

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2019

# Retford Christmas Market & Lights Switch-On

Open from 10am to 6pm\*

Music and Entertainment

Market Stalls

Christmas Gifts and Food

Rides, Games and Amusements

and lots more!

Come and meet Santa along with...



\*Opening times at individual locations may vary

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# Market Square STAGE SCHEDULE

(timings are guidelines only)

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**11:05am - 11:15am**

**PROCESSION**

*Procession from Grove Street to Market Place stage.*

**11:15am - 11:45am**

**OPENING SERVICE**

*Rev Julie Coates with musicians from Grove St Methodist Church and Elizabethan Academy Choir.*

**11:45am - 12:00noon**

**RETFORD PIPE & DRUMS BAND**

*Retford's first pipe and drums band, currently small in numbers, big in sound. They are looking for new members – full training given.*

**12:00noon**

**SANTA ARRIVES**

*Retford Lions, members give up their time freely and use knowledge, skill and experience to bring support to those in need.*

**12:15pm - 12:45pm**

**MAJESTIC THEATRE SCHOOL**

*An amazingly talented and professional team looking after and educating children who love to perform.*

**1:00pm - 1:45pm**

**ELIZABETHAN ACADEMY**

*Educate the whole person including opportunities to develop drama and musical talents alongside confidence and communication.*

**2:00pm - 2:30pm**

**MAKATON CHOIR**

*North Notts Makaton Choir is an inclusive singing and signing community choir for both children and adults based in Retford.*

**2:30pm - 3:00pm**

**THE PERFORMANCE HUB**

*Prides itself in delivering first class training in Dance, Drama and Singing, covering many genres - a very exciting and creative bunch!*

**3:15pm - 3:45pm**

**LOUISE CLARKSON DANCERS**

*Louise Clarkson School of Dance recently celebrated its 11th birthday and has a vast selection of classes available for all ages, including free taster sessions.*

**4:00pm - 4:15pm**

**JO JINGLES**

*Jo Jingles leader, Katy Patchett runs music and movement classes for babies and children from 3 months - 5 years.*

**4:20pm - 4:40pm**

**JESSICA MARY BRETT**

*Jessica is a local vocalist who sings professionally across the country. Jessica delivers Music Therapy style classes and runs an intergenerational group 'Lets Sing'.*

**4:45pm - 5:00pm**

**CIVIC CEREMONY**

*Chairman of Bassetlaw District Council, Debbie Merryweather, and Mayor of Retford, Garry Clarkson.*

**5:00pm**

**LIGHTS SWITCH-ON**



TraxFM on stage from 1:30pm will be co-hosting the stage performances and Traxie Bear will be saying hello!



# Retford Christmas Market & Lights Switch-On



## MAP KEY

- 1 Bassetlaw Museum
- 2 St Swithun's Church
- 3 Pilgrims Gallery
- 4 The Hub
- 5 Grove St. Methodist Church
- Retford Town Hall & Buttermarket
- Scout Post Points
- P Public Car Park (Pay & Display, Free Sunday)
- P Other Car Park (Various rates, check before use)
- ♿ Toilets | Changing Facilities

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**ASDA** P  
(Shoppers only car park)

**ALDI** P  
(Shoppers only car park)

**Morrisons** P  
(Shoppers only car park)

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## Christmas Around The World

### Bassetlaw Museum 10am - 6pm

Come to Bassetlaw Museum and discover what other decorations and traditions Santa sees on his world-wide journey delivering presents.

Be inspired and make an exotic something to take home.

Museum and activity FREE.  
Bring the family, come with friends or explore by yourself, all welcome.



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## St. Swithun's Christmas Tree Festival

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November: 10am - 6pm  
(light refreshments available: 10am - 4pm).

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December: 12noon - 7pm  
(coffee, tea, mulled wine, mince-pies and other homemade cakes available 12noon - 7pm).

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December -  
Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December: 10am - 6pm  
(light refreshments available 10am - 4pm).

Admission: £2.50  
Children accompanied by an adult - Free.



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## Pilgrims Gallery

### Bassetlaw Museum 10am - 6pm

The Pilgrims Gallery offers a refuge for all those fed up with frivolity.

(There will be a 5 shilling fine for expressing Christmas cheer!).



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## Christmas at The Hub

### Cannon Square

Open 10am - 4pm  
For unique Retford gifts from local artisan makers.  
Free Art Gallery.

ARTIST STUDIOS OPEN  
Visit the Pilgrim Museum to find out about the Mayflower Pilgrims story.

Suggested donation for entry £2.50, accompanied children free.

Run entirely by volunteers - new volunteers always welcome



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## Grove Street Methodist Church Star Festival

Supporting Bassetlaw Hospice.  
Tombola, children's quiz and craft stalls.  
Light refreshments available. Admission Free.

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November: 10am - 5pm

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December: 10am - 5pm

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December: 10am - 5pm

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December: 10am - 5pm



## Don't forget your Christmas post delivered by the Scouts

Drop off your items at the following collection points.

Boons Hair, Exchange St.  
Bradlands Pet Supplies, Thrumpton Ln.  
Branching Out, Cannon Sq.  
Bridgegate Cycles, Bridgegate  
Coop/Petrol Station, North Rd.  
Impulse Hair, Hallcroft Rd.  
Kev's Carpet, Spa Ln.  
More than Flowers, Coronation St.  
Retford Leisure Centre, Old Hall Dr.

