

The Louth Herald



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Congratulations to Revd Canon Nick Brown here with his family at his installation in Lincoln Cathedral.

ADVENT SUNDAY:
1st December 2019



Darkness to LIGHT

at 6pm

**Music and Readings for Advent,
preparing for the Christmas Season**

As we prepare to remember the birth of Christ at the great festival of Christmas we gather together to celebrate the light that shines in darkness. Come and reflect on the deeper meaning of the season ahead.

Christmas at St James



6th - 8th December 2019

Christmas Tree Festival in St James

Friday 6th December

- ▶ Open 10 30am to 4pm – FREE ADMISSION
- ▶ EVENING EVENT at 7 30pm – Tickets on door

Saturday 7th December

- ▶ Open 10 30am to 4pm – FREE ADMISSION

Sunday 8th December

- ▶ MORNING SERVICE: Sung Eucharist at 10am
- ▶ Open 11 30am to 4pm – FREE ADMISSION
- ▶ CHRISTINGLE SERVICE at 4pm
- ▶ EVENING SERVICE: Choral Evensong at 6pm



CHURCHES TOGETHER
in LOUTH & DISTRICT

Thursday 19th December 2019

CAROLS FOR ALL:

A Carol Service for all the town

7 30pm in

The Parish Church of Louth St James

'Love came down at Christmas'

www.christmasinlouth.org.uk

24th December: CHRISTMAS EVE

4pm Carols at the Crib
11 30pm Midnight Eucharist

25th December: CHRISTMAS DAY

10am Christmas Day Service,
with Holy Communion

THE HERALD WOULD LIKE TO WISH ALL ITS READERS A VERY HAPPY CHRISTMAN AND A PEACEFUL NEW YEAR.

The Ministry Team serving the Parish of Louth

Team Chapter

The Rev'd Nick Brown

Parish Priest: Team Rector of Louth

The Rectory, 49 Westgate, Louth, LN11 9YE.

Tel.: 603213

E-mail: nick.brown@teamparishoflouth.org.uk

Nick is responsible for oversight of the work of the Church in the Parish of Louth, including its life of prayer and worship. As Civic Chaplain, he is responsible for engagement with Louth Town Council and other civic bodies. Nick is also Rural Dean of Louthesk.

Greg Gilbert

Community Outreach Manager

Trinity Centre, Eastgate, Louth

Tel.: 605803 or 610752

E-mail: greg.gilbert@teamparishoflouth.org.uk

Responsible for developing the programme of social outreach, dialogue with local authority and third sector partners, and exploring ways in which the Church can reach out to the communities it serves.

Parish Ministry Team

The Rev'd Canon Alan Hayday Hon. Assistant

Tel.: 600877

Priest (PTO)

Alan assists within the Parish of Louth as well as more widely in the Deanery of Louthesk.

The Rev'd Robert Mansfield Hon. Assistant

Tel.: 327533

Priest (PTO)

Responsible for ministry to the congregations of St Andrew's, Stewton and St. Michael's in Louth. Robert also works as an Approved Mental Health Professional working for the NHS.

The Rev'd Ian Partridge Hon. Asst Priest (PTO)

Tel.: 600398

Ian assists in many aspects of the Church's ministry in Louth, and has contributed to our work with KEVIGS.

The Rev'd Chris Wedge Hon. Asst Priest (PTO)

Tel.:

Sylvia Pounds

Mob: 07771 549947

Lay Reader

Responsible for ministry to the congregation of St Martin's, Welton le Wold and co-ordinating the provision of communion to the sick across the Parish.

Paul Hill

Tel.: 605222

Lay Reader (PTO)

Responsible for co-ordinating activities to encourage Discipleship across the Parish of Louth.

Ronnie Partridge

Tel.: 600398

Lay Reader (PTO)

Jill Trafford

Tel.: 605803

Centre Administrator

Responsible for the efficient management of Trinity Centre, and assisting in the work taking place there and in the Parish

E-mail: trinity@teamparishoflouth.org.uk

Sam Gilbert

Tel.: 605803

Programme Administrator

Responsible for the projects taking place within the Centre

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Ministers in training

Arabella Milbank Robinson Assistant Curate

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Arabella joined the Ministry Team in Louth and has taken responsibility for much of our work with families and young people (including working with Primary Schools in the town), alongside leading the Pastoral Team at St James'. We also benefit from the depth of her knowledge as we seek to grow in discipleship, and she contributes to many of our teaching and learning activities.

Officers and Representatives in the Parish of Louth

PCC Secretary	Jennifer Goodwin	605254	PCC Treasurer	Mike Crosby	-----
PCC Safeguarding Officer	Greg Gilbert	605803 or 610752	Herald Editor	Stuart Sizer	604624
Churches Together Reps	Eileen Byrne 605371 and Jill Day 603998				
WW Day of Prayer Rep	Jennifer Goodwin	605254			

Some notes from the Rectory...

