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A VERY HAPPY CHRISTMAS AND PROSPERUS
NEW YEAR TO ALL OUR HERALD READERS

Advent and Christmas Services 2015



Sunday 29th November: ADVENT SUNDAY

6pm Advent Carol Service at St. James'

Sunday 6th December: 2nd Sunday of Advent

4pm Christingle Service at St. James'

Saturday 12th December

10 45am Messy Christmas at Trinity Centre

Sunday 13th December: 3rd Sunday of Advent

6pm Carol Service at Welton le Wold

Thursday 17th December

7 30pm Carols for All:

Lessons and Carols for Christmas at St. James'



CHURCHES TOGETHER
in LOUTH & DISTRICT

Sunday 20th December: 4th Sunday of Advent

3pm Carol Service at Stewton

6pm Carol Service South Elkington

Thursday 24th DECEMBER: CHRISTMAS EVE

3 30pm Crib Service at St. Michael's

4pm Carols at the Crib at St. James'

11 30pm Midnight Mass at St. Michael's

11 30pm Midnight Eucharist at St. James'

Friday 25th DECEMBER: CHRISTMAS DAY

9 30am Holy Communion at Stewton

10am Christmas Day Communion Service at St. James'

11am Holy Communion at South Elkington and Welton le Wold

'Love came down at Christmas'

The Ministry Team serving the Parish of Louth

The Rev'd Nick Brown

Parish Priest: Rector of Louth

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

Tel.: 603213

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

Responsible for oversight of the work of the Church in the Parish of Louth, including its life of prayer and worship. Responsible for links with schools across the Parish. As Civic Chaplain, responsible for engagement with Louth Town Council, ELDC and other civic bodies.

The Rev'd Robert Mansfield

Assistant Priest (OLM)

The Old Railway House, Stewton, Louth.

Tel.: 327533

Responsible for ministry to the congregation of St Andrew's, Stewton and the work of Baptism Partners. Robert also works as a Mental Health professional.

The Rev'd Ian Partridge

Hon. Assistant Priest (PTO)

Tel.: 600398

E-mail: ian.partridge478@btinternet.com

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

The Rev'd Canon Alan Hayday

Hon. Assistant Priest (PTO)

Tel.: 600877

Alan assists within the Parish of Louth as well as more widely in the Diocese of Lincoln.

The Rev'd Keith Tomlin

Part-time Chaplain to Louth County Hospital

Keith provides a link between the Parish of Louth and Louth County Hospital.

Paul Hill

Lay Reader

Tel.: 605222

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

Sylvia Pounds

Lay Reader

Mob: 07771 549947

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.

Ronnie Partridge

Lay Reader (PTO)

Tel.: 600398

Responsible for 'Tinies Breakfast' at St Michael's.

The Rev'd Christine Hawkins

Team Vicar of Louth

The Vicarage, Little Lane, Louth.

Tel.: 351630

E-mail: christine.hawkins@teamparishoflouth.org.uk

Sharing (with the Rector) in the oversight of the life of the Church across the Parish of Louth, with particular responsibility for the Church's pastoral ministry and its ministry through the Occasional Offices.

The Rev'd Kate Toogood

Assistant Curate

The Vicarage, 24 Grosvenor Road, Louth.

Tel.: 608396

E-mail: kate.toogood@teamparishoflouth.org.uk

Kate is responsible for co-ordinating Messy Church. She works with Ian Partridge as Chaplain to King Edward VI Grammar School and supports the Rector in maintaining the Parish's life of prayer and worship, working with the musicians and servers at St James'

Matthew Harbage

Assistant Curate

The Rectory, Church Lane, Legbourne. LN11 8LN

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E-mail: matthew.harbage@teamparishoflouth.org.uk

Matthew started his ministry in the Parish in July 2015 and is getting to know our communities.

Greg Gilbert

Community Outreach Manager

Trinity Centre, Eastgate, Louth, LN11 8DJ

Tel.: 605803 or 610752

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

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

Jane Pegg

Projects Administrator

Trinity Centre, Eastgate, Louth, LN11 8DJ

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E-mail: jayne.pegg@teamparishoflouth.org.uk

Responsible for Projects based at Trinity Centre, and assisting in community engagement across the Parish.

Ian Miles

Centre Administrator

Trinity Centre, Eastgate, Louth, LN11 8DJ

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

Around the Parish



A summary of special events, monthly activities and changes to normal service routine

DIARY OF SPECIAL SERVICES/EVENTS & MONTHLY EVENTS

DECEMBER 2015

'Tasty Tuesday Xmas Party' at 12noon on Tuesday 1st December at Trinity Centre (following the 11am Communion Service)

'Memories Matter' outing to St James' from 2pm on Wednesday 2nd December in St James'.

Christingle Service at 4pm on Sunday 6th December at St James'.

Book Club at 6pm on Monday 7th December at St Andrew's, Stewton.

'Fish on Friday Xmas Party' at 12noon on Friday 11th December at Trinity Centre.

Messy Church from 10 45am on Saturday 12th December at Holy Trinity.

