

Uniting Louthesk Rural



Churches

Week Commencing
Sunday 2nd November 2025

You care for the land and water its furrows, you soften it with showers;
you crown the year with your goodness; the valleys are mantled with
corn; they shout for joy and sing Psalm 65:11

As we reach the end of October and the seasons of Harvest and Creation and launch into Hallowe'en and Remembrance, I'm glancing back over my first two months as Rural Mission Enabler. My first and most overwhelming feeling is gratitude for your friendship and the outpourings of generosity which have been so evident throughout our churches and parishes. Next has come wonder at your creativity, hospitality and commitment- firstly in the Open Churches weekend (remember that? 😊) and, as this beautiful Autumn has unfolded, churches opening their doors and hearts to thank God for the fruits of the Harvest and to welcome children, families and friends who have led us with gusto in their annual thanksgivings, reminding us, as young children do with such ease and grace, of God's commandment to share all the goodness especially with those less fortunate in our villages and beyond.

As I've so recently left my vicarage in Louth, where the work of the Trinity Centre stands as a hub of the Team Parish's engagement with the community, it is a lovely example of team-work in the Louthesk Deanery. What a powerful and lasting witness to the richness of our faith, as we remain faithful to Jesus' command to love our neighbours!

Mother Karen





Harvest Service Written by Mark Hunkin

My harvest highlight this year.

I was at St Mary's and St Gabriel's, Binbrook this year for their Harvest Festival. They had all the things you'd expect from such an event - familiar harvest hymns, produce displayed and then donated to a local food bank, arrangements of flowers, sheaves of grain, a larger than normal congregation, and a basket at the centre of the display containing a traditional large Harvest Loaf surrounded by bunches of grapes.

At the end of the service we gathered together for the customary tea, coffee, biscuits and chat, but instead of biscuits, the Harvest Loaf and the grapes were brought from the display at the front and we helped ourselves to chunks of freshly baked bread and grapes. Such a wonderful way of linking the harvest themes of gratitude and sharing with our post-service refreshments. I understand the loaf was also shared with a baptismal party that same afternoon and that Father Terry requested that perhaps next year we could also have some butter!



This is your platform to
share your voice. Let
everyone know how your
event unfolded, the impact
of the funds raised, and
the exciting opportunities
ahead. I often hear the
curiosity about our events,
so if you have any pictures
and a brief summary to
share, your experiences
could inspire us all!



**The Bishops' and the Strategy Working Group want to
hear from you.
Yes—all of you.**

Whether you're a volunteer, an organist, a churchwarden, a treasurer, an administrator, a member of the clergy (active or retired), or part of our congregations—we want to hear your thoughts and ideas about what matters most to you and your community. We warmly invite you all to attend one of our upcoming Engagement Events this November. If you haven't already signed up please do we want to hear your thoughts.

Please share this invitation with your congregations—everyone is welcome to join. We've attached a printable pew sheet for your churches, and there is a dedicated page on the website with all the latest news around “Lord, Show Us The Way” here

Each session will last approximately 90 minutes and will be an opportunity to:
Hear from the Senior Diocesan Leadership Team about the work that has taken place to develop a long-term strategy for the Diocese.

Explore the theological foundations of our strategic priorities
Reflect on feedback received from working groups across the region
Share your own thoughts and ideas about what matters most to you and your community
Join together in prayer, asking “Lord, show us the way” as we seek God's guidance for the future

To help you prepare, pre-reading materials will be sent out one week prior to the event. These will give you time to reflect and pray about what is evolving. We encourage everyone to bring their ideas and thoughts about how we grow in faith and continue to share the love of Jesus Christ across our communities.

To register your attendance and choose a date, please complete this short form:

👉 **Engagement Meeting Sign-Up Form scan the QR Code below:**



We look forward to welcoming you and journeying together in faith and purpose.
With every blessing,

The Strategy Working Group
The local meeting will be held at the below venue:
St Marys Ludborough Monday 24th November 7pm

If you don't have internet access but would like to attend, please let me know either via e-mail :
Denise.bell@lincoln.anglican.org or 01507 610247 and I can book in for you.



The Louthesk Deanery

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Louthesk Deanery Facebook page
This page has been set up for
communication in the rural
parishes
Scan the QR code below**



NEWS, NOTES & DIARY DATES



COFFEE MORNING
Every 1st Wednesday of the Month
10.30am till Noon
At
St. Peters Church, Main Road, Saltfleetby.
FREE
Tea, Coffee and Cakes
Everyone welcome



Louth Community Larder needs the following items
Tinned curry, meat balls, hot dogs, tinned chilli, coffee, teabags,
tinned rice pudding, long life milk, jam, tinned beans, carrots, peas,
pasta sauce.



CHURCHES TOGETHER
in LOUTH & DISTRICT

Items can be dropped off at either Trinity Centre or a St James' Church Louth

**St. Edith's
Christmas Cards
for sale.**

80p

Comes with Christmas message cellophane wrapper and envelope

80p each or 5 for £3.50

Contact Peter Bates Tel 07743350542 or email
treasurer.stedithsgrimoldby@mail.com

St John the Baptist Church, Great Carlton

Harvest Thanksgiving



We are so grateful for the generous support we receive from the community with donations for the Louth Community Larder. Thank you to those who helped to decorate the church so beautifully, the bell ringers, the music and prepare refreshments, all in order to make the service possible. It was enjoyed by a large congregation and the collection of £153 will be shared jointly between the Louth larder project and church funds.



