



the church in the  
WOOTTONS

# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

**Committed to God** – through worship, prayer and scripture

**Committed to Community** – within our congregations and reaching out

**Committed to Growth** – in discipleship, service and numbers

One inclusive and extensive

Church family

Gathering in various

Meeting places

Around the Woottons

Near to King's Lynn

## Sunday 19th March 2023

Lent 4/Mothering Sunday

1 Samuel 16:1-13

Psalm 23

Ephesians 5:8-14

John 9

9.00am

Holy Communion

St. Mary's Church

9.00am

Breakfast Church

All Saints Church

10.30am

Praise and Worship

All Saints Church

## Sunday 26th March 2023

Lent 5

Ezekiel 37:1-14

Psalm 130

Romans 8:6-11

John 11:1-45

10.30am

Holy Communion

St. Mary's Church

### The Collect for the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

Merciful Lord, you know our struggle to serve you: when sin spoils our lives and overshadows our hearts, come to our aid and turn us back to you again; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

## ***THIS WEEK***

Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	7.00pm	Lent Course at All Saints Church
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	9.00 – 12 noon 2.15pm	Dropin at NW Village Hall Mothers' Union Lady Day Holy Communion at St. Mary's Church
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	8.30am 10.30am 11.15am	Staff meeting at the Rectory Holy Communion at St. Mary's Lent Course at St. Mary's
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup>	12.30pm	Lent Lunch at The Rectory, 47 Castle Rising Road, SW

## ***FURTHER AHEAD***

Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	2.00pm 7.00pm	House group at 2 Willow Road Lent Course at All Saints Church
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 – 12 noon	Dropin at NW Village Hall
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup>	8.30am 10.30am 11.15am	Staff meeting at the Rectory Holy Communion at St. Mary's Lent Course at St. Mary's
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup>		<b>Lent Lunch cancelled</b>
Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	All Day	Retreat Day at Hunstanton Methodist Church
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	11.00am 7.30pm	Chrism Eucharist at the Cathedral House Group at Halfacre, Nursery Lane
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	2.00pm	House group at 2 Willow Road
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 – 12 noon	Dropin at NW Village Hall
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup>	8.30am 10.00am 10.30am	Staff meeting at the Rectory House Group at 16 Castle Acre Close Holy Communion at St. Mary's

## **SERVICES DURING HOLY WEEK AND EASTER**

Maundy Thursday	10.30am	Holy Communion at St. Mary's
Good Friday	2.00pm	The Final Hour at All Saints
Easter Day	9.00am	Holy Communion at St. Mary's
	9.00am	Breakfast Church at All Saints
	10.30am	Holy Communion at All Saints

**FRIENDSHIP COFFEE MORNING** - The coffee morning in March was enjoyed by a large group of friends and hosted by Jennifer and Ron Watts. We always enjoy meeting new people as well so if you haven't joined us before, do come along. Alternatively, if you know of someone who might enjoy coming, please let me know. We meet on the second Thursday of each month from 10.30 am to 12 noon. On Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> April we have been invited to the home of Joyce Peart at 30 Wheatley Drive, North Wootton PE30 3QQ . If you would like to know more, have a lift or someone to go with, please contact me – details below. It would be wonderful to hear from anyone who would be willing to offer to host a Coffee Morning or drive people to the venue. Please contact Gloria on 671912 [gloriapantling@btinternet.com](mailto:gloriapantling@btinternet.com)

**DROPIN** – Have you been along to the weekly Wednesday Dropin yet? The Dropin is open from 9 – 12 noon every Wednesday and is held at North Wootton Village Hall. Fresh coffee and tea are served by our friendly and welcoming volunteers and you can enjoy our selection of delicious home-made cakes and scones. There are always plenty of people to chat to at the Dropin and, if you feel so-inclined, you can play Rummikub. or do a jigsaw puzzle. We also provide an area with toys for babies and pre-schoolers. The Dropin is a great place to bring along a friend, neighbour or even a member of your family – and it is WARM!

**LENT LUNCHES** – The final Lent Lunch this year will be hosted by Linda and James at the Rector y. Everyone is welcome and there is no need to book. There is no charge for the lunches, but donations are encouraged, and money raised will be divided between the Bishop's Lent Appeal and church funds. The Bishop's Lent Appeal this year is for the new Priscilla Bacon Lodge Building in Norwich, and the appeal is in memory of the Ven. Ian Bentley who died last year. **Please note: the Lent Lunch due on 31<sup>st</sup> March is cancelled.**

**CHRISM EUCHARIST AT THE CATHEDRAL** – This year the Chrism Eucharist will be held on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April beginning at 11.00am. During the service the oils are blessed and clergy renew their ordination vows.

Please let James know within the next few days if you would like to attend this service and support your clergy and Reader.

**RETREAT DAY SATURDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> APRIL FROM 10.00am AT HUNSTANTON METHODIST CHURCH** – On the Retreat Day we will learn, worship and pray together. There will be time to relax, to walk, to chat and to have lunch together – fish and chips? The Retreat Day will give us the opportunity to offer ourselves to each other and to God. **Please arrive for coffee from 9.30am**

**TCITW BANK ACCOUNT** – For any donations or payments you may wish to make you can pay by BACS. We bank with Santander sort code 09-01-29 acc. no. 41920596. Donations by cash or cheque are equally welcome. Our account name is “The Church in the Woottons PCC”.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

- The people of Ukraine and others affected by war
- Those who are poorly, including Roger Symes and Basil Blackburn. Please also pray for those caring for them
- The Rt. Revd. Jane Steen, Bishop of Lynn
- Our clergy James and Julie
- Our Reader Margaret
- All those affected by the earthquakes in Turkey and Syria
- Everyone affected by the railway disaster in Greece.
- All those who are taking part in the Lent Course
- Preparations for the Retreat Day
- King’s Lynn Foodbank

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