



Parish of Wiverton in the Vale:
One flock, One Shepherd, Six Pastures
Notices 25th July 2021
TRINITY 8

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

SUNDAY 25th July

10.30am – Holy Communion (All Saints, Granby)

MONDAY 26th July

9.00am – All Parish Morning Prayer (via Zoom)

10.30am - 4.00pm – St Giles' Cropwell Bishop, open for private prayer

FRIDAY 30th July

9.00am – All Parish Morning Prayer (via Zoom)

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

SUNDAY 1st August

10.30am – All Age Holy Communion with baptism (St Andrew's, Langar)

READINGS

Sunday 25th July Ephesians 3.14-21 & John 6.1-21

SERVICES

As we move forward

Covid-19 guidelines for our churches

Our Coronavirus policy and risk assessments are being updated to take into account the removal of restrictions and growth of new variants of the virus. In the interim, bearing in mind our collective sense of a need for caution, 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.
- We continue to sing outside, before or after each service, weather permitting.
- 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.

We are keeping the time of the Sunday morning services to 10.30am to make it easier for more people to join in person, but the schedule remains very limited whilst we are reliant on lay leaders and retired clergy and are yet to work out how best to serve the whole Parish post-COVID. It's wonderful to see people in real life rather than on a screen!

Online Services - for those who are not able to join us in person yet, but have enjoyed the services online, we are recording a live service each week and then making it available on our website within a couple of days so that it can be enjoyed at a time convenient to you.

PARISH TREASURER NEEDED

The PCC is seeking to appoint a new Treasurer. Do you know anyone? Please contact our current Treasurer Max by phone 0115 9899299 or email treasurer@wivertoninthevale.co.uk if you wish to discuss this position further.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

11th September – Join in with Ride and Stride this year to help raise funds for your local church and the Historic Churches Trust. Many of our churches in Wiverton in the Vale have benefitted from grants from this invaluable charity.



The Friary Harvest appeal 2021



This includes tinned meat, tinned fish and tinned vegetables.

No pasta please this year we have plenty.

If you would like to donate food please contact the Friary to arrange a delivery time on either :

0115 982 5448 option 1 or email admin@the-friary.org.uk

Large amounts of food donations can be collected by arrangement.

We expect to support this as usual as part of our Parish Harvest offerings.

Current Appeal – Barnabas Fund – check the website, wivertoninthevale.co.uk/appeal for how to donate



LOCKDOWN LETTERS From the Rectory and Beyond

REFLECTION *by Peter Hills*

In John we read of the feeding of the 5,000 from five loaves and a couple of fish. This wonderful miracle, that enables those gathered to be filled with plenty to eat, is reported in all four gospels. It would be an interesting exercise to compare the four accounts. Notice there were twelve baskets left over. “Let nothing be wasted” says Jesus. In our throwaway society that is something of which we should take heed.

Bread is a staple food in many cultures. Jesus has used it to feed the multitude. This carries a resonance with Israelite history. In the desert, following the exodus from Egypt, they were sustained by manna from heaven, day by day. The bread Jesus offers will never perish. The manna was food for the body; Jesus offers food for the soul. The manna was for a specific group of chosen people. Jesus is the bread of life for everyone; for you and for me, regardless of age or gender, race or background.

The passage may challenge us. We may understand its message, that God will feed us with the bread that brings life; life everlasting. However what will our response be on a practical level. Will we help feed those in need? Food Banks, Supermarket Surplus and charitable giving help those in need but can we share spiritual bread as well and so point toward our Lord and to the prospect of everlasting life. To help us we can perhaps look to the words of Paul in our reading from Ephesians. He prays that they may “grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ” and that they may “know this love that surpasses knowledge” (vv.18-19). It is a beautiful passage. The love of Jesus is so wide it can encompass all people. It is long, it stretches back to the beginnings of time and forward to the end, so high, it reaches up to the highest heavens; and so deep, it can touch the deepest places of the human heart amidst our greatest joys and darkest sorrow alike. What response can there be to such love other than to seek to love one another?

To quote Dr Karl A Menninger: “Love cures people; the ones who receive love and the ones who give it too.”

TIME TO PRAY

Bring to fruition, Creator God, the work of your kingdom.

Make us part of that joyful harvest in which your loving purpose is completed. Help us to realise how important the smallest words and deeds are in the context of eternity.

And when we remember your goodness make us grateful also for all we have received from the labour of others who have sown the seeds of faith, hope and love in our lives. **Amen**

KEEPING IN TOUCH; STAYING INFORMED



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KEY CONTACTS

Revd. Rachel - On a gradual, phased return, please address enquires to the Parish Administrator

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Working hours: 10am-2pm Tuesday & Thursday

Pastoral Care Coordinator: Hilary Tabron RLM

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Parish Treasurer: Max Jordan:

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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

**Copy deadline for items to be included in next week's Notice Sheet:
Wednesday 28th July 2021, to the Parish Administrator.**