



Parish of Wiverton in the Vale:
One flock, One Shepherd, Six Pastures
Notices 17th January 2021
EPIPHANY 2

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

SUNDAY 17TH JANUARY – EPIPHANY 2

No Holy Communion

10.30am – Sunday Service (on our website)

Please [click here](#) to join the service at 10.30am (or later).

www.wivertoninthevale.co.uk/online-services

11.30am – Time for a Cuppa (via Zoom)

Please join us for a cuppa after the online service.

MONDAY 18TH JANUARY

9.00am – All Parish Morning Prayer (via Zoom)

All are invited to parish prayers via Zoom on Mondays and Fridays

10.30am-12.30pm – St Giles' Cropwell Bishop, open for private prayer

7.00pm - PCC meeting (via Zoom)

TUESDAY 19TH JANUARY

2.00pm-3.30pm – Mustard Seed Prayer Group (via Zoom) *see below for further details*

FRIDAY 22ND JANUARY

9.00am – All Parish Morning Prayer (via Zoom)

5.00pm – Colston Bassett's Evening Prayer (via Zoom)

SUNDAY 24TH JANUARY – EPIPHANY 3

No Holy Communion

10.30am – Sunday Service (on our website)

11.30am – Time for a Cuppa (via Zoom)

EAST BINGHAM DEANERY MUSTARD SEED PRAYER GROUP

The Mustard Seed prayer group meets to pray for churches, clergy and leaders in the East Bingham Deanery using spoken and silent prayer as people feel comfortable. They meet monthly on the third Tuesday, 2pm-3.30pm via Zoom.



If you are interested in joining this group or would like more information please contact Lesley Haig on lesley.haig@btinternet.com

FROM THE RECTORY *from Katharine Bacon*

Come and See *John 1:43-52*

Just before Christmas, a telephone number was given out on Facebook for ringing the QMC to get an appointment for a vaccine for the coronavirus for the over 80's. I belong to a WhatsApp group and a friend put it on there. Within minutes friends were ringing and some of them got through and booked in their elderly mothers. Now those mothers have had their first jab!

That information was so welcome and the joy we shared at hearing of the appointments was so great - it made me think of the joy the disciples had in sharing the good news of Jesus with each other.

Look how that information leapt from person to person and the excitement of it! A way out of the cloud of worry we've been living under! A way to keep our loved ones safe!

Imagine how it felt in Israel when Jesus appeared. Israel wasn't free. They were enslaved to the Roman Emperor. The Emperor was worshipped as a god. Israel believed their God was King but they had to bow to Rome. They were very dark times and then Jesus appeared.

He wasn't your normal prophet. He didn't dress like John the Baptist in camel hair and eat locusts and honey out in the wilderness. He dressed like you or me. He looked like you and me. But the words that came out of his mouth!

Andrew brought Simon Peter to meet him. Philip thought he might be the messiah when he heard him. Those who met him asked others to 'come and see' because he was so special. He knew Nathanael before he met him. He saw him under that tree. That was enough for Nathanael to name him 'son of God.'

He was light in a dark world. He shone. And he hadn't even started yet. But those men saw something wonderful in him and they wanted to share it with their friends.

Just like my friends shared that magical phone number.

These are dark times for us but we have the amazing knowledge of God to lift us up and keep us strong. We have the living word of God in the Bible to bring us back to him again and again when we lose sight of him. We have prayer to talk to him.

Should we keep quiet about this treasure or is there a way we can share it with our friends and family?

Is there a way we too can say, 'Come and see!'

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

1 Samuel 3: 1-10 and John 1: 43-51

BEATITUDES FOR A PANDEMIC *Created by Jayne Manfredi*

Blessed are those who stay indoors for they have protected others.

Blessed are the unemployed and the self-employed, for their need of God is great.

Blessed are the corner shopkeepers, for they are the purveyors of scarce things.

Blessed are the delivery drivers and the postal workers, for they are the bringers of essential things.

Blessed are the hospital workers; the ambulance crews, the doctors, the nurses, the care assistants, and the cleaners, for they stand between us and the grave, and the Kingdom of Heaven is surely theirs.

Blessed are the checkout workers, for they have patience and fortitude in the face of overwork and frustration.

Blessed are the refuse collectors, for they will see God despite the mountains of waste.

Blessed are the teachers, for they remain steadfast and constant in disturbing times.

Blessed are the church workers; the deacons, priests and bishops, for they are a comforting presence in a hurting world as they continue to signpost towards God.

Blessed are the single parents, for they are coping alone with their responsibilities and there is no respite.

Blessed are those who are alone, for they are children of God and with Him they will never be lonely.

Blessed are the bereaved, for whom the worst has already happened. They shall be comforted.

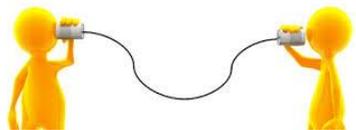
Blessed are those who are isolated with their abusers, for one day – we pray - they will know safety.

Blessed are all during this time who have pure hearts; all who still hunger and thirst for justice; all who work for peace and who model mercy. May you know comfort. May you know calm. And may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all. Amen.

IT'S GOOD TO TALK!

In these strange and worrying times, we realise that not everyone has someone to talk to, or that they may have concerns

they'd rather not express to their nearest and dearest. If that's you, please feel free to give me a ring on 0115 9894836. If I'm not in, leave a message and I'll get back to you. We're all in this together! Hilary Tabron, RLM, Pastoral Care.



TREASURER STILL REQUIRED

The PCC is seeking a new treasurer to look after the finances of the Wiverton in the Vale PCC.

The Volunteer will be required to be a trustee of the PCC and maintain the Bookkeeping System and Bank Accounts for this registered charity. Basic computer skills including the use of Microsoft Word and Excel Spreadsheets, E-mailing and an understanding of bookkeeping principles will be necessary but formal qualifications are not required.



The position of Treasurer requires a commitment of up to 6 hours per week and full training will be given to ensure a smooth transition from the existing treasurer who is available to discuss the role with any interested person. Please contact our current Treasurer Max by phone 0115 9899299 or email treasurer@wivertoninthevale.co.uk if you wish to discuss this position.

KEEPING IN TOUCH; STAYING INFORMED

These **notices** are posted week by week on the Parish website:
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

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Any concerns regarding a safeguarding issue should be directed to:

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

**Copy deadline for items to be included in next week's Notice Sheet:
Wednesday 20th January, to the Parish Administrator.**