

# PEWS NEWS

**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 welcoming and inclusive  
Church family  
Gathering in  
Three meeting places  
Around the Woottons  
Near to King's Lynn

## 14<sup>th</sup> January 2018 Epiphany 2

1 Samuel 3:1-20 p273  
Psalm 139: 1-5 12-18 p628  
Revelation 5: 1-10 p1236  
John 1: 43- end p1062

8.30am Holy Communion  
10.00am Morning Service

All Saints Church  
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## 21<sup>st</sup> of January 2018 Epiphany 3

Genesis 14. 17-20 p14  
psalm 128 p624  
Revelation 19.6-10 p1247  
John 2. 1-11 p1064

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

St. Mary's Church  
St. Mary's Church  
South Wootton village hall

### The Collect for the Second Sunday of Epiphany

Eternal Lord, our beginning and our end: bring us with the whole creation to your glory, hidden through past ages and made known in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**WELCOME** - 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 any aspect of church life or what we do please ask one of the clergy or churchwardens or visit our website [www.churchinthewoottons.net](http://www.churchinthewoottons.net) and please take this newsletter home with you.

## **THIS WEEK**

Monday 15th	10.00am	Women's Home Group
	11.00am	Gathered Holy Communion
	11.00am	Monday Church at All Saints Church
	12.30pm	CAP Prayer Meeting at Gaywood Evangelical church
	2.30pm	Holy Communion at Lisbon Court
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	2.30pm	Funeral of Martin Boughton at St. Mary's Church
	7.30pm	Wednesday Church at the Rectory
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup>	8.45am-12	Drop-in at St. Mary's Church
	7.00pm	House Group at Half-Acre Nursery Lane
	7.00pm	Choir Practice at St. Mary's Church
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup>	10–11.30	Readers and Intercessors training session at St. Mary's

## **FURTHER AHEAD**

Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	10.00am	Women's House Group
	10.30am	Wyndham House Holy communion
	11.00am	Monday Church
	12.30pm	CAP Prayer Meeting at Gaywood Evangelical church
	14.30pm	Lower Farm Holy Communion
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Funeral of John Etheridge at Mintlyn Crematorium
	7.30pm	Wednesday Church at the Rectory
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup>	8.45am-12	Drop-in at St. Mary's Church
	7.00pm	House Group at Half-Acre Nursery Lane
	7.00pm	Music Group Practice at St. Mary's Church
Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup>	7.00pm	Burns Supper and Ceilidh at South Wootton Village Hall

**A BIG CHRISTMAS, A VERY BIG THANK YOU FROM JAMES** – Hundreds of people came through the doors of our Churches over the Christmas period and we reached many more through carol singing out in our community. Thank you to those of you who helped make everything possible and to run as smoothly as it did – Church decorators, Christingle makers, sides people, technicians, musicians and singers, service sheet folders and staplers, the list goes on and on. Special thanks are due to my clergy colleagues, Dan, Richard and Linda and to our Church Wardens Jonathan, Angela and Chester.

**A MESSAGE FROM JAMES, DAN AND THEIR FAMILIES** – Thank you very much for all the lovely cards, messages and gifts we received over Christmas. These things mean a great deal to us and we are very grateful.

**RECTORY OFFICE** – We are very pleased to tell you that Laura Hawksworth is our new PA – i.e. Parish Administrator, and Personal Assistant to James. Laura will usually work in the Rectory Office on Mondays and Wednesdays 10.00 – 1.00pm, and on Thursdays 10.30 – 1.30pm. You can contact Laura on the Rectory Office number – 673742 or email her at [rectoryoffice@churchinthewoottons.net](mailto:rectoryoffice@churchinthewoottons.net)

**SOME VERY GOOD NEWS ABOUT MONEY** – Because of the generosity of many people and some astute financial management we met all our expenses in full last year – including our Parish Share payment of £61000. Well done everybody, and thank you very much indeed.

