

St Mary's Parish Newsletter

7th December to 20th December



St Mary's LINTON

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(Any items to be included in the next Newsletter to be received by **9am on 16th December**, thank you)

Services for Sunday 7th December:

8am: BCP Said Holy Communion at Linton

10am: Sung Communion at Linton

10am: Advent Morning Worship at Bartlow

11am: Christingle at Horseheath

4pm: Christmastide Carol Service

6pm: Prayer for Hope & Healing at Linton

Readings: Isaiah 11:1-10 & Matthew 3:1-12

This week:

Monday 8th Dec, 10.45am: Symonds House Holy Communion

Monday 8th Dec, 1pm: Linton Heights rehearsal in church

Wednesday 10th Dec, 9.30am: Midweek Prayer at Linton

Wednesday 10th Dec, 10am: Granta School visit

Wednesday 10th Dec, 2pm: Christingle – Linton Infant School

Wednesday 10th Dec, 7pm: Bell Ringing at Linton

Thursday 11th Dec, 10am: Said Holy Communion at Linton

Thursday 11th Dec, 6pm: Linton Roots in the Pavilion

Friday 12th Dec, 9am: Friday Church with Linton Infant School

Friday 12th Dec, 4pm: Evening Prayer, Resurrection Chapel

Friday 12th Dec, 7pm: Choir Practice

Services for Sunday 14th December:

8am: BCP Said Holy Communion at Linton

10am: Second Sunday Communion at Linton

10am: Advent Holy Communion at Bartlow

10am: Holy Communion at Castle Camps

6pm: The Well at Linton

Readings: Isaiah 35:1-10 & Matthew 11:2-11

The following week:

Monday 15th Dec, 9.30am: Linton Heights Christmas Service

Monday 15th Dec, 7pm: Pavilion – Mothers' Union

Tuesday 16th Dec, 9.30am: Linton Heights Christmas Service

Wednesday 17th Dec, 9.30am: Midweek Prayer at Linton

Wednesday 17th Dec, 7pm: Bell Ringing at Linton

Thursday 18th Dec, 10am: Said Holy Communion at Linton

Friday 19th Dec, 9am: Friday Church with Linton Infant School

Friday 19th Dec, 12pm: Mary's Kitchen at **Linton Village Hall**

Friday 19th Dec, 4pm: Evening Prayer, Resurrection Chapel

Friday 19th Dec, 7pm: Choir Practice

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Please remember in your prayers:

For healing:

Paul Barrett, Steph Booth, Hannah, Joan Smith,
Brenda Cole and Catherine.

*To add to the prayer list please contact Elena or a member of the
Ministry Team or use the sheet at the back of the church.*

NEWS & EVENTS

THE WELL

6pm, Sunday 14th December

Find space in this busy season to be still, share this sacred space and have time to catch breath. With times of stillness, reflective music and only a few words. Come and go as you like, all are welcome at the turning of the year.



Quiet by candlelight, with music and space to think at the turning of the year (come and go as you like)

**Sundays 14th December
& 12th January, 6pm**

ST MARY'S, LINTON

Advent Morning Prayer at Linton

**Tuesdays 9th and 16th December
9am-9.30am**

Join us for a short time of prayer on these mornings to mark the ancient season of Advent.



Christmas Quiz

Charles has produced a fiendish Christmas Quiz to challenge all the family. Copies cost a minimum of £5.00 and will be available from the Richardsons until 7th December. All proceeds go to Christian Aid and will be match-funded, doubling our total.



Prizes will be awarded on 14th December. Entries must be received by 12th December. You can post yours in the box in church. Contact Pam at: justpam24@gmail.com

Cambridge Chorale

Linton Music Series presents a festive concert on **Saturday, 6th December** in **St Mary's Church** at **6pm**.

Cambridge Chorale, a Cambridge-based chamber choir, is joined by members of Linton Heights Junior School choir for a programme of Christmas music.



