

The Louth Herald



The magazine of the Team Parish of Louth

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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.

The Parish Church of Louth St. James, Westgate

www.teamparishoflouth.org.uk

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

Sunday
10th November
2019



Service of Remembrance at 11.15am

A Service to remember those who have died in past conflicts, those who continue to serve their country in the armed forces, and those who work in conflict zones and care for those who are injured today.

This service will follow the wreath-laying and act of remembrance that takes place at 11am at the War Memorial.

Meditative Eucharist at 6pm

A simple service of Holy Communion, with prayer stations around the church to help us reflect and pray.

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Christmas Wreath Making Workshop



On November 28th Jayne Pegg will be running a Christmas Wreath making workshop in St James's between 10.30 – 12.30 with funds raised going to a local charity. If you are thinking about entering a wreath in the Christmas Tree Festival then this is your opportunity to produce an original wreath with materials being provided for a cost of £15. Places are limited so please contact Jane Fletcher on 01507604132 to book your place.



They shall grow not old as we that are left grow old: Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning We will remember them.

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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.

Janet shares in overseeing the work of the Church in the Parish of Louth. Within this, her main work is acting as a pastoral link to the work taking place at Trinity Centre, St James' and other locations in the parish, and overseeing our work with Families and Young People (including our Ministry to schools).

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.

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

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.

Ian assists in many aspects of the Church's ministry in Louth, including contributing to our work with KEVIGS.

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.

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

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

Responsible for the projects taking place within the Centre

Arabella joined the Ministry Team in Louth following her ordination as a Deacon by the Bishop of Lincoln on 30th June 2018 in the cathedral. She will be ordained priest in the cathedral on 29th June this year.

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			

Bell Ringing at St. James' Church

One of the perks of being a warden is that you get invited to see wonderful people doing wonderful things. I would have never climbed the steep 150 or so steps up the tower of St. James' on a Friday evening to hear the bell ringers' practice. However, a couple of weeks ago, that is exactly what I did do, and what a treat it was!

Fourteen people, all keen bell ringers arrived from near and far and got straight to the job of getting the bells ready, and off they went. Suddenly, the chamber was full of the peals of the bells. No, it was not deafening, but pleasantly mellow and a beautiful sound.

I, having settled on a bench in the corner, was mesmerised, watching the elegant movements of the ropes sliding up and down, and felt the tower swaying from side to side gently, like a ship at sea. I was a little alarmed but the ringers were unaffected! Slowly, I too relaxed and began to enjoy the amazing experience of being nearly a hundred feet above the ground, in a church tower-built hundreds of years ago by medieval stonemasons and craftsmen without the use of computers, cranes and the rest of the mod cons. I was, naturally, awe-struck. It reminded me of the vivid descriptions in William Golding's novel, *The Spire*, which is about the building of a 404-foot high spire loosely based on the Salisbury Cathedral where the stones 'sing', the wood 'shrieks' and pillars 'move', all creating their own orchestra - I had forgotten all this until then. The 'ghosts' of history suddenly came alive at this moment. I enjoyed every minute of it, being both in the present and transported back in history.

The magnificent spire of St. James' Church, built in 1515, visible for miles is both iconic and an apt representation of the town of Louth for it houses the wonderful clock, the bells, the Wild Mare and it is home to the peregrines, which nest here year after year. At 293 feet 1 inch or 89.33 metres (to the top of the cockerel) it is also the highest spire in the country of any medieval church - quite apt for a thriving and a prosperous medieval market town - and the sound of the bells therefore is carried to the edges of the town by the prevailing wind whenever they are rung. Indeed, they have been rung on nationally important days and for the people of Louth for festivals, weddings and funerals. There is a good short video on U-tube of the bell ringing or got the Facebook page of 'Church of England Parish of Louth' to see my short video clip.

There have been bells in the tower since the late 15 century. There is a peal of eight bells and they were recast in 1726 by Daniel Hedderly. In 1798 the great bell was apparently cracked when it was rung to celebrate Nelson's victory in the Battle of the Nile. They were rehung in 1957, and the bell are in very good health it appears as the ringers make a jolly good sound to date.

My sincere thanks to Jill Day for inviting me, and to her team for making me feel so welcome and letting me have a go at ringing the bells despite having other serious students to teach as well as practice for their forthcoming commitments like the wedding the following weekend at St. James'. If you wish to join them or want to know more about bell ringing at St. James', here is Jill's phone no. 01507 603998.

