

Sun 26th	United service today led by John. Pray for all the ministry team who have been working so hard this month. Pray for their families too.
Mon 27th	<i>Keith Worsley</i> representing Tibenham
Tues 28th	Pray for our bishops Graham, Alan and Jane and all the diocesan staff.
Wed 29th	<i>Peter Jacques and Valerie Fendick</i> (Wacton)
Thurs 30th	Pray for Heather and family in their new home
Fri 31st	Pray that God will prepare a new rector for our churches as we face a new year with an empty rectory. Thank God for all the blessings of the past year.

*Thank  
You*

PARISHES OF LONG STRATTON AND WACTON

# PRAYER CALENDAR

## December 2021

### Jesus is coming

**A Happy Advent and Christmas to all who use this prayer calendar.**

*No Rector, no Posada, no community lunch.*

Is this going to be a sad Christmas? No way!

The good news of Jesus remains the same. There will be hampers going to the hungry, Christingle services will bring Christmas joy to the families. Each of us can pray about how we can bring happiness and good news to others and support our churches.

Noel

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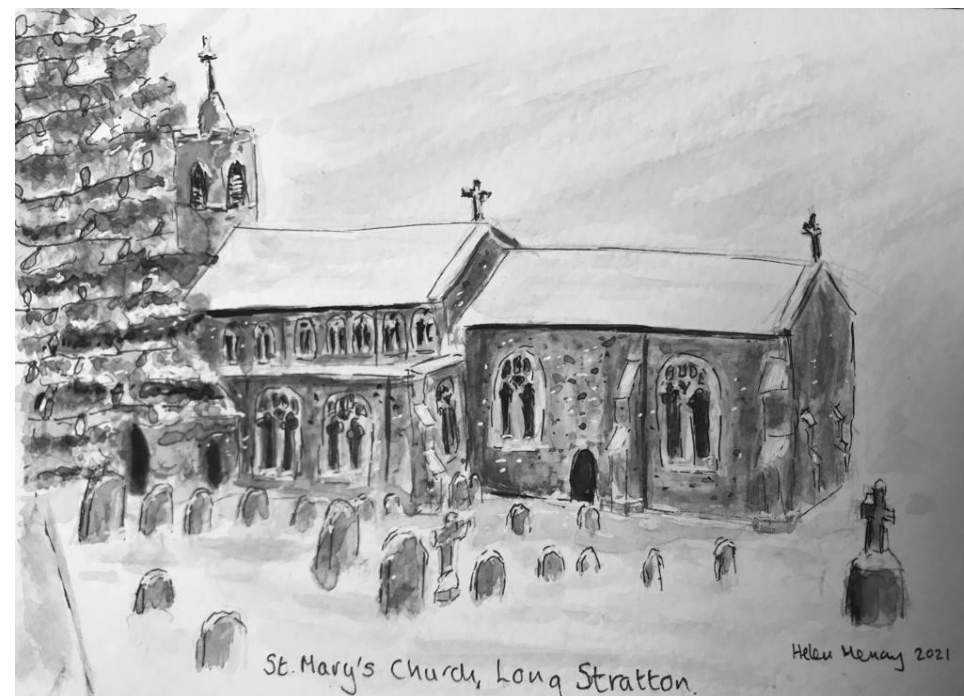
The names in italics are of all the church wardens across the team. Pray that they will be able to work together for the good of the whole team and to the glory of God. Pray for good understanding of the situation during the vacancy..

Every day pray for the ministry team:

**John, Gill, Elisabeth, Angie, Margaret.**

Pray for others who could lead services and keep praying for a new rector.

Many thanks to all who have helped with the prayer calendar in 2021, especially this month to Helen and Chrissie who answered requests very promptly. More ideas needed for 2022 please. Items for the January prayer calendar need to reach lousiewri@yahoo.co.uk by December 20th.