Rymans, Carolgate  
Spar/Kings Stores, Wesley Rd.  
The Hair Lounge, Albert Rd.  
The Hub, Cannon Sq.  
Trudy's Kitchen, West Carr Rd.  
Whitehouses Service Station, London Rd.



CHRISTMAS

STOCKING FILLER MARKET  
THE MARKET SQUARE, RETFORD

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December

Stalls & Attractions open from 1pm

- Schools Choirs
- Talegate Theatre - Aladdin
- Children's Ride
- Salvation Army Band
- Santa Claus
- Heavenly Bliss Bath Bomb Workshop
- Christmas Gift Traders
- Owl Sanctuary
- Peaches Pottery Shop
- Angel Tree Artwork and much more...



## Save The Date!

### Rotary Club of Retford

### Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December

Come and meet Santa's reindeer with Retford Rotary Club outside the HSBC bank on Carolgate between 9am and 3pm

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# 2019 PILGRIM FESTIVAL



**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November - 5:30pm**

## **Retford Pilgrims Illuminate Lantern Parade - Carolgate, Retford**

Gather outside Wilko's on Carolgate from 5pm to walk to St Swithun's Parish Church at 5:30pm

**St Swithun's Parish Church - 6:00pm**

Children-friendly service led by Rev Mark Cantrill, including: Rhubarb Theatre and the Songbirds, the famous '400' photograph, plus new for 2019, a fabulous light projection on the side of the church. Refreshments for all in the church.

## **Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> (10am-4:00pm) Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> (12noon-4:00pm) November Pilgrims Arts Weekend - Babworth Parish Church DN22 8EP**

Arts stimulated by the story of the Separatists. Come and see the fantastic Pilgrim Embroideries.

**New for 2019** there will be talks and performances.

Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	11am	Diane Hemsley talking about buttons.
	12noon	David Caseldine talking about Worksop Priory.
	2pm	'Three Piece Suite' play baroque music.
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> November	3pm	Adrian Gray, local author and historian with an insight into his new book coming in 2020.

**NEW FOR 2019 Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November - 5:00pm for 5:30pm**

## **Worksop Pilgrims Illuminate Event - The Crossing & Worksop Priory**

Rhubarb Theatre with family friendly activities and the Songbirds at The Crossing, Newcastle Avenue. Supervised walk to Worksop Priory, Priorswell Road, where there will be the famous '400' photograph plus a fabulous light projection on the side of the church. Mulled wine and mince pies at the church.

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November (Thanksgiving Day) - 6:30pm for 7:00pm**

## **Thanksgiving Dinner - Spencer's on the Square** **SPENCER'S** — on the square —

Three course dinner plus musical entertainment. £29.95 per person, visit or phone 01777 800230 for reservations.

Grateful thanks for the support of Arts Council England, the Diocese of Southwell & Nottingham, Retford Business Forum, St Swithun's PCC, Grove St Methodist Church, The Crossing, Worksop Priory, All Saints' Church Babworth, Cllr Carolyn Troop, Cllr Helen Richards, Cllr Joan Sanger, Scouts, Guides and Retford Lions.

NEW THIS YEAR

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# THE BUTTERMARKET

## at The Retford Town Hall

A café run by Retford Mayflower WI will be offering refreshments.



12:00 - 12:30pm | 2:15 - 2:45pm



**Jo Jingles** leader, Katy Patchett runs music and movement classes for babies and children from 3 months - 5 years across the Retford, Gainsborough, Worksop and Bawtry area and sees over 180 children a week. These sessions are interactive and educational and most of all fun!

From 12noon



Squidge, squish, paint, explore, sing, dance!

**ARTventurers** offers award winning creative, colourful, messy and fun activities for little ones aged 6 months upwards in the form of weekly classes, seasonal and school holiday workshops, parties, events and more! **ARTventurers** will be arranging art/messy play based activities throughout the afternoon from 12noon, and planning to do reindeer food making too!

12:45 - 1:15pm | 3:00 - 3:30pm



Imagination takes you everywhere...

**Debutots** bring books and original stories to life using interactive storytelling and group drama, building children's confidence, literacy and group skills. Come and join in **Debutots** magical interactive Christmas story and drama session where together we can explore Christmas characters and get excited about the festive season with puppets, movement, music and much more. Suitable for ages 2 - 8 years.

1:30 - 2:00pm | 3:45 - 4:15pm



**Kixx** is all about giving the little ones their first taste of football through our carefully developed programme, which runs age appropriate sessions for boys and girls aged 18 months - 10 years old. All sessions are delivered by qualified football coaches and early years experts, who ensure each session is all about having fun!



**Santa's Little Helper** this year will be chosen on the day - open to children between the ages of 5 and 11 - parents/guardians just need to fill in a form, including a mobile phone number where they can be reached at 3.15pm, and put it in the box in the Buttermarket between 12noon and 3pm - the winner will be notified by mobile phone at 3.15pm, and the child should be available to switch on the lights at 5pm.

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The organisers would like to thank all of the individuals, local businesses, community groups, church groups, charities, public sector organisations and media for their help and support in making Retford Christmas Market & Lights Switch On a day of happy memories for all of us to be proud of.

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