The tower is now open to the public and there is much more information available in church about the bells, the bell chamber and the building of the tower. You can also have coffee and cake under the tower.

Jeannie Gurnham
Warden
St. James' Church
Louth



St. James' Fellowship

On Sunday 6th September we celebrated harvest at St. James' when, after the morning service, we all enjoyed a Bring & Share lunch. There were nearly sixty people, young and old, and a wonderful opportunity for fellowship.

Thank you very much to all who came, brought food and drink, set it out, served it, washed up and created a warm and convivial atmosphere.

Jeannie Gurnham
Warden

Christmas Cracker Performance

Meridian School
Saturday December 1st
7.30pm
Nicholl Hill Methodist Church,
Louth
Tickets: £6 (To include seasonal refreshments)
from Pat Neal 01507 610143
or any choir member

In October, South Elkington W.I enjoyed a lovely Harvest Supper prepared by the committee members. Delicious vegetable soup was followed by plum bread and cheese, in honour of it being Lincolnshire Day. Afterwards, a competition was held to make a Mr Potato Head, with some hilarious and ingenious entries. We are currently busy knitting and crocheting poppies in readiness for decorating an arch around the door of South Elkington church and the cenotaph in the centre of the village with poppies for Remembrance Day. Preparations are also beginning for decorating a Christmas tree for the Christmas Festival in St James' church. If you are interested in joining the W.I, please leave a note with your contact details in the church coffee shop addressed to Sue Hamilton or Sue French. The next meeting will be held on the 3rd December at 7pm at the Church Institute, Church Lane, South Elkington. Visitors will always receive a warm welcome from members.

"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

OCTOBER 2019

BAPTISMS

13th Oct Hallie Bettie Margaron
20th Oct Robert William Kaye

WEDDINGS/ BLESSINGS

There were no weddings this month

FUNERALS

14th Oct Marjorie Annie Killick
26th Oct Prudence Mary Jennifer Horrell
Wormell
28th Oct Jean Ackrill
30th Oct Robert Alfred Frankum



REQUIEM
reflective music for choir & cello
with composers Matthew Coleridge & Caroline Anne

St James's Church, Louth - Saturday 2nd November 2019

choral workshop 9:30am - 5:30pm
tickets from www.matthewcoleridge.com/louth

concert by candlelight 7pm
tickets £10 on the door

Matthew Coleridge - composer & conductor
Caroline Anne - composer
Gabriella Swallow - solo cello
Jeffrey Makinson - organ
Allen Smith - baritone
Gaynor Morgan - soprano

"A most beautiful thing... I find myself entranced by the openness of this music" PAUL CARR

St James's Christmas Tree Festival 2019

As the Autumn leaves start falling and the days are getting shorter its time to make preparations for this year's Christmas Tree Festival. This year the festival will run between **December 6th - 8th** (setting up on 5th and dismantling on the 9th). We want this not only to be a fund raiser for St James's but also to create a spectacular display in the run up to the festive season. Everyone's help is needed to encourage local businesses and groups to participate and promote themselves and if you can offer a couple of hours to help us to man the event, we would be very grateful.

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.

Like last year there will be a Raffle, some stalls, Tombola and refreshments available throughout the Festival - we urgently need Raffle and Tombola prizes so if you have any suitable items please place them in the labelled boxes at the back of the church. The public will be invited to vote on the best tree and prizes will be awarded to the different categories. There will be a charge of £10 for trees and a charge of £5 for individuals entering the wreath competition which is a new category this year. Please contact either

Mary Haynes maryhaynesms@gmail.com

or Kate Roberts kate@roberts1.org

to register your interest.