Tickets are £15, £13 concessions and £3 for young people under 21, available on the door or from <https://www.lintonmusicseries.co.uk/book-tickets>

Burns Night Ceilidh

Join us for an early Burns Night Ceilidh on **Saturday 17th January 2026** with the Cambridge University Ceilidh Band. Last year was wonderful, come and join us!

Tickets are £20 for adults and £10 for children, including a Burns Night Supper, with meat or vegetarian Haggis.

Tickets available from Sue Ellis 01223892257 or Charlotte Dodd events@stmaryslinton.org.uk



Community Christmas Celebration

on December 8th at 10am at
Linton Infant's School

Come and support our wonderful Year 1 pupils who are inviting everyone from our community to their Christmas performance.

You will enjoy their singing, dancing, and reading poems,,,and mince pies, too!



New Years Eve Party

31st December at 8pm in the pavilion.

Bring your own drinks and a plate of food to share.

Tickets are £3 and are available from Sue Ellis 01223892257 or Charlotte Dodd events@stmaryslinton.org.uk

Mary's Community Kitchen

Our Community Kitchen has been a great success, with all sorts of people from across our village enjoying good conversation and delicious soup and bread. Thank you to all who make it happen and who have offered their cooking skills! Come and join us **on 19th December at Linton Village Hall**. For all ages and sorts of people. Join us!

Please contact Yannick, Sue Filby or Revd Paul for more info, or if you'd like to join our group of bakers and souper-troopers or welcomers! Thank you.

A place for everyone



Mary's
community kitchen

Home-made bread & soup,
good conversation,
every month, no charge.
LINTON VILLAGE HALL

Friday
19th December
12 noon-2pm

**Christmas Lighthouse
Free Church
Sunday, 7th December**

A party for the primary school and their siblings



Mid-Week Prayer

Half an hour of informal prayer, to re-fuel and bless our community **every Wednesday, 9.30am-10am** in the Resurrection Chapel. All are welcome.



Prayer for hope & healing

St Mary's, Linton on Sunday 7th December, 6pm
A short, gentle time with prayer of anointing available

Midnight Singers

Singers for the Midnight Service on Christmas Eve at St Mary's, Linton at 11.30pm. **Rehearsal at 10.45pm.**

If you would like to take part, please let David Parry-Smith know so we can ensure we have music ready.

Email: directorofmusic@stmaryslinton.org.uk or phone 01223 894715

Regular giving – especially through the **Parish Giving Scheme** – is very helpful for us as we do our best to care for our community and pay our way to the Diocese. **If it has been a while, please review your regular giving**, or pick up a leaflet on legacy giving at the back of the church. **Thank you.**

Advent 2025

Tuesdays 9th & 16th December
9am-9.30am

Advent Morning Prayer

Wednesdays 10th & 17th December
9.30am-10am

Mid-Week Prayer (informal)

Thursdays 11th & 18th December
10am Said Holy Communion

Fridays 12th & 19th December
4pm Evening Prayer

ST MARY'S, LINTON

Kol Echad

Thank you to all those who came to hear Cambridge Jewish Choir sing. The **concert raised £700** of which £600 is for St Mary's funds and £100 has been sent to the Woolf Institute, which is a charity that the choir chose as they did not charge for coming. The charity works to improve interfaith dialogue both through study and in communities.





Celebrate Christmas at St Mary's

Sunday 14th December

8am Said Holy Communion

Traditional service (BCP), 35 minutes

10am Second Sunday Communion

6pm The Well

A quiet time with reflective music
as we approach Midwinter

Sunday 21st December

8am Said Holy Communion

Traditional service (BCP), 35 minutes

3pm Messy Church Christingle

(the one with the oranges!)

6pm The Linton Carol Service

CHRISTMAS EVE

4pm Crib Service

For all ages

11.30pm Midnight Mass

CHRISTMAS DAY

8am Said Holy Communion

Traditional service (BCP), 35 minutes

10am Christmas Family Communion

All are welcome



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