

The Parish of Louth and Deanery of Louthesk

Weekly notes and information for

10th October 2021: Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity www.teamparishoflouth.org.uk



In all we do, we seek to live out Jesus' command to draw close to the love of God in worship, and to share this by loving our neighbour



Collect Prayer for the week

O God, forasmuch as without you
we are not able to please you;
mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit
may in all things direct and rule our hearts;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Our churches: opening as places for prayer and reflection in our communities

The Parish Church of Louth St James will be open between

10am and 4pm

Monday to Saturday unless otherwise stated below.

*Please see pages 3 and 4 for details of other churches that are open for private prayer and public visits
across the Deanery of Louthesk*

This Sunday is also Safeguarding Sunday

DIARY OF PRAYER & WORSHIP THIS WEEK...

Services marked * are broadcast via www.facebook.com/louthchurch

Sunday 10th <i>Nineteenth Sunday</i> <i>After Trinity</i>	10am	SUNG EUCHARIST at St James'* Non Nobis Domine, <i>Byrd</i> Hymns: 362; 391; 380(i); 398 (Common Praise) Amos 5.6-7, 10-15; Hebrews 4.12-end; Mark 10.17-31 Anthem: Litany to the Holy Spirit' by Peter Hurford
<i>Safeguarding</i>	10am	MORNING SERVICE at North Thoresby
<i>Sunday</i>	10.30am	HC WITH BAPTISM (Alfie Chapman) at Manby
	10.30am	HARVEST FESTIVAL at Grimoldby
	11am	HARVEST FESTIVAL at North Somercotes
	11 15am	HOLY COMMUNION at Legbourne
	12 30pm	BAPTISM (Lottie Margarson) at St James'
	2pm	BAPTISM (Miller Ingamells-Langdale) at South Elkington
	2pm	BAPTISM (Emelia Nicholls) at North Somercotes
	3pm	BAPTISM (Grace King) at Belleau
	3pm	HOLY COMMUNION at Fotherby
	4pm	HARVEST FESTIVAL at Welton-le-Wold
	6pm	HARVEST FESTIVAL at Ludborough
	6pm	EVENSONG at St James'* <i>Bramma</i> Responses Psalm 127, 128 Evening Service, <i>Holmes</i> Joshua 3.7-end; Matthew 10.1-22 Hymns: 476, 353 (New English Hymnal) Anthem: Joshua Fit the Battle of Jericho, <i>arr. Howarth</i>
Monday 11th	9 30am	MORNING PRAYER at St James' Psalm 98; 1 Maccabees 6.1-17; John 13.1-11
	10 00pm	Parent & Toddler Grp at Trinity Centre 'til 12noon
Tuesday 12th	9 30am	MATINS at St James' Psalm 106; 1 Maccabees 6.18-47; John 13.12-20
	11 30am	Meditating with Scripture Go to: www.zoom.us/join or 'phone 0203 481 5240, and enter the Meeting ID: 847 0617 4009 and Password: 562604.
	12noon	HOLY COMMUNION (BCP) at St James
Wednesday 13th	9 30am	MORNING PRAYER at St James' Psalm 111; 1 Maccabees 7.1-20, John 13.21-30
	10am	'Knit and Natter' at Trinity Centre
	10am	SHINE Drop in at the Trinity Centre until 12noon
	12 noon	Friendship Walk leaving from Trinity Centre
	12 30pm	Outreach Post Office at Fotherby Church with Pop-in light lunches between 12.30 and 2.30pm
	1 00pm	Dementia Friendly group at Trinity Centre
Thursday 14th	9 30am	MORNING PRAYER at St James' Psalm 115; 1 Maccabees 7.21-end; John 13.31-end

10 30am 'Craft and Chatter' at St James'
 11 00am **MASS** at St Michael's
 11 00am **FUNERAL** (Gwendoline Reetham) at Great Carlton

Friday 15th

Priest In Charge : Day Off

Rural Dean : Day Off

9 30am **MORNING PRAYER** at St James'

Psalm 139 1 Maccabees 9.1-22; John 14.1-14

12noon **MEMORIAL SERVICE** (Chris Rolph) at Legbourne

Saturday 16th

Sunday 17th

**Twentieth Sunday
 After Trinity**

10am **SUNG EUCHARIST** at St James'*

Spirit of the living God, *Iverson*

Hymns: 546; 496; 112; 604 (Common Praise)

