



**Parish of Wiverton in the Vale:  
One flock, One Shepherd, Six Pastures  
Notices 14<sup>th</sup> November 2021  
2 before Advent**

**DIARY FOR THE WEEK (correct at time of going to press)**

**SUNDAY 14<sup>th</sup> November**

- 9.00am – Said Holy Communion (St Giles, Cropwell Bishop)
- 10.30am – Remembrance Service (Cropwell Butler Methodist Church)
- 10.45am – Remembrance Service (St Giles, Cropwell Bishop)
- 10.45am – Remembrance Service (St Andrews, Langar)
- 10.45am – Remembrance Service (St John's, Colston Bassett)

Also

- 3.30pm – 'Higher a Choir' Evensong (Clumber Chapel) all welcome

**MONDAY 15<sup>th</sup> November**

- 9.00am – All Parish Morning Prayer (via Zoom)
- 2.00pm – funeral of the late Dr Alex Macdonald, (St Giles, Cropwell Bishop) by invitation only

**WEDNESDAY 17<sup>th</sup> November**

- 10.00am – 11.30am St Giles' Cropwell Bishop Coffee, Cake and Chat with Bellringing Beginners. Christmas Cards will be on sale raising money for Dove Cottage

**FRIDAY 19<sup>th</sup> November**

- 9.00am – All Parish Morning Prayer (via Zoom)
- 5.00pm – Colston Bassett's Evening Prayer (via Zoom) 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays only

**SUNDAY 21<sup>st</sup> November**

- 10.30am – Holy Communion (St Andrews, Langar)
- 10.30am – Morning Worship (St John's, Colston Bassett)

**READINGS**

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> November** – Hebrews 10.11-14 (15-18) 19-25, Mark 13.1-8

**OPEN CHURCHES**

Many of our churches including St Giles', Cropwell Bishop, St Andrew's, Langar and St John the Divine, Colston Bassett are open during the day and can be used for private prayer and reflection.

## SERVICES

### As we move forward .... Covid-19 guidelines for our churches

We continue to review and update our Coronavirus policy and risk assessments.

We respectfully request that;

- We maintain the practice of hand hygiene. There will be sanitiser gel available for use before and after each service.
- We continue to wear masks in church, especially as we move around and sing.
- We will maintain social distancing of a minimum of one metre. For those wishing more space notices will be supplied with the wording '*Please leave this space free*' that people can place on the adjacent seat.

Holy Communion will continue to be offered in one kind, that is the bread only.

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

**15<sup>th</sup> November, 2.00pm - funeral for the late Dr Alex Macdonald** at St Giles' Church, Cropwell Bishop by invitation.

Information on how to make a donation to any of the three chosen charities can be found on <https://alexmacdonald.muchloved.com/>

**21<sup>st</sup> November** we've all been invited as part of the East Bingham Deanery to attend Evensong at Southwell Minster at 3.30pm which celebrates Christ the King. Katharine attended a couple of years ago and it was absolutely beautiful!

**22<sup>nd</sup> November – PCC** at St Andrew's Langar. If you have any matters you wish to be discussed please contact your church warden or church representative

**11<sup>th</sup> December - Our annual "Christmas Cheer"** sing-a-long concert will be held in All Saints Church, Granby on Saturday 11th December at 7.00pm with seasonal songs for all the family. Tickets £5 each (children free). Numbers will be limited this year. Contact Carole Headland (01949 850940) or Isabel Daw (01949 851212). Please wear a face mask.

**20<sup>th</sup> December –A Christmas Celebration**, 7.30pm in Southwell Minster. Southwell Music Festival is holding an evening of seasonal words and choral music performed by Southwell Festival Voices, conducted by Artistic Director Marcus Farnsworth with readings from stage and screen actor Philip Franks. Book on line [www.ticketsource.co.uk/southwell-music-festival](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/southwell-music-festival) or call the Box Office on 01636 330014.



**19<sup>th</sup> March 2022 – at St Mary's, Bingham – 'Changed' by David Shenton.** A play about people whose lives are changed after meeting Jesus. Tickets will be £10, £8.00 concessions. Further details to follow

**Current appeal – Self Help Africa** – check the website, [www.wivertoninthevale.co.uk/appeal](http://www.wivertoninthevale.co.uk/appeal) for how to donate.



