

The Louth Herald



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2015 is the Year of Discipleship – well, at least for us here in the Diocese of Lincoln!

I have chosen to make discipleship our focus this year because as we develop and deepen our discipleship, so we grow in our confidence as followers of Jesus Christ; and, as you know by now, I want us all to be faithful, confident and joyful disciples.

I have already written to every parish in the diocese to share my hope that all of us will engage with the Year of Discipleship in some way, and everyone – either as an individual or as a church community – will take up at least one of the opportunities on offer.

Here are just some of the ways in which you might enter into our Year of Discipleship:

Join in with one of the services or bible studies based around our values of faithful, confident and joyful if they are offered in your parish

There are lots of courses available to help you think more deeply about your own discipleship, whether you're new to church or have been attending all your life. Why not think about having one of these at your church? The Church of England's new discipleship course, called Pilgrim, is an excellent place to start

Look out for the Diocesan Lent course for 2015, Confident Discipleship, running near you. It is an excellent follow up to this year's 2014 Advent course and gives us a further opportunity to reflect on our individual discipleship journeys

Look out for more information on the 'discipleship days' being planned for various locations around the diocese this year

Finally, keep your eye on Facebook and Twitter: the discipleship team will be using social media and keeping a blog through the Year of Discipleship. Remember, too, that there will be new resources and information coming on-stream all the time on our new-look website www.lincoln.anglican.org

I pray that God will bless our endeavours in the year ahead as we seek to grow as disciples of Jesus Christ, and I am already looking forward to joining together with many of you at a diocesan service in Lincoln Cathedral towards the end of the year to celebrate God's blessings through the year. Keep an eye out for more details coming soon.

I wish you a happy and blessed new year.

Bishop Christopher



Francesca King receiving an Honorary Doctorate of Technology from Southampton Solent University.

She is known in Louth under her name Franky King and is the daughter of Rev'd Daphne King. She attended Birkbeck and King Edward V1 Schools.

Always nice to see local girls doing well.

News for families and young people: Spring 2015



Services and Events for families...

- Saturday 10th January *Messy Church* from 10 45am at Trinity Centre.
Saturday 14th February *Messy Church* from 10 45am at Trinity Centre.
Tuesday 17th February *Pancake Races* for Shrove Tuesday at 11 45am on the cobbles outside St James'. Come along and race the Rector for a Pancake as we prepare to begin Lent.
- Saturday 14th March *Messy Church* from 10 45am at Trinity Centre.
Sunday 15th March Services for Mothering Sunday across the Parish, including:
A Service for Mothering Sunday at 10am in St James' with the distribution of Posies.
- Sunday 6th April Services for Easter Day in churches across the Parish, including:
Sung Eucharist for Easter at 10am in St James (with crèche), followed by an Easter Egg Hunt in the Rectory Garden.
- Saturday 11th April *Messy Church* from 10 45am at Trinity Centre.

Regular groups continuing to meet...

Parents & Toddlers at St. James'

The Parent and Toddler Group that meets in Church House (next to St. James' Church, Westgate) carries on meeting every Thursday. We meet from 10 30am – all welcome.
<http://teamparishoflouth.org.uk/groups-clubs/toddlers-at-st-james/>

Messy Church at Trinity

Join us for fun, crafts, celebration time and food! Takes place on the second Saturday of each month (except August) from 10 45am
<http://teamparishoflouth.org.uk/groups-clubs/messy-church/>



Tinies Breakfast at St. Michael's

This continues on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month in the new year. Babies and toddlers are welcome to come along and play, while those who look after them share in a cuppa and a chat. Free entry, free breakfast, free play.
<http://teamparishoflouth.org.uk/tinies-breakfast/>

The Choristers of St. James

New Choristers are welcome to join the choir at St James'.
<http://teamparishoflouth.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/choir-email.pdf>

NEWS

at St James'



