

# WIG-FEST THE REUNION

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**1st June 24**

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## Weekly Notices

Rector: Rev. Jonathan Gordon 01442 871547  
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Services for February 4th.  
Second Sunday before Lent  
**8am Holy Communion BCP**

**10 00am** Parish Eucharist  
**Hymns: 567, 346, 228, 288**

### Readings:

Proverbs 8: 1, 22-31  
Colossians 1: 15-21  
John 1: 1-14

### 6pm Evening Prayer

Psalm 65  
Genesis 2: 4-end  
Luke 8: 22-35

Services for February 11th  
Sunday before Lent

**8am** Holy Communion BCP  
**10am** Parish Eucharist  
**Hymns: 3,288, 228, 422**

### Readings:

2 Kings 2: 1-12  
2 Corinthians 4: 3-6  
Mark 9: 2-9

### 6pm Evening Prayer

Psalm 2  
1 Kings 19: 1-16  
2 Peter 1: 16-end

Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever.

### Collect Prayer for Peace

*Almighty God, from whom all thoughts of truth and peace proceed: kindle, we pray, in the hearts of all, the true love of peace and guide with your pure and peaceable wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth that in tranquillity your kingdom may go forward, till the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.*

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### Ash Wednesday and Lent Course

Wednesday 14th. February is Ash Wednesday and we will be holding a Eucharist service with ashing at 10am followed by coffee or tea in the church room and at 11-15 to 12.15, we begin a 5 week Lent course called **“Lent is for Loving”**

What is the point of Lent? If prayer and reading and self-denial are worth doing at this time of year, perhaps we should be doing them all the year round! Christianity is not a blueprint for repression but for joy: for a life of fulfilment beyond our wildest dreams. Jesus said I have come that you may have life and have it to the full . In short chapters suitable for individual reading or group study, and questions for meditation and reflection, Sheila Cassidy considers the word LENT as an acronym for what it really means to live as a Christian today: L is for LOVE E is for EMPATHY N is quite simply for NO! T is for THANK YOU GOD A unique and refreshing addition

Please add your name on to the list on the piano if you are interested in joining this Lent course

**Church website.** Check out the website regularly for updates and news of services etc.

**Keep the date in the diary**  
**Summer BBQ in the Vicarage Garden on**  
**14th. July 2024**

Lord God, we thank You that You do not grow tired or weary. Look with compassion on our tired and weary world. We pray for those working so hard to bring peace. When they are discouraged, come close to them. We pray for the people of Gaza and Ukraine, forced from their homes because of war. Tired of hearing the bombs and the shelling. Needing a Saviour to lift them up. We pray for the people of Israel losing hope over the return of their loved ones held hostage. Mourning the loss of family and friends. We pray for those who need new energy to keep serving in places of despair. We lift our tired and weary world to You...

Lord, we remember those who have died this week due to the violence of others... We are weary of the hatred that we see and hear all around us. Yet we acknowledge that we, too, do not always bring goodness into every situation. We come humbly before You, asking You to forgive us for when we have not been kind and loving.

Lord, You came to bring a new way of living, to usher in a new kingdom. Show us deeper ways of being Your hands and feet, Your eyes and ears in every situation we find ourselves. May our lips always speak uplifting words of encouragement and kindness, just as You speak words of love to us.

Lord, just as the people of Capernaum brought their sick to You for healing, we bring our community into focus asking for Your loving touch to be upon everyone we are thinking of right now. We pray for all who work to keep our community running. Give them the energy they need. We pray for those who leave our community every day to work elsewhere. Travel with them, Lord, we ask.

We think of those who are house-bound, may they know the support of neighbours and friends. We pray for the children, rejoicing in their innocence and enthusiasm. Open our eyes afresh to see the world with wonder. We rejoice with those who may be celebrating this week: a birthday, an anniversary, a successful application, or exam result. May their joy be infectious and lighten everyone around them. We ask for strength for those who work in the health and caring services as well as those who care for people at home, young or old. We bring to mind all those in our congregation who are sick, sad, sorrowful or dying. We name them now, out loud or in our hearts...

We pause for a moment to visualise the places where we are expecting to go and some of the people we are expecting to see. ... Go before us, Lord. Prepare the way for us to bring your goodness into each place. When we are afraid, fill us with courage. When we are energized, help us to overflow with Your joy and creativity. When we are doing mundane, boring tasks, help us to be startled by Your presence. When we are weary, give us Your peace and rest. Fill us afresh ready for each new day.