



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 26th January

Epiphany 3

1 Cor 12.12-31a

Luke 4.14-21

10.30am

Morning Worship

St Mary's Church

Sunday 2nd February

Presentation of Christ in the Temple

Hebrews 2.14-end

Luke 2.22-40

9.00am

Breakfast Church

All Saints Church

10.30am

Holy Communion

All Saints Church

The Prayer for the Week

God of all mercy, your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release to the captives, and freedom to the oppressed: anoint us with your Holy Spirit and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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 27th	10.00am 7.00pm	Monday House Group House Group Halfacre, Nursery Lane
Tuesday 28 th	2.00pm	House Group Willow Rd
Wednesday 29 th	9.00am to 12 noon 2.15pm	Drop in NW Village Hall Mothers' Union New Year Party SW Village Hall
Thursday 30 th	10.30am 10.00pm	Holy Communion St Mary's Church 24 Hours of Prayer commences
Friday 31 st	all day until 10.00pm	24 Hours of Prayer continues
Saturday 1 st	10.00am to 1.00pm	Vision Event, SW Village Hall
Monday 3rd Feb	10.00am 7.00pm	Monday House Group House Group Halfacre, Nursery Lane
Tuesday 4 th	2.00pm	House Group Willow Rd
Wednesday 5 th	9.00am to 12 noon	Drop in NW Village Hall
Thursday 6 th	10.30am	Holy Communion St Mary's Church
Friday 7 th		
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	9.00am to 12 noon	Drop in NW Village Hall
Thursday 13 th	10.30am 10.30am	Holy Communion St Mary's Church SW Friendship Coffee morning at Orb and Sceptre PE30 3AZ (previously Deer's Leap)
Friday 14 th		
Saturday 15	12.30pm	Wedding of Emily Nolan and Oliver Smith St Mary's Church SW

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 February** we shall meet at the Orb and Sceptre (previously Deer's' Leap/ New Inn) for tea, coffee and cake. Although there won't be a full menu at that time, stone baked pizza will be available for anyone who would like to stay on. The aim of these mornings is just to relax and enjoy each other's company over light refreshments. 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. We always meet on the second Thursday of the month from 10.30 until noon. If you would like to know more, have a lift or someone to go with, please contact me – details below. Gloria Pantling 01553 671912 / 07570262766/gloriapantling@btinternet.com

VISION MEETING – This is a landmark meeting in the life of the church so please make every effort to be there. It will be held on **Saturday 1st February, from 10am-1pm in South Wootton Village Hall**. If you are unable to come, we would still love to hear any thoughts you may have on the future direction of the church so please do share them with Margaret, Nigel, or any of the wardens before the meeting.

We would like to encourage the whole church to pray that we will discern and obey God's will as we plan for the future and therefore we are holding a **'24 hours of prayer'** from Thurs 30th 10pm to Fri 31st 10pm. A schedule will be in church on Sunday and we would love people to sign up to pray at a particular time to try and have continuous prayer for the 24 hours.

VISITING CLERGY – We look forward to welcoming Archdeacon Catherine to preach and preside on Sunday 2nd February at All Saints.

CANDLEMAS - Candlemas marks the end of the Christmas season and is also known as the Feast of the Presentation of Jesus Christ, the Feast of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary, or the Feast of the Holy Encounter. It commemorates the presentation of Jesus at the Temple as described in Luke 2:22–40. In years gone by, when churches were lit by candles, it was also the day that the candles to be burned in the coming year were blessed, hence the special service of Candlemas. In our churches we now continue lighting the Advent candles each Sunday until Candlemas. As the Christmas season actually continues right through to Candlemas on 2 February, it is customary to keep the Christmas crib up until Candlemas.

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 in Los Angeles.
- The people affected by the earthquakes in Tibet.
- Peace and healing in Syria.
- The people of Ukraine, Gaza, the West Bank, Lebanon, Yemen, Sudan, South Sudan and Burkina Faso.
- For those affected by catastrophic floods, including in Spain.
- 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.
- 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

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 Catherine works on Thursdays 8.30am to 2.30pm
Church website	www.churchinthewoottons.net
All Saints Church	Manor Road, North Wootton PE30 3PZ
St Mary’s Church	Church Lane, South Wootton, PE30 3LJ