Diary of special services/events for February and March 2014

1 st Feb.	6pm	FESTAL EVENSONG for Candlemas, followed by drinks under the spire
11 th Feb.	2 15pm	Ladies Guild in Church House
17 th Feb.	11 45am	Pancake Race along the cobbles, with pancakes served in Church House
	7 45pm	<i>Prayer and Pict</i> : Compline, followed by discussion in the Wheatsheaf
18 th Feb.	7 30pm	SUNG EUCHARIST for the beginning of Lent
11 th March	2 15pm	Ladies Guild in Church House
15 th March	10am	SERVICE FOR MOTHERING SUNDAY
17 th March	7 45pm	<i>Prayer and Pict</i> : Compline, followed by discussion in the Wheatsheaf
22 nd March	10am	SUNG EUCHARIST for Passion Sunday, with the Senior Choir and Strings from King Edward VI Grammar School
29 th March	10am	SUNG EUCHARIST for Palm Sunday
	7 30pm	Concert by Louth Choral Society, including Brahm's 'Requiem'.

Shrove Tuesday All are welcome to join in a Pancake Race down the cobbles on Shrove Tuesday morning – with an opportunity to eat a pancake (with sugar and lemon, or a variety of other fillings). Racing is not compulsory, and people are welcome to go straight to Church House and tuck in if they'd rather!

Beginning Lent We start Lent with the traditional Ash Wednesday service at 7 30pm on 18th February, in this service there will be an opportunity to receive the sign of an ashen cross on the forehead.

Farewell to one Verger, and welcome to a new Verger Alan Durrant retires as Verger during March and Mothering Sunday will mark Alan's last official service as Verger. During February and March we will welcome Chris Marshall – who is joining us as Alan's replacement, and will be spending a little time 'learning the ropes' alongside Kate and Alan before taking Alan's place.

Passion Sunday On Passion Sunday (22nd March) we welcome the Senior Choir from KEVIGS to lead our music. They will be giving us a preview of some of the music they are going to sing on a tour to Barcelona, including parts of Haydn's Little Organ Mass and Mozart's 'Ave verum' – accompanied by a small string orchestra.

INSPIRE500 September 2015 marks the 500th anniversary of the completion of the spire – the crowning glory of St James'. A full programme of events is planned during the year, with a particular focus on the Sunday nearest the anniversary – Sunday 13th September – when we will welcome the Bishop of Grimsby to our morning service and have a day of celebration, ending with an evening event. Full details of the programme of events throughout 2015 should be published in the weeks leading up to Easter.



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 - Crèche at the Rectory on the 1 st and 3 rd Sundays (meet in the church just before 10am) - 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	2 15pm	Ladies Guild in Church House (on the 2 nd Wednesday of the month)
	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.

Four 'Pilgrim' groups meet regularly for reflection and fellowship – please ask the clergy for details.

News from St Michael's



Sunday Services

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

Christmas at St Michael's was very lovely.

We had a super Christmas Fair and raised over £500. Lots of people popped in to say hello and to catch up with friends at the Conoco Rooms.

Our Children's Christmas Eve Celebration was attended extremely well with over 140 children, parents and grandparents there. Ronnie Partridge and her cheeky puppet dog Cinders did a great job in telling the story of the nativity while the children relaxed on bean bags next to the 'Blue Peter' style crib.

Midnight Mass was again well attended and as ever was a very touching service to be a part of which was taken by Ian Partridge, so at St Michael's we had two Partridges in our pear tree at Christmas!

So now 2015 is upon us, and the first event we have is a coffee morning and bring and buy on Saturday 21st February at the church, a chance to meet up and socialise with each other and we hope invite some of the parents that have been coming along to Tinies.

January has been a bumper month for Tinies, with lots of people, toddlers and babies coming along on every other Tuesday morning. Anyone who is interested in coming along or helping out at Tinies should contact Maria Vincent on 01507 328149.