'Sunday Lunch Xmas Dinner' at 12noon on Sunday 13th December at Trinity Centre.

Concert by Louth Chamber Choir at 7 30pm on Sunday 13th December at St James'.

Carol Service at 6pm on Sunday 13th December at Welton le Wold

Prayer and Pint: Compline, at 7 45pm on Tuesday 15th December in St James' - followed by discussion in the Wheatsheaf.

'Dementia Café Xmas Party' at 2pm on Wednesday 16th December at Trinity Centre.

CAROLS FOR ALL: A Town Carol Service at 7 30pm on Thursday 17th December at St James'.

Concert: 'Sing Noell' by Louth Choral Society at 7 30pm on Saturday 19th December in St James'.

Country Carol Service at 3pm on Sunday 20th December at St Andrew's Church Stewton.

A Village Carol Service at 6pm on Sunday 20th December in All Saints Church, South Elkington.

'All-in lunch with activities' on Wednesday 23rd December at Trinity Centre.

'All-in lunch with activities' on Wednesday 30th December at Trinity Centre.

JANUARY 2016

'Tasty Tuesday' at 12noon on Tuesday 5th January at Trinity Centre (following from the 11am Communion Service)

Eucharist for Epiphany at 8 30am on Wednesday 6th January in St James'.

Messy Church from 10 45am on Saturday 9th January at Holy Trinity.

EPIPHANY SERVICE and Supper at 6pm on Sunday 10th January in St James' and Church House.

Book Club at 6pm on Monday 11th January at St Andrew's, Stewton.

'Sunday Lunch' at 12noon on Sunday 17th January at Trinity Centre (following from the 11am Communion Service)

Prayer and Pint: Compline, at 7 45pm on Tuesday 19th Jan. in St James' - followed by a chance for discussion in the Wheatsheaf.

Café Church from 10am on Saturday 23rd January at Trinity Centre.

UNITED SERVICE for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity at 10 30am on Sunday 24th January in St James'.

Eucharist for the Conversion of St Paul at 8 30am on Monday 25th January in St James'.

'Exploring... Baptism' from 10 30am on Saturday 30th January in Church House, Ugate.

Festal Evensong for Candlemas (Presentation of Christ) at 6pm on Sunday 31st January at St James'.

Please turn to the centre pages for full details of all services and events taking place this month.

News from St Michael's



Sunday Services

9 30am SUNG MASS, CW1 3pm Baptisms (By prior arrangement)

I will be attending two meetings in Lincoln this month, this Saturday at The Cathedral discussing 'A New Perspective of the Parish Share' to be implemented June 2016 and a further meeting on the 21st both finish around 1.00pm on the 14th Lunch is being provided, I doubt if I will be back in Louth before 2.30pm

It became necessary to seek permission to fell a very diseased Ash Tree near the bend of St Michael's Church drive, permission was granted and the tree has been felled. The Tree Surgeon thought it practical to examine the remaining trees and found a beech tree close to the church being eaten by disease its life very limited, permission was also request and given this tree will be felled early in December.

John Atkinson who has been at St Michaels for over 45 years and also Head Server for almost of that time decided to stand down at the end of July. A presentation of gardening implements and a Voucher was presented to John at Our Patronal Festival on Sunday 27th September by The Revd Nick Brown a bouquet of flowers was also presented to John's wife.

Brian Luckwell



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PARISH REGISTERS

BAPTISMS

1st Nov	Charles Norman Wilkinson Lilly Bentley Elsie Rose Davis
8th Nov	Amos Eric Bird
15th Nov	Esme Barnett
6th Dec	Saxon Forman

WEDDINGS/BLESSINGS

FUNERALS

13th Nov	Dorothy Wilkinson (Ashes)
17th Nov	Murial Irene Harness
19th Nov	Richard Long
22nd Nov	John Beaumont (Ashes)
23rd Nov	Hazer Rosemary Sykes

Having returned this Autumn from a very good pilgrimage to Assisi, I wonder if anyone would be interested in joining another later in 2016.

Please contact me on 01507606062

or

daphne.eking@btinternet.com

for more information.

Daphne King.



UNCOLNSHIRE'S DEMENTIA SUPPORT NETWORK
Trinity Centre
THE PARISH OF LOUTH

Memories Matter!

Support at your local Dementia Café

Every Wednesday 2pm - 4pm Trinity Centre

A sociable get together for people with dementia and their carers or people who used to care for others with dementia.

We can promise you a friendly atmosphere, the chance to chat, activities and refreshments.

Please contact Jayne Pegg on 01507 605803 / email (jayne.pegg@teamparishoflouth.org.uk) for more information or call into the Trinity Centre, Eastgate, Louth, LN11 8DJ and pick up a copy of the weekly programme.

