

Prayer corner

- It is time to get excited about Jesus coming. While we look forward to Christmas and the amazing story of all that Jesus will bring, we also remember his promise to return again for his people, and bring everything under his rule. It is a wonderful thing to celebrate.
- Whilst we are looking forward to Christmas, there are places around the world where there is real trouble. Pray especially for Syria.
- D for Discipleship—on 7th December our Discipleship planning group will be meeting to look over the surveys that you have filled in talking about how easy you find it to pray and grow in faith. Please pray for them as they make progress on this into next year.
- Please pray for the following people, and anyone else who are in trouble of any kind:
 - Pat Howlett in hospital
 - Juliette Jarrod, Joyce & Brian Williams, Viv & David Carrington, all having medical treatment
 - Ann Raines and Ken Naylor small heart attacks & stent fitting
 - Judith King, Daphne Ranson, Dorothy Martins, and others receiving residential/domestic care.
 - The families of Audrey Posford, Philip Moulton, Bryan Wakefield, Margaret Colley, and others who have died recently. Pray for all those who have been bereaved who will find this time of year especially difficult.

Please let us know of any others to add to this sheet: please ask their permission before giving us their information for printing.

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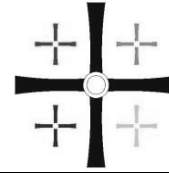
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The Venta Group

Arminghall, Caistor St Edmund, Stoke Holy Cross with Dunston
4th December 2016

COMING UP

11th December: 10.30am Carol Service at Stoke, 6.30pm Reflective (Taize) service at Caistor, 6.30pm Carol Service at Arminghall
13th December: 7.30pm Traditional Candlelit carol Service at Stoke Holy Cross
18th December: 4pm Carol Service at Caistor St Edmund, 6pm Carols around the tree at Stoke Church hall

Christmas in the Venta Group

Sunday 11th December

10.30am Stoke Holy Cross Carol Service

6.30pm Arminghall Carol Service

Tuesday 13th December

7.30pm Traditional Carol Service at Stoke

Sunday 18th December

4pm Caistor Carol Service

6pm Carols around the tree at Stoke Church Hall

Christmas Eve

4pm Crib Service at Stoke

11.30pm Midnight Service at Arminghall

Christmas Day

9am Family Communion at Caistor

10.30am Family Communion at Stoke

Thank you to everyone who is making a special effort to make the services in the next couple of weeks a big success, from Café Church craft organisers, to all our caterers, decorators and musicians, people from the Tuesday Group, and to the singers from Stoke School joining us on Sunday 11th in the morning, and the handbell ringers at Arminghall in the evening.

Carols around the tree in Stoke Holy Cross

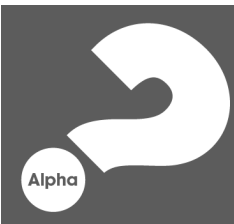
Sunday 18th December

Come and join us for Carol Singing around the Christmas tree from 6pm. Loads of familiar carols with lots of refreshments afterwards, a great family occasion!



Christmas Eve Crib Service Stoke Holy Cross Church @ 4pm

Children are invited to come dressed as a Shepherd, Angel, King or one of the stable animals, and to take part in the Nativity Tableau



We are making plans to run the Alpha Course again from January 2017. We would love you to either come and join us, or invite a friend

if you think they might be interested. Leaflets available today, more information on our website www.venta-group.org

All this information and more on our new website www.venta-group.org. Please have a look and let us know what you think! You can also find us on Facebook 'Venta Group of Churches' and twitter @venta_group

cafe church

Christingle, 8th January,
10.30am

at Stoke Holy Cross
Church Hall

Activities for the
whole family! Come
and join us there...



Fast and Pray!

Join us to pray this Advent that Jesus would be made known again in our midst, and that people would come to know Jesus this Christmas and beyond. Pick up a sheet today, join us to pray on Fridays at the Vicarage. 12.30-1.30pm until 16th December

The Spirit of Christmas

Reflections in Words and Music

with Cliff Norgate & Rachel Graveling and Acappella
on **Saturday December 10th at 3pm at Caistor St Edmund Church**

Ticket price £5
(to include mulled wine and mince pies)

All proceeds to the Big C and Caistor Church funds

Please order tickets in advance from Jani Wymer 01508 493572

Christmas Dinner at Arminghall Village Hall

Saturday 17th December, 7.00pm for 7.30 pm

Cost £8 per person, children under 12 free, Booking required for catering

Call Annie on 495580

Proceeds for church funds- Come and join us to celebrate the festive season.

Please bring your own drinks.



Sparklers

**Tuesdays 10-11.30
until 13th December**

Welcoming all 0-4s, and their parents, grandparents and carers...



Sparklers Stoke Holy Cross

St George's Dementia Support Café St George's Hall



2nd and 4th Monday's from 10-12. (No meeting on Boxing day)

We look forward to seeing you.

Telephone 01508493661 or 01508492938 for information about the cafe or becoming a volunteer.