

# Louthesk Deanery

Pew Sheets – w/c Sunday 31st May 2026

Whit Sunday

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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:** Holy God, faithful and unchanging: enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth, and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love, that we may truly worship you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

## SERVICES THIS WEEK ACROSS THE DEANERY...

<b>Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May</b> <i>Trinity Sunday</i>	<b>HC Scripture</b> <i>Isiah 40.12-17, 27-end; Psalm 8, 2 Corinthians 13.11-end; Matthew 28.16-end</i>
10am	<b>Morning Prayer at St James (Lay lead)</b>
11am	<b>Deanery Service at Marshchapel</b>
6pm	<b>Choral Evensong at St James (FT)</b> with Louth Chamber Choir <i>Introit: Hymn to the Trinity (Tchaikovsky)</i> <i>Magnificat and Nunc dimittis: Stanford in C</i> <i>Anthem: O Thou, the Central Orb (Charles Wood)</i>

**To Celebrate 30 years since Fred Goodwin came to Louth as choirmaster**

**Diary Date:** Church Warden Swearing in Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> July Grainthorpe St Clements 3pm

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup>**  
*Rural Mission Enablers Day Off*  
**MP Scripture** *Psalm 85, 150; 1 Samuel 2.1-10; Mark 3.31-end*

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
**MP Scripture** *Psalm 1, 2, 3; Joshua 7.1-15; Luke 10.25-37*  
11am **Holy Communion BCP at St James' (TS)**

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
**MP Scripture** *Psalm 5, 6 (8); Joshua 7.16-end; Luke 10.38-end*

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup>**  
**MP Scripture** *Psalm 14, 15, 16; Joshua 8.30-end; Luke 11.14-28*  
11am **Corpus Christi at St Michaels (TS)**  
Day of thanksgiving for the Holy Communion  
7pm **Night Prayer/Compline**  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3707749666?omn=81345669641> Code: 370 774 9666

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup>**  
*Boniface*  
**MP Scripture** *Psalm 17, 19; Joshua 9.3-26; Luke 11.29-36*

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup>**  
**MP Scripture** *Psalm 20, 21, 23; Joshua 10.1-15; Luke 11.37-end*

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June**  
*Trinity 1*  
**HC Scripture** *Genesis 12.1-9; Psalm 33.1-12; Romans 4.13-end; Matthew 9.9-13, 18-26*  
9 30am **Morning Prayer at Covenham (MH)**  
9 30am **Parish Mass at St Michaels (TS)**  
9 30am **Holy Communion at Great Carlton (RM)**  
10am **Holy Communion at North Thoresby (JW)**  
10am **Methodist at Fulstow**  
10am **Holy Communion at St James (Archdeacon Eleanor)**  
10am **Morning Prayer at Marshchapel (AURH)**  
11am **Holy Communion at Legbourne (KG)**  
11am **Holy Communion at Saltfleetby (PC)**  
11 15am **Parish Mass at Ludford (TS)**  
11 15am **Holy Communion at Stewton (RM)**  
1pm **Baptism at Strubby (KG)**  
1 30pm **Baptism at Withcall (TS) – Fergus Forman**

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# PRAYERS AND READINGS

**Collect Prayer:** Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith, that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; 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.**

**New Testament Reading: Isaiah 40.12–17, 27–end**

<sup>12</sup> Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand and marked off the heavens with a span, enclosed the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales and the hills in a balance? <sup>13</sup> Who has directed the spirit of the Lord, or as his counsellor has instructed him? <sup>14</sup> Whom did he consult for his enlightenment, and who taught him the path of justice? Who taught him knowledge, and showed him the way of understanding? <sup>15</sup> Even the nations are like a drop from a bucket, and are accounted as dust on the scales; see, he takes up the isles like fine dust. <sup>16</sup> Lebanon would not provide fuel enough, nor are its animals enough for a burnt-offering. <sup>17</sup> All the nations are as nothing before him; they are accounted by him as less than nothing and emptiness. <sup>27</sup> Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, ‘My way is hidden from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my God’? <sup>28</sup> Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. <sup>29</sup> He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. <sup>30</sup> Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; <sup>31</sup> but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

This is the word of the Lord.

