

from the churchwardens.

E group are organising 2 brilliant **evangelism training evenings** in the Church Hall on **Wednesdays 4th and 11th October, at 7.30pm**. Don't miss out!

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!

Rob and Lyn have begun to plan the shape of Lyn's curacy together, and one of the things we have been looking at is her working hours and time off. We have decided that Lyn will be working for the churches on Tuesday afternoons or evenings, Thursdays, Saturday mornings, and Sundays. Please could everyone help Lyn to guard her time off, and manage her commitments to her family, church work, UEA job, school and parish council, by only contacting her during these times, and only expecting an email reply on these days. In case you don't know already, Rob takes time off from Friday evening until starting work on Sunday morning.

Please pray...

For Houston, and the rest of Texas and Louisiana, and for the area around Mumbai, both of which have been terribly affected by flooding in recent days. Pray for those who have lost lives or loved ones, homes and possessions, and for those responding to the enormous need in those places. Pray for their protection using Psalm 91.

Please continue to pray for peace in our time, following a suspected further nuclear test in North Korea. Pray for restraint on all sides, and meaningful dialogue to begin.

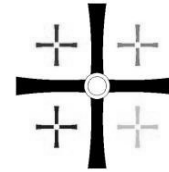
Pray for those who are particularly remembering people at this time of year; for those who are sick and having treatment of any kind, including Pat Howlett just home from hospital; for those in any sort of trouble. Please pray for the family and friends of Adrian Aitken, whose funeral is to be held on 11th September.

C is for Community—pray for the plans being made for the Harvest events, especially the Gift Day on Saturday 23rd September, and the Harvest Supper on 6th October.

D is for discipleship—Pray for the day with John McGinley on 4th November, that it would give a great opportunity for people to move forward in discipleship together.

E is for evangelism—Pray for the Alpha course beginning on 18th September, especially for the Holy Spirit to guide you towards anyone particular whom you might invite along. Please pray for the Evangelism training evenings happening on 4th and 11th October.

Rob would value your prayers for progress towards the appointment of a new administrator, and planning well for the rest of term.



The Venta Group

Arminghall, Caistor St Edmund, Stoke Holy Cross with Dunston
Creating Community, Deepening Discipleship, Encouraging Evangelism
3rd September 2017

Notice sheets will be appearing fortnightly again from now on.

Services coming soon in the Venta group of churches:

Sunday 10th September 9am Traditional Holy Communion at Arminghall, 9.30am Praise and Worship at Caistor, 10.30am Café Church at Stoke Church Hall.

Sunday 17th September 9.30am Family Service at Caistor, 11am Traditional Holy Communion at Stoke.

Sunday 24th September 9am Family Harvest Communion at Caistor, 10.30am Harvest Sunday 4 Everyone at Stoke Church Hall, 4pm Harvest Service at Arminghall

Sunday 1st October 9am Traditional Holy Communion at Caistor, 10.30am Morning Worship with Baptism at Stoke, 4pm Traditional Holy Communion at Dunston.

Rob will be away at the Diocesan Clergy Conference from 11th-14th September, but available by email rob@venta-group.org, and checking messages left on 01508 492305. He will be away and out of contact the weekend of 16th-17th. Please contact Lyn or the wardens for an immediate reply in an emergency. Lyn is away the weekend of 23rd-24th.

We are coming to the end of our series on the **Psalms!** We will be asking for your feedback on what we have done soon. Lyn has a **bookstall** which is doing the rounds of the services at the moment—stop her and buy one!

Thank you to everyone who put such hard work into the Afternoon Teas and Cream Teas at Caistor this August. Don't worry about cake withdrawal—**Come to Coffee starts this Thursday 7th September 10am-12noon** and every week this month.

Autumn vision and prayer event, with fish and chips, **Wednesday 6th September**, 7.30pm in the Church Hall. Place your order in church today, or call Rob by Tuesday lunchtime.

The **Alpha Course** is a great way to find out about faith in a relaxed and friendly setting, with good food, a video and discussion afterwards. Meeting Monday evenings from 18th September, or weekday mornings if you'd prefer. Email alpha@venta-group.org or talk to Rob.

Harvest 2017 is coming soon: **Saturday 23rd September**, a benefice-wide gift day in Arminghall, Caistor and Stoke churches from 10am-4pm **Sunday 24th September**, Harvest services across the group. **Friday 6th October**, one big group Harvest supper, 7 for 7.30pm at St George's Hall. **All proceeds to charity. Get your tickets**