



The LAMP Group of Parishes

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Information and Prayer Sheet 24th November 2024

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Forthcoming Worship Services

Sunday 24th November

Readings (NIVUK) [Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14](#) [John 18:33-37](#) [Revelation 1:4b-8](#)

9:30am St Leonard's Holy Communion
11:00am St Mary's Morning Worship
11:00am All Saints – Café Church
6:00pm All Saints – Compline

Sunday 1st December

Readings (NIVUK) [Jeremiah 33:14-16](#) [Luke 21:25-36](#) [1 Thessalonians 3:9-13](#)

9:30am St Peter's Holy Communion
11:00am St Mary's Morning Worship **with thanksgiving/dedication then afterwards a bring and share lunch at Social Centre**
4.00pm All Saints – Christingle + toy service

Sunday 8th December

Readings (NIVUK) [Malachi 3:1-4](#) [Luke 3:1-6](#) [Philippians 1:3-11](#).

11:00am St Mary's Morning Worship
11:00am All Saints – Holy Communion
6:00pm St Leonard's Advent Carol Service

Friday 13th December

6.00pm All Saints nativity

Weekend 14/15th December St Mary's Christmas Tree Festival

Sunday 15th December

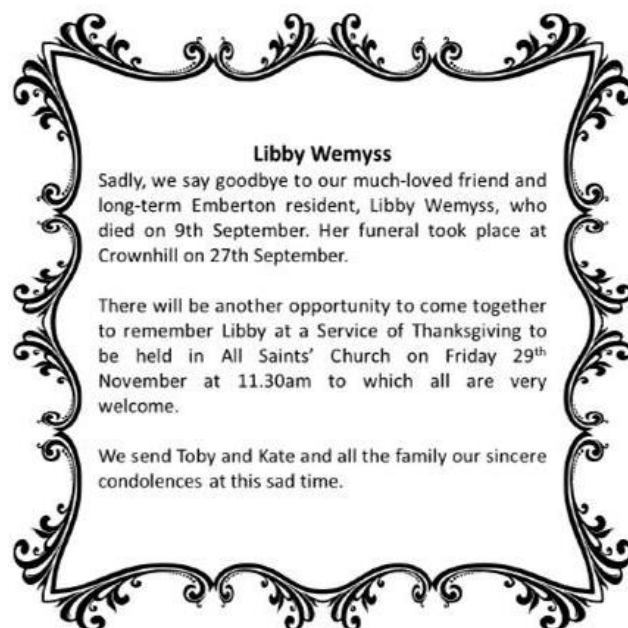
Readings (NIVUK) [Zephaniah 3:14-20](#), [Luke 3:7-18](#), [Philippians 4:4-7](#).

9:30am St Mary's Said Holy Communion
3:30pm St Mary's Christingle
6:00pm All Saints – Evensong
6:00pm St Peter's Carol Service

Sunday 22nd December

Readings (NIVUK) [Micah 5:2-5a](#), [Luke 1:39-45, \(46-55\)](#), [Hebrews 10:5-10](#).

9:30am St Leonard's Holy Communion
11:00am St Mary's Morning Worship
3.30pm All Saints – Carol Service



Tuesday 24th December Christmas Eve

6.00pm St Mary's Carol Service

11.30pm St Peter's Midnight Holy Communion

Wednesday 25th December Christmas Day

Readings (NIVUK) Isaiah 62:6-12, Luke 2:1-14, (15-20), Titus 3:4-7.

10.00am All Saints Family Communion

11.00am St Mary's Family Communion

Sunday 29th December LAMP Service

Readings (NIVUK) 1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26, Luke 2:41-52, Colossians 3:12-17.

11:00am St Leonard's Wassail followed by an optional Said Holy Communion

Should you need to check ahead for readings - readings list for 2024 is here

<https://www.thelampchurches.com/rcl/rclsys9lc.php?benefice=Lamp%202024b&all=true>

Events you might like to come along to

Opportunities to socialise

- **Haversham**

Julia and Ian, on behalf of St Mary's Church, provide an **Open House Lunch**, normally on the **third Monday of each month** for any member of St. Mary's and Little Linford Churches and residents of Haversham and Little Linford. Coffee is available from 10.30am, a light lunch from approximately 12.30pm and tea and cake on offer in the afternoon until 3.30pm.

Maureen White on [0788 9654906](tel:07889654906) has kindly agreed to provide transport for those who need help getting to The Old Forge.

The next Open House Lunch will be on Monday 9th December 2024 from 10.30am.

There is no charge for Lunch and you will be warmly welcomed.

Subsequent dates: Monday 20th January 2025 then 17th February 2025.

- **Emberton**

Coffee in All Saints church Thursdays 11am - midday (all welcome to drop in for a natter).

All Saints church is now reopen in the daytime.

- **Emberton - Charity Lunches At All Saints'** - On **the first Thursday of each month at 12.30pm - 1:30pm**. All welcome. There will be a choice of soups, cheese and biscuits, and cake. There's no charge, but donations are welcome and will be sent to the charity selected that month.
Next lunch December 5th 12:30pm

Other news and information

- **Christmas is coming! Thursday 14th November onwards....**

Recycled Christmas cards and gift tags, and knitted Christmas gifts etc, will be on sale on Thursday mornings at the weekly coffee session at All Saintswhile stocks last!