A couple of months ago I wrote about how our 'gut feeling' about the depth of meaning in our own experience can lead us to faith in God, but that for some deeper reasons are desired. One such further source area where the presence of God can be seen is by his action as creator. The theistic interpretation of creation is, paradoxically, both the strongest reason for belief in God and the widest source of doubt for agnostics or refusal of belief by atheists. Despite the contrary claims made by science there are still sizable numbers of Christians who read the bible literally when, in Genesis, the creation of the world by God is described in terms of the seven days of the week. This biblical literalism, whilst a comfort to many, also provides an insurmountable hurdle to those without faith who cannot reconcile this telling of creation to the more credible explanations given by scientific deduction. This has led to a perceived conflict between religious belief and scientific knowledge that is not helpful to many of those seeking to understand God in the modern world. The theory that God is proven by the very nature of a designed universe is a 'proof' that develops the scientific knowledge of the 'process' of creation as an explanation of the working out of the creator's plan – by this method of explanation the creation of the world can be seen either as a continuous process that is still in progress or a pattern that was established in eternity and is constantly being worked out. A connected theory argues that the probability that such a complex system as supports life must have an ultimate, guiding force in the form of God.

In addition to the more easily grasped philosophical arguments for the existence of God there are more complex philosophical arguments that revolve around the idea of what 'God' is. In essence these arguments lead to the deduction that by very definition God must exist either because he is the most perfect being or that God is the originating force of all that is. The argument that God exists because God is the most perfect being revolves around the truth of the following statements: (a) God is the most perfect thing and (b) Something that exists is more perfect than something that does not - therefore God must exist. The philosophical argument that God is by definition the source of life aligns in many ways with the historic understanding of the monotheistic faiths but also encompasses the idea within modern physics that there is a formula for all life – read together these, complementary patterns, can be used to argue that science is the exploration of how God (and the world) works in mechanical detail rather than in the broader explanation that is possible by bringing the understanding of faith to bear on situations.

By way of summary there are many ways that belief in God can be explained or justified by the believer – there is no conclusive proof that can be used other than personal experience. It is also possible to see science and religious experience as complementary as long as neither is used in a fundamentalist manner. It is also clear that our own experiences and spiritual development will inform us in different ways and these will lead to variances with others who are seeking the same ends from a different perspective. As we approach and travel through the Christmas season, we are invited to encounter God through love – a perfect love revealed to us in the humanity of Jesus. It is this love – a love that we can follow through from Christmas to Easter – that gives us meaning, and calls us to open our hearts, that they may be transformed by that same love. Let us open our hearts to that gracious gift made known to us – that we might see beyond the immediate and glimpse the possibility that comes through faith in God.



THE MERIDIAN SINGERS

Plus "Josh and Jo"

Present

"A Christmas Cracker Performance"

Saturday December 14th 7.30pm

Nichol Hill, Louth

Tickets £10, to include seasonal refreshments

From Pat Neal 01507 610143

Or from any choir member



LOUTH CHAMBER CHOIR

LINCOLNSHIRE CHAMBER PLAYERS

Leader: Chris Rogers

Conductor: Frederic Goodwin

**A FEAST OF MUSIC
FOR ADVENT AND
CHRISTMAS**

J S Bach: Christmas Oratorio (Part 2)
Mendelssohn: When Jesus our Lord was born in Bethlehem
Handel: Concerto Grosso in C major
Berlioz: The Shepherds' Farewell
Goodwin: There is no rose of such virtue
Carols by Herbert Howells, Arthur Oldham, R L Pearsall,
Armstrong Gibbs
Motets by Richard Dering, Jacob Handl

**ST JAMES'S CHURCH, LOUTH
SUNDAY 15 DECEMBER, 7.30 pm**

Admission by programme, £10,
from members of the choir or at the door.
Accompanied children free.

"Churches Without Walls"

Centering Prayer & Contemplative Meditation: Open to All

We meet from 7.00pm till 9.00pm, once a week (though the days vary), at St James'

"Come and see!" (Jn 1:39,46;4:29)

For more details, and any questions or enquiries, etc, Rev Deacon James Hunter
(email:james.hunter200@btinternet.com)



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PARISH REGISTERS

NOVEMBER 2019

BAPTISMS

3rd Nov. Ella Rose Davis

22nd Nov. Esmay Vicky Joy Josephine Clark

WEDDINGS/ BLESSINGS

There were no weddings this month

FUNERALS

5th Nov. Shirley Kathleen Williams

13th Nov. Audrey Jean Rosemary Rodwell

22nd Nov. Elsie May Moncaster

26th Nov. Gwendoline May Lobb "Gwen"

26th Nov. Zari Vincent

28th Nov. Alice Ashwood

29th Nov. Olga Baker

In November, the South Elkington meeting was started with a minute's silence for Pru Wormall, a longstanding member who recently passed away. We then welcomed speakers from the International Bomber Command Centre at Lincoln (IBCC). The two speakers gave a very insightful and thoughtful talk of their work as tour guides at IBCC. It really brought it home to us how dangerous it was to be a member of Bomber Command when we were informed there were nearly 58,000 names on the memorial and the life expectancy of the Bomber Command crew was only several weeks when taking part in bombing missions. The centre is certainly well worth a visit. Members have also been busy in the last few weeks crocheting and knitting poppies to decorate the arch at the entrance to South Elkington church and also the war memorial which were both looking lovely in the autumn sunshine.

