We are so excited about our project with churches around Mt Kilimanjaro in Tanzania. We will be welcoming Becky from Tearfund to meet us and tell us all about it on **Sunday 12th January**: please keep the date free to welcome her.

Allstars Club continues on the fourth Thursday of every month, for all primary aged children, starting at 3.30 in the Church Hall. The next few dates are 23rd Jan, 27th Feb, 26th March.

We'd love lots of children and helpers to join us for our **Holiday Club** next Summer, running from **27th-29th July.** 

## Please pray...

Thank God for the amazing gift of Jesus this Christmas. Pray that all of us around the villages, whether for the first time or once again, would welcome him into our hearts and into our lives this year.

Following the election on 12th December, please pray for our new government as they make plans to lead the country forward over the years to come, looking to serve the best interests of all our people.

Please pray for anyone you know to be sick, bereaved, or in trouble of any kind; do remember that we are very happy to include the names of anyone in our group of villages here. Please pray for the family and friends of Arthur Nudds, who died recently.

We are in the process of making plans to get some new youth work started in 2020; please do join us in praying about this important project.

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Jesus with us.

# The Venta Group

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

Christmas 2019

Welcome to our Christmas services for 2019! Thank you for coming to worship

## Services coming soon in the Venta group of churches:

**Tuesday 17th December**, 7:30pm, Stoke Holy Cross Church, Carol Service with the Tuesday Group.

**Sunday 22nd December**, 4pm, Caistor St Edmund Church, Carol Service. 6pm, Stoke Holy Cross Church Hall, Carols around the Christmas Tree.

Christmas Eve, 4pm, Stoke Holy Cross Church, Crib Service.

11:30pm, Caistor St Edmund Church, Carols, Readings and Communion

Christmas Day, 9am, Arminghall Church Christmas Morning Service,

10:30am, Stoke Holy Cross Church, Christmas morning service.

**Sunday 29th December,** 10.30am Group Christmas service at Arminghall. **Sunday 5th January,** 9am Breakfast and Communion at Caistor (new for 2020!), 10.30am Informal Holy Communion at Stoke.

We will be running a series of evenings in January to help people get together, and talk and ask questions about faith. If you'd like to be with us please pop your contact details on the sheet at the back of church or let Rob know.

There's still time for you to drop something in to one of our **foodbank** boxes, which will be shared with those in need in the villages or taken up to the main Norwich foodbank before Christmas.

#### PRAYER MEETINGS

Our first prayer meeting of the year is Fish, Chips and Prayer at the Vicarage, **Wednesday 8th January at 7pm**. To order your food (we need this in advance) fill in the form at church or call Rob on 492305.

**Sparklers** group for all preschool children and their parents/carers meets every Tuesday in school term, 10-11.30am at the Church Hall. Contact cathrynbaker@gmail.com

Our **Community Café** is open to everyone from the villages, in the Church Hall on a Wednesday morning, and includes a feeding support group for mums and babies.

A big thank you to everyone who has been working so hard to get all our Christmas services ready, and will keep on going all through the rest of the wonderful festive season! A big thank you also to everyone who has given generously to the ministry of our churches throughout this year to help us to share Jesus in the villages here.