

St Mary's Parish Newsletter

17th January to 31st January 2026



St Mary's LINTON

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(Any items to be included in the next Newsletter to be received by **9am on 26th January**, thank you)

Services for Sunday 18th January:

8am: BCP Said Holy Communion at St Mary's Pavilion, Linton

10am: Sung Communion at St Mary's, Linton (extra layer needed!)

10am: Holy Communion at Horseheath

6pm: Evensong for the Linton Parishes at St Mary's, Bartlow

Readings: Isaiah 49:1-7 & Matthew 6:5-8

This week:

Monday, 19th Jan, 11am: Nichols Court Holy Communion

Monday, 19th Jan, 7.45pm: Mothers' Union

Tuesday, 20th Jan, 11am: Funeral Service (Audrey Fisher)

Wednesday 21st Jan, 9.30am: Mid-week prayer, Linton Pavilion

Wednesday 21st Jan, 7pm: Bellringing at Linton

Thursday, 22nd Jan, 10am: Said Holy Communion, St Mary's Pavilion, Linton

Friday 23rd Jan, 9am: Friday Church at Linton Infant School

Friday 23rd Jan, 4pm: Evening Prayer at the Pavilion

Services for Sunday 25th Jan:

8am: BCP Said Holy Communion at St Mary's Pavilion

10am: Café Church at St Mary's, Linton (extra layers needed!)

Readings: (subject to change at 10am) *Jeremiah 1:4-10 & Matthew 19:27-end*

The following week:

Monday, 26th Jan, 10.45am: Symonds House Morning Worship

Wednesday 28th Jan, 9.30am: Mid-week Prayer at the Pavilion

Wednesday 28th Jan, 7pm: Bellringing at Linton

Thursday, 29th Jan, 10am: Said Holy Communion, Pavilion

Friday 30th Jan, 9am: Friday Church at Linton Infant School

Friday 30th Jan, 4pm: Evening Prayer at the Pavilion

Friday 30th Jan, 7pm: Choir Practice

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Please remember in your prayers:

For the families of the late:

David Butler, Audrey Fisher

For healing:

Ann and Richard, Paul Barrett, Steph Booth, Hannah, Patricia, Fiona, Alison, Molly, 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

Burns Night Supper & 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 01223 892257 or Charlotte Dodd events@stmaryslinton.org.uk

Mary's Community Kitchen



The Kitchen has got off to a great start. Launched in October, it is not just about fresh bread and homemade soup (made by folks across Linton); it's about community conversation, reuniting old friends and helping to make new ones.

Come and join us: **Friday 16th January, 12pm-2pm at the VILLAGE HALL**, no charge (donations are always welcome). For people of all ages and backgrounds.

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.

Mothers' Union

meets on Monday, 19th January in the Pavilion at 7.45pm and welcomes **Revd Jane Butler** with a talk entitled 'Imagine Jesus' - St Ignatius of Loyola and what he gave to spirituality. All are welcome.

Quiz Night

Doors of St Mary's Linton open on **21st February 2026 at 6.30pm and the first question starts at 7pm!**

Raffle, Chilli & Baked Potatoes - £10 / person
Bring your own drink, glasses and nibbles.

QUIZ NIGHT

In Aid of The Friends of St Mary's



Teams of up to 6 people, book via: info@friendsofstmaryslinton.org.uk or 01223 892160.

Repair Café Saturday

Show your used items a little love this Valentine's Day on **14th February, 2-5pm at Linton Village Hall!**



A team of volunteer repairers are ready to be matched with your things that need to be fixed. Electrical and non-electrical household and gardening items, gadgets, clothes and jewellery are welcome.

Repairs are free, but donations are gratefully received.



Book in your item for repair via the QR code
linton-roots@outlook.com

Mid-Week Prayer

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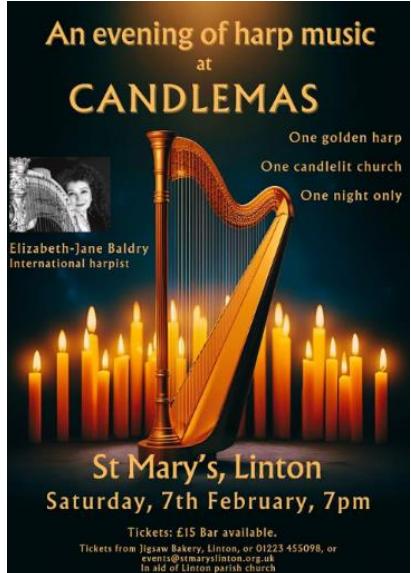
Half an hour of informal prayer, to re-fuel and bless our community **every Wednesday, 9.30am-10am** in the Resurrection Chapel, Linton. **In January we'll be meeting in the Pavilion.** All are welcome. Next one is Wednesday 21st January.