## CHRISTMAS SHOEBOXES



Don't worry if you haven't yet finished your shoebox as you have up to November 22<sup>nd</sup> to return them to any of the churches in the parish. If you haven't yet started, there are still flat-packed boxes and explanatory leaflets in the churches for you to help yourself.

Thank you

Any queries phone Vivien: 0115 9890250

## LOCKDOWN LETTERS From the Rectory and Beyond

### **REFLECTIONS on Psalm 46, Mark 13.1-8 (the destruction of the Temple foretold) by Sid Mitchell**

Jesus had already been welcomed into the Jerusalem and the crowds had gone wild in proclaiming him to be their Messiah! And yet within days He would be arrested, beaten, abused and crucified, paying the ultimate price for everyone's wrongdoings.

Here He was speaking to His disciples about the destruction of the Temple, the place where God was present, where they took their offerings, where they worshipped. The temple was the significant place in that significant promised land and represented everything the Jewish people believed and stood for. And yet here was Jesus saying that it would be destroyed. How could this be? Surely the long awaited Messiah would overcome the Roman conquerors and bring the downfall of that empire in that place and not the temple, the very thing that represented the Jewish culture, faith and reason for their existence? Reading on Jesus also warns them of difficult and testing times. Wars, earthquakes and famine would come but before that, they would be flogged, persecuted, arrested and brought to trial all because they were His followers. Awful times were coming but they must do their duty in speaking about Him and take the gospel message to all nations. They had a job to do regardless of what lay before them. A job to be done before these terrible times occurred.

The disciples, by today's standards were young men, in their prime, with their lives stretched out before them, rallying behind a cause with eternal

consequences. As they looked over at the temple and considered the enormity of what Jesus had said they had two questions:

‘When will this be?’ And ‘How will we know?’

I wonder what those who we remember today, whose names will be read out, thought of as they stepped into their short lived earthly futures of sacrifice. Success was often assumed...

### **‘When will this be?’**

WW1, the Great War, the war to end all wars, was predicted to be over by Christmas, not 4 long years. They did what was asked of them. They did their duty, giving up jobs and education, leaving loved ones behind. They looked forward for the first signs that would indicate success...

### **‘How will we know?’**

..but instead saw horror, hopelessness and death.

Every generation seems to have paid a price for wars that do not appear to bring an end to conflict, many with their lives... and today we remember them, mostly men but also an increasing number of women, giving their lives, in the fight for their country and for everything they stood for.

Jesus said that future wars would only be an indication of what we refer to as the end times when He will return to restore peace and order. The disciples were faithful in giving their lives to something, to someone they believed in.

Every generation, even ours, could look at the state of the world around them and think that these were the signs of the end times that Jesus spoke of.

Psalms 46 speaks of an end to wars. A time of peace. A time of resting in a safe place with God as our refuge. So many over the years have gone to that place of rest. We who remain, trying to work out our part in this thing called ‘life’ will also one day also go to that place.

Meanwhile we, like the disciples, also are called to be faithful, to hold on and not be alarmed.

We have a saviour who knows, who understands, who suffered so much for us.

Who better to trust for the when & how?

## PRAYERS

### A prayer of commemoration for the fallen

Father of all, remember your holy promise,  
and look with love on all your people, living and departed.

On this day we especially ask that you would hold forever  
all who have suffered during war, those who returned scarred by warfare,  
those who waited anxiously at home,  
and those who returned wounded, and disillusioned;  
those who mourned, and those communities that were diminished and  
suffered loss.

Remember too those who acted with kindly compassion,  
those who bravely risked their own lives for their comrades,  
and those who in the aftermath of war, worked tirelessly for a more  
peaceful world.

And as you remember them, remember us, O Lord;  
grant us peace in our time and a longing for the day when people of every  
language, race, and nation will be brought into the unity of Christ's  
kingdom.