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PARISH REGISTERS

BAPTISMS

7th Dec	Ava Olwen Bannerman
14th Dec	Bradley Laking Emily Short Ellis Short
4th Jan	Esme Faith James
18th Jan	Henry Seagroatt Mandy Seagroatt
25th Jan	Harry Mace

WEDDINGS/BLESSINGS

20th Dec	Matthew James Young with Emily Jayne Roberts
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FUNERALS

3rd Dec	Murray Edward Carlin
4th Dec	Peter Michael Hewson
8th Dec	Jack Henry Thane
11th Dec	Grace Fenwick
12th Dec	John Redman Strickland
17th Dec	Mark James Harrison
18th Dec	Hubert Henry Pridgeon Clara Jane Williams
22nd Dec	Stephen Alan Jesney
23rd Dec	Cyril Cooper Eva Taylor
30th Dec	Dorrian Savage John Russ Harrison
5th Jan	Allen William Graves
6th Jan	Hilda Grant
7th Jan	Ruth Audrey Addison
8th Jan	Edward Rowen
16th Jan	Betty Kirk
19th Jan	Raymond Barry Featherstone
20th Jan	Roland Fiddling
29th Jan	Valerie Hart

Roger and Chris Harrison would like to thank all their friends at St James's and in the Louthesk Deanery for their companionship and support over the past 17 years. It has been a privilege to have been part of church life, whether as organist, guide, choir member or taking services. We leave with fond memories and with a touch of sadness but looking forward to our new life in Northumberland. We now live in an interesting village near the sea with an eclectic mix of shops, (including a chocolatier), several pubs, inns, hotels and cafes, plus a medieval castle - in other words we're on the tourist trail! We'd love to show you the delights of this fascinating county so please do give us a call if you're thinking of visiting. Our address is: 3 Watershaugh Road, Warkworth, Morpeth NE65 0TT, telephone 01665711486.

Many thanks and a Happy Christmas from us both

Roger



Tinies Breakfast Celebration

A chance for mum, dad,
granny or grandad to bring
along their toddler/baby and...

- Enjoy a cuppa and a chat
- Juice and toast for the tiny ones
- Playtime in our children's area
- Storytime and a sing-along
- Celebrate at the end with a prayer

FREE ENTRY, FREE BREAKFAST, FREE PLAY

Every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month
Open from 9am to 10:30am

2015
6th January
20th January
3rd February
Holidays 17th Feb **NO Tinies**
3rd March
17th March
Holidays 7th April **NO Tinies**

St Michael's Church, Church Street, Louth

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



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NEWS from Trinity



Diary of events at Trinity in September 2014

2 nd September	12noon	Tasty Tuesday
	2pm	'Monthly Make'
6 th September	6pm	Line Dancing and Mexican Supper. Contact Jane Pegg for more details.
13 th September	10 45am	Messy Church
19 th September		Fish on Friday commemorates WWI with pupils from Lacey Gardens School
21 st September	12noon	Sunday Lunch

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!

Coffee Morning Bring and Buy

THE PARISH OF LOUTH

*Time to enjoy a cuppa and a chat
Toddlers play area available*

**St Michael's Church,
Church Street, Louth**

- Refreshments and cakes
- Bring unwanted gifts / bric-a-brac
- Raffle

**Saturday 21st February
10am till 12 noon**

Come along and meet new friends

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

Parish Wardens	Charles Dobson	604632
	Eileen Byrne	605371
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)	Peter Moore	07855 985773
	petermoore333@gmail.com	
Pilgrim Groups	Please contact the Rector	
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
	Peter Moore	07855 985773
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
Asst. Verger	Alan Durrant	606315
Sacristan	Kim Thompson	600828
Organist	Lisa Taylor	07770 550958
Choir Director	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
Education	Tiffany Noden	-----

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	604595

The Parish of Louth is within the Rural Deanery of Louthesk

Rural Dean	The Rev'd Sue Allison	602312
Deanery Office, 6 Ugate, Louth, LN11 9ET		610247
	<i>Open from 10am to 1pm, Monday to Friday</i>	
Deanery Administrator	Julie Speakman	
Be A Friend Co-ordinator		07890 629062

