

MARKET DEEPING PARISH NEWS AUGUST 2025 Reaching out in Love Growing in Faith Welcoming All

All Age Service: Today, the first Sunday of August, we are having an All Age Holy Communion Service at 10am. We hope you will enjoy the more relaxed worship.

Raft Race: This takes place today so please be aware road closures will be in operation. Local Charities will be raising money, and there will be stalls of various kinds, as well is the intrepid 'rafters' to cheer on – good fun all round!

Prayer Meeting: This month's meeting is tomorrow, **4**th **August, I I am in Church**. (Please note one hour later than usual). Join us if you can or write names/situations needing prayer on a slip of paper from the felt bowl on the shelf and we will include them on your behalf. Everyone welcome.

Mothers' Union: On Saturday 9th August at 10.30am members from branches in our local cluster will gather at Bourne Abbey Church Hall to celebrate our founder Mary Sumner's special day. Refreshments will be served and there will be a mystery bag stall. Kate is co-ordinating lifts, and you can contact her later this week. We hold our own Coffee Morning on Friday 29th August, 10.30am in the Green School. Delicious refreshments will be served and there will be a raffle. We invite all of you along, so please do join us then.

Themed Services: At our monthly, second Sunday services at 4pm we will have Taizé Worship on 10th August; Wild Worship outside on 14th September; and a Pet Service on 12th October. Everyone is welcome to join us for any of these services.

Summer Messy Church: The session will be on Saturday 16th August at 2.30pm in the Rectory Garden with a Picnic and games. Sounds like great fun, so please come along and bring family, friends or neighbours with you for fun, food and games. Everyone welcome.

Talks at Teatime: These will resume in the autumn, when recordings from this year's Greenbelt are available. More in the October magazine and newsletters going forward.

Sunday Club: Our young people and their leaders are now having a break, and we wish them all a very refreshing time. As there will be an **All Age Holy Communion** on **7**th **September**, the club will meet again on **Sunday 14**th **September in the Green School at 9.45am.** A warm welcome is assured at this and all our sessions.

Welland Local Mission Partnership:

Parishes of Thurlby, Baston, Langtoft, Market Deeping, Deeping St James, Deeping St Nicholas and Crowland.

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

Ness Group: The group of parishes to the north of us (Langtoft, Baston and Thurlby) have morning prayer via zoom each weekday morning. They invite anyone to join them at 9am, with a hot drink and a Bible nearby, to hear Bible readings a short reflection and prayer. A link to the zoom meeting can be provided.

Prayer for Peace

O God of all hope and peace, we bring to you the needs of our broken and hurting world.

Our hearts are breaking with images of lives lost or torn apart by grief in Israel and Palestine, Ukraine and Russia, and Sudan.

We pray for an end to violence and warfare so that the challenging work of rebuilding may begin.

Help us, O Lord, to affirm our common humanity so that in our differences we may build together for justice and peace.

In Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Church is open each day 9am till 5pm: please come in to be still in God's presence, to pray or explore the building.

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.

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.

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