Isaiah 53.4-end; Hebrews 5.1-10; Mark 10.35-45

Ave Verum, *Elgar*

10am **HOLY COMMUNION** at North Thoresby

10am **HOLY COMMUNION** at Fulstow

10am **HOLY COMMUNION** at Marshchapel

10am **HOLY COMMUNION** at Grainthorpe

10 30am **MORNING SERVICE** at Grimoldby

11am **BAPTISM** (Ajax Crunkhorn) at Fotherby

11am **HOLY COMMUNION** at Stewton

11 15am **HOLY COMMUNION** at Legbourne

12 noon **BAPTISM** (Skylar Storr) at Grainthorpe

3pm **EVENSONG** at Grainsby

6pm **FESTAL EVENSONG FOR THE EVE OF ST. LUKE** at
 St James'*

Radcliffe Responses Psalm 33

Evening Service in G, *Sumsion*

Joshua 3.7-end; Matthew 10.1-22

Hymns: 194; 325 (New English Hymnal)

Anthem: Give us the Wings of Faith, *Bullock*

JOINING IN WORSHIP

All our worship is being streamed on the Parish of Louth facebook page. You do not need a Facebook account to view these services – just click on 'Not now' when it asks you to sign up. www.facebook.com/louthchurch/live

 Watch Louth CofE Services as live streams (and previously recorded) on Facebook. No account needed

DETAILS OF CHURCHES OPEN

Belleau: Open daily

Binbrook: Please 'phone the keyholder on 07778 316486 for access

Covenham: Please 'phone the Churchwarden on 01507 363508 for access.

Fulstow: Open daily

Fotherby: The Outreach Post Office is open on Wednesdays from 12.30pm to 2.30pm

Grainsby: Open daily

Great Carlton: Open daily 10am to 4pm

Grimoldby: Please 'phone the churchwarden on 01507 328917

Ludborough: Please 'phone the churchwarden on 01472 840505 for access.

Manby: Please 'phone the churchwarden on 01507 327199 for access.

Marshchapel: temporarily closed for Private Prayer

North Thoresby: Please 'phone a churchwarden on 01472 840698 or 840160 for access.

North Somercotes: Please 'phone the Churchwarden on 01507 358520 for access.

Raithby: Open daily

South Elkington: Open daily

South Thoresby: Open from 9 30am to 7 30pm daily

Utterby: Open daily

Welton Le Wold: Open daily

An Order of Service for the Eucharist this Sunday

- *We open our hearts to God, that we might be transformed by his love*
- *We listen to God's Word, and seek to find out how we may grow to understand God's will for us more fully*
- *We gather around the table to share a symbolic meal, a meal that joins us with our brothers and sisters throughout the world; the saints who have lived in all times and places*
- *We pray that we go out as lights that shine with God's love wherever we might go*

The Gathering

The GREETING and PREPARATION

Please stand as the ministers enter, an introit or hymn is sung or the organ played.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Lord be with you

and also with you.

Words of welcome are said and a HYMN may be sung.

Together we pray...

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

A Minister introduces the Prayers of Penitence.

God the Father forgives us in Christ and heals us by the Holy Spirit. Let us therefore put away all anger and bitterness, all slander and malice, and confess our sins to God our redeemer.

Most merciful God,

Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed.

We have not loved you with our whole heart.

We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.

In your mercy forgive what we have been,

**help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God.
Amen.**

The Priest pronounces Absolution.

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

We sing the GLORIA, a Song of Praise written by the early Christians

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

**Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.**

Amen.

The COLLECT prayer

O God, forasmuch as without you we are not able to please you; mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Or:

Faithful Lord, whose steadfast love never ceases and whose mercies never come to an end: grant us the grace to trust you and to receive the gifts of your love, new every morning, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Old Testament Reading: Amos 5.6-7, 10-15

A Reading from the book of Amos.

Seek the Lord and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it. Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground! They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth. Therefore, because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine. For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins - you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate.

Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time. Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said. Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord. All: **Thanks be to God.**

New Testament Reading: Hebrews 4.12-end

A Reading from the book of Hebrews.

Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account. Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord. All: **Thanks be to God.**

A HYMN may be sung as we prepare to hear the Gospel reading. A GOSPEL ACCLAMATION may also greet the beginning and end of the reading.

Gospel Reading: Mark 10:17-31

Reader: Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark. All: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, 'Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: "You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honour your father and mother."' He said to him, 'Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.' Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, 'You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions. Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, 'How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!' And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, 'Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.' They were greatly astounded and said to one another, 'Then who can be saved?' Jesus looked at them and said, 'For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.' Peter began to say to him, 'Look, we have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or

mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.'

Reader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

There will be a SERMON or HOMILY and period for reflection, after which the service continues with the NICENE CREED:

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

The INTERCESSIONS, which may include the following bidding and response:

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer

And may end with:

Merciful Father,

accept these prayers,

for the sake of your Son,

our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The PEACE

Peace to you from God our heavenly Father. Peace from his Son Jesus Christ who is our peace. Peace from the Holy Spirit, the life-giver. The peace of the triune God be always with you. **And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

A HYMN may be sung, or a chant, or the organ played, as the altar is prepared.

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

A prayer may be said after the altar is prepared:

The EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

The president praises God for his mighty acts, ending with:

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

[Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.]

The president recalls the Last Supper, after which the following acclamation may be used:

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

The Prayer continues and leads into the doxology, to which all respond boldly

Amen.

We sit or kneel for the LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ

Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

The AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

The GIVING OF COMMUNION

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

As the priest receives, and instead of words spoken to each communicant, we hear and respond to the words of distribution together.

The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

The blood of Christ, shed for you. **Amen.**

If you are worshipping with us online, please do make your spiritual communion now.

Act of Spiritual Reception to say at home:

O loving God, in union with Christian people throughout the world and across the centuries gathered to make Eucharist, hearing your holy Word and receiving the Precious Body and Blood of your dear Son, I offer you praise and thanksgiving. Even though I am exiled from tasting the Bread of Heaven and drinking the Cup of Life I pray that you will unite me with all the baptised and with your Son who gave his life for us. Come Lord Jesus, dwell in me and send your Holy Spirit that I may be filled with your presence. Amen.

Communion is distributed.

The PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION.

Holy and blessed God, you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son and filled us with your Holy Spirit: may we honour you, not only with our lips but in lives dedicated to the service of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Following this prayer, all join in:

We thank you, Lord, that you have fed us in this sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet prepared for all peoples.

Amen

The Dismissal

Any notices are given and BANNERS are read out before we stand for the priest to proclaim God's BLESSING and we are sent into His world...

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

We remain standing as the Ministers leave.

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Sunday Evensong: An Order of Service

*If used in the context of a family or household the words in **bold** are said by all. If said alone, all words are spoken by the individual praying.*

The service may begin with a penitential sentence followed by:

DEARLY beloved, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble nor cloke them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy. And although we ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we most chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart and humble voice unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying after me:

At which all kneel and say:

Almighty and most merciful Father; We have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; And we have done those things which we ought not to have done; And there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us miserable offenders. Spare thou them, O God, that confess their faults. Restore thou them that are penitent; According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous and sober life, to the glory of thy holy name. Amen.

After which the priest alone stands to pronounce the Absolution:

ALMIGHTY God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness, and live; and hath given power, and commandment, to his Ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the Absolution and Remission of their sins: He pardoneth and absolveth all them that truly repent, and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel. Wherefore let us beseech him to grant us true repentance, and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him, which we do at this present;

and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure, and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

At other time the service may be begin with the opening responses:

O Lord, open thou our lips.

And our mouths shall shew forth thy praise.

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

All stand

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Praise ye the Lord.

The Lord's name be praised.

The Word of God

Say the appointed psalm from the Book of Common Prayer, or listen as it is sung

Psalm 127

¹ EXCEPT the Lord build the house : their labour is but lost that build it.

² Except the Lord keep the city : the watchman waketh but in vain.

³ It is but lost labour that ye haste to rise up early, and so late take rest, and eat the bread of carefulness : for so he giveth his beloved sleep.

⁴ Lo, children and the fruit of the womb : are an heritage and gift that cometh of the Lord.