The ladies at South Elkington W.I decorated South Elkington church and war memorial for Remembrance Day.



Christmas Tree Festival 2019

Friday December 6th 10.30-4.00pm

evening event 7.30-9.00pm

Saturday December 7th 10.30-4.00pm

Sunday December 8th 11.30- 4.00pm

Christingle Service 4.00pm

Come along and bring your friends and families to enjoy what we hope will be an even more spectacular event than last year.



There will be live music, a Raffle, Tombola and refreshments available throughout the Festival. With this in mind we urgently need Raffle and Tombola prizes and if you can offer a couple of hours to help us to man the event we would be very grateful. There is a box next to the west door for donations to the Raffle & Tombola

Please contact Jane Fletcher
(cjanefletcher@btinternet.com) 07896804915

Sue Hamilton (susieham1854@gmail.com)
07985247722 or

Greg Gilbert (greg.gilbert@teamparishoflouth.org.uk)
to discuss the ways in which you would be willing to support the event.

Simon Neal, who followed his father's tradition as a treble head chorister in St, James's Church choir, is now a professional baritone.

Whilst he lives in Louth, he sings major roles mainly in Germany. However, he is singing

again, in Covent Garden in March 2020 as Don Pizzaro in "Fidelio" which is Beethoven's only opera, but a very good one. Simon has previously sung this role in Sydney Opera House. The

six performances at Covent Garden are virtually sold out, but there is opportunity to see the opera at the Playhouse as it is being live streamed on Tuesday, March 17th.

For more information visit his website
Simon Neal Baritone!



Parish Church of Louth St. James

A place of prayer and worship – A place to be touched by God – A community of faith

Church Officers:

Churchwarden	Jeannie Gurnham	609622
Asst Churchwardens	Jane Fletcher	-----
	Frances Green	-----
	Richard Gurnham	-----
	Robert Haynes	603118
DCC Secretary	Tiffany Noden	610247
ER Officer	Mary Haynes	603118
DCC Treasurer	Julie Speakman	610247

Prayer and Worship:

Vergers	Dale Walker	-----
	Shane Yallop	-----
	Gary Williams	-----
Hon. Asst. Vergers	Kate Clarke	-----
	Alan Durrant	-----
	Chris Marshall	-----
Master of the Choristers		
	Allan Smith	610247
Organist	Phil Hotham	07434 969323
Associate Organist	Barry Whitfield	-----
Organist Emeritus	Fred Goodwin	-----
Church Flowers	Jennifer Goodwin	605254
Bellringers	Mick/Jill Day	603998

Ministry to Visitors:

Coffee Shop	Sue Hamilton and	07985 247722
	Sue French	606338
Gift Shop	Mary Haynes	603118
Church Guides	Stuart Sizer	604624

Church Organisations and Groups that are part our wider church community:

Parent & Toddler Gp	Stacey Drew	-----
St. James's Guild	Jane Fletcher	-----
	Jeannie Gurnham	609622
Church bookings	Kate Clarke	604597
Church Hse Bookings	Julie Speakman (Office)	610247
Friends of St. James's Church, Secretary		
	Carole Romaine	604315

Services and Regular Activities

Sunday

8 30am	Holy Communion: 4th Sunday only
10am	MORNING SERVICE (normally Sung Eucharist)
6pm	EVENING SERVICE (normally Choral Evensong)

Tuesday

11am	Holy Communion
7 30pm	Compline: every 3rd Tues of the month

Thursday

10am	Parent and Toddlers in Church Hse
10 30am	'Craft and Chatter' in Coffee Shop

Saturday

12 30pm	Midday Prayer
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Morning Prayer is normally prayed at 8 30am on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

Parish Church of St. Michael, Louth

Church Officers:

Churchwardens	Brian Luckwell	607619
	Sylvia Luckwell	607619
DCC Secretary	VACANT	
DCC Treasurer	Sylvia Luckwell	607619
Organist	VACANT	
Flowers	Sylvia Luckwell	607619

Services and Regular Activities

Sunday

9 30am	SUNG MASS
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Parish Church of St. Andrew, Stewton

Church Officers:

Churchwardens	Dorothy Mansfield	327533
	Jane Rushby	327208
DCC Treasurer	Jane Rushby	327208
ER Officer	Dorothy Mansfield	327533
Organist	Fred Goodwin	-----

Services and Regular Activities

Sunday

11am HOLY COMMUNION: 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays

Monday

5 30pm Book Club: 2nd Monday of month

Tuesday

10am Community Coffee: 4th Tuesday

Parish Church of All Saints, South Elkington

Church Officers:

