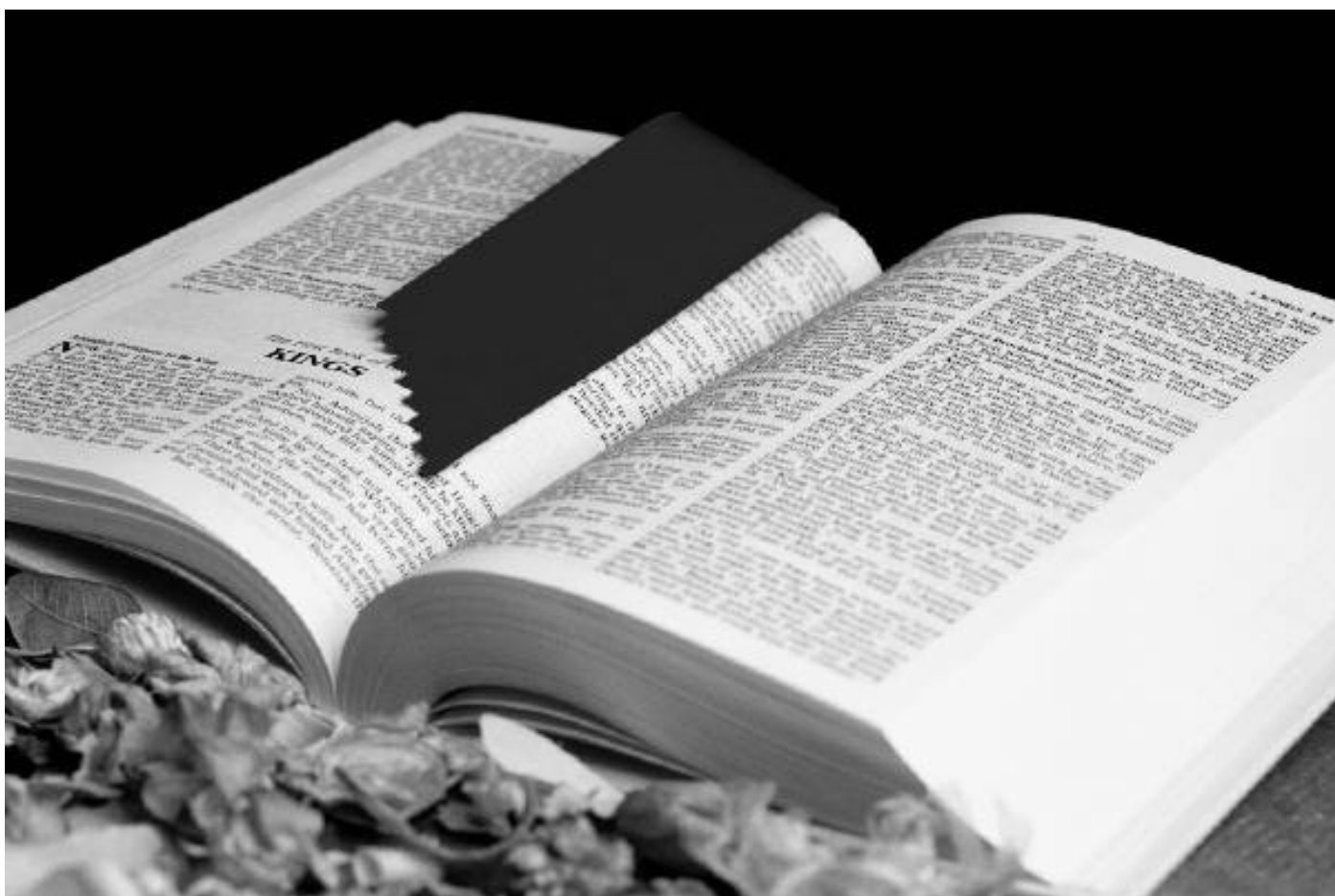


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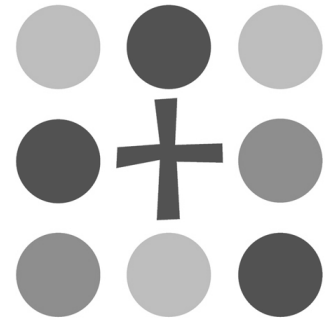
Dear Friends