⁵ Like as the arrows in the hand of the giant : even so are the young children.

⁶ Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them : they shall not be ashamed when they speak with their enemies in the gate.

Psalm 128.

¹ BLESSED are all they that fear the Lord : and walk in his ways.

² For thou shalt eat the labours of thine hands : O well is thee, and happy shalt thou be.

³ Thy wife shall be as the fruitful vine : upon the walls of thine house.

⁴ Thy children like the olive-branches : round about thy table.

⁵ Lo, thus shall the man be blessed : that feareth the Lord.

⁶ The Lord from out of Sion shall so bless thee : that thou shalt see Jerusalem in prosperity all thy life long.

⁷ Yea, that thou shalt see thy children's children: and peace upon Israel.

Old Testament: Joshua 5.13-6.20

Once when Joshua was near Jericho, he looked up and saw a man standing before him with a drawn sword in his hand. Joshua went to him and said to him, 'Are you one of us, or one of our adversaries?' He replied, 'Neither; but as commander of the army of the Lord I have now come.' And Joshua fell on his face to the earth and worshipped, and he said to him, 'What do

you command your servant, my lord?’ The commander of the army of the Lord said to Joshua, ‘Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place where you stand is holy.’ And Joshua did so.

Now Jericho was shut up inside and out because of the Israelites; no one came out and no one went in. The Lord said to Joshua, ‘See, I have handed Jericho over to you, along with its king and soldiers. You shall march around the city, all the warriors circling the city once. Thus you shall do for six days, with seven priests bearing seven trumpets of rams’ horns before the ark. On the seventh day you shall march around the city seven times, the priests blowing the trumpets. When they make a long blast with the ram’s horn, as soon as you hear the sound of the trumpet, then all the people shall shout with a great shout; and the wall of the city will fall down flat, and all the people shall charge straight ahead.’ So Joshua son of Nun summoned the priests and said to them, ‘Take up the ark of the covenant, and have seven priests carry seven trumpets of rams’ horns in front of the ark of the Lord.’ To the people he said, ‘Go forward and march around the city; have the armed men pass on before the ark of the Lord.’

As Joshua had commanded the people, the seven priests carrying the seven trumpets of rams’ horns before the Lord went forward, blowing the trumpets, with the ark of the covenant of the Lord following them. And the armed men went before the priests who blew the trumpets; the rearguard came after the ark, while the trumpets blew continually. To the people Joshua gave this command: ‘You shall not shout or let your voice be heard, nor shall you utter a word, until the day I tell you to shout. Then you shall shout.’ So the ark of the Lord went around the city, circling it once; and they came into the camp, and spent the night in the camp.

Then Joshua rose early in the morning, and the priests took up the ark of the Lord. The seven priests carrying the seven trumpets of rams’ horns before the ark of the Lord passed on, blowing the trumpets continually. The armed men went before them, and the rearguard came after the ark of the Lord, while the trumpets blew continually. On the second day they marched around the city once and then returned to the camp. They did this for six days.

On the seventh day they rose early, at dawn, and marched around the city in the same manner seven times. It was only on that day that they marched around the city seven times. And at the seventh time, when the priests had blown the trumpets, Joshua said to the people, ‘Shout! For the Lord has given you the city. The city and all that is in it shall be devoted to the Lord for destruction. Only Rahab the prostitute and all who are with her in her house shall live, because she hid the messengers we sent. As for you, keep away from the things devoted to destruction, so as not to covet and take any of the devoted things and make the camp of Israel an object for destruction, bringing trouble upon it. But all silver and gold, and vessels of bronze and iron, are sacred to the Lord; they shall go into the treasury of the Lord.’ So the people shouted, and the trumpets were blown. As soon as the people heard the sound of the trumpets, they raised a great shout, and the wall fell down flat; so the people charged straight ahead into the city and captured it.

*We say, sing, or hear sung the **Magnificat***

My soul doth magnify the Lord: and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
For he hath regarded: the lowliness of his handmaiden.

For behold, from henceforth: all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me: and holy is his Name.
And his mercy is on them that fear him: throughout all generations.
He hath shewed strength with his arm:
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat: and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things: and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel
As he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever.