**All:** Thanks be to God.

**Psalm: 8**

1 O Lord our governor, how glorious is your name in all the world!  
2 Your majesty above the heavens is praised out of the mouths of babes at the breast.  
3 You have founded a stronghold against your foes, that you might still the enemy and the avenger.  
4 When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have ordained,  
5 What is man, that you should be mindful of him; the son of man, that you should seek him out?  
6 You have made him little lower than the angels and crown him with glory and honour.  
7 You have given him dominion over the works of your hands and put all things under his feet,  
8 All sheep and oxen, even the wild beasts of the field,  
9 The birds of the air, the fish of the sea and whatsoever moves in the paths of the sea.  
10 O Lord our governor, how glorious is your name in all the world!

**New Testament Reading: 2 Corinthians 13.11–end**

<sup>11</sup> Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. <sup>12</sup> Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. <sup>13</sup> The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

This is the word of the Lord.

**All:** Thanks be to God.

**Gospel Reading: Matthew 28.16–end**

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

**All:** Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>16</sup> Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. <sup>17</sup> When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. <sup>18</sup> And Jesus came and said to them, ‘All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup> Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

**Post Communion Prayer** Almighty and eternal God, you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and live and reign in the perfect unity of love: hold us firm in this faith, that we may know you in all your ways and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory, who are three Persons yet one God, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

## Evensong

### Psalm 150.

O praise God in his holiness : praise him in the firmament of his power.

2 Praise him in his noble acts : praise him according to his excellent greatness.

3 Praise him in the sound of the trumpet : praise him upon the lute and harp.

4 Praise him in the cymbals and dances : praise him upon the strings and pipe.

5 Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals : praise him upon the loud cymbals.

6 Let every thing that hath breath : praise the Lord.

### Isaiah 6.1-8

<sup>6</sup>In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup>Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. <sup>3</sup>And one called to another and said: ‘Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.’ <sup>4</sup>The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup>And I said: ‘Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!’ <sup>6</sup> Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. <sup>7</sup>The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: ‘Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.’ <sup>8</sup>Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, ‘Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?’ And I said, ‘Here am I; send me!’

### John 16.5-15

<sup>5</sup>But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, “Where are you going?” <sup>6</sup>But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. <sup>7</sup>Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. <sup>8</sup>And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgement: <sup>9</sup>about sin, because they do not believe in me; <sup>10</sup>about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; <sup>11</sup>about judgement, because the ruler of this world has been condemned. <sup>12</sup> ‘I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup>When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. <sup>14</sup>He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>15</sup>All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

## The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, who hast given unto us thy servants grace, by the confession of a true faith to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of the Divine Majesty to worship the Unity: We beseech thee, that thou wouldest keep us stedfast in this faith, and evermore defend us from all adversities, who livest and reignest, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

## In our prayers this week...

**The sick and those in need:** *Christina Pettifer, Stuart Watson, Sheila Willets, Kate Clarke, Stuart Freshney.*

**Those who have died:** *Pauline Watson, Susan Mather, Patric Read, Rodger McCracken, Graham Clayton, Dr Melissa Pearson.*

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**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.

**Parish of Louth** St James, St Michael's, Holy Trinity, South Elkington, Stewton, Welton Le Wold.

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#### **Centering Prayer & Contemplative Meditation: Open to All**

CWW meets from 7.00pm till 9.00pm, on 28<sup>th</sup> May, then 11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> June, then normally every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> (not 5<sup>th</sup>) Thursday of each month, thereafter, at St James' C of E Church House, Westgate, Louth LN11 9YE.

Members attend when they can.

"Come and see!" (Jn 1:39,46;4:29)

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