2011 sees the celebration of two very significant events in our history, culture and lives. In 1611 the King James Version of the Bible was published. It was the first Bible written in the English language which would be accessible to even a plough boy! Since its publication it has had an amazing impact on our society: not only was it for many generations the only version available to many English speakers, it became the impetus for many other versions of the Bible published in later centuries. It has changed the way we speak, is the source of many well known phrases made famous from the pulpit, the theatre and concert hall and was for many the only book in the house and often the text from which the English language was learned in the British Colonies. My first Bible was given to me aged 11; 40 plus years on I'm still using it.

Our celebration service will be on 6 February at Langar. You are invited to join us (details on page 8/9) and, if you wish, to bring a Bible, whatever version.

The second celebration is the 200th anniversary of the founding of the "National Society" which created our church schools across the country long before the State sponsored provision for all children (see article on page 3). Look out for Education Sunday services on 20 February when we also give thanks for all of our schools locally and all involved in education.

Books and schooling start us off on the journey of life-long learning; no matter when we left formal education, there is still more to learn. We are thankful for both our schools and the Bible. So I hope you will join us in our celebrations and celebrate not only life-long learning but also the liberating truth revealed in the Bible that God's love for us is life-long too.



***Learning
is life-long,
so is God's
love for us!***

Bronwen Gamble. Rector of the Wiverton Group of Parishes

HAPPY BIRTHDAY—200 YEARS OLD!

This year, Education Sunday (*20th February*) will be the launch date for celebrations to mark the two hundredth anniversary of the founding of the "*National Society for the Education of the Poor in the Principles of the established Church*".....today widely known as **The National Society**.

The National Society was founded in 1811 with a vision to educate the largest possible number of young people from all backgrounds based on the Christian Gospel as understood by the Church of England. This pioneering vision was brought into reality through a huge programme of building, staffing and equipping new schools - fifty years before the State provided free education. This founding commitment to providing inclusive and distinctive education remains the Church of England's commitment today and into the future. To commemorate this, there is to be a major celebration at Westminster Abbey on Friday, 14th October. Locally a candle will be journeying around the Southwell Diocese starting at Southwell Holy Trinity Infant School. It will visit Langar C.E. Primary School on February 7th, and finish back at Southwell Minster for a celebratory service, led by Bishop Paul, on Saturday, 19th November.

Why not celebrate this legacy and give thanks for the commitment of school staff, governors and students by joining your local church on Education Sunday this year?

The Alpha Course

Have you thought of going?

Over the last two years many folk from the villages covered by the Wiverton Group, have. As a result, they have experienced a big boost in their faith.

Do you know anyone who might like to come to this year's course? Please think and pray about it.

Find out more!

*At the Group Services from February to April

*At a 'Taster Evening' on 13th April, 7pm at Colston Bassett Village Hall, over a meal, in a relaxed and friendly setting.

The Alpha Course will start on 4th May from 7.00 - 9.30pm (with a meal provided) and run on consecutive Wednesdays until **13th July**

For more information please contact Edward Hine on 01949 81818 or edward@edwardhine.co.uk

House Groups in the Wiverton Group

To learn together and support one another through Bible study, prayer and fellowship – all welcome

Langar: Usually on alternate Mondays 8.00pm – please check with Robin & Julie Coles 01949 860 655, randj4494@talktalk.net

Cropwell Bishop: Tuesdays, 2.15 for 2.30–4.00pm
Derek & Hilary Tabron, 0115 9894836
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Colston Bassett: Wednesdays, 7.45 for 8.00–9.30pm
Edward Hine 01949 81818 edward@edwardhine.co.uk

Or contact the Rector, Revd Bronwen Gamble, details on the back page.

MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT/TRIBUTE NIGHTS

Barnstone Bowls Club put on another super evening on 8th October last year in aid of Macmillan. For those who were not there, a Tribute Night was held at Cotgrave Welfare featuring a guest appearance from Red Mick from mid-Wales who performed all Mick Hucknall's (Simply Red) hit songs to such a high standard that everyone seemed mesmerised. Also on the bill was Millie Munro from London, whose tribute to Tina Turner had everyone bopping and shaking. It was all so good that one lady who was attending for the first time was heard to say, "I can't believe it! That's only the second time in 28 years of marriage that my husband has got up to dance and the first was on our wedding day."

We raised £798 on the night but with contributions from other sources we sent £900 to Macmillan. Thank you everyone who supported us. There were 179 tickets sold although, because it was earlier this time, we clashed with many people's holidays and were down a bit on normal sales.

The next one is on March 18th and, quite honestly, is a night not to be missed. "Oh yeah," I hear you say, but how many of you can remember songs like 'Pass the Duchy to the Left Hand Side'? It was recorded by Musical Youth who, by their own admission, are no longer youths, so they call themselves Brothers In Soul. As well as their own songs, they are going to provide a fantastic Motown and Soul night featuring the hits of The Temptations, The Four Tops and The Drifters among others. Brilliant!

If you would like to support this by buying tickets or making a donation, ring either **Steve Wrate on 01949 861353** or **John Parker on 01949 860301**. Tickets are £9.00 including a free raffle. Doors open at 8.00pm and it normally finishes about 11.30pm. See you there!

HELP US - HELP YOU!

For nearly 25 years the Radcliffe-on-Trent Advice Centre has given help to local residents including those in neighbouring communities. Staffed by volunteers and based in the Grange Hall, it is open each Thursday between 9.30am and 12.30pm. The service is free and strictly confidential. No appointment is necessary. Home visits can be arranged for those unable to get to the Hall.

Over the past 2 years enquiries have doubled to nearly 300. Home visits have quadrupled. In these difficult times the increase in enquiries is not surprising. The bulk of enquiries are about welfare benefits, debts, employment and housing.

The Advice Centre now faces the prospect of even more enquiries due to the effect of cuts made by the Notts County Council. Its Welfare Rights Service, offering information and advice about benefits, is being axed. The Council's funding of local Citizens Advice Bureaux is being cut by two-thirds. All this means that more people will have to turn to organisations like the Radcliffe Advice Centre for help and advice.

Up to now the Advice Centre has received a small grant from the County Council for its essential running costs. But the chances of future funding by the County Council are negligible.

"We are a successful organisation which gets results," says Brian Kent, the Centre's Chairman. "For example, in recent months we have secured at least 6 tax refunds and, for one client, obtained a refund of over £95,000 for insurance mis-selling. For those with debts, almost invariably we are able to negotiate payment arrangements they can afford. We are planning to extend our work through outreach points and will be exploring opportunities to secure fresh funding."

"We need more volunteers to cope with the demand on our services, especially as we extend our outreach. No qualifications are required. Training will be given."

If you feel you can help, why not drop in to see the team on a **Thursday morning**, or contact **Brian** on **0115 9899123**.



'Would you know how to save a life?'

For just two hours of your time you could learn simple life saving skills, by attending a Heartstart UK emergency life support course.

Heartstart UK is an initiative co-ordinated by the British Heart Foundation aimed at teaching members of the public what to do in an emergency situation.

This course is provided free of charge, and covers a range of skills including CPR, the recovery position and how to manage severe bleeding. At the end of the course you will receive a certificate of attendance.

2011 Heartstart course dates are as follows:

2nd February, 15th March, 27th April, 6th June, 25th July, 6th September and 26th October

All courses start at 7.00 pm

Venues to be arranged around the Vale of Belvoir

For further details of the courses/to book a place contact Jayne Whitehead 01949 860662

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Tuesday 1st February 2011

7.30 pm at the Memorial Hall

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Messy Church!

Saturday 5 February

A "messy church" afternoon of activities and fun based on the theme of God's creation, at St Andrew's Langar from 2.30pm to 5.00pm, for adults and children alike. Come on your own or as a family at 2.30pm or drop off the school-aged children and join us at 4.00pm for the last hour including tea and buns. Further details from Bronwen (the Rector - see back page)

Coming Soon



Elton Garden Party

in support of the parish church



Saturday, May 14th 2- 4pm

We are looking for your surplus plants to sell. So, why not plant an extra packet this Spring and donate them?

