

The Parishes of Swaffham and Sporle

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A warm welcome to our churches.

We are open in Swaffham normally from 9am to 4pm for visitors

<u>Sunday October 4th – Francis of Assisi/Trinity 18</u>	
<u>St. Peter & St. Paul, Swaffham</u>	<u>St. Mary the Virgin, Sporle</u>
9:30am Sung Eucharist Hymns: CP 250, 498, 618, 258	3:00pm Pet Service
6:00pm Evensong, Trinity 18 Hymns: CP 532, 386, 449, 11 Readings: Psalm 136, Proverbs 2.1-11, 1 John 2.1-17	

The Week Ahead

Monday	10:00am Sporle Monday Cafe
Tuesday	3:30pm Jubilate Children's Choir 4:40pm Adult Choir Practice
Wednesday	10:00am Eucharist 2:30pm Bible Discussion Group
Thursday	All Day Fr. Nigel Day Off 10:00am Mother's Union, Baptist Church Rooms
Saturday	9:30am – 12 noon Saturday Morning Coffee & Cake 1:45pm Sirens at the Helm & Nelson's Shantymen 7:30pm Landslide – The Fleetwood Mac Concert

We pray for those who are sick: Kathryn Haynes, Fr. Richard Howells, Molly, Ivan Clarke, Leslie Iles-Hunt, Elaine Miller, Reuben Wheeler, Barry Raphael, Anthony Kershaw

We pray for those who have died: Jimmy Harvey, Bill Smith, Keith Potter, Charles Matthews, Robert Tyrrell, Shirley Smith, Paul Cater

Sunday next 11th October – Trinity 19

9:30am Swaffham Harvest Festival Hymns: MP 106, 806, 732, 147 Readings: Joel 2.21-27, 2 Corinthians 9.6-15, Matthew 6.25-33	11:00am Eucharist, St. Mary's
2:00pm Baptism – Albie, Sonny & Frank Wilson	

Collect

O God, you ever delight to reveal yourself to the child-like and lowly of heart: grant that, following the example of the blessed Francis, we may count the wisdom of this world as foolishness and know only Jesus Christ and him crucified, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Micah 6.6-8

‘With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt-offerings, with calves a year old? Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with tens of thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?’ He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

Galatians 6.14-18

May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God. From now on, let no one make trouble for me; for I carry the marks of Jesus branded on my body. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers and sisters. Amen.

Luke 12.22-34

He said to his disciples, ‘Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear. For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? If then you are not able to do so small a thing as that, why do you worry about the rest? Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is

thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you—you of little faith! And do not keep striving for what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying. For it is the nations of the world that strive after all these things, and your Father knows that you need them. Instead, strive for his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well. 'Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Post Communion

Lord God, you made your church rich through the poverty of blessed Francis: help us like him not to trust in earthly things but to seek your heavenly gifts; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Urgent – Vacancy for Safeguarding Officer – If anyone with some computer skills would like to discuss this essential role, please contact Fr. Nigel.
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Safeguarding Audit – As part of the large Safeguarding Audit being undertaken by the Church of England we are all invited and encouraged to complete an online survey regarding safeguarding in our church. Please could you consider doing this? It will take you about 10 minutes. The link is: <https://ineqe.com/churchofengland/norwich/> Make sure that you put St Peter & St Paul, Swaffham or St Mary's, Sporle as your church and choose the Parish Community survey. Please feel free to share the link with friends and family in Swaffham.

Sidesman 8:00am Services – Is there an 8:00am attendee who would be willing to carry out the Sidesman role?

Thursday 8th October – The next Mother's Union meeting, from 9:30am, onwards for refreshments 10am start. Speaker David Harris, from Medical Detection Dogs, will give an illustrated talk about this important charity that helps people live with a variety of medical conditions. This is an open meeting – ALL WELCOME!

Saturday 10th October, 1:45pm - We Love Concerts presents: Sirens at the Helm & Nelson's Shantymen and at 7:30pm Landslide – The Fleetwood

Mac Concert. For tickets call the Box Office on: 07879 208141 or visit:

www.weloveconcerts.com

Sunday 11th October – Swaffham Harvest Festival, Tinned and/or packet Harvest gifts welcomed.

Sunday 11th October 3pm – Mirliton Flute Group play a programme “Dance music throughout the age” in Sporle Church. Retiring collection.

Saturday 17th October 3pm – Organ recital by Thomas Burt, guest organist from West Norfolk. Free entry with retiring collection in aid of the organ fund.

100 Club Winning Numbers – 1st 10, 2nd 19, 3rd 67 – Congratulations!

Saturday Morning Coffee & Cake – Plea for bakers to make the occasional cake for the Saturday morning coffees, if you can help in any way please speak to Susan or Veronica – thank you.

Second Collection, September – Emmaus, £81 was collected, thank you.

Second Collection October – YANA, You Are Not Alone. Supporting those working in agriculture and rural businesses across East Anglia. Launched in 2008, YANA helps to improve mental health and wellbeing in farming and rural communities, where people can often feel isolated and under pressure.

Bible Discussion Group – The next meeting is Wednesday October 7th at 15 Wroxham Avenue, Swaffham at 2.30pm. If you like to try a taster session, please ask Ralph Clarke or Rev John Handley.

Safeguarding Information – Statutory safeguarding information is displayed at the back of both Swaffham and Sporle Churches, along with a file with general safeguarding information in Swaffham Church. Please do not remove any of the contents or the file itself. If you have any concerns please contact the Parish Safeguarding officer Sporle: Denise Corsini on 07969 083121. For Swaffham: Sue Brice, Diocesan Safeguarding Officer on 01603 882345 or email safeguarding@diocesesofnorwich.org during the vacancy.

Additions for the Pew Sheet – If you have anyone you wish to add to the sick or departed lists, or an event/notice you wish to advertise here, please send the information before 1200 on Thursday to Jo, the Parish Administrator at: swaffhamparishchurch@gmail.com or give the information to the vicar or churchwardens. This allows time for inputting, checking and printing, thank you. www.swaffhamparishchurch.org