FILM: 'STATIONS OF THE CROSS'
Monday 30th November 7.30pm at The Playhouse Cinema
(Presented by Louth Film Club)
Cinema Admission Prices

TALK & DISCUSSION: 'FILM & GOSPEL'
Leader: Paul Hill
Monday 7th December 7.30pm at Holy Trinity Centre
Free

ST JAMES'S GUILD

The Guild was founded in 1971, with Anne Adie as its first chairman. It has soldiered on since then until now when its numbers have seriously decreased and the ages of its members increased. However, it has not come to an end. At the recent AGM it was decided, with the Rector's valuable advice, to reconstruct the Guild, have four meetings a year, on the second Tuesday in the relevant month, as before, not necessarily with speakers, and no subscriptions required. Meetings are planned for, December 8th in Church House for Christmas. Members came away with a positive feeling that the pleasures of friendly conversation and shared interests need not be lost.

Words from WELTON LE WOLD



SUNDAY SERVICES

11.00am Holy Communion on the 4th Sunday

11.00am Morning Prayer on the 2nd Sunday

When you are planning a Christening party, wedding reception, funeral buffet or anniversary bash, consider...



stimulating meeting spaces at **Trinity Centre**

for individuals, voluntary groups and businesses in our community

Competitively priced rooms for small parties and for up to 120 for a reception and up to 100 for a sit-down meal

Comprehensive catering service or fully equipped, modern kitchen for use by outside caterers

Warm welcome with a friendly co-ordinator who will help ensure that your event goes well

Trinity Centre, Eastgate, Louth, LN11 8DJ
Tel/Fax: 01507 605803
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HUBBY DAY CARE

Louth Men's Shed

Is he getting on your nerves & slowing you down while you are shopping??

WHY NOT LEAVE HIM AT THE SHED?

You can shop in peace just pay his membership and we will look after him



He can:

- bring his own projects
- get involved with the Shed projects
- Have a brew and a chat with the Shedders

The shed is open on Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 10:00am to 2pm

Unit 21
Thomas Street
Louth LN11 7AD
For more information tel.01507 605803

NEWS from Trinity



REGULAR SERVICES and activities in and around Trinity Centre

Sundays	11am	HOLY COMMUNION followed by Parish Lunch (on the 3 rd Sunday of the month)
	3pm	Baptisms (by prior arrangement)
Tuesdays	8 30am	Morning Prayer
	11am	Holy Communion (on the 1 st Tuesday of the month)
	12 15pm	'Tasty Tuesdays' (on the 1 st Tuesday of the month) – please pre-book.
Wednesdays	10am	Weekly 'Wednesday Drop-in' with many agencies available
Fridays	12noon	'Fish on Fridays' – a weekly chance to meet and chat. No need to book.
Saturdays	10 45am	MESSY CHURCH (on the 2 nd Saturday of the month)

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!

NEWS at St James'



Diary of special services and events in St James'

ADVENT CAROL SERVICE at 6pm on Sunday 29th November

Christingle Service at 4pm on Sunday 6th December

Concert by Louth Chamber Choir at 7 30pm on Sunday 13th December

Prayer and Pict: Compline, at 7 45pm on Tuesday 15th December in St James' - followed by a chance for discussion in the Wheatsheaf.

CAROLS FOR ALL: A Town Carol Service at 7 30pm on Thursday 17th December

Concert: 'Sing Noel!' by Louth Choral Society at 7 30pm on Saturday 19th December

CRIB SERVICE at 4pm on Thursday 24th December (Christmas Eve)

MIDNIGHT EUCHARIST at 11 30pm on Thursday 24th December (Christmas Eve)

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE with Communion at 10am on Friday 25th December (Christmas Day)

Eucharist for Epiphany at 8 30am on Wednesday 6th January

EPIPHANY SERVICE and Supper at 6pm on Sunday 10th January in St James' and Church House.

Prayer and Pict: Compline, at 7 45pm on Tuesday 19th Jan. in St James' - followed by a chance for discussion in the Wheatsheaf.

UNITED SERVICE for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity at 10 30am on Sunday 24th January

Eucharist for the Conversion of St Paul at 8 30am on Monday 25th January

'Exploring... Baptism' from 10 30am on Saturday 30th January in Church House, Ugate.

FESTAL EVENSONG for Candlemas (Presentation of Christ) at 6pm on Sunday 31st January at St James'.

Wedding Preparation Day from 10 30am on Saturday 6th February in Church House and St James'.

SUNG EUCHARIST for Ash Wednesday at 7 30pm on Wednesday 10th February in St James'.

Lighting November has seen a great deal of work to install new lights into St James'. There will be some fine-tuning to take place, but we should be able to enjoy more reliable lighting that is more efficient in the future.

Funding our work Whilst much has been done quietly over the past year or so to reduce our annual deficit, there is still much work to be done before we can say that we are financially stable. Please keep this work in mind and prayer.

Collections during the Christmas period The collection taken at our main/special services over the Christmas period is normally divided between the work of the local church and supporting causes further afield. It is planned to focus these efforts on supporting the work that the Anglican Diocese of Jerusalem is undertaking to try and support those who have been displaced by conflict in the Middle East and find themselves in the lands of Christ's birth.