Churchwardens	Charles Dobson	604632
	Anthony Doherty	-----
DCC Secretary	Amy Jobe	606348
DCC Treasurer	Caroline Blenkhorn	-----
ER Officer	Amy Jobe	606348
Verger	Jill Day	603998
Organist	Craig Pillans	-----
Church Flowers	Peeby Myers	607331
Church Inst. Bookings	Charles Dobson	604632

Regular Services

Sunday

11am HOLY COMMUNION: 2nd Sunday

11am MATINS (BCP): 4th Sunday

Parish Church of St. Martin, Welton le Wold

Church Officers:

Churchwarden	Alastair Kerr	-----
DCC Secretary and Treasurer		
	Peter Taylor	609280
ER Officer	Peter Taylor	609280
Organists	David Wormell/David Dickinson	
Church Flowers	Pat Cave	610275

Regular Services

Sunday

11am MORNING PRAYER: 2nd Sunday

11am HOLY COMMUNION: 4th Sunday

Trinity Centre, incorporating The Chapel of The Holy Trinity, Louth

Centre Staff:

Community Outreach Manager		
	Greg Gilbert	605803
Centre Administrator (including all bookings)		
	Jill Trafford	605803
Programme Co-Ordinator		
	Sam Gilbert	605803

Services and Regular Activities

Tuesday

8 30am MORNING PRAYER

11am HOLY COMMUNION: 1st Tuesday

12noon 'Tasty Tuesday': 1st Tuesday only

Wednesday

10am 'Wednesday Drop-in'

1pm 'Health Walk'

2pm 'Memories Matter'

Friday

12noon 'Fish on Friday'

Saturday

10 45am MESSY CHURCH: 2nd Saturday

Details of other activities are on the website.

*****'Grab a Preacher'*****

After Sunday services, the preacher will (whenever possible) stay behind in church over a coffee.
Please join them if you have any questions or puzzlements about what you heard in the sermon.

Services for DECEMBER 2019

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	8 th DECEMBER 2 nd Sunday of Advent	15 th DECEMBER 3 rd Sunday of Advent	22 nd DECEMBER 4 th Sunday of Advent	Tuesday 24 th DECEMBER CHRISTMAS EVE
Sunday in the town of Louth...	<p>9 30am Mass at St. Michael's 10am SUNG EUCHARIST Rejoice in the Lord always Anon Salisbury Service Ives The Advent Prose Plainsong Hymns: 34; 58; 59; (393); 37</p> <p>4pm CHRISTINGLE SERVICE No choir</p> <p>6pm CHORAL EVENSONG Plainsong Responses Psalm 11 Canticles with faubourdon's Morley Rejoice in the Lord always Purcell Hymns 25; 36; 39; 13</p>	<p>9 30am Mass at St. Michael's 10am SUNG EUCHARIST Remember, O thou man Ravenscroft Alvingham Service Goodwin Zion hears the watchmen's voices Bach Hymns 27; 25; 29; (from sheet); 563</p> <p>12 30pm Baptism</p> <p>6pm EVENING PRAYER No choir</p> <p>7 30pm Concert by Louth Chamber Choir</p>	<p>8 30am Holy Communion 9 30am Mass at St. Michael's 10am SUNG EUCHARIST When the angel came to Mary Trad. arr Goodwin Mass of St. Anne MacMillan I sing of a maiden Berkeley Hymns 241; 362; 238; (244ii); 32</p> <p>12 30pm Baptism</p> <p>6pm CHORAL EVENSONG Plainsong Responses Psalm 113 Magnificat with antiphon Plainsong Nunc Dimittis Plainsong O radiant dawn MacMillan Hymns 17; 16</p>	<p>8 30am MORNING PRAYER at Holy Trinity 11am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP) 3 30pm CRIB SERVICE at St Michael's 4pm CAROLS AT THE CRIB 6pm PROCESSION AND BLESSING OF THE CRIB at St Michael's 11 30pm MIDNIGHT EUCHARIST Ding dong! Merrily on high Trad. arr. Wood Darke in F The Lord at first did Adam make Nardone There is no rose Goodwin Hymns from sheet</p>
In the villages... During the week...	<p>11am Holy Communion at South Elkington 11am Morning Prayer at Welton le Wold</p> <p>Monday 9th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER</p> <p>Tuesday 10th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER at Holy Trinity 11am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP), followed by Ministry Team Meeting</p> <p>Wednesday 11th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER 11am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP) at Holy Trinity, followed by 'Memories Matter Lunch'</p> <p>Thursday 12th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER and Litany</p> <p>Friday 13th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER and Litany</p> <p>Saturday 14th 10 45am MESSY CHURCH at Trinity Centre 12 30pm MIDDAY PRAYER</p>	<p>3pm Carol Service at Stewton</p> <p>Monday 16th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER</p> <p>Tuesday 17th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER at Holy Trinity 11am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP), followed by Mission Community Chapter Meeting 7 30pm COMPLINE with Address</p> <p>Wednesday 18th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER</p> <p>Thursday 19th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER</p> <p>7 30pm CAROLS FOR ALL: A Carol Service for all the town Music including: Adam lay y'bounden Ord When the angel came to Mary Trad arr Goodwin A maiden most gentle Carter Whence is that goodly fragrance Sumston Come leave your sheep Leighton The Three Kings Cornelius</p> <p>Friday 25th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER and Litany</p> <p>Saturday 26th 12 30pm MIDDAY PRAYER</p>	<p>6pm Carol Service at South Elkington 6pm Carol Service at Welton le Wold</p> <p>Monday 23rd 8 30am MORNING PRAYER</p>	<p>9 30am HOLY COMMUNION at Stewton 10am CHRISTMAS DAY COMMUNION Choir Up! Good Christen folk Trad. arr. Woodward Mass of St Anne MacMillan In the bleak midwinter Darke Hymns from sheet</p> <p>11am HOLY COMMUNION at South Elkington and Welton le Wold</p> <p>Thursday 26th NO MORNING PRAYER STEPHEN, Martyr</p> <p>Friday 27th NO MORNING PRAYER and Litany JOHN, Evangelist</p> <p>Saturday 28th 12 30pm MIDDAY PRAYER HOLY INNOCENTS</p> <p>29th DECEMBER 1st Sunday of Christmas</p> <p>10 30am PARISH EUCHARIST FOR CHRISTMAS-TIDE at St Michael's</p> <p>6pm EVENING PRAYER No choir</p>
				<p>Wednesday 25th DECEMBER CHRISTMAS DAY</p>

