# Louthesk Deanery

**Pew Sheets – w/c Sunday 15th November 2026**

*2nd Sunday before Advent* www.achurchnearyou.com

**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 Lord, you long for the world's salvation: stir us from apathy, restrain us from excess and revive in us new hope that all creation will one day be healed in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

## SERVICES THIS WEEK ACROSS THE DEANERY…

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| **Sunday 15th Nov** | **HC Scripture** | *Zephaniah 1.7, 12-end; Psalm 90.1-8 (9-11) or (90.1-8); 1 Thessalonians 5.1-11; Matthew 25.14-30* |
| *2nd Sunday before Advent* | **9 30am** | **Holy Communion** at Manby (RM) |
| | **9 30am** | **Holy Communion** at Marshchapel (KG) |
| | **10am** | **Holy Communion** at North Thoresby (PS) |
| | **10am** | **Holy Communion** at St James (MC) |
| | **11am** | **Morning Prayer** at Legbourne (MH) |
| | **11am** | **Morning Prayer** at Saltfleetby (LB MB) |
| | **11 15am** | **Holy Communion** at Fulstow (KG) |
| | **11 15am** | **Holy Communion** at Stewton (RM) |
| | **3pm** | **Holy Communion** at Withcall (KG) |
| **Monday 16th** | **MP Scripture** | *Psalm 46, 47 or 71; Daniel 8.1-14; Revelation 10* |
| *Del week 33: Rural Mission Enablers Day Off* | | |
| **Tuesday 17th** | **MP Scripture** | *Psalm 48, 52 or 73; Daniel 8.15-end; Revelation 11.1-14* |
| *S Hugh of Lincoln* | **11am** | **Holy Communion BCP at** St James (TS) |
| **Wednesday 18th** | **MP Scripture** | *Psalm 56, 57 or 77; Daniel 9.1-19 ; Revelation 11.15-end* |
| | **1pm** | **Funeral at St Michael's Louth (Frederick Desforges) (RM)** |
| **Thursday 19th** | **MP Scripture** | *Psalm 61, 62 or 78.1-39*; Daniel 9.20-end; Revelation 12* |
| | **2pm** | **Funeral at Alford Crem** (Jean Wilkinson) (HM) |
| | **3pm** | **Funeral at Alford Crem** (Richard Macklin) (TS) |
| | **5 30pm** | **Commissioning of Revd Rachel Heskins and Mr David Margarson at Lincoln Cathedral** |
| | **7pm** | **Night Prayer/Compline** |
| | https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3707749666?omn=81345669641 Code: 370 774 9666 | |
| **Friday 20th** | **MP Scripture** | *Psalm 63, 65 or 55; Daniel 10.1-11.1; Revelation 13.1-10* |
| **Saturday 21st** | **MP Scripture** | *Psalm 78.1-39 or 76, 79; Daniel 12; Revelation 13.11-end* |
| **Sunday 22nd Nov** | **HC Scripture** | *Ezekiel 34.11-16, 20-24; Psalm 95.1-7; Ephesians 1.15-end; Matthew; 25.31-end* |
| *Sunday next before Advent* | | |
| *Christ the King* | **8 45am** | **Holy Communion** at Wold Newton (PS) |
| | **10am** | **Morning prayer** at North Thoresby (MP) |
| | **10am** | **Café Church** at Utterby (DM) Stir-up Sunday |
| | **10am** | **Holy Communion** at St James (Archdeacon Eleanor) |
| | **10 30am** | **Holy Communion** at Binbrook (KG) |
| | **10 30am** | **Morning Prayer** at Alvingham (AS CL) |
| | **10 30am** | **Holy Communion** at Grimoldby (JOB) |
| | **11am** | **Morning Prayer** at Tathwell (JH RH) |
| | **11am** | **Morning Prayer** at North Somercotes (MH) |
| | **11am** | **Methodist Service** at Saltfleetby |

**11 15am** **Holy Communion** at South Elkington (Archdeacon Eleanor)
**1pm** **Baptism at Manby** (Brodie) (KG)
**3pm** **Holy Communion** at Little Grimsby (KG)

# PRAYERS AND READINGS

**Collect Prayer:** Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

**Readings:Zephaniah1.7,12–end**

7 Be silent before the Lord God! For the day of the Lord is at hand; the Lord has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his guests. 12 At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people who rest complacently on their dregs, those who say in their hearts, 'The Lord will not do good, nor will he do harm.' 13 Their wealth shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste. Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them. 14 The great day of the Lord is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the Lord is bitter, the warrior cries aloud there. 15 That day will be a day of wrath, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, 16 a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements. 17 I will bring such distress upon people that they shall walk like the blind; because they have sinned against the Lord, their blood shall be poured out like dust, and their flesh like dung. 18 Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the Lord's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed; for a full, a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

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

**Psalm 90.1–8 9–11 12**

1 Lord, you have been our refuge from one generation to another.
2 Before the mountains were brought forth, or the earth and the world were formed, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.
3 You turn us back to dust and say: 'Turn back, O children of earth.'
4 For a thousand years in your sight are but as yesterday, which passes like a watch in the night.
5 You sweep them away like a dream; they fade away suddenly like the grass.
6 In the morning it is green and flourishes; in the evening it is dried up and withered.
7 For we consume away in your displeasure; we are afraid at your wrathful indignation.
8 You have set our misdeeds before you and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.
[ 9 When you are angry, all our days are gone; our years come to an end like a sigh.
10 The days of our life are three score years and ten, or if our strength endures, even four score; yet the sum of them is but labour and sorrow, for they soon pass away and we are gone.
11 Who regards the power of your wrath and your indignation like those who fear you?
] 12 So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

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**New Testament Reading**: 1 Thessalonians 5.1–11

5 Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written
to you. [2] For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. [3]
When they say, 'There is peace and security', then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labour pains
come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! [4] But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that
day to surprise you like a thief; [5] for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the
night or of darkness. [6] So then, let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; [7] for
those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. [8] But since we belong to the day,
let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. [9] For
God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, [10] who died for
us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. [11] Therefore encourage one another and
build up each other, as indeed you are doing.
This is the word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

**Gospel Reading:** Gospel Reading: Matthew 25.14–30

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. All: Glory to you, O Lord.
14 'For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; [15] to
one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away.
[16] The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more
talents. [17] In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. [18] But the one who had
received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. [19] After a long
time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. [20] Then the one who had received the
five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, "Master, you handed over to me five talents;
see, I have made five more talents." [21] His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you
have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your
master." [22] And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, "Master, you handed over to me
two talents; see, I have made two more talents." [23] His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy
slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy
of your master." [24] Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, "Master, I knew
that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; [25]
so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours." [26] But his master
replied, "You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where
I did not scatter? [27] Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would
have received what was my own with interest. [28] So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the
ten talents. [29] For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from
those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. [30] As for this worthless slave, throw him
into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."
This is the Gospel of the Lord. All: Praise to you, O Christ.

**Post Communion**

Gracious Lord, in this holy sacrament you give substance to our hope: bring us at the last to that fullness of life for which we long; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen**

**In our prayers this week…**

**The sick and those in need:** *Christina Pettifer, Stuart Watson, Kate Clarke, Stuart Freshney, Caroline Feit, Lucy Clare.*

**Those who have died:** *Derek Jackson, Frederick Desforges, Jean Wilkinson, Loreen Towl, Ros Webber-Jones, Richard Macklan.*

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