REGULAR SERVICES and activities in and around St James' (please see above for changes/additions)

Sundays	10am	SUNG EUCHARIST
		- activities in the Children's Corner in church most weeks
		- Meet together for Coffee under the tower after the service
	3pm	Baptisms (by prior arrangement)
	6pm	CHORAL EVENSONG
Tuesdays	11am	Holy Communion, according to the Book of Common Prayer
	7 45pm	Compline (on the 3 rd Tuesday of the month)
Wednesdays	6 15pm	Choristers, followed at 7pm by Choir Practice
Thursdays	10 30am	Parent and Toddler Group in Church House
Morning Prayer is said in St James at 8 30am on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays		and Midday Prayer at 12 30pm on Saturdays.

A Guide to Officers and Organisations in the Parish of Louth

[Please see the separate sheet for details of the Ministry Team that serves the Parish of Louth]

The Parish of Louth

PCC Secretary	Jennifer Goodwin	605254
PCC Treasurer	Mike Crosby	—
Safeguarding Officer	Cate Green	—
Herald Editor	Stuart Sizer	604624
Parish groups/Reps.		
Parent & Toddler Gp	Lucy Brown	603213
TAB (20s/30s Group)	Matt Harbage	07746 444179
Churches Together	Eileen Byrne	605371
	Jill Day	603998
	Jennifer Smith	—
WW Day of Prayer	Jennifer Goodwin	605254

Parish and Civic Church of St. James, Louth

Church Officers/Extended Ministry Team:

Churchwardens	John Troughton	607931
	Kate Roberts	363531
Asst Churchwardens	Margaret Anderson	610554
	Jane Fletcher	—
	Frances Green	—
	Robert Haynes	603118
DCC Secretary	Pat Neal	610143
DCC Treasurer	Robert Haynes	603118
Stewardship Recorder	David Neal	—
ER Officer	Mary Haynes	603118
Verger (including Church bookings)	Kate Clarke	604597
	Chris Marshall	606300
Organist	Lisa Taylor	07770 550958
Master of the Choristers	Allan Smith	610247
Church Flowers	Jennifer Goodwin	605254
Bellringers	Mick/Jill Day	603998
Fabric Officer	Robert Haynes	603118
Ministry to Visitors:		
Coffee Shop	Margaret Anderson	610554
Gift Shop	Mary Haynes	603118
Church Guides	Stuart Sizer	604624
Church Organisations and Groups:		
St. James's Guild	Nancy Loft	603580
Church Hse Bookings	Julie Speakman (Office)	610 247
Friends of St. James's Church, Secretary	June Barber	604586

The Parish of Louth is within the Rural Deanery of Louthesk

Rural Dean	
Deanery Office, 6 Uppgate, Louth, LN11 9ET	610247
Open from 10am to 1pm, Monday to Friday	
Deanery Administrator	Julie Speakman
Be A Friend Co-ordinator	07890 629062

Parish Church of St. Michael, Louth

Church Officers:

Churchwardens	Brian Luckwell	607619
	Sylvia Luckwell	607619
DCC Secretary	Maria Vincent	328149
DCC Treasurer	Sylvia Luckwell	607619
ER Officer	Bob Frankum	354262
Verger	Sheila Williets	603513
Head Server	Brian Luckwell	607619
Organist	Janet McKee	327256

Parish Church of St. Andrew, Stewton

Church Officers:

Churchwardens	Dorothy Mansfield	327533
	Helen Rushby	—
DCC Secretary	Jane Rushby	327606
DCC Treasurer	David Gelsthorpe	602521
ER Officer	Dorothy Mansfield	327533

Parish Church of All Saints, South Elkington

Church Officers:

Churchwardens	Charles Dobson	604632
	John Myers	607331
DCC Secretary	Amy Jobe	606348
DCC Treasurer	Caroline Blenkhorn	—
ER Officer	Amy Jobe	606348
Verger	Jill Day	603998
Church Flowers	Peeby Myers	607331
Church Inst. Bookings	Jennifer Nelson	603386

Parish Church of St. Martin, Welton le Wold

Church Officers:

Churchwardens	Jim Cave	610275
	David Wormell	604210
DCC Secretary	David Dickinson	604217
DCC Treasurer	Peter Taylor	609280
ER Officer	Peter Taylor	609280
Organists	David Wormell/David Dickinson	
Church Flowers	Pat Cave	610275
Bellringers	Phil Reeks	606202

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

Church Officers:

Treasurer	Rob Carr (DCC)
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Centre Staff:

Centre Administrator (including all bookings)	Ian Miles	605803
	Jayne Pegg	605803
Church Flowers	Janet Rodgers	610378

Church Organisations:

2 nd Louth Guides	Mandi Carden	608807
7 th Louth Guides	Claire Mansey	607539

Services and events for DECEMBER 2015

[Unless otherwise shown, services/events take place in St. James']



