



Parish of Wiverton in the Vale:
One flock, One Shepherd, Six Pastures
Notices 19th September 2021
TRINITY 16

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

SUNDAY 19th September

10.30am – Holy Communion (St Giles, Cropwell Bishop)

10.30am – Pet Service (St John's, Colston Bassett)

MONDAY 20th September

9.00am – All Parish Morning Prayer (via Zoom)

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

FRIDAY 24th September

9.00am – All Parish Morning Prayer (via Zoom)

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

SUNDAY 26th September

10.30am – Holy Communion (All Saints, Granby), Harvest

READINGS

Sunday 19th September – Jeremiah 11, 18-20 and Mark 9,30-37

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, especially as we move around.
- We will start to sing inside, but encourage wearing of masks during singing.
- 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

22nd September – Voice Youth Choir and Orchestra, fortnightly from Wednesday 22nd September. They have places available for juniors (8-11 yr olds) who love to sing, Wednesdays 6.15 - 7.30pm, and for Youth (11-18 yr olds) who sing or play rock band or orchestral instruments at 7.30 - 9pm. Rehearsals take place at St Mark's Church in Woodthorpe. For more information, please email beth@voicemusic.org.uk

10th October – Safeguarding Sunday -details to follow

20th November – Parish Vision Day at Jubilee House, Southwell, details to follow but for now, please Save the Date!

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



HARVEST GIFTS

the Friary As in previous years our Harvest gifts will be taken to the Friary in West Bridgford. They are **only** accepting the following

Essentials	Clothing	Household
<i>Urgently needed:</i> Bottles water, crisps, cartons/canned drinks, cereal bars Men's T-shirts Rucksacks, holdalls Sleeping bags, roll mats 1-2 person tents Non-perishable food	<i>Men's and Ladies Practical clothing & Footwear incl:</i> Joggers, leggings, jeans, hiking socks, T-shirts, shirts, blouses, jumpers, hoodies, fleeces, waterproofs, coats, jackets, belts, gloves, woollen hats, trainers, shoes, boots	NO LONGER IN NEED OF BEDDING <i>Do Need:</i> Small electrical items – microwaves, kettles, toasters, small TVs, radios, lamps Towels, T- towels

LOCKDOWN LETTERS From the Rectory and Beyond

REFLECTIONS by Peter Hills

As a school teacher I was in a privileged position to take many school assemblies and whenever I could, I tried to open the student's eyes to the big questions of life. In such a setting there is an opportunity to ask such questions as: Is there a God? How did the world begin? Why am I here? If there is a God why does he allow awful things to happen?..... With children there is perhaps a greater level of curiosity and questioning that we don't always see in adults. As adults perhaps our daily busyness, or our fear of being seen as one who doesn't understand, stops us asking that question on our lips. How often have we kept quiet rather than saying what we are thinking?

In our reading we walk with the disciples as Jesus explains to us that he will suffer, die and after 3 days will rise. We hear but don't comprehend and we are reluctant to ask for fear of being seen to be inadequate. And so we turn to debate who is the greatest amongst us. We turn from the important questions to matters we can at least argue about. Jesus is patient with us but does address our question. He tells us, "Anyone who wants to be first must be the very last, and the servant of all." Jesus goes on to take a child in his arms and says that "whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me does not welcome me but the one who sent me." To me this speaks of love, that we are to love those around us, our children yes but also our neighbour, those we meet, the stranger and then in loving Jesus we will be loving God.

I wonder how would this story be different if the disciples *had* asked Jesus their questions? What kind of conversation might have ensued between Jesus and the disciples? What kind of relationship would it have engendered with each other?

How would *our* stories be different if we ask Jesus our questions? What kind of conversations might we pursue with Jesus? How would our life as disciples together be different as a result?

So today I wonder what questions you will ask? Perhaps you could be brave and share them within a House Group or with your Minister or neighbour? More importantly share them with Jesus, look to his word for an answer or listen in the quietness for his response. Be bold.

PRAYERS

Father, help me to not only discover and understand your guidance and your will, but to bend my will to obey yours. Give me ears to listen carefully to what I should do, and a willing heart to carry out your directives. Guide me into all wisdom, even when it looks different from the "wisdom" of the world. Help me speak what you tell me to say and do what you tell me to do. Thank you for teaching me. Amen.

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*

PARISH TREASURER NEEDED

The PCC is still 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.

KEEPING IN TOUCH; STAYING INFORMED



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KEY CONTACTS

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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 the next week's Notice Sheet:
Wednesday 22nd September 2021, to the Parish Administrator.**