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Remembrance Day Sunday 9th November



Thank you to the crochet/knitting group who have made all these poppies to be hung from a Cross inside the church over the Remembrance Weekend. Also Inside, there will be a display covering the lives of the 17 Carlton men in WW1 and 1 man in WW2, who made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom.

The season of Advent (29th November) is not far away. with the first service of Advent, Holy Communion at 9:30am on Sunday 7th December, leading through to the Carol Service at 6pm on Tuesday 23 December.

Before that we hope you can join us at the **Christmas Fayre** on Saturday 15th November - 10am to 3pm (see poster) to buy those early presents and enjoy the refreshments.

Please feel free to contact Churchwardens

Carol Carter 07887 623803 or Kathy Crust 01507 450552
if you ever need to discuss any aspect of our Church
as we are here to serve our community through Christ.



Welcome to St Leonards South Cockerington Facebook page



Visit us at <https://www.facebook.com/stleonardssouthcockerington/>



The Friends of St James's Church
Christmas Tree festival
This year the festival will be from
Friday 5th December - Wednesday 10th
December
with a launch night event Thursday 4th
December

More information will be shared over the coming weeks

If you would like to exhibit a tree please contact denise.bell@lincoln.anglican.org

St. Leonards
South Cockerington.

Coffee, Chat, Catch-up & Clean



Every 1st Tuesday of the
month
10.00am till 12.00 Noon.

EVERYONE WELCOME



St. Mary's Church
Covenham



Christmas
Fair

Saturday, 15th November
2.00p.m.

Variety of stalls to include:
cakes, cards, crafts, jewellery,
& more

Christmas Draw (£50 first prize)

Refreshments

A warm welcome is extended to all



**ALL SAINTS CHURCH
LEGBOURNE**

Welcome on Wednesday Coffee Morning
10am-noon

19th March 16th April 21st May 18th June 16th July,
20th August 17th September 15th October,
19th November.

A friendly welcome, coffee and delicious cake.



**COFFEE &
CATCH-UP**

EVERY TUESDAY AT 11:00 AM
at St Andrew's Church, Utterby



Friendly faces.
Fresh brews.
No agenda!



WEEKLY - EVERY TUESDAY



11:00 AM ST ANDREW'S CHURCH,

Everyone's welcome! Bring a friend or just yourself

WOLDS WALK OF FAITH



IF YOU ARE WALKING IN THE LINCOLNSHIRE WOLDS WHY NOT VISIT THE CHURCHES OF ST NICHOLAS' AT SWABY AND ST ANDREW'S AT SOUTH THORESBY THROUGH THE BEAUTIFUL SWABY VALLEY AND CALCEBY MARSH.



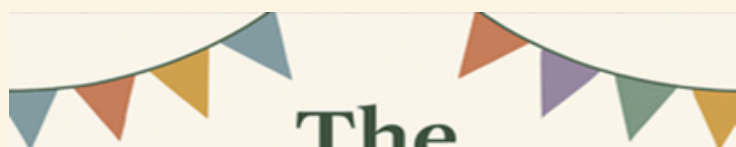
Louthesk Church Bells

For detailed information about the parish of Louth church Bells do not hesitate to contact

Jill Day

01507 603998

She's ready to assist you with everything you need to know.



The Bunting Boutique

A Boutique for Treasures, Stories and Style

★ Preview Fashion Show

Saturday 1st November
Doors open 7:00pm
Catwalk starts 7:30pm
The Village Hall

 Tickets: £10
(must be prebooked & prepaid)

 Includes prosecco or soft drink + charcuterie cup

★ Pop-Up Boutique & Café

Sunday 2nd November
10:00am – 4:00pm
The Village Hall

 Quality pre-loved clothes, shoes, handbags & accessories

 Pop-up café – meet, chat & shop in style
Free entry

Presented by The Bunting Trail Team in support of DIYSOS at St Mary's Church Hall



Louth
MALE VOICE
CHOIR



Please join us on Friday 12th December
7:30pm at
Legbourne Church
Admission £10

Please contact Hilary King 01507 601885
Lilian Boot 01507 600252 for tickets.
Tickets can also be obtained on the night.

Please park in Legbourne village hall car park.



St James Christmas Tree Festival 2025

Immerse yourself in the enchanting atmosphere of the Christmas Tree Festival, happening from Friday, December 5th, to Wednesday, December 10th, 2025.

If you can dedicate even a small amount of time to assist with the diverse and meaningful roles that need to be filled during this joyous celebration, we invite you to reach out and be a part of this magical

experience.