	6 th December 2 nd Sunday of Advent	13 th December 3 rd Sunday of Advent	20 th December 4 th Sunday of Advent
Sunday in the town of Louth...	<p>9 30am Sung Mass at St. Michael's <i>President: The Rev'd Robert Mansfield</i></p> <p>10am SUNG EUCHARIST sung by Boy Choristers and Adults <i>President: The Rev'd Nick Brown</i> <i>Preacher: The Rev'd Chris Hawkins</i></p> <p>Advent Prose Plainsong Missa Rorate Coeli <i>Haydn</i> (Choral) Benedictus in E flat <i>Bairistow</i> Hymns 58; 34; 29; (315); 591.</p> <p>3pm Baptism at St Michael's</p> <p>4pm CHRISTINGLE SERVICE</p> <p>6pm CHORAL EVENSONG sung by Girl Choristers/Upper voices <i>Preacher: Dr Paul Hill</i> Brown Responses Psalm 75 Salisbury Service <i>Archer</i> Make me a light <i>Wilby</i> Hymns 474; 267; 24.</p>	<p>9 30am Sung Mass at St. Michael's <i>President: The Rev'd Ian Partridge</i></p> <p>10am SUNG EUCHARIST sung by Boy Choristers and Adults <i>President: The Rev'd Nick Brown</i> <i>Preacher: The Rev'd Chris Hawkins</i></p> <p>Creator of the stars of night <i>Plainsong</i> Avingham Service <i>Goodwin</i> Rejoice in the Lord always <i>Anon</i> Hymns 26; 520; 563; (38); Like a mighty river flowing (MP 419).</p>	<p>9 30am Sung Mass at St. Michael's <i>President: The Rev'd Robert Mansfield</i></p> <p>10am SUNG EUCHARIST sung by Girl Choristers and Adults <i>President: The Rev'd Kate Toogood</i> <i>Preacher: The Rev'd Kate Toogood</i></p> <p>The Angel Gabriel <i>arr. Pettman</i> Mass of St Anne <i>MacMillan</i> Ave Maria <i>Bouzignac</i> Hymns 24; 608; 32.</p>
In the villages...	<p>11am Holy Communion at Stewton <i>President: The Rev'd Canon Alan Hayday</i></p>	<p>No Evensong at St James</p> <p>7 30pm Concert by Louth Chamber Choir</p>	<p>6pm EVENSONG with hymns No choir <i>Preacher: The Rev'd Chris Hawkins</i> Said Responses Psalm 123 Hymns 24; 608; 32.</p>
During the week...	<p>Monday 7th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER 7 30pm St James DCC in Church House</p> <p>Tuesday 8th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER at Holy Trinity 9am KEVIGS Assembly 11am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP) <i>President: The Rev'd Ian Partridge</i> 11.45am Full Ministry Team Meeting at the Rectory 2.15pm St. James's Guild in Church House</p> <p>Wednesday 9th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER and Litany 10am Drop-in at Trinity Centre 2pm 'Memories Matter' at Trinity Centre</p> <p>Thursday 10th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER 10 30am Parent and Toddlers at Church House</p> <p>Friday 11th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER 12noon Fish on Friday at Trinity Centre</p> <p>Saturday 12th 10 45am MESSY CHURCH at Holy Trinity 12noon WEDDING (Lysaght/Carnegie) 12 30pm MIDDAY PRAYER in Church House 4pm Co-Op Memorial Service</p>	<p>11am Holy Communion at South Elkington <i>President: The Rev'd Kate Toogood</i></p> <p>12noon Sunday Lunch: Christmas Dinner at Trinity Centre</p> <p>6pm Carol Service at Welton</p> <p>Monday 14th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER</p> <p>Tuesday 15th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER at Holy Trinity 9 30am Kidgate Primary Academy Carol Service 11am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP) <i>President: The Rev'd Ian Partridge</i> 2pm Lacey Gardens Christingle Service 7 45pm <i>Prayer and Praise</i>: Compline followed by discussion</p> <p>Wednesday 16th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER and Litany 10am Drop-in at Trinity Centre 2pm 'Memories Matter' at Trinity Centre</p> <p>Thursday 17th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER 10 30am Parent and Toddlers at Church House 7 30pm CAROLS FOR ALL: A Town Carol Service</p> <p>Friday 18th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER 10am Cordeaux Academy Christmas Service 11 30am KEVIGS Carol Service 12noon Fish on Friday at Trinity Centre</p> <p>Saturday 19th 12 30pm MIDDAY PRAYER 7 30pm Concert by Louth Choral Society</p>	<p>11am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity <i>President: The Rev'd Chris Hawkins</i></p> <p>3pm Carol Service at Stewton</p> <p>6pm Carol Service at South Elkington</p> <p>Monday 21st 8 30am MORNING PRAYER</p> <p>Tuesday 22nd 8 30am MORNING PRAYER at Holy Trinity 11am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP) <i>President: The Rev'd Chris Hawkins</i></p> <p>Wednesday 23rd 8 30am MORNING PRAYER and Litany 10am Drop-in at Trinity Centre 2 30pm Home Communion at The Wolds</p> <p>Thursday 24th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER 3pm CRIB SERVICE at St Michael's 4pm CAROLS AT THE CRIB at St James' 11 30pm MIDNIGHT EUCHARIST at St James' 11 30pm MIDNIGHT MASS at St Michael's</p> <p>Friday 25th 9 30am HOLY COMMUNION at Stewton 10am CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE with COMMUNION at St James' 11am HOLY COMMUNION at Welton le Wold 11am HOLY COMMUNION at South Elkington</p> <p>Saturday 26th 12 30pm MIDDAY PRAYER</p> <p>CHRISTMAS EVE</p> <p>CHRISTMAS DAY</p> <p>Stephen, Deacon</p>