St. Michael's Church
will be holding a
Christmas Coffee Morning
In Church

on
November 23rd
from 10.a.m. to 12 o'clock
Raffle, Knick Knacks and a Tombola



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

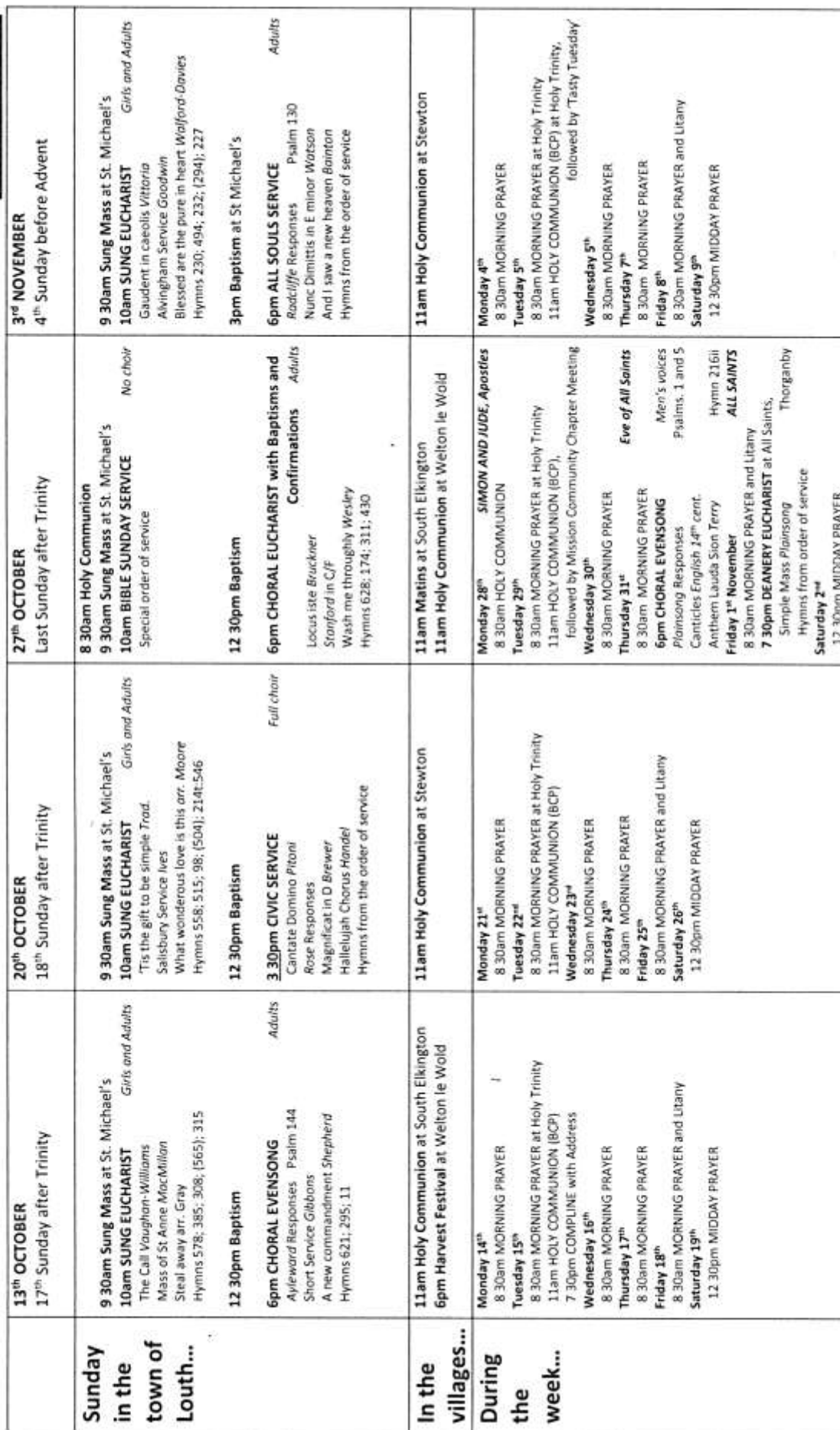
10 45am MESSY CHURCH: 2nd Saturday

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.

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Services for NOVEMBER and DECEMBER 2019

