

WHEATHILL PRIORY BENEFICE

"Jesus Lives: Follow Him"

Sunday 23 January 2022 Epiphany 3

Our Bible readings in Epiphany lead us through a series of 'epiphanies' or revelations about who Jesus is:

- To the wise men as they worship and present gifts
- In the baptism as Jesus is proclaimed the son with whom his Father is well pleased
- As water is changed into wine and Jesus glory is revealed and the disciples believe in him
- In the synagogue as Jesus announces to his hearers that the Scripture has been fulfilled in their hearing.

In each case and in each place those present are presented with a challenge and thereafter need to decide how they respond:

- The wise men travelled, ready to listen and respond
- For John the Baptist it was seeing the end of his ministry as Jesus began his
- Mary began to see the difference between her son and others, the disciples saw something of the ministry to which Jesus was called
- The listeners in the synagogue were challenged about the words from someone they'd known from youth.

Next week as Epiphany reaches its end Simeon and Anna meet the infant child and respond to him for themselves. Meanwhile we too are asked how we respond to this revealing of Jesus and how is that shown in our life and faith?

Remember the choir are Wasailing in Kingweston at 6pm on Saturday! All welcome, you need torch, wellies, warm clothes, something to make a noise and a mug for your mulled cider/apple juice.

Bible Readings

Sunday 23 January Psalm 19, 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a, Luke 4:14-21

8:30am Holy Communion Lydford on Fosse

10:30am Morning Prayer Barton St David

2:30pm Covenant Service Keinton Mandeville Methodist Chapel

4:00pm Faith 'n Fun Keinton Mandeville Churchyard (or church if wet)

Monday Psalm 108, Genesis 11:27-12:9, Matthew 26:1-16

9am Morning Prayer Keinton Mandeville

Tuesday Psalm 66, Ezekiel 3:22-end, Philippians 3:1-14 (Conversion of Paul)

Wednesday Psalm 46, Genesis 14, Matthew 36:36-46

9am Morning Prayer Barton St David

Thursday Psalm 47, Genesis 15, Matthew 26:47-56

9am Morning Prayer in Lydford

Friday Psalm 65, Genesis 16, Matthew 26:57-end

Saturday Psalm 68, Genesis 17:1-22, Matthew 27:1-10

Sunday 23 January

10:30am Benefice & Chapel Service of Holy Communion Kingweston

Morning Prayer has restarted in all three parishes, 9am on Monday in Keinton, Wednesday in Barton & Thursday in Lydford.

Our condolences go to the family of Dennis Lee of East Lydford who died last Saturday (8/1). His funeral will be in St Peter's Lydford on Fosse at 11:30am on 2/2/22

Forthcoming worship

30/1/22 10:30am Joint Holy Communion for the Benefice and Methodist Chapel in Kingweston

6/2/22 8:30am Morning Prayer Keinton Mandeville

10:30am Holy Communion by Extension Lydford on Fosse

13/2/22 10:30am Benefice Holy Communion Keinton Mandeville

On Saturday 22 January at 6:00pm the Choir are holding a Wassailing evening in Kingweston, please wear wellies, wrap up warm, bring a cup for your mulled apple juice or cider and come to enjoy some time together!

Phone Church

We have set up a phone line that you can use (for the cost of a local call so probably free for most) to listen to a reading, the reflection and prayers of intercession for the week. The phone number is **01458 552155**. The service will be available from Monday morning.

There is also the Church of England Daily Hope phone line, which has hymns, prayers and reflection



YouTube

Our weekly worship continues to be available on YouTube, we hope to livestream the services as they happen, so from 10:30am. If that fails we will upload them after the service. You can find the service here:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9tB_kpGA8SZwwyE9AmKvmg/videos?view=57

Bible Book Club

Bible Book club is reading the Letter to the Ephesians and our next meeting will be in the new year, because the Advent course is on the day we'd planned to meet! Why not come along & see what happens?

Our guidelines for how we conduct our worship are:

- Masks are now mandatory
- We sing
- We film and livestream/record & post to YouTube
- We continue to take details of who is present for track and trace
- You can either sit in close proximity with someone or be distanced (if you want to be distanced please take a notice and put it on the pew beside you)
- Communion continues to be administered in pews and in one kind only