Services and events for DECEMBER 2015/JANUARY 2016

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	27th December John, Apostle and Evangelist		3rd January 2nd Sunday of Christmas	10th January 1st Sunday of Epiphany
Sunday in the town of Louth...	10am EUCHARIST with carols No choir <i>President: The Rev'd Chris Hawkins</i> <i>Preacher: The Rev'd Nick Brown</i> Hymns 58; 34; 29; (315); 591.	10am EUCHARIST with hymns No choir <i>President: The Rev'd Nick Brown</i> <i>Preacher: Dr Paul Hill</i> Hymns to be confirmed.	9 30am Sung Mass at St. Michael's <i>President: The Rev'd Chris Hawkins</i> 10am EUCHARIST with hymns No choir <i>President: The Rev'd Nick Brown</i> <i>Preacher: Dr Paul Hill</i> Hymns to be confirmed.	9 30am Sung Mass at St. Michael's <i>President: The Rev'd Nick Brown</i> 10am SONG EUCHARIST sung by Girl Choristers and Adults <i>Preacher: The Rev'd Chris Hawkins</i> <i>Preacher: The Rev'd Kate Toogood</i> Music to be confirmed.
In the villages...	6pm EVENING PRAYER No choir	6pm EVENSONG with hymns No choir <i>Preacher: The Rev'd Kate Toogood</i>	11am Holy Communion at Stewton <i>President: The Rev'd Robert Mansfield</i> 11am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity <i>Preacher: The Rev'd Kate Toogood</i>	6pm EPIPHANY SERVICE, followed by Epiphany Supper in Church House 11am Morning Prayer at Welton le Wold <i>Preacher: The Rev'd Kate Toogood</i> 11am Holy Communion at South Elkington <i>Preacher: The Rev'd Nick Brown</i>
During the week...	Monday 28th <i>Holy Innocents</i>	Monday 4th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER	Monday 11th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER	Monday 11th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER
	Tuesday 29th 11am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP) <i>President: The Rev'd Ian Partridge</i>	Tuesday 5th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER at Holy Trinity 11am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP) at Holy Trinity <i>President: tbc</i>	Tuesday 12th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER at Holy Trinity, followed by Discussion Gp 11am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP) <i>President: tbc</i>	Tuesday 12th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER at Holy Trinity, followed by Discussion Gp 11am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP) <i>President: tbc</i>
	Wednesday 30th	Wednesday 6th 12noon Tasty Tuesday at Trinity Centre 8 30am EUCHARIST 10am Drop-in at Trinity Centre 2pm 'Memories Matter' at Trinity Centre	Wednesday 13th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER and Litany 10am Drop-in at Trinity Centre 2pm 'Memories Matter' at Trinity Centre	Wednesday 13th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER and Litany 10am Drop-in at Trinity Centre 2pm 'Memories Matter' at Trinity Centre
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	Friday 1st January Naming and Circumcision of Jesus	Friday 8th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER 12noon Fish on Friday at Trinity Centre	Friday 15th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER 12noon Fish on Friday at Trinity Centre	Friday 15th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER 12noon Fish on Friday at Trinity Centre
	Saturday 2nd 12 30pm MIDDAY PRAYER in Church House	Saturday 9th 10 45am MESSY CHURCH at Holy Trinity 12 30pm MIDDAY PRAYER	Saturday 16th 12 30pm MIDDAY PRAYER	Saturday 16th 12 30pm MIDDAY PRAYER

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Services and events for JANUARY 2016

[Unless otherwise shown, services/events take place in St. James']