Please contact

Lesley Elliott

lesleyelliott@talktalk.net

Advent: Darkness to Light Carol Service

with the Grimoldby Singers

**30th November
2025**

at

**St. Edith's,
Grimoldby
6.00pm**

All are welcome to join us
as we begin the journey
towards Christmas

Seasonal refreshments will be served after the service

Christmas Fair

in
St Mary's Church, Fotherby
on
Saturday 8th November
2.00 - 4.00 pm

Christmas Gifts galore!



Raffle & Tombola

New Stalls

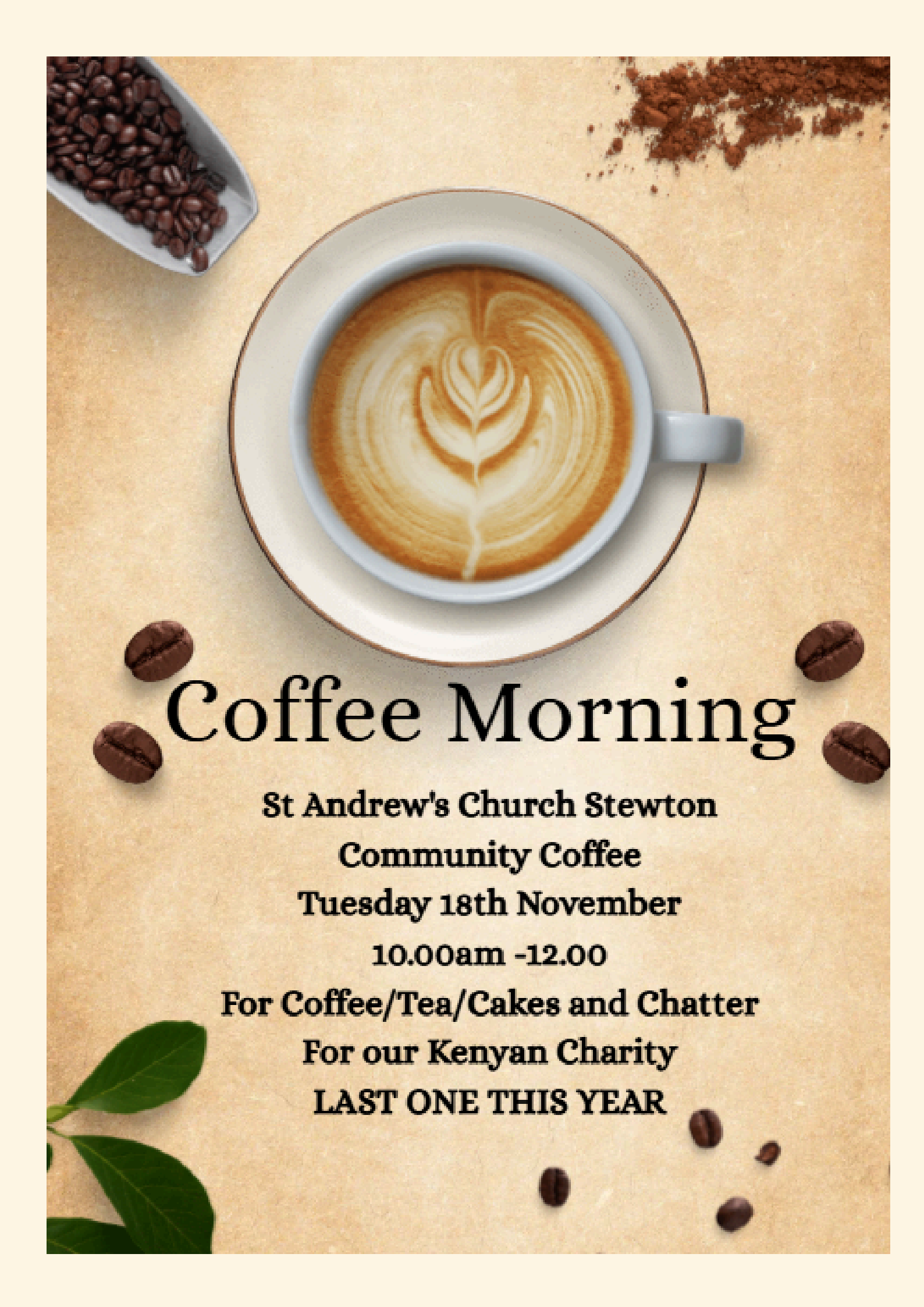
Seasonal Refreshments



Admission Free

All proceeds for Church funds for St Mary's,
Fotherby & St Edith's, Little Grimsby



A top-down view of a white ceramic coffee cup with a brown rim, filled with a latte featuring a heart-shaped latte art design. The cup sits on a matching saucer. The background is a light beige, textured surface. In the top left corner, there is a small white scoop filled with dark brown coffee beans. In the top right corner, there is a pile of brown coffee powder. Several individual coffee beans are scattered around the cup and text. In the bottom left corner, there are some green leaves.

Coffee Morning

St Andrew's Church Stewton

Community Coffee

Tuesday 18th November

10.00am -12.00

For Coffee/Tea/Cakes and Chatter

For our Kenyan Charity

LAST ONE THIS YEAR

Mid Marsh



Legbourne & Wold Marsh



Binbrook



Somercotes & Grainthorpe with Conisholme and Marshchapel



Fotherby