The Rev'd Nick Brown BMA 15 874 MA FMAUTCL FRSA, Rector of Louth
The Rev'd Dr Arabella Milbank Robinson MA MPhil PhD, Assistant Curate

Allan Smith BA PGDip, Master of the Choristers
Phillip Hotham, Organist

Services for DECEMBER 2019 and JANUARY 2020

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	29 th DECEMBER 1 st Sunday of Christmas	5 th JANUARY 2 nd Sunday of Christmas	12 th JANUARY 1 st Sunday of Epiphany	19 th JANUARY 2 nd Sunday of Epiphany
Sunday in the town of Louth...	<p>10.30am PARISH EUCHARIST FOR CHRISTMAS-TIDE at St Michael's</p> <p>6pm EVENING PRAYER</p>	<p>9.30am Mass at St. Michael's</p> <p>10am EUCHARIST with hymns</p> <p>3pm Baptism at St Michael's</p> <p>6pm EPIPHANY SERVICE</p>	<p>9.30am Mass at St. Michael's</p> <p>10am SUNG EUCHARIST</p> <p>12.30pm Baptism</p> <p>6pm CHORAL EVENSONG</p>	<p>9.30am Mass at St. Michael's</p> <p>10am SUNG EUCHARIST</p> <p>12.30pm Baptism</p> <p>6pm CHORAL EVENSONG</p>
In the villages...		<p>11am Holy Communion at Stewton</p>	<p>11am Holy Communion at South Elkington</p> <p>11am Morning Prayer at Welton le Wold</p>	<p>11am Holy Communion at Stewton</p>
During the week...	<p>Monday 30th NO MORNING PRAYER</p> <p>Tuesday 31st NO MORNING PRAYER at Holy Trinity</p> <p>11am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)</p> <p>Wednesday 1st January 2020 NO MORNING PRAYER</p> <p>Thursday 2nd 8.30am MORNING PRAYER</p> <p>Friday 3rd 8.30am MORNING PRAYER and Litany</p> <p>Saturday 4th 12.30pm MIDDAY PRAYER</p>	<p>Monday 6th 8.30am MORNING PRAYER</p> <p>Tuesday 7th 7.30pm DEANERY EUCHARIST at ??????</p> <p>Tuesday 7th 8.30am MORNING PRAYER at Holy Trinity</p> <p>11am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP) at Holy Trinity, followed by 'Tasty Tuesday'</p> <p>Wednesday 8th 8.30am MORNING PRAYER</p> <p>11am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP) at Holy Trinity, followed by 'Memories Matter Lunch'</p> <p>Thursday 9th 8.30am MORNING PRAYER</p> <p>Friday 10th 8.30am MORNING PRAYER and Litany</p> <p>Saturday 11th 10.45am MESSY CHURCH at Trinity Centre</p> <p>12.30pm MIDDAY PRAYER</p>	<p>Monday 13th 8.30am MORNING PRAYER</p> <p>Tuesday 14th 8.30am MORNING PRAYER at Holy Trinity</p> <p>11am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP), followed by Ministry Team Meeting</p> <p>Wednesday 15th 8.30am MORNING PRAYER</p> <p>Thursday 16th 8.30am MORNING PRAYER</p> <p>Friday 17th 8.30am MORNING PRAYER and Litany</p> <p>Saturday 18th 12.30pm MIDDAY PRAYER</p>	<p>Monday 20th 8.30am MORNING PRAYER</p> <p>Tuesday 21st 8.30am MORNING PRAYER at Holy Trinity</p> <p>11am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)</p> <p>7.30pm ADDRESS & COMPLINE, followed by discussion</p> <p>Wednesday 22nd 8.30am MORNING PRAYER</p> <p>Thursday 23rd 8.30am MORNING PRAYER</p> <p>Friday 24th 8.30am MORNING PRAYER and Litany</p> <p>Saturday 25th 12.30pm HOLY COMMUNION</p>