	<p>17th January 1st Sunday of Epiphany 9 30am Sung Mass at St. Michael's <i>President: The Rev'd Chris Hawkins</i> 10am EUCHARIST with hymns No choir <i>President: The Rev'd Nick Brown</i> <i>Preacher: The Rev'd Matt Harbage</i> Music to be confirmed.</p>	<p>24th January 2nd Sunday of Advent 8 30am Holy Communion <i>President: The Rev'd Chris Hawkins</i> 10 30am UNITED SERVICE FOR THE WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY sung by Girl Choristers and Adults <i>President: The Rev'd Nick Brown</i> <i>Preacher: The Rev'd Nick Brown</i> Special Order of Service</p>	<p>31st January 3rd Sunday of Epiphany 9 30am Sung Mass at St. Michael's <i>President: The Rev'd Nick Brown</i> 10am SING EUCHARIST sung by Boy Choristers and Adults <i>President: The Rev'd Chris Hawkins</i> <i>Preacher: The Rev'd Chris Hawkins</i> Music to be confirmed.</p>
<p>Sunday in the town of Louth...</p>	<p>6pm CHORAL EVENSONG sung by the Consort <i>Preacher: tbc</i> Music to be confirmed.</p>	<p>6pm CHORAL EVENSONG sung by the Consort <i>Preacher: Dr Paul Hill</i> Music to be confirmed.</p>	<p>6pm FESTAL EVENSONG sung by Singers <i>Preacher: Mrs Sylvia Pounds</i> Music to be confirmed.</p>
<p>In the villages...</p>	<p>11am Holy Communion at Stewton <i>President: The Rev'd Robert Mansfield</i> 11am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity <i>President: The Rev'd Chris Hawkins</i> 12noon Sunday Lunch at Trinity Centre</p>		<p>11am Holy Communion at Stewton <i>President: The Rev'd Robert Mansfield</i></p>
<p>During the week...</p>	<p>Monday 18th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER Tuesday 19th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER at Holy Trinity 9am KEVIGS Assembly 11am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP) at Holy Trinity <i>President: tbc</i> 11 45am Ministry Team Meeting at the Rectory Wednesday 20th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER and Litany 10am Drop-in at Trinity Centre Thursday 21st 8 30am MORNING PRAYER 10 30am Parent and Toddlers at Church House Friday 22nd 8 30am MORNING PRAYER 12noon Fish on Friday at Trinity Centre Saturday 23rd 10 30am Lituya at Orthodox Chapel 12 30pm MIDDAY PRAYER</p>	<p>Monday 25th 8 30am EUCHARIST 7 30pm St James DCC in Church House Tuesday 26th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER at Holy Trinity 11am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP) <i>President: tbc</i> Wednesday 27th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER and Litany 10am STATIONS OF THE CROSS at St Michael's 10am Drop-in at Trinity Centre 11am Home Communion at The Beeches 2 30pm Home Communion at The Elms Thursday 28th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER 10 30am Parent and Toddlers at Church House 10 30am Home Communion at Stewton House Friday 29th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER 12noon Fish on Friday at Trinity Centre Saturday 30th 12 30pm MIDDAY PRAYER in Church House</p>	<p>Monday 1st February 8 30am MORNING PRAYER Tuesday 2nd Presentation of Christ in the Temple 8 30am MORNING PRAYER at Holy Trinity 9am KEVIGS Assembly 11am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP) at Holy Trinity <i>President: tbc</i> 12noon Tasty Tuesday at Trinity Centre Wednesday 3rd 8 30am MORNING PRAYER and Litany 10am Drop-in at Trinity Centre Thursday 4th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER 10 30am Parent and Toddlers at Church House Friday 5th 8 30am MORNING PRAYER 12noon Fish on Friday at Trinity Centre Saturday 6th 12 30pm MIDDAY PRAYER in Church House</p>

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Snippets from Stewton

SUNDAY SERVICES

11am Holy Communion on the 1st Sunday, 3rd and 5th Sundays

The monthly Community Coffee will take a break in December and January and restart in February with the regular pattern of meeting on 4th Tuesday each month. We are extremely pleased with the support at these events and can see that it is useful to provide an informal meeting place for people. At the same time it raises the profile of our commitment to overseas aid.

The Book Club will not be taking a break and details can be found in the advert elsewhere for this.

Just a reminder that the Carol Service will be on Sunday 20th December at 3pm followed by seasonal refreshments; Christmas Day Communion will be at 9.30am. The normal pattern of services resumes in January with Holy Communion at 11am on 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays of each month.

Book Club

At

St Andrews Church Stewton

Xmas meeting Monday 7th December
6pm

New Year meeting Monday 11th January
6pm

Tea & Biscuits will be available

Love books? Come and enjoy discussion
Exploring different books and sharing
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SOUTH ELKINGTON



SUNDAY SERVICES

11am Holy Communion on the
2nd Sunday

NEWS FROM SOUTH ELKINGTON



Workshops & Demonstrations

Sunday, 6th December 1.30pm
Make your own Christmas Crackers workshop

Saturday, 12th December 11.00am
Clare Blythe of Ragzrugs will lead a workshop to make a Rag Rug Christmas Wreath for your door. Fee £10 includes materials - to book a place please ring M Drinkel on 01472 388825

Sunday, 13th December 1.30pm
Ann Snowden will demonstrate a few ideas of how to make a centrepiece for your Christmas table



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Cards For Good Causes is stocking up for the Festive Season in LOUTH

It may only be October but a little bit of Christmas is coming to Louth with the opening of the Cards For Good Causes seasonal shop at St James' Church, Westgate on Friday 16th October at 10am.

The UK's largest multi-charity Christmas card organisation is once again decking the halls in its Louth shop , offering an array of festive cards and Christmas gift ideas.

Staffed by volunteers, the outlet sells cards for more than 25 national and local charities.

This year the shop is being officially opened by the Mayor of Louth. She will be opening the shop at 10am on Friday 16th October.

These seasonal shops are a great way to prepare for Christmas and in this way, while at the same time providing an important source of money.

In keeping with the Christmas Spirit, sending charity Christmas cards allows you to give twice, once to friends and family, and again to worthwhile causes of your choice.