Women's World Day of Prayer 2011

The country being celebrated this year is **Chile**.

Services will take place on **Friday, March 4th:**

1.45pm - St Andrew's, Langar

7.30pm - Methodist Church, Cropwell Bishop

Everybody is welcome

All Saints Church, Granby invite you to their annual

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Wanted: Readers for this year's Holy Week Drama.

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There are no lines to learn and no acting.

Each evening in Holy Week (except

Thursday), we re-enact the Passion, each character being read by a different reader.

Each instalment lasts up to 30 minutes and is preceded by a short evening service of Compline (15—20 minutes). Each night is in a different church, beginning at Langar on Palm Sunday, at 6pm, then continuing around the Group at 7.30pm each evening.

We will rehearse each Monday in Lent and again during Holy Week, after each evening's reading.

It **is** quite a commitment, but **very** rewarding. There are some big parts middle-sized parts, quite small parts and some suitable for children. Please contact me for more details

David Sibley (0115 989 2360)



LOOKING AHEAD (dates for your diary)

MOTHERING SUNDAY Sunday, 3rd April (special services in most churches)

PALM SUNDAY Sunday, 17th April: Donkey led procession from The Unicorn, Langar to St Andrew's Church for Group Worship at 10.00am.

GOOD FRIDAY Friday, 22nd April: Pilgrimage from St Giles, Cropwell Bishop (11.30am) to St John's, Colston Bassett for lunch (and 1pm service), continuing to St Andrew's, Langar for Hot Cross Buns and service at 2.15pm.

EASTER DAY Sunday, 24th April: full details in next issue.



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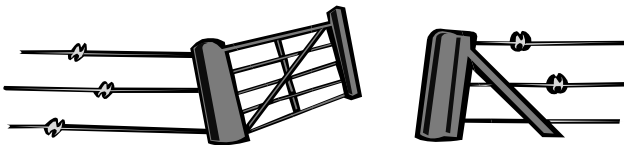
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From the Registers 2010/11

Baptisms

21 Nov	Cate Elizabeth Swallow	St John the Divine, Colston Bassett
28 Nov	Carl Dafydd Thompson	St Giles, Cropwell Bishop
12 Dec	Alfie Graham Harper	St Andrew's, Langar
9 Jan	Isaac Christopher Fitch	St Giles, Cropwell Bishop

Marriages

18 Dec	Simon Charles Barlow Tracie Berridge	St Giles, Cropwell Bishop
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From the Registers 2010/11 (CONT.)

Funerals

22 Nov	Audrey May Strociak, late of Cropwell Bishop	St Giles, Cropwell Bishop
22 Nov	Arthur Cockayne late of Cropwell Butler	Holy Trinity, Tythby
23 Nov	Siegmund Fahl formerly of Barnstone	Grantham Crematorium
9 Dec	Mark Seaton, late of Barnstone	Wilford Hill
7 Dec	Euan Douglas Haig, late of Flawborough, formerly of Elton	St Michael's, Elton
22 Dec	Ellen Maria Thornton, late of Cropwell Bishop	Wilford Hill
6 Jan	Thomas Martin Taylor, late of Cropwell Bishop	Wilford Hill
7 Jan	William Green, late of Cropwell Bishop	St Giles, Cropwell Bishop
11 Jan	Charles Herbert Dolby, late of Granby	All Saints, Granby
18 Jan	Gillian Holmes, late of Cropwell Bishop	St Giles, Cropwell Bishop
20 Jan	Margaret Lister, late of Sutton	All Saints, Granby



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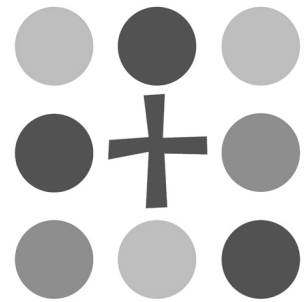
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