of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest,
Hosanna in the highest.

The Prayer of Consecration

The Memorial Acclamation:

Christ has died; Christ is risen;
Christ will come again.

The Doxology

The Great Amen: Amen!

The Lord's Prayer:

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass
against us.

And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil. For thine is
the kingdom, the power and the
glory, for ever and ever. Amen

The Breaking of the Bread:

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are
one body, because we all share in
one bread.**

The Agnus Dei:

Lamb of God, you take away the sins
of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins
of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins
of the world: grant us peace.

The Giving of Communion:

Jesus is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to
his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be
healed.**

The Communion Hymn: 206

The Anthem: Take Up Thy Cross - Corp

The Post Communion Prayer

(either this post-communion prayer or
another will be read)

Lord God,
you have renewed us with the living
bread from heaven;
by it you nourish our faith,
increase our hope,
and strengthen our love:
teach us always to hunger for him who
is the true and living bread,
and enable us to live by every word
that proceeds from out of your
mouth;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

The Final Hymn: 221

The Blessing and Dismissal

And the blessing of God almighty; the
Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be
among you and remain with you
always.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Organ Voluntary:

O Mensch, bewein' dein' Sünde gross -
J. S. Bach BWV622



For - give me, O Lord, the guilt of my sin.

HYMNS AND MUSIC

A list of the hymns and music is available on the monthly music list which can be viewed on the website or the noticeboard.
www.sleafordparishchurch.co.uk



DONATIONS

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WEEKLY SERVICES

Sunday, 22nd February 10am Sung Communion

Sunday, 22nd February 5pm Choral Evensong at Helpringham. All welcome

Wednesday, 25th February 10am Said Communion, 2.30pm Memorial Service

Sunday, 1st March 10am Sung Communion

Monday, 2nd March 12pm Funeral Service

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- ♦ In case of fire please exit via the main doors
- ♦ First aid boxes are located in St Hugh's Chapel and in the pew by the Choir Vestry door.
- ♦ The church is fitted with an induction loop. Please turn your hearing aid to the 'T' position.
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