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Philip Hotham, Organist

Services for JANUARY and FEBRUARY 2020

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	26 th JANUARY 3 rd Sunday of Epiphany	2 nd FEBRUARY THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE (Purification of Mary)	9 th FEBRUARY 3 rd Sunday before Lent (Septuagesima)	16 th FEBRUARY 2 nd before Lent (Sexagesima)
Sunday in the town of Louth...	<p>8 30am Holy Communion</p> <p>9 30am Mass at St. Michael's</p> <p>10am SUNG EUCHARIST The Three Kings Cornelius Salisbury Service Ives Whence is that goodly fragrance Sumston Hymns 233; 411; 606; (318); 430</p> <p>12 30pm Baptism</p> <p>6pm CHORAL EVENSONG Sonders Responses Psalm 33* Watson in E Bethlehem down Warlock Hymns 490; 534t; 424; 18</p>	<p>9 30am Mass at St. Michael's</p> <p>10am SUNG EUCHARIST Cantate Domino Pitoni Avingham Service Goodwin Sing lullaby Pettman Hymns 2; 360; 426; (244i); 80 omit*</p> <p>3pm Baptism at St Michael's</p> <p>6pm FESTAL EVENSONG Boys and Adults When to the temple Mary went Eccard Rose Responses Psalm 122 Stanford in B flat O thou the central orb Wood Hymns 44; 244i; 17</p>	<p>9 30am Mass at St. Michael's</p> <p>10am SUNG EUCHARIST Teach me, O Lord Altwood Mass of St Anne MacMillan The Father's Love Lole Hymns 492; 393; 396; (309); 466</p> <p>12 30pm Baptism</p> <p>6pm CHORAL EVENSONG Radcliffe Responses Psalm 4 Dorian Service Tallis Expectans expectavi Wood Hymns 455; 532; 19</p>	<p>9 30am Mass at St. Michael's</p> <p>10am EUCHARIST with hymns Hymns 260; 498; 249; (324); 250</p> <p>No choir</p>
In the villages...	<p>11am Matins at South Elkington</p> <p>11am Holy Communion at Welton le Wold</p>	<p>11am Holy Communion at Stewton</p>	<p>11am Holy Communion at South Elkington</p> <p>11am Morning Prayer at Welton le Wold</p>	<p>11am Holy Communion at Stewton</p>
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Snippets from Stewton

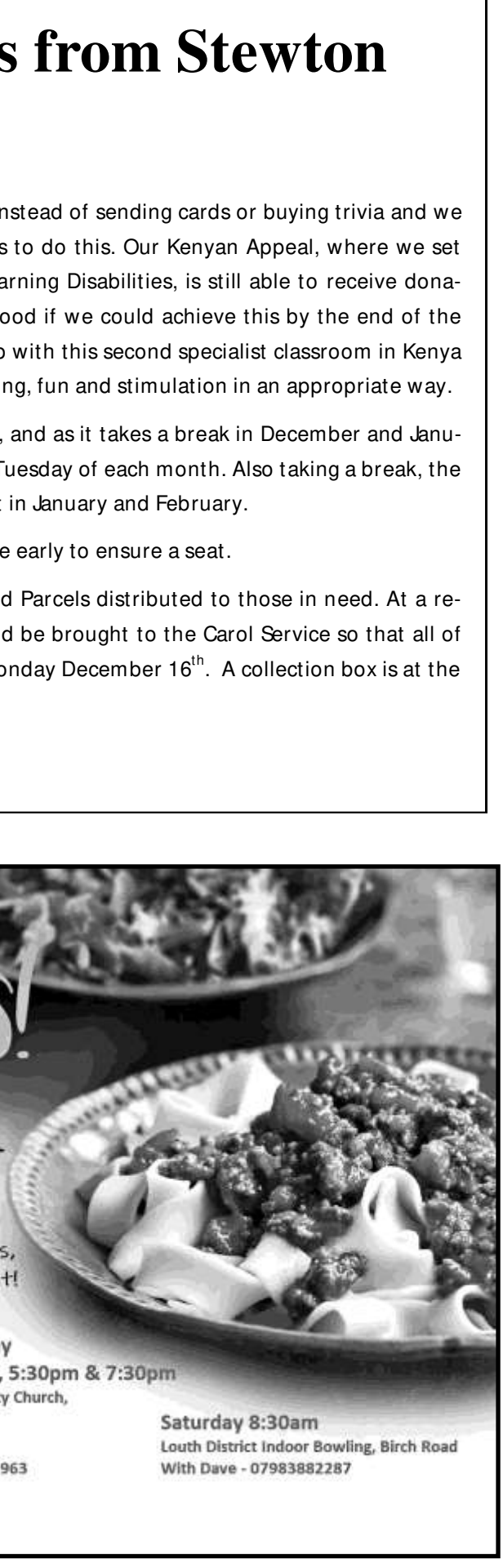
At Christmas many people decide to donate to good causes instead of sending cards or buying trivia and we know that some of you will be able to use the local churches to do this. Our Kenyan Appeal, where we set out to raise £5000 to build a classroom for children with Learning Disabilities, is still able to receive donations. We have almost reached our target and it would be good if we could achieve this by the end of the year. That way we will have a clearer idea of how we can help with this second specialist classroom in Kenya where children with learning disabilities can experience learning, fun and stimulation in an appropriate way.

