



**Parish of Wiverton in the Vale:
One flock, One Shepherd, Six Pastures
Notices 10th October 2021
TRINITY 19**

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

SUNDAY 10th October

10.30am – All Parish Safeguarding Sunday Holy Communion (Holy Trinity, Tythby)

MONDAY 11th October

9.00am – **All Parish Morning Prayer** (via Zoom)

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

FRIDAY 15th October

9.00am – **All Parish Morning Prayer** (via Zoom)

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

SUNDAY 17th October

10.30am – **Holy Communion** (St Andrew's, Langar)

10.30am – **Morning Worship** (St John's, Colston Bassett)

READINGS

Sunday 10th October – 1 Corinthians 12: 4-31a, Acts 11:1-24

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 have started 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

17th October – Higher a Choir Evensong Revd Keith Turner will take Evensong at Clumber Chapel on Sunday 17 October at 3.00pm. Two people in our own Parish are amongst the singers. All are most welcome. It would be lovely to see some familiar faces there.

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

Current Appeal – Self Help Africa – check the website, www.wivertoninthevale.co.uk/appeal for how to donate.



HELPING AFGHAN REFUGEES

Few of us can have been unmoved by the images of Afghans seeking flights to safety. The UK has committed to resettle around 5,000 Afghan Nationals at risk in 2021 rising to 20,000 in the longer term. Priority will be given to women and girls, and religious groups and minorities. Through the Nottingham and Notts Refugee Forum we wish to support them and others reaching our nation either through direct donation to www.nottsrefugeeforum.org.uk or by supporting the appeal for those commodities listed below:

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

Collections will be held at St Giles' Church Cropwell Bishop, 10.00 - 12.00 on

October 20th and 27th, November 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th

If you wish to donate but have difficulty in making those collection times, please contact Peter Hills on 07708 022201 or Sue Macdonald on 07756 806921.

'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.

LOCKDOWN LETTERS From the Rectory and Beyond

REFLECTIONS Mark 10: 13-16 by Peter Hills

Despite having seen Jesus show special care for the outcast and powerless, the disciples still think they need to protect Jesus from the people He is there to see. Jesus continuously calls them to be servants to the weak but they still try to take control. A very human reaction and one that I imagine we can perhaps associate with.

While in Capernaum, Jesus taught the disciples that in the kingdom of God, the powerless, like children, are most welcome (Mark 9:36–37). The kingdom is open to those who come humbly with no illusions that they belong there. He states that to enter the kingdom of God a person must have the trust and dependence that is characteristic of a little child—a trust and dependence upon Christ.

We must *receive the kingdom of God as little children* (Mark 10:15). Young children trust their parents, nurses and teachers. We must be *inquisitive*, as children, must learn as children. Perhaps just as Samuel did, *Speak, Lord, for thy servant heareth*. So we receive the *kingdom of God*, with a humble heart, and a dependence upon Jesus, both for strength and righteousness, for tuition and our physical and spiritual needs. Jesus received the children, and *He took them up in his arms*, in token of his affectionate concern for them; *put his hands upon them and blessed them*. Remember when Christ himself was taken up in old Simeon's arms, Luke 2:28. And now he took up these children, not complaining of the burden but pleased with it.

Our granddaughter Leah recently moved to an older age group at her Nursery. When told that this was to happen Leah was reluctant to go to Nursery. She wanted to stay with her friends and carers in the younger group. Nonetheless she went and amidst tears and some stubbornness she entered the new room. Our daughter, Leah's Mum left with feelings of pain and anxiety. It is not good to see our loved ones hurting is it? Later that day our daughter returned to pick up Leah. Leah bounded out and with words of joy said "I had fun Mummy". Such relief.

Two things strike me about this chapter in our granddaughter's life. That firstly she trusted her Mum enough to reluctantly go to the 'new room' and secondly she had 'fun'.

In our passage Jesus states that we must receive the Kingdom of God like a child, with trust and dependence. Leah had trust and dependence in her mum, we too need such trust and dependence in our Lord.

And secondly, I think we should have fun. Church and our faith should be awe and wonder, fellowship and adoration, repentance and learning but it should also be fun. Perhaps that is something we can learn from the young people in our lives.

PRAYERS

Loving God,
your Son told his disciples
to become like little children.
Lead us to work for the welfare
and protection of all young people.
May we respect their dignity
that they may flourish in life,
following the example of the same
Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

CHRISTMAS SHOEBOXES



Tony, Vivien and Lucy will be collecting gift-filled shoeboxes again this year. Flat-packed boxes, leaflets and information will be given out in October.

KEEPING IN TOUCH; STAYING INFORMED



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KEY CONTACTS

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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 13th October 2021, to the Parish Administrator.