People can find the Louth shop by looking out for Cards For Good Causes' distinctive triangular red Santa sign at St James' Church.

In the past five years, charities have received more than £20 million from Cards For Good Causes – representing at least 70p in the pound out of which charities had to pay for the production and distribution of their Christmas cards and any VAT.

The Louth seasonal shop is part of the Cards For Good Causes' national network of over 300 shops, selling cards for around 275 charities and staffed by more than 6,000 volunteers.

It is open 10am – 4pm from 16th October to 11th December.

Prayer and Pint

...the timeless evening service of Compline – a quiet end to the day:

**The Ancient Office of Compline,
sung in St James at 7 45pm**

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NEWS FROM SOUTH ELKINGTON

CHRISTMAS GET TOGETHER



SATURDAY 5TH DECEMBER

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Meetings of Saint James's Guild in 2016

January 12th

March 8th

June 14th

September 13th

December 13th

The full programme has yet to be arranged.



The Syrian Refugee crisis – How can we help?

As we approach Christmas with all the preparations for festivities with family and friends it is a timely opportunity to reflect on the plight of Syrian refugees and what the people of Louth can do to help in a practical way.

A group has been established with representatives from the communities of Churches Together Louth District (CTLD) which aims to coordinate the possible initiatives in which people can get involved and as part of the County wide response through liaison with Dr. Tony Hill (Chairman of the Lincolnshire County Council Refugee Strategy Committee).

Revd. Nick Brown has made contact with a personal friend of his, David Longe who is a member of the team in the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem, to establish what type of support would be most valued. As a result our group has decided to support the work of Canon Samir Esaid who is providing help for a large number of refugees in Irbid, North Jordan, with a particular focus on education and aid for handicapped children. A regular contact will be established with Canon Esaid, coupled with financial support and the provision of other material as considered useful by the Canon.

So how can you help?

Through prayer - The litany used in the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem will be used at the weekly prayers for the victims of war and repression in St James' which will help to increase the feeling of solidarity with those who are suffering. Guidance for personal prayer will also be issued.

By Lobbying MPs including our local MP Victoria Atkins, Richard Harrington Minister for Syrian Refugees, Teresa May who runs the Department responsible for re-settlement in the UK and David Cameron. A Letter of Petition will be composed which focuses on the following 3 key outcomes:

1. Increased support, both financial and material, for those in refugee camps;
2. Increased commitment to take in more

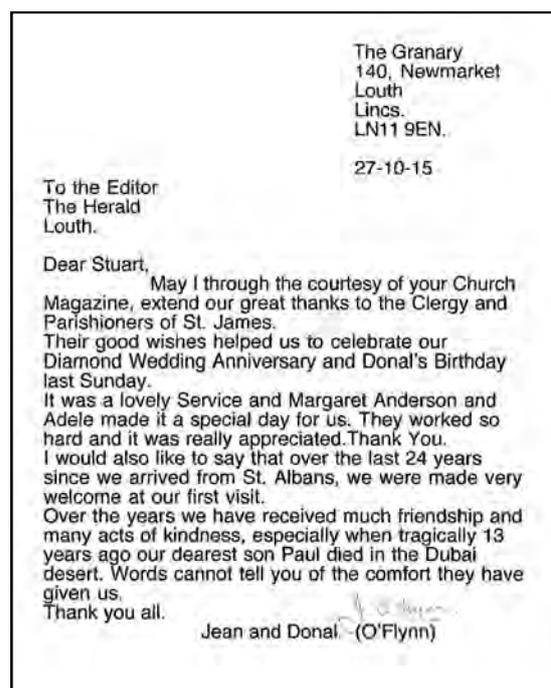
refugees from the camps to the UK supported by a properly planned resettlement programme;

3. Much greater effort to lead the process of resolving the crisis on the ground in Syria.

It is suggested that members of all congregations write a letter in support of the above. A guide on the possible contents of such a letter will be provided and a box for collecting individual letters will be stationed in St James's so that they can be 'posted' on Christmas Day.

Fundraising- 50% of all donations received at the special Christmas services in St James (and some other churches) will be given to Syrian Refugee support in the form of a donation to the work of Rev. Canon Samir Esaid.

The **Marion and Leslie Howe Fund for the Disabled of Louth** provides support for those in need locally, the group felt it would be appropriate to aim to match amount of this year's grant with fundraising by church groups to donate to Syrian Refugee support. Members of all the congregations in Churches Together Louth District are encouraged to raise funds possibly by donations, hosting a coffee morning, 'Refugee Lunch', afternoon tea or any other bright idea. If you plan to organise an event to raise funds contact Jane Fletcher on 01507 604132 or by email cjanefletcher@btinternet.com



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Our Verger Kate Clarke is to retire this December 6th. Her last service will be on Sunday morning, 6th. Do come and join her.

Kate has give wonderful service to St James and I have become good friends with her over the past years. I will miss her and hope she will find the time to pop into church when I am guiding to have one of our chats. Enjoy retirement Kate.

God Bless, take care ,you will be missed.

Stuart (Editor)



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