*The angel said Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people ... A saviour has been born to you. He is Christ the Lord. Luke 2:10-11*


Wed 1st	Pray for all those who have been bereaved in the last month including the friends and family of Kenneth Netting, Will Perera, Max Bott and Gunver Gapp.
Thurs 2nd	Thanksgiving service for the life of Gunver Gapp Gt Moulton today. Christmas trees being put up at Stratton St Mary. Some trees have a Christian message. Pray that people will respond
Fri 3rd	Long Stratton Town Council have organised a Christmas event today
Sat 4th Christmas tree festival	Pray today for activities in Carleton Rode (Christmas flower workshop) and Stratton St Mary (opening of Christmas tree festival). Pray that everyone attending may be blessed. Pray for Alex Moss and his family on the anniversary of his baptism.



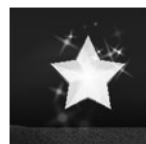
This year Covid has once again prevented us from taking the figures of Mary and Joseph and the donkey from house to house. This year it is even more important to pray for travellers, for refugees, for all who find no room in the inn so let's all pray the prayer we use when Posada comes to our homes:

**We light this candle to remember all who travel.  
We remember all who search for truth.  
We remember all refugees and those without homes.  
We remember all who care and comfort those in need.  
May God bless us all  
as we prepare for the coming of Christ**



<b>Sun 5th</b>		Pray for John taking the services at Carleton Rode and Stratton St Mary this morning; Angie at Great Moulton and Elisabeth at Wacton.
Mon 6th		Pray for Janet Roberts and all the helpers serving and welcoming people to the Christmas tree festival
Tues 7th		In a vacancy church wardens have many responsibilities. As we pray for a new rector for the team we pray too for wisdom and strength for the church wardens of all eight churches (names <i>in italics</i> )
Wed 8th		<i>Vickie Brown</i> (church warden Aslacton)
Thurs 9th		<i>Ray Kemp and Sue Pennell</i> (Bunwell)
Fri 10th		Food bank has been very busy lately both delivering food during the week and receiving clients at church each Friday. Pray for everyone involved and for better solutions to the problem of food poverty in this country.
Sat 11th		<i>Christine Brundle and Jan Barsby</i> (Carleton Rode)


<b>Sun 12th</b>	Pray for John taking the services at Aslacton and Bunwell and Gill at Stratton St Michael and Stratton St Mary.
Mon 13th	<i>John Johnson-Allen and Chris Wright</i> (Great Moulton)
Tues 14th	Pray for Kimbilio and the preparations for making Christmas meaningful and happy both for the children in the homes and those still living on the street. Remember Jean Bosco's family
Wed 15th	<i>Christine Briggs and David Osborne</i> (Stratton St Mary)
Thurs 16th	<i>Neville Addy</i> (representing Stratton St Michael)
Fri 17th	Schools break up today. Thank God for a term without significant interruption. Pray for continued protection for children and Staff. Emergency services <b>carol service</b> Aslacton church today..Pray for them.
Sat 18th	Christmas Messy Church today.



Blessings on the one  
Who brings new life to birth,  
Who brings goodness to our world,  
Who brings joy into our hearts,  
Who brings peace to the earth,  
Who brings hope to our despair,  
The Saviour, the God who is with us.

From An Advent Calendar of Prayers (The Prayer Trust)



<b>Sun 19th</b>	<b>Carol services</b> today at Great Moulton (Angie), Stratton St Michael (John) and Wacton (Angie). Also pray for John leading at Carleton Rode and Margaret at Stratton St Mary.
Mon 20th	Hampers will be packed today ready for distribution. Pray that there will be enough for everyone who needs
Tues 21st	Pray for protection from Covid this Christmas
Wed 22nd	Pray for peace on earth and for cooperation on the environment
Thurs 23rd	Pray for all the lonely, especially as there is no community lunch this year in Long Stratton.
Fri 24th Christmas eve	 <b>Christingle</b> services at Bunwell (Margaret) and Stratton St Mary (Angie); <b>Carols</b> and Readings at Tibenham (Keith); Holy Communion at Bunwell (John), Aslacton (John) and Stratton St Mary (Elisabeth). Christmas peal at Stratton St Mary.
<b>Sat 25th Christmas day</b>	Pray for John taking the Christmas services at Carleton Rode and Stratton St Michael; Gill at Wacton and Stratton St Mary