Parish Church of St. Michael, Louth

Church Officers:

Churchwardens	Brian Luckwell	607619
	Maria Vincent	328149
DCC Secretary	VACANT	
DCC Treasurer	Sylvia Luckwell	607619
ER Officer	Bob Frankum	354262
Verger (including Church House and bookings)	Sheila Williets	603513
Head Server	John Atkinson	604404
Organist	Janet McKee	327256

Parish Church of St. Andrew, Stewton

Church Officers:

Churchwardens	Dorothy Mansfield	327533
	Eileen Byrne	605371
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	VACANT	
Organists	David Wormell/David Dickinson	
Church Flowers	Dawn Taylor	609280
Bellringers	Phil Reeks	606202

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

Church Officers:

Parish Wardens	Charles Dobson	604632
	Eileen Byrne	605371
Treasurer	Rob Carr (DCC)	

Centre Staff:

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

Church Organisations:

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

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.

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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.

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.

Sally Heavens

Lay Reader-in-training

Matthew Harbage

Assistant Curate designate

Matthew is currently completing his training at Westcott House, Cambridge, and will move to start his work in the Parish in July 2015.

The Rev'd Christine Hawkins

Team Vicar of Louth

The Vicarage, Little Lane, Louth.

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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'

The Rev'd Keith Tomlin

Assistant Priest (NSM) and part-time Chaplain to Louth County Hospital

Keith provides a link between the Parish of Louth and Louth County Hospital and also assists with the Pastoral Offices.

Greg Gilbert

Community Outreach Manager

Trinity Centre, Eastgate, Louth, LN11 8DJ

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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

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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

Other members of the Ministry Team, serving both the Parish of Louth and the Deanery of Louthesk:

The Rev'd Ian Chisholm

The Rev'd Canon Alan Hayday

The Rev'd Daphne King

Services and events for February 2015

(Unless otherwise shown, services/events take place in St. James')



