

#### Parish of Wiverton in the Vale:

# One flock, One Shepherd, Six Pastures Notices 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> January 2024

## Epiphany 3 and 4/ Presentation of Christ in the Temple

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

## **SUNDAY 21st January**

10.30am - All Parish Holy Communion (St Giles, Cropwell Bishop)

**10.30am - Morning worship** (Colston Bassett Village Hall)

#### MONDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> January

9.00am - All Parish Morning Prayer (via Zoom)

## WEDNESDAY 24th January

**9.00am - 11.30am - Coffee, Cake and Chat, with bellringers** St Giles, Cropwell Bishop

**7.30pm – Open to Question** at the Rectory, Cropwell Bishop

## FRIDAY 26th January

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

9.00am - 11.30am - Baby Club, St Giles, Cropwell Bishop

#### SUNDAY 28th January

**10.30am - All Parish Holy Communion** (All Saints, Granby)

**4.00pm - Family Praise with tea** (St Giles, Cropwell Bishop)

## **MONDAY 29th January**

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

### WEDNESDAY 31st January

**9.00am - 11.30am - Coffee, Cake and Chat, with bellringers** St Giles, Cropwell Bishop

#### FRIDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> February

9.00am - All Parish Morning Prayer (via Zoom)

9.00am - 11.30am - Baby Club St Giles, Cropwell Bishop

## **SATURDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> February**

10.00am - 12noon Pop-Up Cafe (St Andrew's, Langar)

## SUNDAY 4th February

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

## **READINGS**

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> January** Revelation 19.6-10, John2.1-11 **Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> January** Hebrews 2.14-end, Luke 2.22-40

#### DATES FOR THE DIARY

**24**<sup>th</sup> **January and 7**<sup>th</sup> **February – 7.30pm Open to Question**. In the new year Revd David is inviting people to join him for an hour in the Rectory over three evenings. Come with your questions, talk and listen together, get to know one another, and hopefully learn something in the process. Why not bring a friend?



**10**<sup>th</sup> **February – Snowdrop Saturday.** 10.30am – 12.30pm at Holy Trinity, Tythby. Come and see the beautiful snowdrops in the graveyard, chat and enjoy light refreshments.



10<sup>th</sup> February – Fearfully and Wonderfully Made. Encouraging women to see and celebrate the masterpiece God has created them to be. 10.00-4.30pm at the Minster School, Southwell. Tickets £12.50, concessions £10.00. Book with Riverside Church using the QR code.



**19**<sup>th</sup> **March – Lent Parish Retreat**, 10.00am – 3.00pm, venue and details to follow, for now please save the date!

**13**<sup>th</sup> **April – Concert by Paul and Alistair** in St Giles, Cropwell Bishop. Join us for this joyous time of beautiful music. Details to follow, please save the date!

**14**<sup>th</sup> **April** — **Party lunch and celebration with APCM**. St Andrew's Langar following on from the 10.30am service. Come and give thanks for the last year, share fellowship and tasty food and look to the year ahead. Put the date in your diaries now, let's celebrate!

#### CURRENT APPEAL – PLEASE HELP!

**Current Appeal – The Children's Society –** check the website, **www.wivertoninthevale.co.uk/appeal** for how to donate.



The Children's Society

#### LENT READING

Through Lent Revd David is planning for the Parish to study some of the Psalms and suggest you may like to buy the book *Journalling the Psalms by Paula Gooder* 

#### LETTERS From the Rectory and Beyond

#### **REFLECTIONS by Edward Hine**

#### The highs and lows of supporting Nottingham Forest!

I was at our parish service at Langar on the first Sunday of this new year where Keith was preaching and David talked as well when he mentioned that he had heard a sermon about comparing going to a football match with going to church where in both places there is fellowship and singing. This started me thinking along similar lines and I will share some of those thoughts with you now! Nottingham Forest were going to be playing Blackpool in the FA Cup that afternoon [2-2 draw] and a number of the congregation were going to support Forest, and many of you will know who they are! Perhaps not surprisingly they are all of an age which I can relate too, who would have witnessed Forest in their heyday over 40 years ago, and I shall elaborate on this theme in my sermon on Sunday.

I, like them, have really enjoyed Forest being back in the Premier League since last season and the excitement and joy which this has engendered in the supporters has been palpable even watching on the TV. Forest had not been in the top division this century and the crowd were going to make the most of it and seemingly hardly ever stopped singing! It is widely thought that a significant factor in Forest staying up last season was the overwhelming support of their fans.

Interestingly the crowd support for Manchester City, who won the treble last season, is not so intense, sustained nor uplifting. It is not as if they haven't got anything to sing about with winning 10 major trophies in the last 5 years. It is almost as if they expect to win and most likely it is a huge disappointment when they don't. Obviously, Forest supporters would like to have done a lot better over the last 25 years but going through those lean times has given them a better perspective on football and a far greater appreciation of being back in the top flight again. As it is with Forest fans so it is with our Journey in Faith. It reminds me of the Jewish exodus from Egypt where even a cloud by day, a pillar of fire by night and manna from heaven was not enough to sustain their faith and perhaps more difficult times can focus our perspective which will give us a better appreciation of the good times. Paul captures this well in Romans chapter 8 and I shall expand on this on Sunday., by which time Forest will hopefully have won their replay!

## DOVE COTTAGE FUNDRAISER

There will be another sale of Dove merchandise at the next Pop-Up Cafe, at St Andrew's Langar on Saturday 3rd February. There should be a full range of greetings cards including Mothering Sunday and Easter. All Dove greetings cards are only £1 so very worth people stocking up.

#### OPEN TO QUESTION



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at the Rectory, 2 Dobbin Close, Cropwell Bishop. NG12 3GR



7.30pm - Wednesdays 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> January and 7<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Join us!

It's not too late - do come and join me! Email on rector@wivertoninthevale.co.uk

Revd David Rowe

## KEY CONTACTS

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Further information and contact details can be found on the parish

Copy deadline for items to be included in the next two weeks' Notice Sheet: Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2024, to the Parish Administrator.