**MONDAY CHURCH** – Dan Tansey started Monday Church in a low-key way before Christmas but now this new service is being launched more publicly. Monday Church is for adults who want to go to an informal day-time church service offered as an alternative to Sundays. Monday Church is a relaxed and friendly gathering where we begin by sitting around and chatting then go on to some teaching from the bible, followed by prayer and worship, all led by a member of the clergy team. Monday church takes place from 11am to about 12:30pm at All Saint's church in North Wootton.

**SING ON TUESDAY** – On Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February we will be starting a brand new Woottons Community Choir. It will be held at South Wootton Junior School every Tuesday during term time from 7-9.00pm. We are offering two free taster sessions initially (20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> February) and then from Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March we will charge £3 per person for each evening – this will cover the cost of using the school, music, and refreshments. Barbara Backham, Jemma McRae and David Hill will lead the choir and provide musical accompaniment. No experience needed, and no auditions will be required to join the choir – everyone will be welcome. Please tell your family, your friends and come along with them!

**WEDNESDAY CHURCH** - Wednesday Church used to be called “Mid Week Church” and it used to take place on Tuesdays.... Wednesday Church is our evening based mid-week service. It has an emphasis on sung worship and extended teaching. We aim for a relaxed atmosphere in which to worship, learn and pray. Wednesday Church takes place at the Rectory, it begins at 7.30pm, ends by about 9.00pm with a cuppa for those who want it.

**THURSDAY DROP IN** - Our Drop-In runs from 8.45 – 12.00 each Thursday morning at St Mary's Church. The church is warm, there are tables to sit around, quizzes to do, games to play and toys for very young children to play with. We serve tea, coffee, squash, and delicious home baking. Never been to the Drop-In? Why not give it a go?

**MARGARET ALBINSON** – Margaret has broken her ankle and is currently immobile at home. She would welcome visitors, but asks people to let themselves in if the door is unlocked, as it takes her a very long time to get to the door at the moment.

**KING'S LYNN FOODBANK** – please remember people who may be hungry and dependant on the Foodbank. Donations of food are always needed, and boxes are available at St. Mary's, All Saints and Breakfast at 10 for your gifts.

**BURNS SUPPER AND CEILIDH** - Our annual Ceilidh combined with Burns Supper will be on January 27<sup>th</sup>, 7-11pm at South Wootton Village Hall. Dancing will be to Galopede. Tickets at £15 (half price for children) and include a 2 course meal with haggis as an option. Contact Jonathan and Penny Dossetor 01553 674022, or James at the Rectory 01553 673742

**READERS AND INTERCESSORS** – If you read in Church, or lead prayers please come to a training session at 10am on 20<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at St. Mary's Church. If you don't already read or lead prayers in Church but would like to, please come along too.

**PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR** - Plans are still underway for New Year Day of Prayer at All Saints Church now due to take place on **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2018, from 9.00am to 9.00pm**. There will be a number of different opportunities to reflect on God and think about the year ahead for our world, nation, church and ourselves. We are also hoping to create a wall hanging with contributions from everyone who attends. You are free to come any time and stay for as long as you wish, or go away and return later. Drinks will be available and the church will be warm.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR: -**

- Daphne Petts, Andrew Fielding, Margaret Murray, Jack Thorne, Pat Bowles, Katie Nash, Audrey Steven, Roger Symes, Hollie Sherring, Derek Beck, Mary Beck, Ron Butcher, Karen Tripp, Chris Moore and Margaret Albinson.
- The families and friends of Martin Boughton, John Etheridge and Joan Russell whose funerals are taking place soon.
- Monday Church and Dan as he leads it
- The staff and volunteers who are working at the King's Lynn Night Shelter
- King's Lynn Debt Centre
- Laura Hawksworth as she goes to a Church Army panel on Thursday and Friday next week
- People sleeping rough, and those struggling to make ends meet in our area.
- Iran experiencing protests and unrest.
- The people of Yemen, Libya and Syria and other places of military conflict.

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