	1 st February 4 th Sunday of Epiphany	8 th February 2 nd Sunday before Lent	15 th February Sunday next before Lent	22 nd February 1 st Sunday of Lent
Sunday in the town of Louth...	<p>9 30am Sung Mass at St. Michael <i>President: The Rev'd Nick Brown</i></p> <p>10am SUNG EUCHARIST sung by the Girl Choristers and Adults <i>President: The Rev'd Chris Hawkins</i> <i>Preacher: The Rev'd Kate Toogood</i> Many are the light-beams <i>Widestrand arr. Smith</i> Mass of St Anne <i>MacMillan</i> Make me a light <i>Wilby</i> Hymns 356; 494; 534 & 424; (426); 395.</p> <p>3pm Baptisms at St Michael's</p> <p>6pm FESTAL EVENSING sung by the Singers of St James' <i>Preacher: The Rev'd Nick Brown</i> <i>O nata lux Tallis</i> Psalm 118 <i>Rose Responses</i> <i>Stanford in G</i> <i>When to the temple Ecce ad</i> Hymns 2; 244; 557.</p>	<p>9 30am Sung Mass at St. Michael <i>President: The Rev'd Canon Alan Hayday</i></p> <p>10am SUNG EUCHARIST sung by the Girl Choristers and Adults <i>President: The Rev'd Nick Brown</i> <i>Preacher: The Rev'd Chris Hawkins</i> I was glad <i>Burns</i> Alvingham Service <i>Goodwin</i> The Lord is my shepherd <i>Goodall</i> Hymns 64; 260; 398; (254); 267.</p> <p>6pm CHORAL EVENSING sung by 'Laudate': The Boy Choristers <i>Preacher: Mrs Ronnie Partridge</i> <i>Ferial Responses</i> Psalm 65 <i>Hylton-Stewart in C</i> Faithful vigil ended (CP 360). Praise God from whom all blessing flow <i>Tallis</i> Hymns 271; 474; 251.</p>	<p>9 30am Sung Mass at St. Michael <i>President: The Rev'd Ian Partridge</i></p> <p>10am SUNG EUCHARIST sung by the Girl Choristers <i>President and Preacher: The Rev'd Nick Brown</i> God be in my head <i>Wolford-Davies</i> Messe breve <i>Delibes</i> Love one another <i>Wesley</i> Hymns 2; 383; 386; (284); 612.</p> <p>11am Holy Communion at Trinity <i>President: The Rev'd Chris Hawkins</i></p> <p>3pm Baptism at St James'</p> <p>6pm CHORAL EVENSING sung by the Consort <i>Preacher: Mrs Sylvia Pounds</i> <i>Rose Responses</i> Psalm 2 Canticles to faubourdeons <i>Willan</i> Immortal, invisible <i>Thiman</i> Hymns 248; 523; 216.</p>	<p>9 30am Sung Mass at St. Michael <i>President: The Rev'd Kate Toogood</i></p> <p>10am SUNG EUCHARIST sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir <i>Preacher: The Rev'd Nick Brown</i> <i>Preacher: Dr. Paul Hill</i> Lent Prose (v. 1) <i>Plainsong</i> Missa orbis factor <i>Plainsong</i> Pace Domine <i>Plainsong</i> Hymns 455; 416; 538; (118); 496.</p> <p>3pm Baptisms at St James'</p> <p>6pm CHORAL EVENSING sung by the Consort <i>Preacher: The Rev'd Nick Brown</i> <i>Ferial Responses</i> Psalm 119:17-32 <i>Plainsong</i> Canticles Carol of the atonement <i>arr. Greening</i> Hymns 366; 100; 605.</p>
In the villages...	<p>11am Communion at Stewton <i>President: The Rev'd Canon Alan Hayday</i></p>	<p>11am Communion at St. E'ton <i>President: The Rev'd Chris Hawkins</i></p> <p>11am Morning Prayer at Welton <i>Preacher: Mrs Sylvia Pounds</i></p> <p>12 30pm Baptism at South Elkington</p>	<p>11am Holy Communion at Stewton <i>President: The Rev'd Robert Mansfield</i></p>	<p>8 30am Holy Communion at Welton le Wold <i>Preacher: Mrs Sylvia Pounds</i></p> <p>11am Matins at South Elkington <i>Preacher: The Rev'd Kate Toogood</i></p>
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The Rev'd Nick Brown *at* Mrs BTH FMAIOTC, Rector

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Wednesday
18th February
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ASH WEDNESDAY

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Exploring
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Snippets from Stewton

SUNDAY SERVICES

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

Grateful thanks to all who supported our appeal to help the charity Volunteers for Mental Health in the Romanian Psychiatric Hospital. They are pleased with the total of £378. It means so much to them that we are able to help. Every little helps and it brings some light into a dark world.

Following recent building work and the Discipleship discussions we look forward to developing our ministry here. All the elements are not yet clear to us but we have made a very positive start, who knows where it will lead us, but it feels an exciting time.

SOUTH ELKINGTON



SUNDAY SERVICES

11am Holy Communion on the 2nd Sunday
Matins on the 4th

A BUSY TIME AT SOUTH ELKINGTON DURING THE ADVENT/CHRISTMAS

The village Christmas tree was lit with carol singing led by the Phoenix Singers.

Greenwich House Independent School held their annual Carol service and nativity Play in Church.

The Church held its Carol Service.

Christmas day Eucharist.

Churches Together Christmas Pudding walk followed by lunch at the Church Institute. Despite the bad weather 29 people attended. The proceeds of £169 was donated to the Bible Society. Many thanks to all who attended and supported these services and activities. The refreshments are always appreciated and the church was beautifully decorated. One visitor signed the visitor's book with the comment "stunning".

