



## All Saints' with St John's, Stamford



All Saints' is a single church benefice in the beautiful town of Stamford, Lincolnshire. Christians have worshipped here since 1100. Our parish is the largest in Stamford and we minister to three care homes, two schools (one our Church school, St Gilbert's) and our alms-house (Browne's Hospital). All Saints' worship is in the choral Anglican tradition and is served by several priests all from different traditions within the church, this makes All Saints' truly Anglican!

### **Our mission: Welcoming, Supportive, Inclusive, Godly**

Our mission developed four years ago and we work hard to be this in Stamford. This drives our ministries and shapes who we are and what we do.



Our current ministries include running a weekly Coffee Bar in church, hosting Warm Space every Monday and leading Lego Church at St Gilbert's School. This year we had a Holiday Bible Club during the summer as part of our outreach. We are also involved with Stamford Foodbank, which runs from our parish centre. We are involved with St Gilbert's School in lots of different ways, civic services and events across the town, services at Browne's Hospital and creating a space in St John's Garden for quiet reflection and prayer. We

have two resident peregrines who live on the tower and attract much interest and opportunity to engage further with visitors. In each of these aspects we try to be welcoming as possible and engage positively with our town to share our faith with them.





Worship is central to who we are. It supports, challenges and equips us. We have three services per week; Sunday morning Sung Eucharist with robe choir led by our gifted Director of Music, Thursday morning Said Eucharist and Sunday evening worship, which has a different format each week. Morning Prayer is prayed daily and we have a monthly prayer meeting.

In everything that All Saints' is and does, we try to be supportive to the community. This comes through traditional ways, such as weddings, baptisms and funerals, along with weekly Bible Studies, retreat days, pastoral visits and Home Communion. We also enjoy social events including wine tasting, quiz nights, Burn's Supper and walks at Burghley.



Our Youth and Children's programme is led by our Youth and Children's worker who is always looking at engaging more with our community. This includes running Sunday School (Sunday Saints') toddler group (Little Saints') youth group, yearly Churches Together School's Festival, Scout Group and working with the schools in the parish and town.

All Saints' is a large and busy parish. It is always prayerfully thinking through where God is leading us and what He is inviting us to be and to do. Perhaps you can come and share in this ministry with us?

