

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

### 13<sup>th</sup> January 2019 Baptism of Christ

Isaiah 43.1-7  
 Psalm 29  
 Acts 8.14-20  
 Luke 3.15-17, 21-22

8.30am Holy Communion  
 10.00am Morning Service  
 With Children's Church  
 3.00pm Blessing Service

All Saints Church  
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### 20<sup>th</sup> January 2019 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Epiphany

Isaiah 62.1-5  
 Psalm 36.5-10  
 1 Corinthians 12.1-11  
 John 2.1-11

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 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** - *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 14 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Women's House Group
	11.00am	Monday Church at All Saints Church
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	12 midday-6.00pm	King's Lynn Men's Shed
	7.00pm	Woottons Community Choir at SW Junior School
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Funeral of Barry Ballard at Mintlyn Crematorium
	7.00pm	Wednesday Church at the Rectory
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup>	8.45am-12 midday	Dropin at St. Mary's Church
	10am-4.00pm	King's Lynn Men's Shed
	7.30pm	Home group at Half-Acre, Nursery Lane
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup>	12.30pm-1.30pm	A Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Service at the Salvation Army.
Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 – 11.00am	Breakfast with the Steele family 5, Marsh Lane
	12.30pm-1.30pm	A Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Service at The London Rd, Methodist Church
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup>	12.30pm-1.30pm	A Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Service at Church of Annunciation.

**FURTHER AHEAD**

Monday 21 <sup>st</sup>	10.00am	Women's House Group
	11.00am	Monday Church at All Saints Church
	11.00am	Gathered Holy Communion
	12.30pm-1.30pm	A Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Service at King's Lynn Baptist Church.
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	9.00am	3 <sup>rd</sup> tuesDAY
	12.30pm-1.30pm	A Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Service at King's Lynn Christian Fellowship.
	12 midday-6.00pm	King's Lynn Men's Shed
	7.00pm	Woottons Community Choir at SW Junior School
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	12.30pm-1.30pm	A Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Service at King's Lynn Minister, St Margaret's Church
	7.00pm	Wednesday Church at the Rectory
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup>	8.45am-12 midday	Dropin at St. Mary's Church
	10am-4.00pm	King's Lynn Men's Shed
	7.00pm	Music practice at St. Mary's Church
	12.30pm-1.30pm	A Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Service at St Mary's Church
	7.30pm	Home group at Half-Acre, Nursery Lane
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup>	12.30pm-1.30pm	A Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Service at king's Lynn Winter Night Shelter.
	4.00pm	Funeral of Clifford Guinan at Mintlyn Crematorium

**RECTORY OFFICE** – W/C 14<sup>th</sup> of January Laura will be in the Rectory Office on Monday and Wednesday 9.00am – 12.00pm and 9.30am – 12pm Thursday.

**WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 2019** – Churches Together in King's Lynn have organised a week of services and events over 8 days running from Friday 18<sup>th</sup> until Friday 25<sup>th</sup> January. Please take a flyer home with you containing all the dates, time and venues for the week and support it if you can. During the week a service will be held at St. Mary's Church on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> January 12.30 -1.30pm.

**MAX COLLEY'S BLESSING SERVICE** – today at All Saints at 3pm. Hazel and Ben Colley have extended an open invitation to anyone who'd like to come along.

**BISHOP'S PASTORAL VISITATION** – As a parish, we are visited every two years either by our archdeacon or by our bishop. This year it is the turn of the bishop so on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January the Bishop of Lynn the Rt. Revd. Jonathan Meyrick will be visiting the Church in the Woottons. He will want to meet a number of people from our churches including our Churchwardens and make visits to various places within the parish. Bishop Jonathan will also join us for worship on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> January.

**KING'S LYNN MEN'S LUNCH** – Ian Barber, of St. John's Church in King's Lynn is organising a lunch for men on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> January. Ian says "Dear Brothers, would you like to have a lunch at Middleton's on Saturday 26th January between 2-5pm. (Time to be arranged)? The restaurant will offer a nice change from turkey! Middleton's do have a good vegetarian option as well". Please speak to Dan if you are interested or contact us at the Rectory Office.