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	10 th NOVEMBER 3 rd Sunday before Advent REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY	17 th NOVEMBER 2 nd Sunday before Advent	24 th NOVEMBER Sunday next before Advent (Christ the King)	1 st DECEMBER 1 st Sunday of Advent
Sunday in the town of Louth...	<p>9 30am Mass at St. Michael's</p> <p>11 15am SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE God be in my head Rutter Pie Jesu (from Requiem Mass) Duruflé Hymns from the order of service</p> <p>6pm MEDITATIVE EUCHARIST Special order of service</p>	<p>9 30am Mass at St. Michael's</p> <p>10am SUNG EUCHARIST Spirit of the Living God Iverson Salisbury Service Ives Ave verum Elgar Hymns 2; 356; 427; (527); 315</p> <p>12 30pm Baptism</p> <p>6pm CHORAL EVENSONG Psalms Responses Psalm 97 Dyson in C minor My eyes for beauty pine Howells Hymns 165; 571; 12</p>	<p>8 30am Holy Communion</p> <p>9 30am Mass at St. Michael's</p> <p>10am SUNG EUCHARIST Jesu Rex Admirabilis Palestrina Mass of St Anne MacMillan Rejoice the Lord is King Archer Hymns 380; 443; 309; (480); 398</p> <p>12 30pm Baptism</p> <p>6pm EVENING PRAYER No choir</p> <p>7 30pm Concert by Louth Choral Society: Bach's Mass in B minor</p>	<p>9 30am Mass at St. Michael's</p> <p>10am EUCHARIST with hymns Alvingham Service Goodwin Hymns 26; 560; 1338; 32; (36); 31</p> <p>3pm Baptism at St Michael's</p> <p>6pm FROM DARKNESS TO LIGHT: Readings and Music for Advent Music including: Advent Matin Responsory Palestrina The Advent Candle Chilcott Remember, O thou man Ravenscroft Jacob's ladder Traditional arr Smith Rejoice in the Lord always Anon. I sing of a maiden Berkeley O radiant dawn MacMillan</p> <p>11am Holy Communion for Patronal Festival at Stewton</p>
In the villages...	<p>11am Holy Communion at South Elkington</p> <p>11am Morning Prayer at Welton le Wold</p>	<p>11am Holy Communion at Stewton</p>	<p>11am Matins at South Elkington</p> <p>11am Holy Communion at Welton le Wold</p>	
During the week...	<p>Monday 11th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER</p> <p>Tuesday 12th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER at Holy Trinity 11am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP), followed by Ministry Team Meeting</p> <p>Wednesday 13th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER 11am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP) at Holy Trinity, followed by 'Memories Matter Lunch'</p> <p>Thursday 14th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER</p> <p>Friday 15th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER and Litany</p> <p>Saturday 16th 10 45am MESSY CHURCH at Trinity Centre 12 30pm MIDDAY PRAYER</p>	<p>Monday 18th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER</p> <p>Tuesday 19th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER at Holy Trinity 11am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP) 7 30pm COMPLINE with Address</p> <p>Wednesday 20th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER</p> <p>Thursday 21st 8 30am MORNING PRAYER</p> <p>Friday 22nd 8 30am MORNING PRAYER and Litany</p> <p>Saturday 23rd 12 30pm MIDDAY PRAYER</p>	<p>Monday 25th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER</p> <p>Tuesday 26th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER at Holy Trinity 11am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP), followed by Mission Community Chapter Meeting</p> <p>Wednesday 27th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER</p> <p>Thursday 28th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER</p> <p>Friday 29th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER and Litany</p> <p>Saturday 30th 12 30pm HOLY COMMUNION ANDREW, Apostle</p>	<p>Monday 4th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER</p> <p>Tuesday 5th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER at Holy Trinity 11am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP) at Holy Trinity, followed by 'Tasty Tuesday'</p> <p>Wednesday 6th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER</p> <p>Thursday 7th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER</p> <p>Friday 8th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER and Litany</p> <p>Saturday 9th 12 30pm MIDDAY PRAYER</p>

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Services for DECEMBER 2019

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Sunday in the town of Louth...	8 th DECEMBER 2 nd Sunday of Advent	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; 591; (393); 37	10am SUNG EUCHARIST Remember, O thou man Ravenscroft Alvingham Service Goodwin Zion hears the watchmen's voices Bach Hymns 27; 254; 29; (from sheet); 563	15 th DECEMBER 3 rd Sunday of Advent	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; (244a); 32	22 nd DECEMBER 4 th Sunday of Advent	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; (244a); 32	22 nd DECEMBER 4 th Sunday of Advent	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 Nordone There is no rose Goodwin Hymns from sheet	
		4pm CHRISTINGLE SERVICE No choir	12 30pm Baptism	6pm EVENING PRAYER No choir	6pm CHORAL EVENSONG Plainsong Responses Psalm 11 Canticles with fauxbourdon Morley Rejoice in the Lord always Purcell Hymns 25; 36; 391; 13	6pm CHORAL EVENSONG Plainsong Responses Psalm 113 Magnificat with antiphon Plainsong Nunc Dimittis Plainsong O radiant dawn MacMillan Hymns 17; 16	6pm CHORAL EVENSONG Plainsong Responses Psalm 113 Magnificat with antiphon Plainsong Nunc Dimittis Plainsong O radiant dawn MacMillan Hymns 17; 16	6pm CHORAL EVENSONG Plainsong Responses Psalm 113 Magnificat with antiphon Plainsong Nunc Dimittis Plainsong O radiant dawn MacMillan Hymns 17; 16	6pm CHORAL EVENSONG Plainsong Responses Psalm 113 Magnificat with antiphon Plainsong Nunc Dimittis Plainsong O radiant dawn MacMillan Hymns 17; 16	
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 Philip Hotham, Organist



