## Notices for the Parish of Wiverton in the Vale One flock, One Shepherd, Six pastures

21 January 2018, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Epiphany (Year B White/Gold)

"So then the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven and sat down at the right hand of God. And they went out and proclaimed the good news everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the message by the signs that accompanied it."

Mark 16.19-20 (NRSV)

Welcome to our services today: a special welcome to all who are here for the first time or whom we have not seen for a while. If you have any questions or queries, please speak to the person who gave you your books when you arrived or, after the service, the service leader or preacher. Our prayer is that all will feel welcomed, enjoy the worship and fellowship & can meet with God who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit, the Holy Trinity.

We are in the now in the season of Epiphany. The dominant colour is White, reminding us of the celebration of the Feasts of Christmas and Epiphany. This colour remains white until Feast of The Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas) on 2 February.

We have now begun our new service rota with new times and locations so please do check the notices boards, web site and Wiverton News so that you don't miss out

**SERVICES for today SUNDAY** 21<sup>st</sup> January 2018: **Holy Communion** 9am All Saints, Granby (The Revd Canon Bronwen Gamble, Rector of the Parish of Wiverton in the Vale); **Morning Worship** 10.30am St Andrew's, Langar (Gordon White, Church Warden); 10.30am Village Hall (not St John's), Colston Bassett (Katharine Bacon, Reader; Edward Hine, Church Warden); **All-age Worship** 10.30am St Giles, Cropwell Bishop (Bronwen)

**SERVICES for next Sunday:** 28<sup>th</sup> January 2018: **Holy Communion**: 10.30am Holy Trinity, Tythby; 10.30am St Giles, Cropwell Bishop; **Noisy Church 3pm** St Andrew's Langar; **Reflective Service** 6.00pm All Saints, Granby.

Full details of services and activities are in the Wiverton News (Dec/Jan edition) on church notice boards and the website www.wivertoninthevale.co.uk

**HOME COMMUNIONS:** for the housebound or infirm who are unable to get to church for Communion. Please notify me of who has requested a Home Communion. Bron

**Holy Communion:** we invite <u>everyone</u> to the Lord's Table to receive Holy Communion but if this is not your normal custom, you are most welcome to come forward for a blessing. Holy Communion is offered in both kinds. Gluten free wafers are usually available; please tell the person who gave you your books if you require one.

Children in Church: We welcome children to all our services each Sunday, so don't worry if they are not quiet! If the service is not an "All-age" service, you may wish to make use of the children's areas in Langar and Cropwell Bishop. You will find pictures to colour, activity sheets, books and toys. You can stay there with your children or alternatively take activity

sheets or pictures etc back to your seats. In the other churches, please ask the Wardens or sidespeople for activity sheets etc.

**LITTLE SAINTS** is for babies, toddlers and pre-school children with their parents or adult carers. Come and join us **10.30am to 11.30am** every Friday (apart from Bank holiday weekends) at The Old School, Fern Road, Cropwell Bishop. Toys, books, company and refreshments. There is no charge for this group.

**HOME GROUPS** resume this week; these groups are for everyone, please choose the one most convenient for you. Please phone the leaders to check times and dates etc **Monday evening** Langar Robin & Julie Coles 01949 860655, *randj4494@gmail.com* **Tuesday afternoon**, Cropwell Bishop 2.15 for 2.30 -4.00pm Hilary Tabron (0115 989 4836 *hilarytabron@uwclub.net*)

**Tuesday evening** Granby, 7.15 for 7.30 – 9.00pm Maureen Wright: 01949 850441 wright.maureen46@gmail.com

**Wednesday evening** Cropwell Bishop, Ann Mansell: 7.15 for 7.30– 9.00pm 0115 9892770 ann.mansell@hotmail.co.uk

**During Lent** we will be offering a Lent course, weekly meetings for 3 weeks followed 2 "Refresh" meetings led by Bishop Paul at St Giles, West Bridgford on 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> March. Please put the dates in your diaries now.

## DIARY for the week commencing 21 January

- Sunday: Worship as above
- **Home Groups:** please see above.
- Mondays & Fridays: Morning Prayer 8am at St Giles, Cropwell Bishop, about 30-35 minutes. All welcome.
- Monday: "Time for you" 8.55-10am, St Giles, Cropwell Bishop
- Monday: PCC meeting 7.15 for 7.30pm, St Giles, Cropwell Bishop
- Tuesday: Burial of Ashes St Andrew's Langar
- Wednesday: Coffee, Cake and Chat 9am-11am St Giles, Cropwell Bishop
- Friday: Little Saints for babies, toddlers, pre-school and their carers 10.30am to 11.30am, the Old School, Fern Road Cropwell Bishop;
- **Saturday: 10-12 noon** "Discipleship, Gospel + Giving", Minster School, refreshments at 9.30am
- Sunday: Worship as above

**NOISY CHURCH** we are now meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month, 3pm at St Andrew's Langar. We'll look forward to welcoming you, your family and friends on 28 January, 11and 25 February.

