

Notices for the Parish of Wiverton in the Vale

One flock, One Shepherd, Six pastures

28 January 2018, 4th 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 still 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.

Our new service rota with new times and locations came into being on 1 January so please do check the notices boards, web site and Wiverton News so that you don't miss out

SERVICES today Sunday: 28th January 2018: **Holy Communion:** 10.30am Holy Trinity, Tythby (The Revd Canon Keith Turner); 10.30am St Giles, Cropwell Bishop (The Revd Canon Bronwen Gamble, Rector of the Parish of Wiverton in the Vale); **Noisy Church 3pm** St Andrew's Langar (Bronwen and the team); **Reflective Service** 6.00pm All Saints, Granby (Bronwen and the team).

SERVICES for next Sunday 4th February 2018: **Parish Service of Holy Communion** with Children's Church 10.30am St Andrew's, Langar; **Parish Service of Evensong** 6.00pm St Giles, Cropwell Bishop.

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 everyone 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 sides-people 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 weekly; 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 (fortnightly) 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 13th and 20th March. Please put the dates in your diaries now.

DIARY for the week commencing 28 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
- **Wednesday: Coffee, Cake and Chat** 9am-11am St Giles, Cropwell Bishop
- **Wednesday: Rural Ministry event**, Kinoulton Village Hall 9.30am for 10am ‘til 2pm (with lunch).
- **Friday: Little Saints** for babies, toddlers, pre-school and their carers **10.30am to 11.30am**, the Old School, Fern Road Cropwell Bishop;
- **Sunday: Worship** as above

NOISY CHURCH we are now meeting on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month, 3pm at St Andrew’s Langar. We’ll look forward to welcoming you, your family and friends today and on 11 and 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** (2nd 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 today: an opportunity after the busy-ness of the weekend for something quiet and a bit different for a Sunday evening; 6pm, All Saints, Granby.

AMENDMENTS to February and March rotas

25 February will now be the Parish Praise Service, 6pm at St Giles, Cropwell Bishop

25 March will now be the Parish Healing Service, 6pm St John's Colston Bassett.

THINKING ABOUT BAPTISM/CHRISTENING for yourself or your child, these are now held on the 3rd Sunday of the month, so if you want to know more please contact Bronwen 0115 9893172 or brongamble@hotmail.com.

ADVANCE WARNING: on 18 February (Sunday after Valentine's Day), the theme of our services will be Love and Marriage. We are inviting all married or engaged couples to join us, with or without children! Let us know if you are celebrating a significant anniversary in 2018.

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 Church in Scotland;

Prayer for the world: The Middle East, Yemen, Syria, Refugees; outcomes of the Davos meeting; Taliban bombing in Kabul

Our own Nation: issues of sexism; equality of pay; honesty in entertainment; Brexit negotiations;

Diocese: Diocesan Readers (Jackie Johnson, Ministry Development Adviser; Chris Perrett, Warden; Barbara Coleman, Readers & RLM CME Officer)

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

READINGS (morning only): Deut 18.15-20; John 2.1-11; Psalm 111

- 1 Alleluia. I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, ♦
in the company of the faithful and in the congregation.
- 2 The works of the Lord are great, ♦ sought out by all who delight in them.
- 3 His work is full of majesty and honour ♦
and his righteousness endures for ever.
- 4 He appointed a memorial for his marvellous deeds; ♦
the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.
- 5 He gave food to those who feared him; ♦ he is ever mindful of his covenant.
- 6 He showed his people the power of his works ♦
in giving them the heritage of the nations.
- 7 The works of his hands are truth and justice; ♦
all his commandments are sure.
- 8 They stand fast for ever and ever; ♦ they are done in truth and equity.
- 9 He sent redemption to his people;
he commanded his covenant for ever; ♦ holy and awesome is his name.
- 10 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;
a good understanding have those who live by it; ♦
his praise endures for ever.

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 more than £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 4 February notices to The Revd Canon Bronwen Gamble: 0115 9893172
OR 2 Dobbin Close, OR brongamble@hotmail.com, by 25 January***