

Louthesk Deanery

Pew Sheets – w/c Sunday 8th February 2026

2nd Sunday before Lent



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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

Almighty God, give us reverence for all creation and respect for every person, that we may mirror your likeness in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

SERVICES THIS WEEK ACROSS THE DEANERY...

Sunday 8th Feb	HC Scripture	<i>Genesis 1.1-2.3; Psalm 136; Romans 8.18-25; Matthew 6.25-End</i>
<i>2nd Sunday before Lent</i>	8 45am	Parish Mass at Wold Newton
	10am	Matins at North Thoresby
	10am	Holy Communion at St James'
	10 30am	Rise & Worship at Grimoldby
	11am	Holy Communion at North Somercotes 'Church Hall'
	11am	Morning Praise at South Elkington
	11am	Holy Communion at Tathwell
	3pm	Holy Communion at Fotherby
	4pm	Candlemas Service at Ludborough
Monday 9th <i>Rural Mission Enablers Day Off</i>	MP Scripture	<i>Psalm 30; Genesis 29.31-30.24; 2 Timothy 4.1-8</i>
	10am	Funeral (Margaret Goddard) at St Michaels'
	11am	Funeral (Betty Dixon) at Grainthorpe
Tuesday 10th	MP Scripture	<i>Psalm 36; Genesis 31.1-24; 2 Timothy 4.9-End</i>
	11am	BCP at St James
Wednesday 11th	MP Scripture	<i>Psalm 34; Genesis 31.25-32.2; Titus 1</i>
	7pm	Quiz Night (bring your own drink - £2) at Ludborough
Thursday 12th	MP Scripture	<i>Psalm 37; Genesis 32.3-30; Titus 2</i>
	7pm	<i>Churches Without Walls</i> at St James' Church Hse
	7pm	Night Prayer/Compline
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Friday 13th <i>Priest In Charge of Louth - Day Off</i>	MP Scripture	<i>Psalm 31; Genesis 33.1-17; Titus 2</i>
	2pm	Funeral (Betty Reeson) at Alford Crem
	2pm	Funeral (John Mansfield) at North Thoresby
Saturday 14th	MP Scripture	<i>Psalm 42; Genesis 35; Philemon</i>
	11am	Valentine Walk & Soup at Ludborough (Walk 11am/Soup 12pm - £5 per head)
Sunday 15th <i>Sunday next before Lent</i>	HC Scripture	<i>Exodus 24.12-end; Psalm 2; 2 Peter 1.16-End; Matthew 17.1-9</i>
	9 30am	Morning Prayer at Great Carlton

9 30am	Holy Communion at Marshchapel
10am	Holy Communion at Fulstow
10am	Holy Communion at North Thoresby
10am	Holy Communion at St James'
10 30am	Morning Worship at Grimoldby
10 30am	Holy Communion at Saltfleetby
11am	Morning Worship at Legbourne
11 15am	Holy Communion at Stewton

PRAYERS AND READINGS

Collect Prayer

Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 1.1—2.3

¹In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, ²the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. ³Then God said, ‘Let there be light’; and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day. ⁶And God said, ‘Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.’ ⁷So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. ⁸God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day. ⁹And God said, ‘Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.’ And it was so. ¹⁰God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. ¹¹Then God said, ‘Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.’ And it was so. ¹²The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. ¹³And there was evening and there was morning, the third day. ¹⁴And God said, ‘Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, ¹⁵and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.’ And it was so. ¹⁶God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. ¹⁷God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, ¹⁸to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. ¹⁹And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day. ²⁰And God said, ‘Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.’ ²¹So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. ²²God blessed them, saying, ‘Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.’ ²³And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day. ²⁴And God said, ‘Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.’ And it was so. ²⁵God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the

cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good. ²⁶Then God said, ‘Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.’ ²⁷So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. ²⁸God blessed them, and God said to them, ‘Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.’ ²⁹God said, ‘See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. ³⁰And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.’ And it was so. ³¹God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

¹Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. ²And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. ³So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 136

- ¹ Give thanks to the Lord, for he is gracious, for his mercy endures for ever.
- ² Give thanks to the God of gods, for his mercy endures for ever.
- ³ Give thanks to the Lord of lords, for his mercy endures for ever;
- ⁴ Who alone does great wonders, for his mercy endures for ever;
- ⁵ Who by wisdom made the heavens, for his mercy endures for ever;
- ⁶ Who laid out the earth upon the waters, for his mercy endures for ever;
- ⁷ Who made the great lights, for his mercy endures for ever;
- ⁸ The sun to rule the day, for his mercy endures for ever;
- ⁹ The moon and the stars to govern the night, for his mercy endures for ever;
- ¹⁰ Who smote the firstborn of Egypt, for his mercy endures for ever;
- ¹¹ And brought out Israel from among them, for his mercy endures for ever;
- ¹² With a mighty hand and outstretched arm, for his mercy endures for ever;
- ¹³ Who divided the Red Sea in two, for his mercy endures for ever;
- ¹⁴ And made Israel to pass through the midst of it, for his mercy endures for ever;
- ¹⁵ But Pharaoh and his host he overthrew in the Red Sea, for his mercy endures for ever;
- ¹⁶ Who led his people through the wilderness, for his mercy endures for ever;
- ¹⁷ Who smote great kings, for his mercy endures for ever;
- ¹⁸ And slew mighty kings, for his mercy endures for ever;
- ¹⁹ Sihon, king of the Amorites, for his mercy endures for ever;
- ²⁰ And Og, the king of Bashan, for his mercy endures for ever;
- ²¹ And gave away their land for a heritage, for his mercy endures for ever;
- ²² A heritage for Israel his servant, for his mercy endures for ever;
- ²³ Who remembered us when we were in trouble, for his mercy endures for ever;
- ²⁴ And delivered us from our enemies, for his mercy endures for ever;
- ²⁵ Who gives food to all creatures, for his mercy endures for ever.
- ²⁶ Give thanks to the God of heaven, for his mercy endures for ever.

New Testament Reading: Romans 8.18–25

¹⁸I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. ¹⁹For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; ²⁰for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope ²¹that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. ²²We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; ²³and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? ²⁵But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 6.25–End

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁵Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? ²⁶Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? ²⁸And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. ³⁰But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? ³¹Therefore do not worry, saying, “What will we eat?” or “What will we drink?” or “What will we wear?” ³²For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. ³³But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. ³⁴So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today’s trouble is enough for today.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Post Communion Prayer

God our creator, by your gift the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise, and the bread of life at the heart of your Church: may we who have been nourished at your table on earth be transformed by the glory of the Saviour’s cross and enjoy the delights of eternity; 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: *Lorna Payne, Barbara Bishell, Marjorie Goddard, Betty Dixon, Betty Reeson, John Mansfield, Brian Keys, Ann McClean, Keith Willerton.*

Polite Notice

The list of those who are ‘sick or in need’ will be reviewed next week, as some names have been included for several years now with no updates.

If you wish for a name to remain on the list, please let us know, otherwise it will be removed

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