

THIS WEEK'S DIARY

Sun 22 nd	4th Sunday of Advent Micah 5.2-5a; Luke 1.39-45 8.00am Said Holy Communion 9.45am Young Explorers, Green School 10.00am Parish Holy Communion 5.00pm Carol Service
Tue 24 th	Christmas Eve 4.00pm Crib Service 11.30pm First Communion of Christmas Isaiah 52.7-10; John 1.1-14
Wed 25 th	10.00am All Age Holy Communion Titus 2.11-14; Luke 2.1-14
Sat 28 th	12noon Soup & Social Lunch, Green School
Sun 29 th	1st Sunday of Christmas Colossians 3.12-17; Luke 2.41-end 10.00am Parish Holy Communion

The Office of Morning Prayer is said Monday - Saturday at 9am and that of Evening Prayer Monday - Friday at 5pm.

Rotas for 22nd December

Sides-	8.00am Jean Jones
People :	10.00am Keith & Chris Warren, Nick Evans 5.00pm Diane Wheatley, Lyall Seale
Readers:	8.00am Jean Jones 10.00am Scott Miller

Rotas for 24th December

Sides-	4.00pm Dorothy Harriss
People	11.30pm Pete Hilton

Rotas for 25th December

Sides-	10.00am Janis Hewitt
People	

Rotas for 29th December

Sides-	10.00am Dorothy Harriss, Kay Bunn,
People:	Keith Warren
Reader:	10.00am James Ward

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sun 12th Jan: Taizé Service in Church

Thu 16th Jan: Mothers' Union Service then
AGM in Church

Sun 19th Jan: Churches Together Service,
Open Door Church, DSJ

Sat 1st Feb: Jazz Breakfast, venue tbc

NEWSLETTER ITEMS:

Deadline 6pm Thursday; hard copy to Dorothy Harriss, 1 The Orchard, MD; email dorothy@harriss.me.uk or ring 218743

Greeting Cards: Pam Pearson and Greg Ford make very attractive cards which are on sale at the back of Church; proceeds to the fabric & maintenance fund.

Church Floodlighting: In memory of a loved one, or to mark a special wedding anniversary or birthday in a unique way, why not sponsor the church floodlights? Book the date with Kay 349021, give Julie the £20 fee.

Raffle Prizes: We are always grateful to receive prizes for the raffles held at various events. Please let Kate or Julie have suitable items. Thanks.

Church is open each day till 5pm: please come in to be still in God's presence, to pray or explore the building.

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St Guthlac's
Church

MARKET DEEPING PARISH NEWS

**Reaching out in Love
Growing in Faith
Welcoming All**

December 22nd 2024: 4th Sunday of Advent

Preacher: Nigel Bacon; Intercessor: Helen Evans

Please pray this week for the people of the church of St Firmin's, Thurlby, their priest Revd Carolyn Bailey and their outreach into their community.

Thank you to all those who have so beautifully and thoughtfully decorated the church for Christmas, with carols as the theme. It looks wonderful.

Carol Service: Our traditional service of **Nine Lessons and Carols is today at 5pm.** The readers have been drawn from the community, and we will hear the age-old story of Jesus birth interspersed with carols and choir pieces. **Not to be missed!**

Christmas Eve: Crib Service, 4.00pm

Come along to this festive, family-friendly service and hear the Christmas story in a fun, interactive way. Wear a Christmas jumper and/or hat if you can!

Christmas Eve: Holy Communion, 11.30pm

Sing carols, pray, and hear the Christmas message, then receive your First Holy Communion of the season or a prayer of blessing.

Christmas Day: All Age Holy Communion, 10.00am

An All Age Holy Communion Service, with carols and a re-telling of the Christmas story. Bring a present you have opened to show everyone and have it blessed.

Happy Christmas to All!!

HMP Peterborough Winter Warmers Appeal

HMP Peterborough runs Outside Links, supporting those who are homeless and living on the streets. They need donations of warm adult clothing, men's or women's, new or used, to distribute to individuals.

Ring 07789615048 or email
outsidelinks@sodexogov.co.uk

Prayer Meeting: We meet in Church on **Monday 6th January at 10am** for our monthly time of prayer. To have a person or situation of particular concern to you included, please give details on a slip of paper which you will find in the felt bowl on the back shelf.

Coffee Morning: Please note that this will be held in Church on Saturday 11th January from 10.30am as upgrading work is being carried out in the Green School.

WaterAid: As a way of giving thanks for the blessing of clean water you always have on tap for drinking, cooking, flushing, and washing, you can still donate to this charity which is a leader in the field. Envelopes are available on the back shelf. **Thanks.**



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