THIS WEEK'S DIARY

Sun 8th 2nd Sunday of Advent Malachi 3.1-4; Luke 3.1-6 8.00am Said Holy Communion 9.45am Young Explorers, Green School 10.00am Parish Holy Communion 4.00pm Christingle Service Mon 9th 10.30am Advent Study Group in Church Wed 11th 10.30am Said Holy Communion Thu 12th 7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice 13th 9.30am Friday Crafts, Green School Fri 6.30pm Choir Practice 14th 10.30am Christmas Coffee Morning, Green Sch Sat

Sun 15th 3rd Sunday of Advent

I Thessalonians 3.9-13; Mark 13.32-37

8.00am Said Holy Communion 9.45am Young Explorers, Green School 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 8th December

Sides-8.00am Keith Warren

People: 10.00am Kay and Henry Roberts, Chris Warren

4.00pm Carol Cooper, Janis Hewitt, Kay Roberts

Readers: 8.00am Keith Warren

10.00am Kevin Dawson

Rotas for 15th December

8.00am Kevin Dawson Sides-

People: 10.00am Janis Hewitt, Lyall Seale, Geoff Chambers

Readers: 8.00am Kevin Dawson

10.00am Lyall Seale

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sat 21st Dec: Messy Church, 2.30pm, Green School

Sun 22nd Dec: Carol Service, 5.00pm Christmas Eve: Crib Service, 4.00pm

Holy Communion, II.30pm

Christmas Day: Holy Communion, 10.00am

NEWSLETTER ITEMS:

Deadline 6pm Thursday; hard copy to Dorothy Harriss, I 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.

Ness Group: To join a morning prayer service via zoom at 9am any weekday morning with our LMP neighbours to the north, just ask for the link. Have a hot drink and Bible nearby to listen to readings, reflection, and prayer.

Notices: Please look at the notice board for information about events/special services by churches in our LMP.

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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MARKET DEEPING PARISH NEWS

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

December 8th 2024: 2nd Sunday of Advent Preacher: Kate Brown; Intercessor: Nigel Bacon

Please pray this week for God's blessing on the people of the Diocese of Lincoln, The Bishops and Archdeacons, the Dean and Chapter, the Rural Deans, Clergy and Lay Ministers.

Christingle: Join us this afternoon at 4pm when we think about Jesus being the Light of the World. A joyful service for all ages, the Christingle oranges have a candle, representing the light and love of God for all the world. With well-known carols, a Bible reading and prayers; hot chocolate, squash, mince pies, and biscuits! All ages welcome so do join us!

Carol Service: Our traditional service of Nine Lessons and Carols is on Sunday 22nd December at 5pm. The readers will be 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!

Rose Lodge: On Wednesday 18th December at 2.30pm you are invited to join Rose Lodge residents for their Communion Service followed by some carol singing.

Advent Study Group: Our Advent course 'Women of the Nativity' continues tomorrow, 10.30am in Church with Abigail & Elizabeth; then 16th December with Mary & Shiprah. Sessions self-contained, come when you can.

> Christmas in the Green School Friday Crafts, Friday 13th, 9.30am, Christmassy projects or bring your own;

Coffee Morning, Saturday 14th, 10.30am, Sales of Christmas cards and small gifts (more welcome on the day) alongside our usual books, jigsaws, and cakes with a raffle and delicious refreshments:

Ladies Guild, Tuesday 17th, 7.30pm, Entertainment with Andy, Jules, & friends, then nibbles; Mothers' Union, Thursday 19th, 6.30pm Readings, carols, quiz, games, and seasonal refreshments;

Messy Church, Saturday 21st 2.30pm

Crafts, activities, singing, shared food and a talk about the nativity. Families particularly welcome.

See you at any or all of the above!

Christmas Eve: Crib Service, 4.00pm;

Holy Communion, 11.30pm Christmas Day: Holy Communion, 10.00am

Decorating Church: To decorate Church for the Christmas season, each window has the theme of a carol - Anne and Kate have items to help do this.

Join up with a friend and see what you can do!

WaterAid: Please write one Christmas card for Church friends to display on the board at the back, then donate money saved on cards for each individual in an envelope provided to give thanks for the clean drinking water you always have on tap. Thanks.



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