

Welcome to St Mary's

Pewsheets for week commencing

5 December 2021



The church is open daily **M-F 9.45am-4pm; Sat 10am-4pm; Sun 11am-4pm**

Services

Readings: please note we are alternating the epistle reading between OT and NT from church year to year starting in Advent. That means that from Sunday 28 November 2021 onwards the epistle reading will usually be from the NT.

Sunday, 5 Dec <i>Advent 2</i>	8am	<i>Readings at 8am: Philippians 1:3-11; Luke 3:1-6</i> BCP Holy Communion
	10am	<i>Readings at 10am: Baruch 5:1-9; Luke 3:1-6</i> Parish Eucharist
Thursday, 9 Dec	10am	Holy Communion
Friday, 10 Dec	5pm	Evening Prayer
Sunday, 12 Dec <i>Advent 3</i>	8am	<i>Readings : Philippians 4:4-7 Luke 3:7-18</i> BCP Holy Communion
	10am	Parish Eucharist
	3pm	Messy Christingle
Thursday, 16 Dec	10am	Holy Communion
Friday, 17 Dec	5pm	Evening Prayer

Dates for your diary—forthcoming services

<i>Monday, 29 November - Friday, 24 December inc</i>	8am	<i>Advent Promise—Mon-Thurs—in church Fri—pavilion + breakfast—see flier/website</i>
Sunday, 19 December	6pm	Carol Service, St Mary's, Linton
Friday, 24 December	4pm	Crib Service
	11pm	Midnight Mass
Saturday, 25 December	8am	BCP
	10am	Christmas Family Eucharist
Sunday, 26 December	9am	Holy Communion

Forthcoming events/requests

Advent Study Groups—3 sessions starting 1 December on 3 John:

Wednesdays 7.30pm — on Zoom—contact [Sarah Thorne](#)

Thursdays 11.15am — on Zoom — contact [Michael Wilcockson](#)

Fridays 10.15-11.30am — Nichols Court with Sue Filby.—contact [Anne](#).

Advent Window Sheep Trail. Can you find the names of 24 sheep hiding on the High Street? Forms available in local shops or on the website.

Saturday, 4 December 9am via Zoom Parish Prayer Meeting. Register using link on St Mary's website.

Saturday, 4 December Deanery Quiet Afternoon 2-5pm at Whittlesford.
This has been cancelled due to low take up.

Saturday, 4 December 7 for 7.30pm Pudding Evening at St Mary's + Crafts.
All tickets have now been sold.

Sunday, 5 December 4.15-5.45pm SMYG (St Mary's Youth Group) in Pavilion.
Contact Michael Wilcockson. curate@stmaryslinton.org.uk. No meeting Jan 22.

Sunday, 12 December 10am service. We welcome Cynthia Mukoko, Youth Development Worker for Linton (Beacon Youth Trust)

Thursday, 16 December 12.30pm. The funeral of Hilda Moxon at St Mary's.

Saturday, 18 December 10am-12noon Coffee Morning at St Mary's.
Raffle for Christmas Hamper—Nanette is selling tickets £1 each. The raffle will be drawn at 11.45am.
Thank you to all who came and all who contributed to the stalls on 20 November. We have now raised £1073.50 for City of Sanctuary (Cambridge) to support Afghan refugees.

Wednesday, 22 & Wednesday, 29 December Make Lunch is supporting vulnerable families again. If you are interested in helping on either date, please contact [Sarah](#). We welcome one-off helpers – no long-term commitment!

New Year's Eve Party 8pm-midnight at St Mary's. Bring & share. Games. Tickets £3 from Sue Ellis or email events@stmaryslinton.org.uk.

Tots in Tow—Wednesdays 9.30-11am Village Hall Contact [Sarah Thorne](#)

Other events/information/requests

Infant School Christingle Trail. We would appreciate help to provide refreshments for parents at the Infants School Christingle trail

Tuesday, 7 & Thursday, 9 December 3-6pm. The church is their last station where they will light the christingles, where we would also host some mulled wine/tea/coffee and mince pies. Small groups will take turns to do this and it would be a lovely opportunity to meet and talk with parents. The more helpers we have, the easier it will be to split into a pattern of shifts. As representatives of the congregation, let's give them a warm welcome! Contact Nicola Collard if you are able to help, many thanks. njmcollard@gmail.com

Sunday, 12 December. Weather permitting, we plan to run a Christingle Trail outside - with 5 stations around the churchyard. At each one families gather one of the items they need, and are able to try an activity. Afterwards, a short celebration to bring everything together with refreshments (hot chocolate & a pre-wrapped snack).

In order for Christingle to run smoothly, we will need a team of at least 12 people. If you could be one of the team for this annual event, please talk to Sarah sarah.thorne@stmaryslinton.org.uk

Raising money for Christian Aid. I have made a selection of Christmas cards which you will find at the back of church on Sunday. All the money donated for the cards will go towards providing a mobile health clinic, in places such as Kenya, for mothers and babies costing £115. Please place your donations into the box provided. More information on the clinics <https://charity-gifts.christianaid.org.uk/pages/fridahs-story>. Many thanks Rebecca Richardson.

Deanery Plan—Deanery Development Planning across the Diocese of Ely. Booklets available in church. **Deanery reps at St Mary's—**Andrew Gore (Lay Chair); David Parry-Smith.

[The Advent newsletter of the Quiet Garden Movement](#) now available to view.

[Be a Star, change a life!](#)



Carol Concert Thursday, 16 December 2021 7-8pm St Mary's, Haverhill.

Parish Prayer Board/contacts

Parish Prayer Board November 2021

Subjects for prayer and thanksgiving mentioned in our prayers. Phone Michael Wilcockson or email admin@stmaryslinton.org.uk with your request. Obtain permission for inclusion of names. These prayer requests are kept for 2 weeks and are also on the St Mary's website (See Worship tab)

Felix on his Christian journey following his Confirmation on 27 November.

Sick

Suzanne Darkins who has recently had heart surgery at Papworth Hospital. We also pray for Suzanne's husband, Steve.

Chris Kemshell now home from hospital.

Joan and Maurice Smith and family especially daughter Janice.

Carol and Clive McLintock (parents of Sally Mitchell)

Jo George (admitted to Addenbrooke's Hospital). We also pray for Jo's husband, Alan.

Departed

Hilda Moxon (aged 101). Funeral at St Mary's Thursday, 16 December 12.30pm.

Prayer board in church. Many of you will see that we have refurbished the prayer board and moved it to the pillar opposite the north door as you come in. Please use the cards (on the table below the board) to write your prayer and place it on the board behind the black lattice bands.

As the church seasons change there will be a sign at the top of the board suggesting what you may like to pray for. At present it is the season of remembering the loss of those who have died.

The prayer list (which may be used by those leading intercessions) is also going to be on a table below the prayer board.

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To add to the pewsheet, to receive it by email or as a paper copy, contact Anne: admin@stmaryslinton.org.uk by 9am Thursday.