

Super advance notice of Lent events: we are planning 6 Lent breakfasts around the group on the **Saturdays from 17th Feb—24th March**. Put the dates in your diary now.

Please pray...

Thank you for praying for all of our Christmas events, and continuing to pray as we move through the festive season.

Please 'pray for the peace of Jerusalem', where so many of different faiths live alongside one another, following the changes announced to US foreign policy this week.

Now that the first phase of Brexit has been concluded, please keep praying for wisdom and grace for all involved in continuing to negotiate Britain's exit from the European Union.

Pray for those who have been bereaved this year as we approach Christmas, as well as for others who find this time of year difficult for various reasons.

C is for Community—pray for ways of making a connection with our wider community, as individuals and churches. Pray for the C group and all our PCCs as we begin to plan how we can best do this next year.

D is for discipleship—Please pray as we make plans for our teaching programme next year, including the Lent course, and hope to start some new home groups.

E is for evangelism—Following a renewed encouragement last weekend that sharing our faith is for all of us, pray that each one of us would be able to reach out to someone else and share our faith in the run-up to Christmas.

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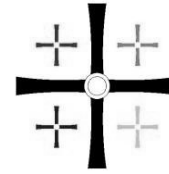
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The Venta Group

Arminghall, Caistor St Edmund, Stoke Holy Cross with Dunston
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10th December 2017

Welcome to our services today: it is so good to have you with us as we worship Jesus together. You have more than likely come along to one of our Carol Services between 10th and 19th December: we are so glad to be able to welcome you here today.

Services coming soon in the Venta group of churches:

Still to come this evening, Arminghall Carol Service at 6.30pm

Sunday 17th December Caistor Carols at 4pm; Carols around the tree, Church Hall at 6pm

Tuesday 19th December Traditional Carols with the Tuesday group at Stoke at 7.30pm

Christmas Eve Crib service 4pm at Stoke; Christmas Night service Caistor 11.30pm

Christmas Day services Arminghall 9am, Stoke 10.30am

Sunday 31st December Group Service 10.30am at Stoke

A big big thank you to everyone who worked so hard to organise the tea party this Wednesday 6th, and to all those who have got everything organised for the carol services which are happening at the moment.

On **28th January** we will be starting an after school club for primary age children on the **4th Thursday of every month**—older ones welcome as young leaders....

Prayer meetings between now and Christmas Thursday 14th December 12pm at Caistor Church; Wednesday 20th December 12pm at Arminghall Church.

Rob, Cathryn, Jonathan, Grace and Samuel would like to invite all of you to drop in to the Vicarage on **Thursday 21st December from 5pm on into the evening**, to celebrate Christmas and say thank you for all that you have done for our churches this year. We will do some sandwiches and cakes for children particularly from 5-7ish, but otherwise there will be mulled wine and mince pies and things like that.

You should have received a **Christmas card** from the church if you live in the villages, but you can pick one up today if you don't get one delivered to you.

We will be going to Week 2 of New Wine next year, from 5th to 11th August. It is an amazing opportunity to spend time together as church and with friends in other places, worship God, hear great teaching, and to pray and be prayed for. Book in at new-wine.org.