

FORTNIGHTLY 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 23rd March

1 Cor 10.1–13

Lent 3

Luke 13.1–9

10.30am

Holy Communion

St Mary's

The Prayer for the Week

Eternal God, give us insight to discern your will for us, to give up what harms us, and to seek the perfection we are promised in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Sunday 30th March

Exodus 2:1-10

Mothering Sunday

Luke 2.33–35

9.00am

Breakfast Church

All Saints

10.30am

Holy Communion

All Saints

Prayer for the Week

God of love, passionate and strong, tender and careful: watch over us and hold us all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Sunday 6th April

Philippians 3.4b –14

Lent 5

John 12.1–8

10.30am

Morning Worship

St Mary's

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 24th	10.00am	Monday House Group
Tuesday 25 th	2.00pm	House Group Willow Road
Wednesday 26 th	9.00am to 12 noon 2.15pm	Drop in NW Village Hall Lady Day Communion Mothers' Union St Mary's
Thursday 27 th	10.30am	Holy Communion St Mary's
Friday 28 th	12.30pm	Lent Lunch at Gloria Pantling's: 35 Grimston Road SW
Saturday 29 th	1.00pm	Wedding of Jamie Twaite and Poppy Thorpe St Mary's
Monday 31st	10.00am	Monday House Group
Tuesday 1 st Apr	2.00pm	House Group Willow Road
Wednesday 2 nd	9.00am to 12 noon	Drop in NW Village Hall
Thursday 3 rd	10.30am	Holy Communion St Mary's
Friday 4 th	12.30pm	Lent Lunch at Margaret & Keith Cakebread, 2 Willow Road
Monday 7th	10.00am	Monday House Group
Tuesday 8 th	2.00pm	House Group Willow Road
Wednesday 9 th	9.00am to 12 noon	Drop in NW Village Hall
Thursday 10 th	10.30am 10.30am	Holy Communion St Mary's Friendship Coffee morning, Knights Hill Hotel
Friday 11 th		

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 - The atmosphere in Moira and Mike Wesson's conservatory, when we met in March, was warm, lively and very welcoming. In April we shall meet at Knights Hill Hotel on Thursday, **10th April at 10.30 am**. There will be a charge of £3.25 for coffee/ tea and biscuits. Please go to the main hotel, turn right in the foyer and keep going until you reach the room at the end. The idea for these mornings is just to relax and enjoy being with other people. Anyone is welcome so please come along if you wish. Alternatively, if you know of someone who might benefit from coming, just let me know. Please contact me if you would like to know more, have a lift or someone to go with, – contact details below. Gloria Pantling 01553 671912 / 07570262766/ gloriapantling@btinternet.com

LENT LUNCHES - Details of our Friday lent lunches are in the diary section. Please arrive for a lunch of soup, bread and cheese from 12.30pm. There is no charge for the meal, but donations will be gratefully received. All money donated at the Lent Lunches this year will be split between King's Lynn Foodbank and The Church in the Woottons general account.

VISITING CLERGY –Bishop Graham will preach and preside on 23rd March at St Mary's and Fiona Munn will preach and preside on 30th March at All Saints. We look forward to giving them a warm welcome. We are very grateful for the support of all the visiting clergy during the vacancy.

BISHOP'S LENT APPEAL 2025 - Our next Sunday service on at St Mary's **23rd March** will be taken by Bishop Graham. We thought it would be nice to have a collection at that service to support the [Bishop's Lent Appeal](#). Any cash going in the plate or donated via the card machine will go to the appeal. Any donations using the envelopes will go to TCITW as usual. It would be lovely if you could come prepared to support this worthy cause.

SAD NEWS We received some very sad news this week. Hazel Clench had been unwell and was hospitalised last week. Sadly, she passed away at 12.30 am on Tuesday morning. Our hearts go out to Hazel's family and friends and we will miss her from our church family. Please pray for all who knew and loved her.

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, earthquakes and floods.
- The people of Ukraine, Israeli hostages, Gaza, the West Bank, Lebanon, Yemen, Sudan, South Sudan and Burkina Faso.
- Bishops Graham, Jane and Ian, and Archdeacon Catherine.
- 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, and our musicians.
- For all those connected with the parish who are sick including Cathy Fielding who has broken her hip.
- The family and friends of Hazel Clench
- 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.
- The launch of the Homegrown Project.

Rector	<i>The Church in the Woottons is in Vacancy</i> Please contact us by phone 01553 673742 email rectoryoffice@churchinthewoottons.net
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St Mary’s Church	Church Lane, South Wootton, PE30 3LJ