

Notices 3rd March 2019, Sunday before Lent

Parish of Wiverton in the Vale: One flock, One Shepherd, Six Pastures

Welcome to our services on Sunday 3rd March

10.30am All Parish Holy Communion for all ages, Langar 😊

Rev Canon Keith Turner

6.00pm Evensong *with Joint Churches Choir*, Granby

Hilary Tabron RLM and Rev Fred Connell

Church Electoral Roll

2019 is a year when Electoral Rolls are drawn up afresh for each Parish. Parishioners on the current electoral roll must submit a new form to be included on the new roll. New applicants can be accepted provided they have been baptised and qualify on the basis of residence in the Parish or regular attendance. Forms are available in each church with full details. These need to be returned to Mick Beazley or churchwardens/ reps, or left in labelled boxes in churches by 8th April.

Our search for a new 'vicar': where are we now?

We are very grateful for all the support we are receiving from a number of retired priests and hard working lay people, allowing us to keep the worship and ministry of the church going. Nevertheless, we are looking forward to the day when we have a new 'vicar' in place. Behind the scenes, a small working party have prepared a "Parish Profile" which explains who we are, our vision for the future, the qualities we're looking for in our new vicar and what we can offer in return. We hope it will inspire the right person to come and lead us forward. The draft Parish Profile will be presented to the PCC at their forthcoming meeting, and once this is approved the post will be advertised. If there are suitable applicants, we may be able to appoint as soon as early summer and a new vicar could be place by September.

Lent charitable giving

Once again, we will be supporting Water Aid through Lent. There will be gift aid envelopes in the churches, and any offerings will be passed to Max, our treasurer, to be dealt with collectively.

Diary for the week beginning 3rd March

Sunday worship as on front page.

Monday 4th

Morning Prayer, 8.30am at St Giles, Cropwell Bishop;

"Time for You" 9.00am-10am, St Giles, Cropwell Bishop;

Staff planning meeting, 10.30am, 8, Cropwell Butler Road;

PCC meeting, 7.15 for 7.30pm, St Andrew's, Langar

Tuesday 5th

Barnstone Under Fives Group, 9.30 – 11.00am

for babies to toddlers under 5, Barnstone Village Hall;

Wednesday 6th

"Coffee, Cake and Chat" 9am-11am St Giles, Cropwell Bishop, for all generations, with **Bell-ringer Beginners** from 10am;

Ash Wednesday Service of Holy Communion with Ashing

7.00pm, St John the Divine, Colston Bassett

Thursday 7th

Souperbowl, 12.20pm, Colston Bassett Village Hall

Joint Churches Choir practice, 7.30pm, Cropwell Bishop Methodist Church.

Friday 8th

Morning Prayer, 8.30am, St Giles', Cropwell Bishop;

Next week's worship, Sunday 10th March

9.00am Holy Communion (BCP,) St John the Divine, Colston Bassett

10.30am Holy Communion, Holy Trinity, Tythby

10.30am Morning Worship, St Andrew's, Langar

10.30am JOY! 😊 All Parish informal child-friendly worship

House Groups will not be meeting this week, with the Ash Wednesday service taking priority, **(see diary above, 7.00pm, St John's, Colston Bassett)**. House groups will resume next week for Lent. *These groups offer mutual support as we seek to learn and grow as Christians. Open to all. New enquirers may contact leaders, see top of facing page.*

House Group times and contact details

Monday evening (fortnightly) Langar; Robin & Julie Coles:

01949 860655, robin.coles@wivertoninthevale.co.uk

Tuesday afternoon, Cropwell Bishop 2.15 for 2.30 -4.00pm

Hilary Tabron: 0115 9894836 hilary.tabron@wivertoninthevale.co.uk

Tuesday evening Granby, 7.15 for 7.30 – 9.00pm Maureen Wright:

01949 850441 maureen.wright@wivertoninthevale.co.uk

Wednesday evening Cropwell Bishop, 7.15 for 7.30 - 9.00pm

Ann Mansell: 0115 9892770 ann.mansell@wivertoninthevale.co.uk

A Lent project for you?

The people of St John's College have produced a new on-line multimedia resource for Lent. It offers a mix of text, videos, audio pieces and pictures as daily reflections against readings from John's gospel. Available from Ash Wednesday through the St John's website <https://stjohns-nottm.ac.uk>

Wiverton News: the copy deadline for articles or advertisements for inclusion in the next issue (April / May) is Thursday 21st March. Information the editor doesn't know about can't be included, so please do send anything to: derek.tabron@wivertoninthevale.co.uk

THIS WEEK'S READINGS: Psalm 99; Exodus 34:29-35 (morning);
2 Corinthians 3:12- 4:2 (evening); Luke 9:28-36

PRAYER MATTERS.

Please remember and pray for: peace and relief for areas suffering from conflict or deprivation; our nation in times of uncertainty; our Parish during this period of vacancy; our ongoing call to grow disciples; those suffering ill health or infirmity, including those for whom we have been asked to pray: Roger Fletcher, Kathleen Hardy, Dick Bond, Clara Marr, Maureen Wright, Eileen Fowler; those who have died recently including Freda Bentley, or whose anniversary falls at this time, and those who mourn them. *Please let Hilary Tabron (contact details under House Groups) know if you would like someone added to this prayer list.*

QUESTIONS OF GIVING!

WHY? Practically speaking, to cover costs: the ministry, mission and ongoing maintenance of the churches in the Parish, cost over £2200 a week. As Christians, we want to play our part in this in line with Biblical teaching and in response to God's generosity to us.

HOW MUCH? The C of E asks its members to aim towards giving at least 10% of their income back to God, suggesting 5% to church and 5% to other charities. Some do, but we realise, especially in times of austerity, that this may be not be feasible and we are truly thankful for **all** your offering in money, time and skill.

DID YOU KNOW? The Church of England receives no government funding, but is able to claim Gift Aid on donations, within the terms of the scheme.

HOW CAN WE GIVE? Most of our worshippers and wider supporters give regularly by standing order. The practice of passing round an offertory plate during services raises a significant amount of additional money and is a demonstration of commitment and generosity, which visitors can join in with.

*If you would like to find out more about contributing by standing-order, or to make a change to an existing order, please contact
Max in confidence, treasurer@wivertoninthevale.co.uk*

Keeping in touch; staying informed

These notices are posted week by week on the Parish website:
www.wivertoninthevale.co.uk

You may receive these by email by subscribing to the website notification service at www.wivertoninthevale.co.uk/subscribe

Further information and contact details can be found on the parish website at www.wivertoninthevale.co.uk/whos-who

There will still be copies of notices printed for churches.

To keep in touch via **Facebook Group**, search 'St Giles' Church, Cropwell Bishop' on Facebook and request to join the group.