Prayer and Pint 



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Part One...
...the timeless evening service of Compline – a quiet end to the day:
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Tuesday 20th January at 7pm in the Salvation Army, Church Street
Wednesday 21st January at 7pm in All Saints, Legbourne
Thursday 22nd January at 7pm in Louth Christian Fellowship, Cannon Street
Friday 23rd January at 7pm in St Mary's Roman Catholic Church, Uppgate
Saturday 24th January at 10 30am in the Orthodox Church, Louth Cemetery

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SUNDAY SERVICES

8 30am Holy Communion on the
4th Sunday

11am Morning Prayer on the 2nd
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The Orthodox Church in Louth have made a gift of an icon of these two local saints which is currently beside the High Altar at St James'. This is a symbol of the heritage that we share, and bonds of affection that exist between our Churches.

Athelheard (died 12th May 805) was Abbot of Louth during the 8th century. The community that he led was almost certainly focused on the church that stood on this site, and around which the town of Louth grew. The Abbey of Louth seems to have been of some importance, and Athelheard went from here to become Bishop of Winchester (then the capital of the Saxon kingdom of Wessex). However, he is better known for being Archbishop of Canterbury between 793 and 805.

Herefrith (died around 873) was one of the last Saxon Bishops of Lindsey and was buried here in one of his 'chief churches'. At this time Lincoln (nor its predecessor, Stow) was not as ecclesiastically important as it later became, and the fact that Herefrith was buried in Louth shows that it had an important place in the time before the Danish invasion. When peace returned this area came under the influence of the Bishops of Dorchester (Oxford), who later moved their episcopal See to Lincoln. For centuries the church here was dedicated to Herefrith, and even when the church came to be known as St James (after Herefrith's body was transferred to Thorney Abbey) one of the town's annual fairs continued to be celebrated on his feast-day (27th February).

We continue to remember these saints who went before us. They were part of a life of prayer, worship and service that has continued from their time to the present day. As we gather to seek out the love of God, and as we seek to make that love a reality in our community, we are continuing that same work which they undertook in this place, but in a different time.



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This month the church begins the season of Lent – traditionally a time of reflection and prayer when we to reflect on our life as followers of Jesus.

During Lent the story of John the Baptist will be read in our churches. John is a fascinating character who risked being mocked not only for his eccentric dress and his bizarre taste in food (locusts and wild honey – but also for the controversial things he said, calling people to repentance. To ‘repent’ is to turn away, to change direction and do things differently.

John called his hearers to turn away from the mistakes of the past and to re-orientate life in the Christian way. That is the same vocation to which God, through Jesus and his church, calls us today.

As you know, the diocese has begun a Year of Discipleship, running through 2015, and I’m excited about the signs of growth and renewal in our churches which I hope will flow from this initiative. One of the things which set John the Baptist apart was that he was prepared to talk about things that matter – what it is to lead a holy life, how to reflect on our experience through a spiritual lens, how to talk about God, and so on.

I want all of us to be able to talk freely about our faith. My hope and prayer is that the Year of Discipleship will increase our confidence about doing that, and help us to find the words to share the love of God with those we meet in our daily lives, for our faith to be expressed in lives of discipleship and service, enabling us to make a real difference to the life of our communities.

Bishop Christopher

Sunday
1st February
2015



The Feast of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple,
also known as...

Candlemas

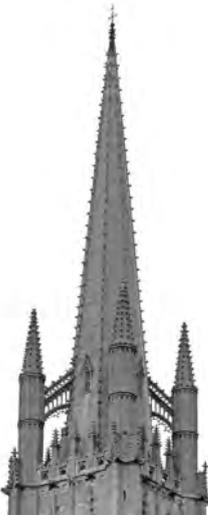
10am Sung Eucharist

The true end of the Christmas season as we remember that in Christ the love that is God is made know to all.

6pm Festal Evensong

A quiet and reflective service with music sung by our choir, followed by a chance to meet others over a drink.

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Keep an eye on the Herald and in church to see what is being done to celebrate this landmark in our history.

The last date for submission of articles for the March 2015 Herald is Tuesday 17th February 2015.
You can send articles to my Email address which is: stuart@clara.net or stuart@talktalk.net