Snippets from Stewton

Just a very short report from Stewton. By the time you read this the hardy pilgrims will be back home having walked 500 miles through hail, rain, heat, fog and snow on the mountain tops to reach their destination in Santiago de Compostela. Victoria and Robert Mansfield want to thank everybody for their support and sponsorship. Donations will be taken throughout November and December, so that by the end of the year we will have a clearer idea of how much money has been raised for this second specialist classroom in Kenya where children with learning disabilities will have a better educational chance.



The Guild of St. James' December 2019



The next meeting will take place on **Tuesday 17th December** at 2.15pm in Church House when the speaker will be Rev Dr Arabella M Robinson, our Curate, who will talk about the Angels in the Bible. This will be followed by Bring and Share Christmas food and tea/ coffee. Eileen Sharp is providing

mince pies but please do bring a little contribution of your own.

We will also have the usual Bring & Buy sale to raise money for The Children's Society: contributions of produce and bric a brac would be helpful.

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THOSE ANGELS AGAIN

If you are inspired to research angels and archangels as an aid to understanding the significance and locations of the various angelic figures in stone or plaster adorning the walls of our church, you will be wholly perplexed by all the contradictory guff provided by the all-knowing Google. After a while you may become aware, unexpectedly, that there is next to nothing about angels in the Bible. They seldom appear and only three are named -- Gabriel, Michael, and Uriel. They are not described at all and may indeed have been thought of only as humanoid embodiments of the voice of God rather than as individual beings. You may have recognised those three names as belonging to Archangels, and expect to be given some biblical facts about them, but, regrettably, there are none in the Bible itself, and they must have been created by the same process that gives rise to myths. How the legends concerning the names, qualities and powers of archangels and angels arose is a subject best left to those experts called hagiographers, but it is possible to thrash out roughly what our ancestors were told about the angelic hosts – the names and number of archangels and the nature of the anonymous angels. (I will spare myself and you the tedium of thrashing them out though).

It is possible to apply this traditional concept of the angelic hierarchy to, for instance, the two magnificent carved figures on the wall of the Angel Chapel. They are assumed to be Archangels. The right-hand one wears a headband of circlet and small cross, while the left-hand one wears a crown and has an extra pair of wings sprouting from the hips. He(?) is evidently senior to the companion-figure and is presumably St Michael, the leader of the Company of Archangels. Unfortunately, the different versions of what that company consisted make various claims as to their number and names: there were from five to twelve of them and more than twelve names. And then, just to introduce a new level of uncertainty about their identity, we take notice that the left-hand figure carries the Crown of Thorns and the other one the Flagellation Post to which Christ was bound for his flogging. These are two of the Instruments of the Passion: those articles that wounded or demeaned Christ at his crucifixion – the dice, the seamless robe, the ladder, the nails, and so on. The difficulty presented now is that the Instruments are usually shown as being carried by ordinary angels, usually accepted to be *ten* in number, and this is

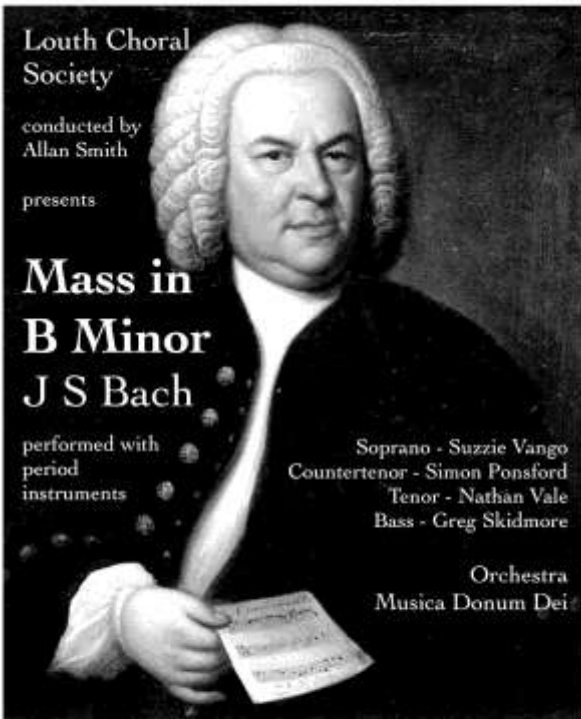
very important to our research. Behold! in the top of the East Window, in one line of eight and another of two, there are *ten* angels, each one of them carrying an Instrument of the Passion. (To check that, lacking binoculars, you may refer to the photographic record). Good grief! This means that the first pair just discussed may not be archangels at all, merely two of the lower angelic order. If so, counting the three in Mavis Enderby, five other carvings have been lost. If not, and they are archangels, there are only five archangels in some versions of the hierarchy and, if that is accepted, there were never more than five of those wooden images and all of them are accounted for.

