

Parish of Wiverton in the Vale:

One flock, One Shepherd, Six Pastures Notices 6th and 13th August 2023

Transfiguration of Our Lord and Trinity 10

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

SUNDAY 6th August

10.30am – All-Age All-Parish Holy Communion (St Andrew's, Langar)

MONDAY 7th August

9.00am - All-Parish Morning Prayer (via Zoom)

WEDNESDAY 9th August

9.00am - 11.30am - Coffee, Cake and Chat,
Methodist Chapel, Cropwell Bishop

FRIDAY 11th August

9.00am - All-Parish Morning Prayer (via Zoom)

9.00am - 11.30am - Baby Club, taking a break 4-18th August, inclusive

SUNDAY 13th August

10.30am - All-Parish Holy Communion (Holy Trinity, Tythby)

MONDAY 14th August

9.00am - All-Parish Morning Prayer (via Zoom)

WEDNESDAY 16th August

9.00am - 11.30am - Coffee, Cake and Chat,
Methodist Chapel, Cropwell Bishop

FRIDAY 18th August

9.00am - All-Parish Morning Prayer (via Zoom)

9.00am - 11.30am - Baby Club taking a break 4-18th August, inclusive

SUNDAY 20th August

10.30am All-Age All-Parish Holy Communion

(Methodist Chapel, Cropwell Bishop)

READINGS

Sunday 6th August Psalm 97, Luke 9.28-36 Sunday 13th August 1 Kings 19.9-18. Matthew 14.22-33

DATES FOR THE DIARY

9th September – Ride and Stride, support our churches and riders and striders raising money.



14th **September – Diocesan Day of Prayer** These days of prayer are led by the bishops, archdeacons and local church leaders gathering in different locations across the diocese and throughout the day, culminating in Southwell for Evensong in Southwell Minster at 5.30pm and contemporary worship in the State Chamber at 7.45pm. The venues for prayer will be announced soon.

23rd September – Deanery Prayer Walk Join with people across our Deanery as we walk, pray and enjoy fellowship together in Cotgrave Country Park. Meet at Cotgrave Church 1pm, for a circular walk, roughly 6Km, followed by refreshments and a brief service. Everyone welcome! Book with Portia Newling



15th **October – Celebration Service with Bishop Paul** at St Giles' Church, Cropwell Bishop at 10.30am, following the completion of the reordering work. Everyone welcome!



CURRENT APPEAL – PLEASE HELP!

Our Current Appeal for July and August is Ukraine: DEC charities respond to humanitarian fallout after Kakhovka dam breach

Donations may be made through the Parish website at wivertoninthevale.co.uk/appeal or in a marked envelope in church services. Thank you!

UPDATE ON OUR SEARCH FOR A NEW VICAR

We are delighted to announce that the Very Revd David Rowe will be our new Rector. David and his wife, Pixie, have recently returned to the UK from posts in Wellington, New Zealand. A whistlestop tour of the Parish took place last week, offering them a chance to meet a representative from the PCC at each church, a visit to Langar Primary School and a viewing around the Rectory, before an informal lunch. We are awaiting news of a start date and will let you know as soon as we can. David's appointment starts a new, exciting chapter for the Parish.

UPDATE ON CARPET APPEAL FOR ST GILES' CROPWELL BISHOP Grateful thanks to everyone whose generous responses so far mean that we have just another £1000 to go to reach our target. If others have not yet acted on this, maybe you can help bridge the gap by sponsoring a square metre of carpet for £50? Please contact Hilary Tabron hilary.tabron@wivertoninthevale.co.uk or check the website for further details www.wivertoninthevale.co.uk/st-giles-carpet-appeal.

LETTERS From the Rectory and Beyond

REFLECTIONS by Revd David Milner

Dear friends,

Well, what a time we had! Blazing June, and it rained. Blazing July and it rained. What will August bring? If we consider Matthew's gospel and the passages we have been reviewing over recent weeks, we have been hearing Jesus' voice as he has been trying to teach his disciples and importantly engage with communities of all faith and none. The texts so often speak to the task we are called to engage with. From the haunting phrase in chapter 11 of Matthew's gospel "My yoke is easy and my burden is light." to the kingdom parables in Chapter 13. The parables of the sower, the wheat and weeds or the mustard seed all offer surprising realities about abundance in unexpected ways and places. Most of us are far more removed from the purely rural community that Jesus was speaking to. Nevertheless, the ideas presented: patience, hope and resilience all speak to the task that is laid before us.

Kristina and I have a small plot, but with careful planning and numerous raised beds, to avoid too much bending! we are self-sufficient for much of the summer and autumn. This year there is a plentiful crop of soft fruit, rhubarb, runner beans, tomatoes and courgettes. On the one hand this is great and is very rewarding. It means, however, that we can't be far from home because the crops need constant tending and nurture. The disciplines of watering, feeding and weeding are constant.

In the same way, our faith needs to be feed and nurtured. It can at times seem somewhat up hill. As we think about our relationship with Jesus and actively support all the churches in the parish, I'm moved by the closing passage read from Romans chapter 8 v23-26 on the 23rd of July at Elton.

For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Kristina and I hope you all have a good summer, whatever the weather may bring. We've rediscovered jigsaw puzzles!

FAMILY PRAISE – CAN YOU HELP?

In October we are starting a new Family Praise service on a monthly basis at St Giles, Cropwell Bishop. Would you like to be a helper – e.g. setting up IT, craft work, reading, refreshments etc? There is short application process and safeguarding training is required. If you would like to join the team, please contact Jane Travis, admin@wivertoninthevale.co.uk

THE KING OF CREATION



Our wonderful stitchers who are embroidering new cushion covers for pews in St Giles are making great progress, the beautiful first cover is finished! The second cover is nearing completion and they are aiming to have the covers finished in time for the Celebration Service with Bishop Paul.

INFECTION GUIDANCE

Covid has settled down from being an overriding concern, to being one of many infections we need to be mindful of if we are to look after ourselves as well as protect others who are more vulnerable or caring for people who are particularly vulnerable. Therefore, we continue to recommend that you do not attend church services or events if you have symptoms or feel unwell, and maintain good hand hygiene. Sanitiser gel is available in churches.

KEY CONTACTS

The parish is now in interregnum, please address enquires to the Parish

Administrator

Parish Administrator: Jane Travis – on leave 1st - 16th August inclusive phone: 07708 631 623 email: admin@wivertoninthevale.co.uk

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Parish Treasurer: Phil Stephenson:

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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

Copy deadline for items to be included in the next two weeks' Notice Sheet: Wednesday 16th August 2023, to the Parish Administrator.