**DATES** for your diary for Jan, Feb, March (new entries marked with 1 or more \*)

- SOUPERBOWL: 12.20 for 12.30pm Colston Village Hall: 1 March, 5 Apr
- STAFF meeting for service rotas 9am Rectory, 5 March, 14 May

- **PARISH PRAYER MEETING 45 mins** (2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month): next one **7pm**, Anne Mansell's home **12 Feb**, 12 March This is vital to Growing Disciples.
- **ASH WEDNESDAY** service 7.00pm Langar **14 Feb**
- **DEANERY SYNOD:** 7 for 7.30pm, Plumtree, **15 Feb**
- MOTHERING SUNDAY:11 March
- PCC Meeting 7.15 for 7.30pm 5 March, St Andrew's, Langar

**REFLECTIVE SERVICE:** an opportunity after the busy-ness of the weekend for something quiet and a bit different for a Sunday evening; 28 Jan at 6pm, All Saints, Granby.

**'FAITH IN BUSINESS'** 7-9pm Saturday 27th Jan, The Younger Leadership College is hosting an evening with Rob Brown, local author and TEDX speaker and a Q&A panel of local business men and women of faith. The evening will include light refreshments and a chance to network afterwards. YLC would like to extend the invitation to anyone who would be interested to come along. The evening is free, but it is ticketed as there is limited capacity at the venue. To reserve a ticket please contact Beth Yearsley 01636 817212 at Jubilee House for the link.

**THINKING ABOUT BAPTISM/CHRISTENING** for yourself or your child, these are now held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month, so if you want to know more please contact Bronwen 0115 9893172 or <a href="mailto:brongamble@hotmail.com">brongamble@hotmail.com</a>.

**PRAYER MATTERS** If you would like us to pray for you, someone else or a particular issue, please contact the Rector, in confidence, The Revd Canon Bronwen Gamble (0115 9893172) brongamble@hotmail.com.

For prayer today and in the coming weeks:

**The church world-wide:** we pray for the people clergy & Bishops of the Diocese New Zealand:

**Prayer for the world**: US government shut down; The Middle East, Yemen, Syria, Refugees;

Our own Nation: Carillion, its contracts and employees, UK negotiations with the EU Diocese: All engaged in the Healing Ministry throughout the Diocese of Southwell & Nottingham

**Deanery:** Opportunities to welcome people to worship in our churches; Cranmer Group in interregnum; someone to be Deanery Treasurer

## Our Parish and those for whom we have been asked to pray:

- exploring different styles of worship;
- bedding in of the new service rota;
- Growing disciples wider, younger, deeper in our parish;
- living and proclaiming the Gospel as followers of Jesus;
- the sick, lonely, homeless, vulnerable, housebound, their families and carers: Roger Fletcher; Kathleen Hardy; Trevor Rose; Julie Coles; Jackie Swift; Dick Bond;

- others struggling with poor mental health, loneliness, anxiety, family break-down, those in debt, relationship/reconciliation issues;
- those who have died recently; Tim Hookham; Dennis Topps; Shirley Dulwich; Pamela Rose; Wendy Betts; Ken Lee; those who mourn their loss or the loss of another in the past.

## **READINGS:** Gen 14.17-20; John 2.1-11; Psalm 128

- 1 Blessed are all those who fear the Lord, ♦ and walk in his ways.
- 2 You shall eat the fruit of the toil of your hands; •
- it shall go well with you, and happy shall you be.
- 3 Your wife within your house shall be like a fruitful vine; ♦ your children round your table, like fresh olive branches.
- 4 Thus shall the one be blest ♦ who fears the Lord.
- 5 The Lord from out of Zion bless you, ♦ that you may see Jerusalem in prosperity
- all the days of your life.
- 6 May you see your children's children, ♦ and may there be peace upon Israel

**GIVING TO THE CHURCH:** The Bible teaches that the people of God are to give at least 10% of their income back to God. Many do, but we know that some struggle to meet this aspiration. No matter how much you do give, we want to say "thank you" for your gift which supports the ministry, mission and ongoing maintenance of your churches.

Further information, on gift aiding your gift, how to give on a regular basis by standing order or leaving a legacy to the Church in your will, is available from our Parish Treasurer: Max Jordan: 0115 989 9299. Your gift enables us to:

- help people to respond to questions of life, to grow in and deepen their faith;
- maintain and care for 7 church buildings.
- serve and support people of different ages, backgrounds and stages of life across 10 villages and hamlets and in three schools through: worship, friendship, mission, ministry, fellowship, teaching, pastoral care, thanksgiving for the birth of a child, baptism (christening), confirmation, marriage and funerals;
- play our part in the Deanery, Diocese and the world wide Church;

All of this costs in excess of £2000 a week. As a charity, the Church of England receives no government funding, so we are reliant on people like you, so THANK YOU. If you are a taxpayer (ie Income and/or Capital Gains tax) & your gift is cash of more than £20 or a cheque (of any amount) please use the yellow gift aid envelopes for your offering today. Cash, envelopes and non-gift aided cheques should be placed in the plate/bag before or during the service. If you are a higher-rate tax payer and wish to claim higher rate relief on your Tax Return, please use a yellow gift aid envelope (regardless of the amount) so that your gift is recorded by the church and advised to HMRC.

Items for 28 January notices to The Revd Canon Bronwen Gamble: 0115 9893172 OR 2 Dobbin Close, OR brongamble@hotmail.com, by 25 January