I'm not concerned about any of that. The various possibilities present a puzzle that will never be solved. What does matter is that there were originally ten carved angels, each carrying one of the Instruments and they were exactly replaced on the five main beams of the new chancel roof, at the time of Fowler's restoration, by ten pre-Raphaelite gilded angels in two rows of five. Their established symbolic significance was deliberately retained by the depiction of those ten Instrument-bearing angels in the great East Window that was created and installed at that time.

There is even more to it than that. It is very strange that the late and learned Ted Miller was unaware of the well-established theological custom to treat church chancels as the Holy of Holies, and to keep that sacred place separate from the unredeemed world by the rood-screen across the chancel arch. The evidence of this convention is plain to see in the ancient stone figures still on the walls. In the chancel there are now thirty-eight, not very impressive, figures, and *they all have wings*. In the nave there are nothing but rude and repulsive figures to drive home the difference between Heaven and Earth. The Georgians, love them or loathe them, completely ignored the established significance of the arrangement, and flooded the new roof over the nave with plaster angels and cherubim. They meant well, I suppose. But, Mr Sizer, worry no more. There was never an angel, arch or ordinary, in the nave until 1825.

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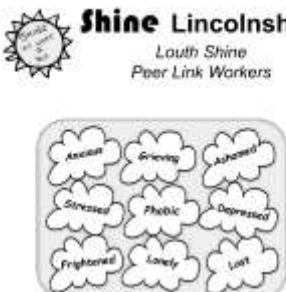
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CRAFT & CHATTER

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.

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By a happy coincidence it was possible to dedicate one of the seats outside St James' in memory of John Stanbridge in the company of a number of his friends during the afternoon of 12th October. Some of John's friends were visiting his parents on Westgate this day, and it happened that during the morning work to the seat was completed. A few quick calls enabled the Rector, Nick Brown, to dedicate the seat in John's memory later in the afternoon. The photograph shows Mr and Mrs Stanbridge with John's brothers and friends sitting and surrounding the bench – which gives a beautiful view across the green down Bridge Street.



BEES

We have been fairly busy with our bees over the last couple of months. Besides having to feed them a little earlier than is usual, we have had one or two hiccups. Early on we 'lost' our queen, so a new swarm was introduced to the existing colony, with the use of newspaper placed inside. The idea is that as the 2 sets of bees chew through the paper they gradually get used to each other's smell.

Wasp traps had been hung in the trees around and a mouse door fitted. Varroa strips have been placed in the hive to kill off any varroa mites. These have to be changed regularly. Soon we shall have to place a little quilt inside the hive to keep them warm during the winter.

The bees have been busy too. They have chucked out the drones! No place for them until next spring.

There has been one small problem, someone had removed the brick we keep on the top of the hive to hold down the lid, was removed, a rope barrier thrown on the ground and a notice board pulled up. No real damage but very annoying.

Finally, a few of us gathered around the hive at the beginning of October to hold a ceremony of blessing of the hive.



The St James's Craft and Chatter Group

which meets on Thursday mornings between 10.30-12.30 under the Tower in St James's have been very busy working on a number of projects this year including making banners to hang in Church over the Christmas period and knitting chunky blankets and warm hats for Syrian Refugees. Some members of the group can be seen in the picture with some of the blankets which have been completed ready for delivery.

Thank you for the donations of wool which has made this possible.



The last date for submission of articles for the DECEMBER 2019 JANUARY 2020 Herald is WEDNESDAY 20th NOVEMBER 2019

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