



Parish of Wiverton in the Vale:
One flock, One Shepherd, Six Pastures
Notices 5th and 12th April 2026
Easter Sunday and Easter 2

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

SUNDAY 5th April EASTER SUNDAY

- 06.15am – Sunrise service followed by breakfast (St Mary's, Colston Bassett)
- 10.30am - All Age, All Parish Holy Communion (St Andrew's, Langar)

MONDAY 6th April

- 9.00am - **No All Parish Morning Prayer** (via Zoom)

WEDNESDAY 8th April

- 9.30am - 11.30am – Coffee, Cake and Chat with bellringers, St Giles, Cropwell Bishop

FRIDAY 10th April

- 9.00am - **No All Parish Morning Prayer** (via Zoom)
- 9.00am - 11.30am – Friday Playgroup St Giles, Cropwell Bishop
- 7.00pm – **Colston Bassett Quiz Night**, Colston Bassett Village Hall

SUNDAY 12th April

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

MONDAY 13th April

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

WEDNESDAY 15th April

- 9.30am - 11.30am – Coffee, Cake and Chat with bellringers, St Giles, Cropwell Bishop

FRIDAY 17th April

- 9.00am - **All Parish Morning Prayer** (via Zoom)
- 9.00am - 11.30am – Friday Playgroup St Giles, Cropwell Bishop

SUNDAY 19th April

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

READINGS

Sunday 5th April Acts 10.34-43, John 20.1-18

Sunday 12th April Acts 2.14, 22-32, Psalm 16, 1 Peter 1.3-9, John 20.19-end

EASTER 2026 IN WIVERTON IN THE VALE

Please join us at some of our Easter services



PALM SUNDAY - 29th March

10.30am All Age Holy Communion **St Andrew's, Langar**

MAUNDY THURSDAY - 2nd April

7.00pm Holy Communion **Holy Trinity, Tythby**

GOOD FRIDAY PILGRIMAGE - 3rd April

11.00am **St Giles', Cropwell Bishop**

12.30pm **St John's, Colston Bassett**

2.30pm **St Andrew's, Langar** followed by tea and hot cross buns

EASTER SUNDAY - 5th April

6.15am Sunrise Service, **St Mary's, Colston**

Bassett followed by breakfast in the Village Hall

10.30am All Age Holy Communion, **St Andrew's, Langar**



DATES FOR THE DIARY

28th April – Parish Retreat Day – Living Waters 10.00am – 3.00pm at St Andrew's Langar. A chance to pray, reflect and share fellowship. There is still time to book your place, please contact Jane Travis admin@wivertoninthevale.co.uk

Living Waters Retreat Day

Tuesday 28th April

10.00am - 3.00pm

St Andrew's, Langar

Bring your bible and a notebook,
light lunch provided

Please email Jane Travis
admin@wivertoninthevale.co.uk
if you would like to join us.



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3rd May – 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 with a bring and share lunch and look to the year ahead. Put the date in your diaries now, let's celebrate!

LETTERS From the Rectory and Beyond

REFLECTIONS by Rev Canon Keith Turner

You don't need me to tell you that we live in a very violent, troubled and dysfunctional world. And so it was really wonderful to watch the 'enthronement' of our new Archbishop of Canterbury on 25th March with its clear message of hope in Christ. There was significant and exciting representation from the worldwide Anglican Communion and the Archbishop's powerful sermon centred on Mary's service – as on that day in the Church Year, we also celebrated *'The Annunciation'*.

I have been further encouraged in this season when I read that The Sunday Times No 1 Best Seller has been Bear Grylls' *"The Greatest Story Ever Told"*; I love books that are powerfully and beautifully written and have a depth of meaning. And so as we focus this year on the end of the 'Jesus story', but not the end of Jesus, what are the chapter headings for us? Personally, I *'need to be there'* when Jesus enters Jerusalem, when he has a special final meal with his disciples, when he prays in the Garden of Gethsemane, when he dies brutally on a cross, when his tomb is discovered empty. You see, it all then makes sense as God's supreme gift to our personal brokenness and to our broken world. There is an incredible honesty about it all. St Paul writes to the Church in Corinth of the 'power of the cross' and Christ as 'the power of God and the wisdom of God'.

Canon JB Phillips wrote a famous book called *'The Ring of Truth'*, arising from his paraphrasing of the New Testament. To our messy world and messy lives, our hurting and our emptiness, the love of God in Jesus still reaches out to us. It is the Truth we are invited to revisit. And because it is true, it can powerfully, emotionally, intellectually and spiritually meet us where we are, and where our world is too.

Many years ago, I had the privilege of visiting Israel and the 'sites' where the story is rooted. Today, the war in the Middle and Near East may seem to spoil the memory and be unsettling. But the story was a Jewish story in an occupied country, the death by a Roman form of execution, and a burial in a borrowed tomb. One of the two possible sites for the tomb is 'The Garden Tomb'; I went inside - it was empty!

PRAYER

"Lord God, this Holy Week and Easter help us to be gripped anew by 'the greatest story ever told' – your amazing love for us in Jesus Christ."

CURRENT APPEAL – PLEASE HELP!

Current Appeal –Water Aid – for February, March and April. Please see wivertoninthevale.co.uk/appeal for how to donate.



BISHOP OF SHERWOOD VISITING WIVERTON IN THE VALE



We very much look forward to welcoming **The Rt Revd Dr Andy Emerton, Bishop of Sherwood**, to lead and preach at our Holy Communion service at **10.30am at St Giles Church, Cropwell Bishop on Sunday 19th April**. Everyone is very welcome to join us, do come along!

KEY CONTACTS

Rector: *we are currently looking for a new Rector, please contact Jane Travis for parish matters during this time*

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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 weeks' Notice Sheet: Wednesday 15th April 2026, to the Parish Administrator