Proceeds to All Saints' Church.

Sheila Ware

- **St Mary's Food Bank collections** St Mary's Food Bank collections. Donations in the basket in the porch will be collected by Sara Butler and delivered. Specifically requested: Tinned Meat, Pasta Sauce, Tinned Fruit, Jam, Peanut Butter or Choc Spread, UHT Long Life Milk, Juice and Toiletries. Thank you for your generous donations.



Eco-Tip from Kimonie: If we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we will have fellowship with one another. (1 John 1: 7) If you're able to walk, do so whenever you can because making the effort to walk even a small part of your journey makes a difference. If you're unable to walk, whenever it is practical car share and enjoy fellowship with your fellow passengers.

With the colder weather fast approaching, we are seeing a huge increase in demand for warmer clothing. We are especially needing donations of:

- Winter Coats (men and children)
- Mens Hoodies
- Mens Jogging Bottoms
- Winter Jumpers and Trousers
- Winter Shoes
- Warm Blankets
- Towels

CHRISTMAS 2024
 Help The Eagle Project bless 62 families this Christmas!
www.stewardship.org.uk/partners/20098650

WE Wish you a Merry Christmas

Thank you!

Support the Eagle Project this Christmas

Cally has asked us if we would please consider supporting the Eagle Project this Christmas. Many of you will have heard her speak about the amazing work she is doing with young offenders in Brazil.

If you would like to, you can make a donation to their Christmas appeal here. Your prayers would be much appreciated too.
 Thank you.

[https://www.stewardship.org.uk/partners/
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Prayer and Worship

Never stop praying. Be thankful in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus. 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 (NLT)

Please join us – You don't have to pray out loud, God hears ALL our prayers.

It is powerful to pray together and so important in our world today. We meet fortnightly from 8.30am to 9am on Saturday mornings. Our upcoming meeting dates are 23rd November 7th December and 21st December. Joining instructions are:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81261695718?pwd=dE52N0Q3STNyS3o5TUhhN2RRSkpBZz09>

Meeting ID: 812 6169 5718

Passcode: 875519

Praying for each other

World, Church, and Mission

- **For someone to come to know Jesus.** Lord, give us life-changing words at the right time.
- **The Middle East (Pray for peace):**
 - Gaza** - 109 UN aid lorries carrying food violently looted in Gaza as atrocities continue.
 - Israel/Lebanon** – Further attacks as Israel pressures Hezbollah and Lebanon to cease hostility.
 - Ukraine/Russia** – War at vital moment. Pray for restraint and for wisdom of world leaders.
- **World Conflict** – For all countries suffering conflict. Pray for peace.
- **US** – For a seamless transfer of leadership.
- **UK Farmers** – After changes to inheritance tax.
- **Church of England** – Following child abuse report and resignation of Archbishop Justin Welby.
- **Knife Crime** – As government sets out plans to crackdown on knife crime.
- **Government** – Their decision making. Pray for a voice for Christians in government.
- **Cost of Living** – Those struggling every day to make ends meet as further increases inevitable.
- **Royal Family** – For King Charles, Princess of Wales, and the wider members of the family.
- **NHS** – For answers to the retention and improvement of our care system.
- **Persecuted church** – www.opendoorsuk.org . **View the 2024 live Watchlist here.**
- **For those fighting for basic freedoms and justice world-wide.**
- **Mission India** – Link person – Carrie Spyrou www.missionindia.org.uk
Mission India seeks to transform lives, for Jesus, through children's bible classes, adult literacy programmes and church planting.

Church Family

- **Pray that we may shine the light and love of Christ.**
- **Adrian and Joanna** -That the Lord would continue to bless Adrian and Joanna's ministry with us.
- **Ministry** – Pray for all members of our leadership, our Churchwardens and PCCs.
- **Those who mourn and are hurting.** - For the Holy Spirit to bring comfort and healing.
- **Bereavement Counselling.** Please cover our counselling team with prayer.
- **Those who are lonely** – Help us to be aware.
- **Those who find the thought of Christmas difficult.**
- **Cally and the Eagle Project** particularly for the success of their Christmas appeal
- **All those known to us who are unwell.** Pray for healing, strength, and comfort.

Long Term Prayer Needs

Pat Beer, Sandra (Burdett friend)

If you or your family would like to be included on our prayer list, please contact me by Tuesday evening to carriespyroucc@btinternet.com or via mobile 07977575001.

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Bereavement Counselling.

The Lamp Group of churches has set up a group for those who are grieving the loss of a loved one, and who would value meeting with others for mutual support and coffee. Please contact Fi Jones (fipwmum@gmail.com 07946 615218) if you would like further information.

Daily Bible reading

David Suchet reading the Gospel of John <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PKiAXVxOm6o&t=5891s>

Bible Society also have an online daily reading and reflection programme designed for those who want to read the whole Bible in one year

<https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/explore-the-bible/daily-reflection/>

Lectio365 Another resource for daily Bible readings and prayer is Lectio365. They do short morning and evening worship every day (around 10 mins). <https://www.24-7prayer.com/resource/lectio-365/>
If anyone has a Bible reading source they use, which they find particularly helpful, and which others might find helpful too, then please let Louise know