

Notices for the Parish of Wiverton in the Vale

One flock, One Shepherd, Six pastures

3rd Sunday of Easter, 15 April 2018

A prayer for Growing Disciples: God of Mission, who alone brings growth to your Church, send your Holy Spirit to bring vision to our planning, wisdom to our actions, faith to our lives, hope to our communities, and love to our hearts, through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN

Welcome to our services today: a special welcome to those who are here for the first time, those whom we have not seen for a while and the family and friends of Fergus Parnham who is to be baptised today at Langar. 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.

Throughout the Easter season the dominant colour is White or Gold for the glorious celebration of the Risen Christ.

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PARKING AT ST ANDREW'S, LANGAR we have been advised by Langar Hall that it is OK to park on the grass again, in front of the church wall. However, there are still some traffic cones at the edge of the grass where it is still very wet and muddy, so please drive a little further along the access road to find a space.

SERVICES today SUNDAY 15th April Holy Communion: 9am All Saints, Granby (Revd Canon Bronwen Gamble, Rector of the Parish of Wiverton in the Vale); **All-Age Worship** 10.30am St Giles, Cropwell Bishop (Revd Canon Keith Turner, retired); **All-Age Worship with Baptism:** 10.30am St Andrew's, Langar (Bronwen); **Morning Worship** 10.30am St John's, Colston Bassett (Edward Hine and Gordon White, Church wardens). Everyone is welcome to all and any of the services.

SERVICES next SUNDAY 22nd March: Holy Communion: 10.30am St Giles, Cropwell Bishop; **Morning Worship** 10.30am Holy Trinity, Tythby; **Noisy Church with Baptism** 3.00pm St Andrew's, Langar; **Praise Service** 6.00pm St Giles, Cropwell Baptism. Everyone is welcome to all and any of the services.

For full details of services & activities see: Wiverton News (April/May edition), website www.wivertoninthevale.co.uk church notice boards. All are welcome.

Children in Church: We welcome children to all our services each Sunday, so don't worry if they are not quiet! Services where there is specific provision for children each month are:
1st Sunday: Holy Communion with Children's Church, 10.30am at St Andrew's, Langar;
2nd and 4th Sundays: Noisy Church, 3.00pm at St Andrew's, Langar;
3rd Sunday: "All-age worship" for all generations 10.30am St Giles, Cropwell Bishop.
At other services, children are still very welcome; please ask the Wardens or sides-people for activity sheets etc if you wish.

HOLY COMMUNION IN CHURCH: 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.

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

ANNUAL MEETING OF PARISHIONERS (APM) AND ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING (APCM): 7.15 for 7.25pm St Andrew's Langar, **30 April 2018**

CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL: if you wish to be added to the church electoral roll (not the civic electoral roll) for the Parish of Wiverton in the Vale, to enable you to be elected, or vote in elections, at the AMP and/or APCM on 30 April 2018, **today is the last day to apply.** Please contact Nick Perry, the Electoral Roll Officer, or Bronwen who will provide you with the application form if there are none in church today.

LITTLE SAINTS: 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

WATER-AID Alms giving in Lent – Please hand over your Water Aid gift (preferably as a cheque payable to Water Aid, not cash) direct to our Treasurer Max or via your church warden or worship leader as soon as possible, and in any event by the last Sunday of April. The provision of an accessible source of clean water, not only improves the health of those drink and use it, but also allows young people to access education instead of spending their time walking miles to fetch water from another clean source. What ever you give will be welcome.

THINKING ABOUT BAPTISM/CHRISTENING or CONFIRMATION or Admission to Communion before Confirmation for children aged 7 or older? please contact Bronwen 0115 9893172 or brongamble@hotmail.com. If you are thinking about making your adult commitment of faith and would like to be confirmed, I will be running a course in June/July this year, The Deanery Confirmation will be on 30 September, hosted at Bingham. Please be in touch with me about this and, likewise, regarding the admission of children to communion as appropriate.