**MONDAY CHURCH** - Is a friendly and welcoming space where you can enjoy fellowship, learning and communion around tea and cakes. In addition to following the lectionary readings we will also be looking at the structure and narrative of the Bible from a 'big picture' perspective in the coming weeks. Come along and see what you think.

**WOOTTONS COMMUNITY CHOIR** – continues on Tuesdays 7pm at South Wootton Junior School. Anyone is welcome to join the choir with absolutely any level of skill or experience. We have over 40 members now and we think we are beginning to make quite a good sound. We sing a variety of music usually in 2 or 3 parts. Barbara Backham and Jemma McCrea lead us and we are accompanied by David Hill on piano. Would you like to give us a try? Simply turn up, or speak to James or Linda Nash for more information.

**WEDNESDAY CHURCH** – Is a small, informal church that meets on Wednesdays at the Rectory. We begin at 7pm with coffee, tea and tasty chocolate and continue with worship, teaching and prayer from 7.30pm. We aim to finish promptly by 9pm. Recently we have been learning together about healing and on Wednesday of this week we will decide together what we do next. Why not come along and give Wednesday Church a try? We will make you feel very welcome!

**DROPIN** - We have had a very successful year at the Dropin with many people attending each week. We are kept very busy, which is why we are asking for more people to join us in baking, serving, setting up and clearing away. There is a very faithful and much appreciated core of helpers, but it only needs one or two of us to be away and we realise that a bigger pool of staff is necessary. Please consider if you could join us in making the Dropin happen. We will have been open for 5 years in March, (time to party!) and I know that many folk look forward to this weekly social. Please contact me if you feel you can help in any way, or would just like more information. Thank you. Linda

**CHURCH IN THE WOOTTONS ART EXHIBITION** – As one of our major fundraising and community outreach events we are going to run an art exhibition at St. Mary's Church. The exhibition will be called "Art and Soul" and will run from Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June until Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June. Please put this event in your diaries and calendars – you may wish to exhibit, to attend, or to help! More news soon.

**A HUGE THANK YOU FROM JAMES!** – I would like to say a personal thank you to everyone who worked so hard before, during and after the Christmas Period. We held 19 Christmas events in our Churches including Church, Mothers' Union, School, Scout and Guide Carol Services, Springtime Singers Concerts, countless Christingles, and Christmas Communion Services. I estimate that around 2000 people came through our doors to celebrate Christmas with us. We felt under pressure before Christmas because of the absence of a number of key people - through ill health and family issues - but you responded magnificently to our appeal for extra help. To quote Captain Mainwaring it felt like we ran "like a well-oiled machine". Well done everyone, I am very grateful indeed. James

**COME TO BREAKFAST WITH THE STEELE FAMILY** – The Steeles will be serving breakfast on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> January 9-11.00am. Everyone is welcome to join them at 5 Marsh Lane.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR: -**

- Margaret Murray, Pat Bowles, Audrey Steven, Derek Beck, Mary Beck, Ron Butcher, Karen Tripp, Marianne Gascoyne, Katie Nash, Jane Bowett, Betty Shaul, Chris Symes, Sue O'Brien, Angela Clarke and June Pearce (Linda Nash's mum)
- Everyone who helps at and attends the Thursday Dropin at St. Mary's Church
- Everyone who helps at, hosts and attends the Friendship Coffee Mornings
- The families and friends of Barry Ballard and Clifford Guinan whose funerals will be taking place soon
- The appointment of the next Bishop of Norwich
- Our branch of the Mothers' Union – their leaders Ann and Judy and all members
- The King's Lynn Winter Night shelter
- The King's Lynn Foodbank
- The King's Lynn Debt Centre
- The Queen Elizabeth Hospital and Nick Lyons acting CEO

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