

Friday 14th July welcome evening for newcomers to Stoke at the Church Hall—we are inviting everyone from the new houses, but if you want to speak to any of your neighbours who have moved in the last year or two that would be really helpful. You can get an invitation off Lyn or Viv.

Autumn vision and prayer event, **Wednesday 6th September**, 7.30pm

One big harvest event on **Friday 6th October**—more details soon.

Venta group day together with John McGinley, Saturday 4th November, continuing Sunday morning, 5th November. This is a brilliant opportunity for all of us to get together and think about how God is leading us forward in discipleship together—you mustn't miss out!

Come to Coffee every Thursday at Caistor church; **Dementia Café** continues 2nd and 4th Mondays; **Sparklers** pre-school group all Tuesdays 10-11.30 in term-time in the Church Hall; **Tuesday 6th June** Stoke/Dunston PCC at the Vicarage, 7.30pm (**note venue**); **Wednesday 7th June** Prayer House, Caistor Lane, 7.30pm; **Thursday 8th June** D group at the Vicarage, 7.30pm; **Thursday 15th June** Caistor PCC, 7.30pm; **Friday 16th June**, Worship practice at Stoke Church Hall, 7.30pm; **Thursday 22nd June**, Group wardens' meeting, 1.30pm

Please pray...

For all the victims of the Manchester bomb attack and their families, and for all involved in deciding how to respond to this awful event. Pray that any considering evil of this kind would have their eyes opened to the truth.

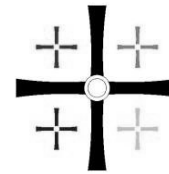
Pray for those who are particularly remembering people at this time of year; for those who are sick and having treatment of any kind; for those in any sort of trouble.

C is for Community—pray for a good response to our invitation to people to join us both at Lyn's ordination celebrations on 1st July, and the new neighbours' evening at Stoke on 14th July.

D is for discipleship—pray for our Sunday mornings for the next little while, as we have 2 weeks on discipleship in early June, then reflect together on Hearing the Voice of Jesus in the Psalms through the summer.

E is for evangelism. At the moment we are praying 'Thy kingdom come'. Please pray with us that people from around the villages would get to know Jesus.

Rob would value your prayers for the run-up to Lyn's ordination in July and for Rob and Lyn as they work together in the years to come; for the summer programme thinking about the Psalms; and for ways of including all those whom God is drawing into our churches at the moment.



The Venta Group

Arminghall, Caistor St Edmund, Stoke Holy Cross with Dunston
Creating Community, Deepening Discipleship, Encouraging Evangelism
28th May 2017

Many many thanks to Angela for all she has done for us in the Venta group in the last four years and more. The notice sheet will continue in this simplified form while we go ahead with appointing a new administrator.

Rob, Cathryn and family will be taking time off on Bank Holiday Monday and on Thursday, Friday and Saturday 1st-3rd June.

Thy Kingdom come—we are praying in the villages between 26th May and 4th June, together with Christians around the world, that God's kingdom will come, and people will come to know Jesus. There are prayer materials for you to use if you drop into church, or for you to take home with you. **Please do pray with us.**

Services next Sunday 4th June—9am Holy Communion at Caistor, 10.30am Informal Holy Communion at Stoke, 4pm Holy Communion at Dunston.

Sunday 11th June—9am Holy Communion at Arminghall, 9.30am Praise & Worship at Caistor, 10.30am Café Church at Stoke Church Hall.

Sunday 18th June—9.30am Family Service at Caistor St Edmund, 11am Traditional Holy Communion at Stoke, 6.30pm The Gathering at Stoke.

Stewardship Sundays 4th and 11th June will give an opportunity for all of us around the churches to reflect on our generosity to God who has given everything to us. We will have materials for all of our church members to consider, and look forward to welcoming Geoff Freeman, Parish Funding Officer from the diocese, on Sunday 4th June. (In the autumn we will have a benefice-wide **Gift Day** on Saturday 23rd September where we invite those from the wider village communities to contribute towards the upkeep of our buildings here.)

Saturday 10th June New Wine prayer ministry training day at Cromer, for any who would like to learn to listen to God, and pray for those in any kind of need. Contact Henry and Eostre Caswell 01603 781239 if you would like to join in.

Saturday 1st July Lyn's ordination celebrations 10.30am at the Cathedral—plenty of space for everyone, and parking available in Browns Meadow off Recorder Road. Come in good time! Celebration continues at the school in the afternoon—service at 4pm, with BBQ from 5pm. Everyone is welcome for some or all of the day—if you are coming to the BBQ please email admin@venta-group.org or call Rob 492305 **with exact numbers** by 18th June. See you there!