November saw the final Community Coffee event of the year, and as it takes a break in December and January, we look forward to February when it re-starts on the 4th Tuesday of each month. Also taking a break, the Book Club will meet on 9th December at 5.30pm but has a rest in January and February.

Our popular Carol Service on December 15th is at 3pm so come early to ensure a seat.

Again, this year we will be contributing to the Christmas Food Parcels distributed to those in need. At a recent meeting it was agreed that Christmas related food could be brought to the Carol Service so that all of the items will be taken to Trinity Centre on the morning of Monday December 16th. A collection box is at the back of the church for such gifts.

Christmas Day Communion is at 9.30am.



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Friends of St James Church Shop

The Friends Shop sells as many fairly traded goods as possible as well as gifts made from sustainable sources and from recycled materials. Why not check out unusual presents and help to make a difference to small producers from around the world

Recycled bike chains made into bookends, clothes hooks, trivets and key rings make excellent presents for cycling enthusiasts as do the bamboo socks with bikes for decoration.

Children crayons have been given another life as coasters and little boxes.

Bamboo is turned into socks, toothbrushes, whistles, scarves and even toilet paper!

Jute shopping bags and Indian newspaper gift bags are all popular items especially for cat lovers and everyone wanting to save our bees. We also stock childrens' rucksacks and purses which could be filled with Divine Chocolate or chocolate angels.

Soapstone has been made into unicorns and dinosaurs which are just the thing for mini gifts

Along with glitter boxes from India.

There are Advent calendars and Friends Christmas cards some of which have already sold out but are now being reprinted. These are just the thing for friends and family no longer enjoying the delights of lovely Louth.

A warm welcome awaits in the shop so please don't rush past on your way to the Cards for Good Causes Corner. You will be surprised by what you find! Alternatively come and see us when you visit the Christmas Tree Festival when all the decorations on the Friends tree will be for sale.

Activities for December at the Trinity centre

- 2/ 12 9:30-11 Tots group, casual play session £1
- 3/ 12 11am Tasty Tuesday Christmas lunch, a friendly lunch club with entertainment, £6
- 4/ 12 2-4pm Memories matter dementia group £1
- 6/ 12 11am Fish on Friday, a friendly meal followed by bingo £5.60
- 7/ 12 Volunteers party for all of our volunteers! Please contact sam at trinity for details
- 11/ 12 12-2pm Memories matter dementia group Christmas lunch £3
- 13/ 12 11am Fish on Friday Christmas party! £5.60
- 14/ 12 Messy church 10:45-1pm
- 16/ 12 9:30-11am Tots group Christmas party £1
- 17/ 12 4-6pm Children's Christmas party £2 per child
- 18/ 12 2-4pm Memories matter dementia group, woodthorpe garden centre £5
- 3/ 1 11am Fish on Friday, friendly lunch followed by bingo, £5.60
- 6/ 1 9:30-11am Tots group, casual play session £1
- 7/ 1 11am Tasty Tuesday, friendly lunch £5.50
- 8/ 1 12-2pm Memories matter dementia group lunch £2
- 10/ 1 11am Fish on Friday, friendly lunch club followed by indoor curling £5.60
- 11/ 1 10:45-1pm messy church
- 13/ 1 9:30-11 Tots group, casual play session, £1
- 15/ 1 2-4pm Memories matter dementia group trip £3
- 17/ 1 11am Fish on Friday, friendly lunch followed by bingo £5.60
- 20/ 1 9:30-11am Tots group, casual play session £1
- 22/ 1 2-4pm Memories matter dementia group £1
- 24/ 1 11am Fish on Friday, friendly lunch followed by indoor curling £5.60
- 27/ 1 9:30 Tots group, casual play session £1
- 29/ 1 2-4pm Memories matter dementia group £1
- 31/ 1 11am Fish on Friday, friendly lunch club followed by bingo £5.60



Back by popular request the Annual Christmas "Get Together" will be held at the Church Institute, Church Lane, South Elkington on Saturday 28th December 2019. A soup lunch followed by fruit crumble/pie will be served at 12.30pm. The usual guided walk from St. James to South Elkington will start at 10.30 am.



After lunch a Festive Beetle Drive is planned, finishing at 3pm.

BOOKING BY 26th DECEMBER IS ESSENTIAL FOR CATERING PURPOSES.

PLEASE CONTACT JILL DAY (TEL: 01507603998) IN ORDER TO BOOK AND OBTAIN A LUNCH TICKET.

