

Louthesk Deanery

Pew Sheets – w/c Sunday 11th January 2026

Baptism of Christ (Epiphany 1)



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**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 at Daily Prayer this week

Heavenly Father, at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your Son: may we recognize him as our Lord and know ourselves to be your beloved children; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen**

SERVICES THIS WEEK ACROSS THE DEANERY...

Sunday 11th

The Baptism of Christ

HC Scripture *Isaiah 42.1-9; Psalm 29; Acts 10.34-43; Matthew 3.13-end*

8.45am **Parish Mass at Wold Newton**

10am **Matins at North Thoresby**

10.30am **Rise and Worship at Grimoldby**

10.30am **Methodist at Saltfleetby**

11am **Holy Communion at Belleau**

11am **Holy Communion at South Elkington**

11am **Epiphany Service at Ludborough**

11am **Epiphany Carol Service at North Somercotes**

St. Mary's Church HALL, Keeling Street, North Somercotes (LN11 7PR)

3pm **Holy Communion at Fotherby**

Monday 12th

Rural Mission Enablers Day Off

MP Scripture *Psalm 2; Genesis 1.1-19; Matthew 21.1-17*

Tuesday 13th

MP Scripture *Psalm 8 & 9; Genesis 1.20-23; Matthew 21.18-32*

11am **BCP at St James**

7pm **Chess Club at St James' Church Hse**

Wednesday 14th

MP Scripture *Psalm 19 & 20; Genesis 2-4.end; Matthew 21.33-end*

7pm **Louth Photographic Society at St James' Church Hse**

Thursday 15th

MP Scripture *Psalm 21; Genesis 3; Matthew 22.1-14*

7pm **Night Prayer/Compline**

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Friday 16th

Priest In Charge of Louth - Day Off

MP Scripture *Psalm 67; Genesis 4.1-16, 25-26; Matthew 22.15-33*

12.30pm **Committal – Fulstow – Patricia Spencer**

Saturday 17th

MP Scripture *Psalm 33; Genesis 6.1-10; Matthew 22.34-end*

Sunday 18th

Epiphany 2

Week of Prayer for Christian

Unity 18th – 25th January

HC Scripture *Isaiah 49.1-7; Psalm 40.1-12; 1 Corinthians 1.1-9; John 1.29-42*

9.30am **Morning Prayer at Great Carlton**

9.30am **Holy Communion at Marshchapel**

10am **Holy Communion** at Fulstow
10am **Holy Communion** at North Thoresby
10.30am **Morning Worship** at Grimoldby
10.30am **C of E** at Saltfleetby
11am **Morning Worship** at Legbourne
11.15am **Holy Communion** at Stewton

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PRAYERS AND READINGS

Collect Prayer

Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus revealed him to be your Son, anointing him with the Holy Spirit: grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit, that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children; 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.**

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 42.1–9

⁴²Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. ² He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; ³ a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. ⁴ He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching. ⁵ Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: ⁶ I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, ⁷ to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. ⁸ I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. ⁹ See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalms 29

1 Ascribe to the Lord, you powers of heaven, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
2 Ascribe to the Lord the honour due to his name; worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.
3 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
4 The voice of the Lord is mighty in operation; the voice of the Lord is a glorious voice.
5 The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf and Sirion like a young wild ox.
7 The voice of the Lord splits the flash of lightning; the voice of the Lord shakes the

wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

8 The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare; in his temple all cry, 'Glory!'

9 The Lord sits enthroned above the water flood; the Lord sits enthroned as king for evermore.

10 The Lord shall give strength to his people; the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

New Testament Reading: Acts 10.34–43

³⁴ Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 3.13–end

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

¹³ Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. ¹⁴John would have prevented him, saying, 'I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?' ¹⁵But Jesus answered him, 'Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfil all righteousness.' Then he consented. ¹⁶And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. ¹⁷And a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Post Communion

Lord of all time and eternity, you opened the heavens and revealed yourself as Father in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son: by the power of your Spirit complete the heavenly work of our rebirth through the waters of the new creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

In our prayers this week...

The sick and those in need: *Sylvia Hynes, Julie Johnson, Patrick Lee, Phil Mamwell, Andrew Mawer, Richard Mawer, Ronnie Partridge, Christina Pettifer, John and Liz Morris, Margaret Pinchbeck, Elaine Walsh, Lawrence Willets, Connie Robinson, Lesley Carroll, Michelle Neal.*

Those who have died: *Revd Ian Partridge, Derek Moulding, Patricia Spencer, Lorna Payne.*

LOUTHESK DEANERY & PARISH CONTACTS

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For Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals, Memorials and other enquiries relating to the 'below churches'

Binbrook Group: Binbrook St Mary, Kelstern St Faith, Ludford Magna St Mary, Swinhope St Helen, Thorganby All Saints, Wold Newton All Saints.

Fotherby Group: Covenham St Mary's, Fotherby St Mary's, Fulstow St Lawrence, Grainsby St Nicholas - Little Grimsby St Edith's, Ludborough St Mary's, North Thoresby St Helens, Utterby St Andrew's.

Legbourne & Woldmarsh: All Saints' Legbourne, St Vedast Tathwell, St Peter's Raithby, St Martin's Withcall, St Nicholas Swaby, St Andrew's South Thoresby, St Edith's North Reston, St John the Baptist Belleau and St Oswald's Strubby.

Marshchapel, Somercotes and Grainthorpe with Conisholme Group: North Somercotes St Mary's, Conisholme, St Peter's, Grainthorpe St Clements's, Marshchapel St Mary's.

Midmarsh Group: Alvingham St Adelwolds, Great Carlton St John Baptist, Grimoldby St Edith's, Manby St Mary's, Saltfleetby St Peters, South Cockerington St Leonards.

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