



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

PEWS NEWS

8th January 2017
Baptism of Christ

Isaiah 42. 1-9
Psalms 29
Acts 10. 34-43
Matthew 3. 13-end

8.30am Holy Communion
10.00am Morning Service
3.00pm Holy Baptism

All Saints
All Saints
St Mary's

15th January 2017
2nd Sunday of Epiphany

Isaiah 49. 1-7
Psalms 40. 1-12
1 Corinthians 1. 1-9
John 1. 29-42

8.30am Holy Communion
10.00am Holy Communion
10.00am Breakfast at 10

St Mary's
St Mary's
SW Village Hall

The Collect for the Baptism of Christ

Heavenly Father, at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your Son: may we recognize him as our Lord and know ourselves to be your beloved children; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen**

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH – *If you are visiting us for the first time we hope you enjoy your time with us. If you would like to find out more about The Church in the Woottons please ask one of the clergy or churchwardens or visit our website www.churchinthewoottons.net and do take this newsletter home with you. In church you should also be able to find a copy of Contact, our monthly magazine.*

THIS WEEK

Sun 8 th Jan	3.00pm	Baptisms of Cole Branham and Annabelle Bland at St Mary's
Mon 9 th Jan	12.15pm	Funeral of Joan Timbers at Mintlyn Crematorium
	2.30pm	Lisbon Court Holy Communion
Tues 10 th Jan	9.15am	Morning Prayer at All Saints
Wed 11 th Jan	9.15am	Morning Prayer at St Mary's
Thurs 12 th Jan	8.45-12	Drop In at St Mary's
	10.30am	Friendship Coffee Morning, The Swan Inn – see below
	11.00am	Funeral of Colin Dawson at Mintlyn Crematorium
Fri 13 th Jan	11.30am	Funeral of Albert Berry at Mintlyn Crematorium
Sat 14 th Jan	9.30am	Saturday Morning Prayer at St Mary's

FURTHER AHEAD

Sun 15 th Jan	11.30am	Holy Communion at Wyndham House
Thurs 19 th Jan	8.45-12	Drop In at St Mary's
	1.45pm	Funeral of Ronald Spitz at St Faith's, Gaywood
Sat 21 st Jan	9.30am	Saturday Morning Prayer at St Mary's
	7.00pm	Ceilidh at SW Village Hall – see below

Please note there will be no Morning Prayer on either 17th or 18th January

PARISH SHARE – We are delighted to be able to tell you that, including the predicted gift aid claim, we have received donations exceeding £8000. This means that for the second year running we have paid our parish share in full. Thank you very much for the way you support the ministry of The Church in the Woottons financially.

NEW ROTAS FOR ALL SAINTS – Moira and Jennifer invite everyone involved in cleaning, coffee making or being sidespeople at All Saints Church to come to Moira's home on Saturday 14 January from 4.30pm so that we can discuss new rotas now that we use the church fortnightly. Refreshments will be served.

FOODBANK – Please could you remember Food Bank when doing your weekly shop? There is still an urgent need for donations which can be left in either church and will be collected from there. There are areas to donate in Tesco or Sainsburys at Hardwick or at Tesco Gaywood. At the moment there are shortages of tinned fruit (400g), tea bags (80s), dried pasta (500g), UHT milk (1 litre), breakfast cereals.

FRIENDSHIP COFFEE MORNING – JANUARY 12TH - Everyone enjoyed the mince pies, sherry and other festive treats at our December coffee morning hosted by Penny and Jonathan Dossetor. It made a very merry start to the Christmas celebrations. We meet from 10.30am to 12 noon on the second Thursday of each month at a different location each time. If you haven't been before why not come along next time? If you would like a lift, someone to go with or more information please contact Gloria Pantling (01553 671912 / gloriapantling@btinternet.com). Our first meeting of 2017 will be held at the Swan Inn, South Wootton on Thursday, January 12th when there will be a small charge for tea and coffee. Some people may like to take the opportunity to stay on for lunch.