This we ask in the name of the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

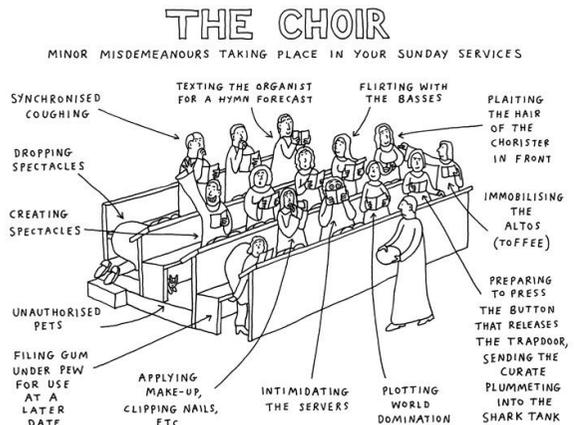
## CAN YOU SING? COME AND JOIN THE CHOIR

Friendly church choir would like to recruit new singers of every voice part (soprano, alto, tenor, bass) to support worship on an occasional basis. We are looking for enthusiastic individuals with the ability to sing in tune and at least a basic understanding of musical notation. Previous choral experience would be advantageous but is not essential. To find out more, contact Musical Director

Mark Snelgrove at [mark.snelgrove@btinternet.com](mailto:mark.snelgrove@btinternet.com)

or

Hilary Tabron at [hilarytabron@uwclub.net](mailto:hilarytabron@uwclub.net) or on 0115 9894836.



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## HELPING AFGHAN REFUGEES

Thank you so much. We have raised some 46kg of commodities covering 96 items for refugees in the first 3 weeks of the appeal. Please keep donating; our targets of 100kg and 250 items still seem some way off and we have just 3 weeks left! There are so many needy people who need our support.

Through the Nottingham and Notts Refugee Forum we wish to support the Afghan refugees and others reaching our nation either through direct donation to [www.nottsrefugeeforum.org.uk](http://www.nottsrefugeeforum.org.uk) or by supporting our local appeal for those commodities listed below:

**Fruit Juice, UHT Milk, Tinned Fish, Coffee, Washing Powder, Toothpaste.**

Items may be given in at St Giles' Church Cropwell Bishop, 10.00 - 12.00 on  
**November 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>**

If you wish to donate but have difficulty in making those collection times, please contact Peter Hills on 07708 022201.

*'For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in.'* Matthew 25 v35.

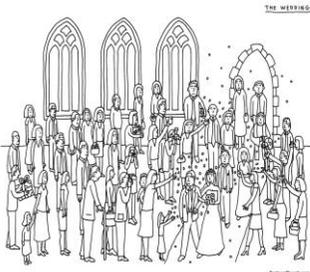
## CAN YOU HELP?

Has anyone got an iPhone or smart phone and would like to have a go at videoing the service very, very occasionally? It is really easy and fun to do. If you'd like to have a go, I can show you how to do it. It's so that I can help with the monthly Big Breakfast we run at Colston Village Hall in the summer and we would still have a service going out online. We can get you a parish tripod and either Nick or I could edit the video afterwards and put it up on YouTube. I do hope you'll have a go - or if you know all about this already - then that's even better! - I can learn from you.



Hoping to hear from you. *Katharine Bacon LLM*

## LIFE EVENTS



As a Parish we are delighted to be once again holding baptisms, weddings, blessings and renewal of vows. If you know of anyone who would like to hold one of these important Life Events', please do ask them to be in touch.

## KEEPING IN TOUCH; STAYING INFORMED



These **notices** are posted week by week on the Parish website: [www.wivertoninthevale.co.uk](http://www.wivertoninthevale.co.uk)

To receive a copy of these notices by email every Saturday, please subscribe to the website notification service at: [www.wivertoninthevale.co.uk/subscribe](http://www.wivertoninthevale.co.uk/subscribe)

### KEY CONTACTS

**Rev. Rachel** – on sick leave until the end of January, please address enquires to the Parish Administrator

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Any concerns regarding a safeguarding issue should be directed to:

**Parish Safeguarding Officer:** Rosie Dulwich

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**Further information and contact details can be found on the parish website at [www.wivertoninthevale.co.uk/whos-who](http://www.wivertoninthevale.co.uk/whos-who)**

**Copy deadline for items to be included in the next week's Notice Sheet:  
Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2021, to the Parish Administrator.**