HARP MUSIC AT CANDLEMAS

To mark the season of Candlemas, St Mary's, Linton will welcome internationally acclaimed harpist Elizabeth-Jane Baldry on **Saturday 7th February (7pm, doors open 6.30pm)**.

Our ancient church will be filled with candlelight and evocative music from across the centuries as the new season of Spring begins to stir. Proceeds from this special evening will help to make sure that St Mary's is here for everyone, every day of the year. Bar available.

Tickets (£15/£10 under 16) on sale from Jigsaw Bakery, Linton, events@stmaryslinton.org.uk or call 01223 455098 or online: <https://wegottickets.com/event/688884>



St David's Day Organ Recital

Given by David Parry-Smith at St Mary's, Linton
on Sunday, 1st March at 3pm.

David celebrates his Welsh heritage with a selection of Welsh favourites, including David of the White Rock, Rhosymedre and be prepared to sing "Land of my fathers", Blaenwern ("Love Divine all loves excelling") and others.



Come wearing your daffodil or leek (!) and enjoy a traditional Welsh tea with Welsh cakes and Bara Brith. Tickets in advance (it helps to know the tea numbers) are £12 - there may be a few on the door! Funds raised are for St Mary's. Contact events@stmaryslinton.org.uk or phone Sue Ellis on 01223 892257.

ST MARY'S REALLY NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Our busy parish church welcomes many different people every week and seeks to care for our community in many different ways. Visitors, too. To keep on doing this over the years to come, we have to reduce our deficit which, despite valiant fund-raising and numerous cost-savings, means our reserves really are running out.

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 church.

Thank you



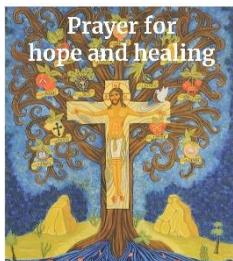
Root & Branch Groups start a new term



Did you know that you are most welcome to join one of the three groups of Linton folks who meet during the week to discuss the Bible, questions of life and faith and share experience? We meet fortnightly on Mondays at 11am, Tuesdays at 7.30pm and Wednesdays at 11.30am...get in touch with Revd Paul on rector@stmaryslinton.org.uk if you'd like to know more. It's a great way to get to know people and to learn about the Bible, too.

Prayer for Hope & Healing

Sunday 1st February at 6pm



A gentle time with prayer of anointing
Sunday 1st February, 6pm
St Mary's, Linton

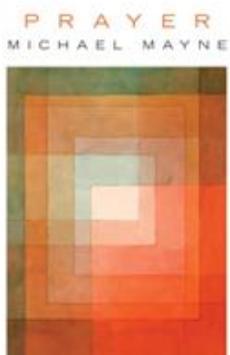
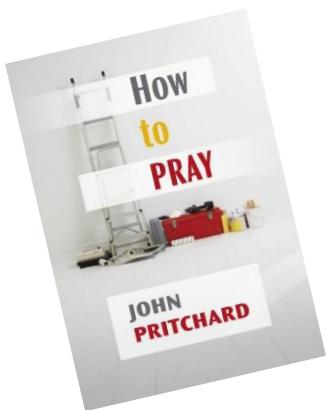
Join us for our monthly time of prayer and anointing for healing, for ourselves and/or for those we pray for. Healing and wholeness in body, mind or spirit. All are welcome at this short and gentle time of prayer for everyone in our community.

Revd Paul

New year, new learning about PRAYER

In our services and group meetings before Ash Wednesday on 18th February, our Church family will be thinking about the different aspects and expressions of **prayer**. This fundamental aspect of what it is to be Christian is fascinating and natural to our very being. As natural as breathing. We'll be learning together across congregations and groups about what it is to pray, different ways of praying alone and together and how we face those times when prayer is difficult or appears not to be answered (the way we'd like).

Good books on prayer include:



This image, gathered from reading Michael's book, from those of who others write not and about faith and the Christian life, but about life, very little and that again (only break up on the shelves in holy ground). (Book 10)