NEW SERVICE PATTERN

1st Sunday	8.30am	St Mary's	Prayer Book Matins
	10.00am	St Mary's	Holy Communion with choir
	10.00am	SW Village Hall	Breakfast at 10
2nd Sunday	8.30am	All Saints	Prayer Book Holy Communion
	10.00am	All Saints	Service with worship group
3rd Sunday	8.30am	St Mary's	Prayer Book Holy Communion
	10.00am	St Mary's	Holy Communion with choir
	10.00am	SW Village Hall	Breakfast at 10
4th Sunday	8.30am	All Saints	Prayer Book Holy Communion
	10.00am	All Saints	Holy Communion with worship group
5th Sunday	10.00am	Alternating	Varied

COLLECTION FOR ALEPPO – At our Christmas Day and New Year's Day services £155.92 was raised for Aleppo. If you would still like to make a donation for Aleppo (which will be sent through the Red Cross), please hand this in to the Rectory Office.

CEILIDH AND BURNS NIGHT – Dance away the January blues! Come to a Ceilidh on 21st January at South Wootton Village Hall to celebrate Burns Night. Starts at 7.00pm and ends at 10.30pm. Dance to the music of the band Galopede. 2 course supper provided. Bring your own bottle. £12.50 per head or £30 for a family ticket with up to 3 children. Contact the Rectory or the Dossetors for tickets.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY – 18th – 25th January. Theme: Reconciliation – The Love of God Compels Us (2 Corinthians 5: 14-20)

18 th Jan 12.30-13.00	King's Lynn Minster	Canon Chris Ivory
19 th Jan 12.30- 13.00	King's Lynn Baptist Church	Pastor Kevan Crane
20 th Jan 12.30-13.00	Salvation Army	Major Barbara Jeffery
21 st Jan 12.30-13.00	The Gateway Church	Pastor Andy Moyle
22 nd Jan 17.00-18.00	London Road Methodist Church	Rt Revd Alan S Hopes
23 rd Jan 12.30-13.00	St John's	Revd. Rebecca Rogers
24 th Jan 12.30-13.00	Church of the Annunciation	Revd. Peter Rollings
25 th Jan 12.30-13.00	All Saints, Hillington Square	Fr Adrian Ling

For more information – please see posters.

KING'S LYNN DEBT CENTRE CHRISTMAS PARTY – We had a very successful party in December. Many thanks to all those who contributed to the presents and to those who helped with food and in any other way to make it such an enjoyable occasion.

GRAHAM AND ANNA – A Christmas card from the Wilkins family was received at the Rectory after Christmas – it had been mislaid by the Post Office and has now turned up. Graham and Anna sent their love and best wishes to all their friends in the Woottons.

NEW MID-WEEK SERVICE – Beginning on Tuesday 31st January will be starting a new weekly mid-week evening service at the Rectory. There are several ideas behind this new venture: i. we know that parents with young children are often too distracted to fully engage with what is happening during Sunday services ii. Increasingly people find it difficult to commit themselves to attend church on Sunday mornings iii. Many people are looking for more in-depth teaching than can be offered at some forms of service and iv. Some people miss the Sunday evening services we used to offer. The services will include informal sung worship, teaching and prayer. We have two questions for you. What time should we start the service? And what shall we call it? Please speak to James or Linda Nash if you can answer either of these or want to find out more.

PREPARATION FOR ALPHA – A new Alpha course will begin at the end of February and in preparation for this James wishes to offer some teaching on mission, outreach and team building. This teaching will be offered for four weeks at the new mid-week evening service beginning on 31st January – see the article above.

A WORD OF THANKS FROM JAMES AND LINDA – Thank you all very much for all that you offer and contribute in being part of The Church in the Woottons. We do so appreciate the love and support you show to us and to one another - such good signs and witness to the love of God which we see flowing through and from this Church. We are very grateful for the hard work put in by so many of you week by week. We are also so pleased with the words of support we are hearing as we enter a new season in the Church bringing with it significant changes in our pattern of services. May we wish you a very happy Christmas and a new year that is as good as it possibly can be. With our love James and Linda.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: -

- David Collis, Andrew Fielding, Gordon Bracey, Roger Symes, Margot Hayward, Moyra Kittow, Mary Sackree, Karen Tripp, David Kirkpatrick, Pat Bowles, Brian Barlow, Ron Butcher, Lorraine Ismay, Wendy Easthall, Roger Sams
- The family and friends of and Albert Berry, Joan Timbers, Colin Dawson and Ronald Spitz whose funerals are taking place shortly
- Everyone affected by the atrocities perpetrated in Aleppo

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