NOISY CHURCH meets on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month, 3pm at St Andrew's Langar. We look forward to welcoming you, your family and friends on 22nd April, 13th and 27th May. We have a baptism of one of our youngest Noisy Church children to celebrate and everyone is very welcome

DIARY for the week commencing 15th April

- **Sunday: Worship** as above
- **Home Groups:** please see above.
- **Monday and Friday: 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: Parish prayer meeting** 7pm Ann Mansell's home
- **Wednesday: Coffee, Cake and Chat and Bellingring Beginners** 9am-11am St Giles, Cropwell Bishop. All welcome.
- **Friday: QUIZ:** Colston Bassett Village Hall, 7pm Friday **20 April**. Tickets £8 (including supper):jackieafish@hotmail.com
- **Saturday: Diocesan Synod** 9.45 for 10am at St Anne's Worksop.

DATES for your diary for April, May (new entries marked with 1 or more *)

- **PARISH PRAYER MEETING 45 mins** (2nd Monday of the month): next one **7pm**, Anne Mansell's home **14 May**, 11 June, 9 July. This is vital to Growing Disciples.
- *****EVENSONG 28 April** 5.30pm at the Minster; prayer for our parish
- ****ANNUAL MEETING OF PARISHIONERS (APM) AND ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING (APCM):** 7.15 for 7.25pm St Andrew's Langar, **30 April**
- **SOUPERBOWL:** 12.20 for 12.30pm Colston Village Hall: **3 May**, 7 June, 5 July
- *****STAFF meeting for service rotas** 9am Rectory, **14 May**, 9 July
- *****THY KINGDOM COME** global prayer for Mission: special events: **Ascension Day (10 May)** 11am to 2pm, St Giles, Cropwell Bishop and 7.30pm service at All Saints, Granby; **Friday 18 May** 7.30pm service at Trent Vineyard and **Pentecost Sunday (20 May)** in our parish.

PRAYER MATTERS If you would like us to pray for you, someone else or a particular situation or concern, 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 of Ireland and the Diocese of Aalborg, Evangelical Lutheran Church in Denmark:

Prayer for the world: Syrian use of chemical weapons and the response of France, UK and USA; The Middle East; Gaza/Israel border; Lebanon

Our own Nation: ongoing tensions with Russia; The Commonwealth Games; our Government, Parliament and Prime Minister, Theresa May;

Diocese: St John's College, Nottingham (Principal: David Hilborn);

Deanery: Appointment of a Deanery Treasurer from the Synod membership; Meeting of Lay Synod members; appointments to Standing Committee (lay and clergy). The Cranmer Group in interregnum.

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

- couples preparing for marriage; Fergus Parnham to be baptised today;
- our support of Water Aid, our Lent Appeal;
- 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; Jackie Swift; Dick Bond; Eric Calvert; others struggling with poor mental health, loneliness, anxiety, family break-down, those in debt, relationship/reconciliation issues;
- those who have died recently: June Ward, Eva Bint, Trevor Rose; those who mourn their loss or the loss of another in the past.

READINGS for today: Psalm 4; Acts 3.12-19; Luke 24.36b-48

1 Answer me when I call, O God of my righteousness; ♦ you set me at liberty when I was in trouble; have mercy on me and hear my prayer.

2 How long will you nobles dishonour my glory; ♦
how long will you love vain things and seek after falsehood?

3 But know that the Lord has shown me his marvellous kindness; ♦
when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.

4 Stand in awe, and sin not; ♦
commune with your own heart upon your bed, and be still.

5 Offer the sacrifices of righteousness ♦ and put your trust in the Lord.

6 There are many that say, ‘Who will show us any good?’ ♦
Lord, lift up the light of your countenance upon us.

7 You have put gladness in my heart, ♦
more than when their corn and wine and oil increase.

8 In peace I will lie down and sleep, ♦
for it is you Lord, only, who make me dwell in safety.

GENEROSITY IN GIVING: In response to God’s generosity in his gift of Jesus to us, 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 helps to support the ministry, mission and ongoing maintenance of your churches, estimated at over £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.

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 or Bronwen, in the case of a legacy.

Items for 22 April notices to The Revd Canon Bronwen Gamble: 0115 9893172

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