NEWS from Trinity



REGULAR SERVICES and activities in and around Trinity Centre

Sundays	11am 7pm 8.30am 11am 12.15pm	HOLY COMMUNION followed by Parish Lunch (on the 3 rd Sunday of the month) Baptism (by prior arrangement) Morning Prayer Holy Communion (on the 1 st Tuesday of the month) "Tasty Tuesdays" (on the 3 rd Tuesday of the month) – please pre-book. Winey "Wednesday Drop-in" with many activities available "Full on Fridays" – a weekly chance to meet and chat. No need to book.
Tuesdays	11am	MESSY CHURCH (on the 3 rd Saturday of the month)
Wednesdays	10am	
Friday	12 noon	
Saturdays	10.45am	

In addition to these regular activities run directly by the Church, there are a range of other activities that take place in partnership with others – please call in to Trinity Centre to see what goes on!

Mondays

- Franciscans
- Modern Pilates
- Children's Theatre
- 2nd Louth Guides

Wednesdays

- Advice Drop-in
- Dementia Café
- Arthritis Group
- Patchwork & Quilting Group
- Mindfulness
- Modern Pilates

Tuesdays

- Morning Prayer
- Communion (1st Tuesday)
- Tasty Tuesday Lunch Club
- Camaraderie Club Lunch
- Yoga
- Children's Centre Toddler Group
- Addaction
- Be A Friend Craft / Singing
- Talk Eat Drink (TED) Group
- Relaxation Yoga

Trinity Centre

Faith, Worship, Community

What's On?

Fridays

- Fish On Friday
- Extend Exercise
- Addaction
- USA Art Group

Thursdays

- Modern Pilates
- USA Photography
- Parkinson's Society
- A&M Freedom Dance
- Slimming World
- 7th Louth Guides & Rangers

Sundays

- Holy Communion (3rd Sunday)
- Sunday Lunch
- Louth People's Orchestra
- Louth Strategy Games Club

Saturdays

- Messy Church
- Tevah Fellowship
- Louth Area Autism Family Support

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The young people's help-line Freephone 0808 808 1677

The Young people's website : www.hopeagain.org.uk

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(It is essential to book)

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CRAFT & CHATTER

The Craft and Chatter group which meets on Thursday mornings between 10.30 and 12.30 under the tower are undertaking new project in preparation for the Christmas Tree Festival later this year. We are planning to create some textile banners to decorate some of the pillars and would welcome new members to join us in this exciting project. Any donations of haberdashery or interesting fabrics would be most welcome.

Louth Choral Society will be holding this year's annual **Sing Noël** concert on Saturday 21 December at St. James's Church, Louth, starting at 7.30pm. As well as Christmas carols (some of which may be set to rather different tunes or arrangements), the choir will be singing a wide range of Christmas songs and other seasonal music. There will also be ample opportunities for the audience to join in as well!

Tickets for the concert will be £10 (including one free child - other under 18s are £5 each)

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Five ways to 'get the best out of Christmas'

That time is nearly upon us, and it'll creep up quickly. Here are five suggestions for making the best of our celebration of the birth of Jesus.

1. Look forward

It is so easy to see the very important concerns about food, cards, presents and parties overshadow the *most* important. Could you deliberately build in some time each day or each week during Advent to stop, calm yourself, and refocus? *A Strange Christmas* by Krish Kandiah is a great little book to help us prepare.

2. Look around

No doubt there will be some extra church activities going on over Christmas, but did you know that research has shown that 20% of people in Britain would be grateful for an opportunity to think about who Jesus is? We have so often believed the lie that no-one is interested in our faith. So, seek the seekers, and invite them to something. Who do you know who is likely to be keen to find out more?

3. Look outwards

Deuteronomy 26 contains the instructions for celebrating the Jewish Harvest Festival, but built into the chapter are encouragements to remember the foreigners, widows and orphans in the land in their celebrations. Is there anyone you might include in your festivities, who might otherwise go without?

4. Look again

Part of Christmas is the repetition of readings, prayers and carols that we have been using since 'the year dot'. Could you address the familiarisation by choosing to think more deeply about the words we're using? Ask the Holy Spirit to give you

one new insight into the Christmas story this year, or take maybe just one line from a carol and let it dwell in your thoughts and prayers.

5. Look up

When all the presents are wrapped and the sprouts peeled, take some time to reconnect with the wonder of it all, which can so easily get lost among the mundane. The God of the Universe, the King of Kings and Lord above all Lords stepped down into our world in the shape of a newborn baby so that we might know God and share the eternity of heaven, feasting at his table! Wow! What a tragedy if we miss that!

Words prepared by the diocesan Mission Team. Don't forget to look out for #FollowTheStar, the 'national Advent and Christmas campaign' with accompanying resources offered by the Church of England.



Sunday
8th December
2019

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The last date for submission of articles for the FEBURARY 2020 Herald is Wednesday 22nd January 2020.

You can send articles to my Email address which is: stuart@clara.net or stuartsize@talktalk.net