

Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who has helped us throughout this strange year. To the Worship Team who have not only lead us each week, wherever we have found ourselves, but have also provided many hours of pastoral care to those in our communities, schools and online spaces.

To our Church Wardens and members of our PCCs who have worked so hard to ensure our churches are safe, welcoming places for people who wish to pray privately. For all those in our parishes who spend hours cleaning our churches, beautifying them with floral arrangements and again ensuring that everything is safe and compliant for our Sunday worship. To our choirs and musicians who have kept the music alive whilst we are unable to sing.

For all those in our congregations and communities who made things happen—thank you! From the first lockdown where we saw the real meaning of love and compassion as strangers helped strangers to our Advent season where groups have come together to make events like our Drive-in services, which were once just a dream, become reality!

Each prayer, every ounce of loving kindness and every good turn has been the balm that has soothed us through this difficult year and will continue to fortify us in 2021. Wishing you all a blessed Christmas and a hope filled New Year.

Sunday 3rd January (Epiphany)

9.00am	Salle	Holy Communion
10.30am	Weston Longville	Holy Communion
10.30am	Elsing	Holy Communion
10.30am	Sparham	OASIS
10.30am	Reepham	Café Church



Pew Notes

Friday 25th December (Christmas Day)

9.00am	Salle	Holy Communion (BCP)
9.45am	Thurning	Family Christmas Service
10.00am	Elsing	Christmas Day Family Communion
10.30am	Reepham	Christmas Day Family Communion
10.30am	Weston	Christmas Day Family Communion
6.00pm	Zoom Online	“Quiet” Christmas Service

Thank you to everyone who donated Christmas treats and food for the Foodbank Christmas Hampers. These donations really made a difference to those families and individuals who have found themselves in financial difficulty this Christmas leaving them without food. Our Foodbank collection points are still open and currently they are short of:

- ◆ Puddings
- ◆ Sweet Treats
- ◆ Tinned Rice Puddings
- ◆ Nappies (Size 4-6)
- ◆ Shampoo

If you are able to donate any of these items, they can be donated at Diane’s Pantry, Reepham, Lyng Stores, Lyng and to Pam Smith, 4, Broad Lane, Swannington. Thank you for continuing to make a difference.

Sunday 27th December (First Sunday of Christmas)

9.00am	Bylaugh	Matins
9.00am	Online—Website	Pre-recorded Carols service
10.30am	Swannington	Whole Benefice Communion

Please see over for services for Sunday 3rd January, any amendments relating to Tier 4 restrictions will be updated on the website and Facebook

Sunday 25th December

GOSPEL John 1:1-14

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

Sunday 27th December

GOSPEL Luke 2:15-21

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us."

So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them. After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

There will be no Morning and Evening Prayer from 24th December, but

Daily Prayer will return on Monday 4th January 2021

Daily Prayer	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Morning Prayer	8am St Michael's	8am St Michael's	8am St Michael's	8am Zoom Online
Holy Communion			11am St Mary's	
Midday Prayer			12noon Zoom Online	
Evening Prayer		6pm St Michael's	6pm St Michael's	6pm Zoom Online

Alpha Course

We will be running an Alpha Course for those with curious minds and wondering hearts!

Join us on Zoom from 13th January until 24th March 2021, with a week off for February half term, Wednesday evenings 7:00pm onwards.

As we can't meet in person for a shared meal, you will receive a hospitality treat each week so please let us know any dietary requirements. Everyone is welcome for those with more question than answers to those who delve a little deeper into their faith.

Please register with Annie Dack on parishofficerwv@gmail.com for all joining information.



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