

THIS WEEK'S DIARY

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| Sun 14th | 3rd Sunday of Advent Isaiah 35.1-10; Matthew 11.2-11 |
| | 8.00am Said Holy Communion |
| | 9.45am Sunday Club, Green School |
| | 10.00am Parish Holy Communion |
| | 5.00pm Evensong: Isaiah 5.8-30; Acts 13.13-41 |
| Mon 15th | 7.30pm Advent Course, Green School |
| Tue 16th | 10.30am William Hildyard Sch Service |
| | 7.30pm Ladies Guild Christmas Party |
| Wed 17th | 10.30am Said Holy Communion |
| | 6.30pm Scouts Bethlehem Peace Light Service |
| Thu 18th | 6.30pm Mothers' Union Christmas, Gr School |
| | 7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice |
| Fri 19th | 9.30am Friday Crafts, Green School |
| | 6.30pm Choir Practice |
| Sat 20th | 2.30pm Messy Church, Green School |

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| Sun 21st | 4th Sunday of Advent Romans 1.1-7; Matthew 1.18-25 |
| | 8.00am Said Holy Communion |
| | 9.45am Sunday Club, Green School |
| | 10.00am Parish Holy Communion |
| | 5.00pm Community Carol Service |

Rotas for 14th December

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| Sides- | 8.00am Peter Hilton |
| People: | 10.00am Kay & Henry Roberts, Chris Warren |
| | 5.00pm David Betts |
| Readers: | 8.00am Peter Hilton |
| | 10.00am Nigel Coke-Woods |
| | 5.00pm Henry Roberts |

Rotas for 21st December

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| Sides- | 8.00am Kevin Dawson |
| People: | 10.00am Janis Hewitt, Lyall Seale, Keith Warren |
| | 5.00pm Lyall Seale, Kay & Henry Roberts |
| Readers | 8.00am Kevin Dawson |
| | 10.00am Jean Jones |

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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| Sun 21st Dec: | Carol Service, 5pm |
| Wed 24th Dec: | Crib Service, 4pm |
| | Midnight Communion Service, 11.30pm |
| Thu 25th Dec: | All Age Holy Communion, 10am |
| Thu 8th Jan: | Bereavement Café, Green School, 10.30am (not 1st as Bank Holiday) |

NEWSLETTER ITEMS:

Deadline 6pm Thursday; hard copy to Dorothy Harriss, 1 The Orchard, MD; email harriss.dorothy@gmail.com ring 07587 691743 – please note these new contact details.

Safeguarding Officer: Report any concerns to Anne Guthrie by emailing safeguarding@stguthlacs.org.uk

Choral Evensong: Please read Peter Davies our organist's article in this month's magazine for details of his plan for such a service in the new year.

Warm Space: Deep in Kindness has opened a daily warm space for the Deepings, 9am–5pm, at 47 Bridge St, DSJ. offering free tea/coffee and reduced-cost meals, is a welcoming place of warmth, kindness, conversation. St. Guthlac's Church is a sponsor of the project.

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 14th 2025: 3rd Sunday of Advent

Preacher: Nick Evans; Intercessor: Kate Brown

Please pray this week for the people of St Michael and All Angels Church, Langtoft, their priest, Revd Carolyn Bailey, and their outreach into their community.

Evensong: Join us tonight at **5pm** for this traditional evening service, with a chance for you to sing along.

Advent Study Group: The next session is **tomorrow 7.30pm, Green School**. Please join us for coffee, 7pm.

School Service: On **Tuesday 16th December at 10.30am** the children from the William Hildyard C of E School will be in Church for their Christmas Service.

Ladies Guild: On **Tuesday 16th December at 7.30pm** we have our Christmas Party night with Jules, Andy, and company who are guaranteed to entertain and amuse.

Mothers' Union: On **Thursday 18th December** our meeting follows its usual pattern of readings, poems, carols, and quizzes plus seasonal snacks. All welcome.

Friday Crafts: The group will meet at **9.30am, Friday 19th December**, for a relaxed fun flower session plus social time and special refreshments.

Messy Church Christmas: We meet **from 2.30pm, Saturday 20th December** in the Green School. Families are welcome to come along to make Christmas angels.

Community Carol Service: On **Sunday 21st December at 5pm** our nine lessons and carols service will consist of bible readings telling of the promise of, and coming about of, a special birth, plus a mixture of new and well known songs to prepare us for Christmas.

Christmas Eve: We begin at **4pm** with our **Crib Service**, which children especially enjoy. Please wear a Christmas jumper and/or hat if you can! Then comes traditional **Midnight Communion, 11.30pm. All Age Communion at 10am** is on Christmas Day – why not bring one of your presents to be blessed? See you all we hope!!

Water Aid Christmas Appeal: Please put one Christmas card on the board at the back to all your St Guthlac family, then donate money saved not buying numerous cards to Water Aid. There are small envelopes on the table for this, or if you are a tax payer give directly at www.wateraid.org/uk/donate/one-off and gift aid your donation. Help Julie track the amount raised this year.

Safeguarding: We hope you all read the information on the display near the font about the part we all have to play in safeguarding. Make sure you recognise our safeguarding officer, Anne Guthrie, and email her about any concerns.

Memory Tree: In the window above the book of remembrance there is a Christmas tree where you can place a label bearing the name of someone you will miss this Christmas. Please use it.



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