

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Committed to God - through worship, prayer and learning

Committed to Growth - through knowing God and one another

Committed to Community - through service and support

Sunday 23rd February

2nd Before Lent

10.30am

Holy Communion

Revelation 4

Luke 8.22-25

St Mary's Church

Prayer of the week: Almighty God, give us reverence for all creation and respect for every person, that we may mirror your likeness in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Sunday 2nd March

Sunday next before Lent

9.00am

Breakfast Church

2 Cor 3.12-4.2

Luke 9.28-43a

All Saints

10.30am

Praise & Worship

All Saints

Prayer of the week: Holy God, you know the disorder of our sinful lives: set straight our crooked hearts, and bend our wills to love your goodness and your glory in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Sunday 9th March

Lent 1

10.30am

Holy Communion

Romans 10.8b-13

Luke 4:1-13

St Mary's Church

Holy Communion with The Church in the Woottons

During Holy Communion we offer bread in the form of wafers and wine by the chalice. For reasons of hygiene we do not allow wafers to be dipped into the chalice. If you are concerned about drinking from the chalice, please receive only the wafer.

Diary

Monday 24th	10.00am 7.00pm	Monday House Group House Group Halfacre, Nursery Lane
Tuesday 25 th	2.00pm	House Group Willow Rd
Wednesday 26 th	9.00am to 12 noon 2.15pm	Drop in NW Village Hall Mothers' Union AGM SW Village Hall
Thursday 27 th		
Friday 28 th		
Monday 3rd	10.00am 7.00pm	Monday House Group House Group Halfacre, Nursery Lane
Tuesday 4 th	2.00pm	
Wednesday 5 th	9.00 to 12 Noon 7.00pm	Drop in NW Village Hall Ash Wednesday Service St Mary's
Thursday 6 th	10.30am	Holy Communion St Mary's Church
Friday 7 th	12.30pm	Lent Lunch at Jonathan & Penny Dossetor's. 63 Castle Rising Road PE30 3JA
Monday 10th	10.00am 7.00pm	Monday House Group House Group Halfacre, Nursery Lane
Tuesday 11 th	2.00pm	House Group Willow Rd
Wednesday 12 th	9.00 to 12 noon	Drop in NW Village Hall
Thursday 13 th	10.30am 10.30am	Holy Communion St Mary's Church Friendship Coffee Morning at Moira and Mike Wesson's 3 Thetford Way, PE30 3TG (Off St Augustine's Way)
Friday 14 th	12.30pm	Lent Lunch at Mary Sackree's house 4 Blickling Close, South Wootton

Welcome

If you are visiting us for the first time, we hope you enjoy the service and feel welcome. If you would like to find out more about The Church in the Woottons, please ask anyone in church or contact us by phone 01553 673742 or email rectoryoffice@churchinthewoottons.net

FRIENDSHIP COFFEE MORNING - On **Thursday, 13th March** we have been invited to the home of Moira and Mike Wesson at 3 Thetford Way off St. Augustine's Way, PE30 3TG. The idea for these mornings is just to relax and enjoy being with other people. Anyone is welcome so please come along if you wish. Alternatively, if you know of someone who might benefit from coming, please let me know. Please contact me if you would like to know more, have a lift or someone to go with. Gloria Pantling 01553 671912 / 07570262766/ gloriapantling@btinternet.com

LENT LUNCHESES - Our first Lent Lunch is being held on Friday 7th March – details are in the diary section. Please arrive for a lunch of soup, bread and cheese from 12.30pm. There is no charge for the meal, but donations will be gratefully received. All money donated at the Lent Lunches this year will be split between King's Lynn Foodbank and The Church in the Woottons general account.

GIFT DAYS - This year we will be holding our Gift Days on Saturday 1st & Sunday 2nd March, 10am – 2pm, in both All Saints and St Mary's church simultaneously. We plan to serve tea, coffee and biscuits (and possibly cake). A Gift Day helps us to reach out to those supporters of TCITW who don't come to church regularly and is also an opportunity for those of us who give regularly to consider prayerfully whether we can offer an extra gift of money in addition to our planned giving. We are appealing for people who can cover an hour or so during the Gift Days to offer hospitality and a welcome. If you can help, please put your name on the forms which will be at the back of the churches.

DEANERY LENT COURSE – This will be held on Monday evenings during March from 7.00-8.30pm and all are invited to share in a soup supper and reflection on Lenten poetry. The dates and venues are below:
10th and 24th March, The Hub, St Faiths, Gaywood
17th March and 31st March, The Minster, King's Lynn

VISITING CLERGY – We look forward to welcoming Jon Price to preach and preside on Sunday 23rd February at St Mary's.

BISHOP'S LENT APPEAL 2025 This year, the aim is to raise money for YANA, an organisation which provides mental health support for those involved in agriculture and other rural businesses in East Anglia. Please see the Diocesan website for details on how to donate.

TCITW BANK ACCOUNT – For any donations or payments you may wish to make to The Church in the Woottons you can pay by BACS. We bank with Santander, sort code 09-01-29 acc. no. 41920596. For cheques, our account name is “The Church in the Woottons PCC”.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- The people affected by the fires, earthquakes and floods.
- The people of Ukraine, Israeli hostages, Gaza, the West Bank, Lebanon, Yemen, Sudan, South Sudan and Burkina Faso.
- Bishops Graham, Jane and Ian, and Archdeacon Catherine.
- Our Churchwardens Jonathan, Angela, Janet and Julian, together with our Ministers Linda Ashby, Margaret Ojelade and Nigel as they carry more responsibility for the Parish during the Vacancy.
- Our Treasurers, Glenis and David, and our musicians.
- For all those connected with the parish who are sick.
- That God will be preparing the heart of the person who will be our next incumbent, and that TCITWs will be guided by God in the appointment process.
- For King’s Lynn Foodbank, Debt Centre, and Winter Night Shelter.
- The launch of the Homegrown Project to enable us to work more collaboratively across our borough for children and families

Rector	<i>The Church in the Woottons is in Vacancy</i> Please contact us by phone 01553 673742 email rectoryoffice@churchinthewoottons.net
LLM	Margaret Ojelade: Margaret.Ojelade@churchinthewoottons.net 07526467065
Secretary	Catherine Knox: 01553 673742 rectoryoffice@churchinthewoottons.net Working day: Thursdays 8.30am to 2.30pm. Please notify Catherine of any new Diary Events by email or telephone.
Church website	www.churchinthewoottons.net
All Saints Church	Manor Road, North Wootton PE30 3PZ
St Mary’s Church	Church Lane, South Wootton, PE30 3LJ