All stand

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

New Testament: Matthew 11.20-30

Then he began to reproach the cities in which most of his deeds of power had been done, because they did not repent. 'Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the deeds of power done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes. But I tell you, on the day of judgement it will be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon than for you. And you, Capernaum, will you be exalted to heaven? No, you will be brought down to Hades. For if the deeds of power done in you had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day. But I tell you that on the day of judgement it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom than for you.'

At that time Jesus said, 'I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

'Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.'

*We say or hear sung the **Nunc Dimittis**:*

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace: according to thy word. For mine eyes have seen: thy salvation; Which thou hast prepared: before the face of all people; To be a light to lighten the Gentiles: and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

All stand

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

The Creed

You may wish to stand to say the Apostles' Creed:

**I believe in God the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth:
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead and buried.
He descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

The Prayers

The Lesser Litany, Lord's Prayer and Prayers:

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father **which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.**

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

And grant us thy salvation.

O Lord, save the Queen.

And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Endue thy ministers with righteousness.

And make thy chosen people joyful.

O Lord, save thy people.

And bless thine inheritance.

Give peace in our time, O Lord.

**Because there is none other that fighteth for us,
but only thou, O God.**

O God, make clean our hearts within us.

And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

O ALMIGHTY and most merciful God, of thy bountiful goodness keep us, we beseech thee, from all things that may hurt us; that we, being ready both in body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish those things that thou wouldest have done; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed; give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that both, our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that, by thee, we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

After an anthem there may be further prayers or a time for reflection, followed by the singing of an evening hymn. If using this material at home, you may find this a good time to play a piece of recorded music or listen to one of the podcasts/video meditations.

The Conclusion

*The service ends with either a **Blessing**, or by praying the **Grace**:*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost be with us now and evermore. **Amen.**

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THIS WEEK'S PSALM

Psalm 90.12-end

¹² So teach us to count our days, that we may gain a wise heart.

¹³ Turn, O Lord! How long? Have compassion on your servants!

¹⁴ Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

¹⁵ Make us glad for as many days as you have afflicted us, and for as many years as we have seen evil.

¹⁶ Let your work be manifest to your servants, and your glorious power to their children.

¹⁷ Let the favour of the Lord our God be upon us, and prosper for us the work of our hands - O prosper the work of our hands!

NOTICES

Louth Churches for Refugees has begun the application process towards welcoming a second resettled refugee family to Louth. Find out more in an Autumn Update on our website and see how you can help: <https://louthchurchesforrefugees.org/about-us/latest-news>. Some printed copies of the Update can also be found alongside the Louth Churches for Refugees display under the tower at St James'.

Advance notice – The Guild of St. James' first meeting will be on Tuesday 14th December in St. James Church at 2.30pm. Rev. Cameron will be giving a talk about Hildegard of Bingen – her life and how she remains an inspiration to so many. All are welcome – come along to share in a time of hospitality and friendship.

COVID INFORMATION

Following the change of government advice about Coronavirus restrictions from the 19th of July, many of the churches across Louthesk Deanery are now open for private prayer. To find out details of these, please contact the local church or churchwarden.

In our prayers this week...

All those affected by the current pandemic

The sick and those in need: *Marguerite Baillie, Peggy Baillie, Anne-Marie Bidwell, Ed Cox, Revd Moira Davies, Hildegard Dettmer-Beecroft, Oscar Gabryel, Mal Locking, Anna Mamwell, Mary Oxley, Gerry Purcell, Alan Pounds, Sylvia Pounds, Andrea Prior, Betty Robinson, Eileen Robinson, Enid Spicer, Joyce Terrett, John Troughton, Pauline Watson, Stuart Watson, Pat Wolley.*

Those who have died: *Sylvia Gladwin, Bob Lowis, Marie Kinsella, Susan Stark, James 'Jim' Drayton, Lena Whenham, Martyn Wood, George Laughton, Eileen Clark, Gwendoline Reetham, Jean Wotton, Rosemary Huke.*

Those welcomed into the church through baptism: *Alfie Chapman, Lottie Margaron, Emelia Nicholls, Milller Ingamells-Langdale, Grace King.*

Those who have started married life together: *Charles Smith and Charlotte Oliver, Mark Roberts and Sarah Dows.*

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