

**ST NICOLAS' CHURCH, HAIL WESTON**  
**November 2020**

**VILLAGE NEWSLETTER**

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A message from Revd Nicki Bland:

*Dear Friends*

Once again, we are in that time of remembering, with our Memorial Service held on October 31<sup>st</sup>, All Saints' Day on November 1<sup>st</sup> and hopefully a Service of Remembrance will be held on November 8<sup>th</sup>.

I am sure that at this time of uncertainty many of you are looking back and remembering happier and more secure times. And although this is traditionally the time in the Church's calendar that we are encouraged to do this, I think that we should be living for today, making the most of the present, in whatever circumstances we find ourselves.

The Sermon on the Mount is a collection of the sayings of Jesus that can be found in Matthew chapters six and seven, and at the end of the very well-known passage telling us not to worry and looking at the birds of the air and the lilies of the field we are told, 'So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today.'

So, how do we do this when if we turn on the radio or the television and all we hear is doom and gloom? Well, I think it is very important to plan our days, have projects on the go and most of all to get out and walk, so that we meet other people to at least say 'hello' to.

This week I have managed to join a couple of friends on different walks, and also, I was invited by the WI to join them on their walk. There are plenty of easy routes around the village and if you don't mind a little mud, the walk up to Perry or Little Staughton and back can be completed in a couple of hours. Obviously I am working, but it is good to have a book on the go, at the moment I am reading 'With God in Russia' by Walter Ciszek a book that has been lent to me by one of my parishioners after buying it following one of my sermons where Walter was mentioned. There is also a huge pile of jigsaws outside and in my house which can be borrowed, I had never really taken to jigsaws but since lockdown I have completed a number and really enjoyed them. I have another project on the go which is doing up a couple of chairs which have seen better days. A friend and I have also rediscovered the love of cooking and are enjoying experimenting with different recipes.

So even at this time make the most of each day because as it says in Isaiah 43- a message to Israel after they have endured a long period of exile.

'Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters I will be with you; and through the rivers they shall not overwhelm you: when you walk through the fire you will not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you.'

*With blessings and prayers  
Nicki Bland*

# CHURCH SERVICES

Services for November 2020 - Subject to change!

**Zoom ID 712447549**

**Password 022067**

## **Zoom**

On Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays - 8.30 am  
Morning Prayer,

5.30 p.m. Evening Prayer

**Sun 1<sup>st</sup>** 8.00am - BCP Holy Communion

9.00am - Parish Communion led by Great Staughton

**Sun 8<sup>th</sup>** 6.00pm - Service of hymns and readings for Remembrance

**Sun 15<sup>th</sup>** 9.00am - Parish Communion led by Great Staughton

**Sun 22<sup>th</sup>** 9.00am - Parish Communion led by Little Staughton

**Sun 29<sup>th</sup>** 10.30am - Benefice Communion

## **Hail Weston St. Nicolas**

**Wed 4<sup>th</sup>** 10.00am - Morning Prayer

**Sun 8<sup>th</sup>** 9.00am - Remembrance Day Parish Communion

**Sun 15<sup>th</sup>** 3.00pm - Creative Communion

## **Great Staughton St. Andrew's**

**Sun 8<sup>th</sup>** 10.45am - Remembrance Service Outside

**Sun 22<sup>nd</sup>** 10.30am - Parish Communion

**Sun 29<sup>th</sup>** **Patronal Festival** 6.00pm Evensong to celebrate St Andrew's Day

## **Little Staughton All Saints**

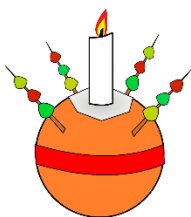
**Sun 1<sup>st</sup>** **Patronal Festival** 10.30am - Parish Communion

**Sun 8<sup>th</sup>** 10.45 - Remembrance Service Outside?

**Sun 15<sup>th</sup>** 10.30am - Parish Communion

## Dates for your Diary

### **Festive Christingle service at St Nicolas' Church**



#### **Christmas Eve**

Look out for more details in the December issue

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### **Grand Bake Off! Sunday 5th December**



A virtual cafe and real cake event from the  
**Hail Weston Neighbourhood Café**  
in support of local charities.



You order and we deliver cake, you make tea, you join the online cafe (or just eat the cake at your leisure), you donate - simple!

Look out for emails and e-newsletters for more details or, if you don't do computers, call June on 01480 475884.

### **St Nicolas Church 100 Club 2020/21**

The winners of the October 100 Club Draw are as follows:

|           |               |              |        |
|-----------|---------------|--------------|--------|
| 1st prize | Ticket no. 43 | N Capper     | £50.00 |
| 2nd prize | Ticket no. 31 | Brian Morgan | £25.00 |
| 3rd prize | Ticket no. 71 | Guy Clements | £10.00 |

Congratulations to all the winners!

Hail Weston Parochial Church Council

## St Nicolas' Parochial Church Council Hail Weston – Fundraising

We are all so aware of the limitations that Covid has brought to our lives. As a direct result of the restrictions fundraising for the cost of the Ministry together with upkeep of our church and grounds has been severely limited yet expenses still continue. Each year we need to raise in the region of £18000 in order to meet our commitments in full.

Anyone wishing to provide financial support can do so by cheque made out to “Hail Weston PCC”

These can be deposited in the donation box situated just inside the church to the right-hand side as you enter. (The church is open on Wednesdays and Sundays)

Cheques can also be handed to a PCC member or sent to Barry Easom, PCC Treasurer, 6 Barker Close, Hail Weston, PE19 5GG.( tel: 01480 217034 email: beasom@beasom.plus.com)

You can also contact Barry If you would like to make regular donations by standing order.

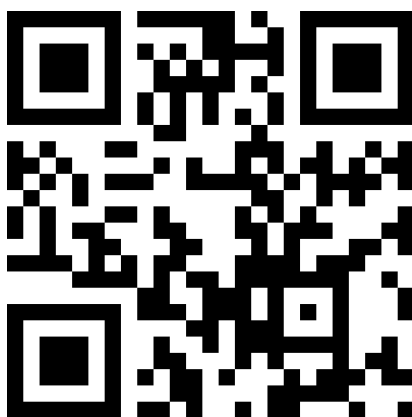
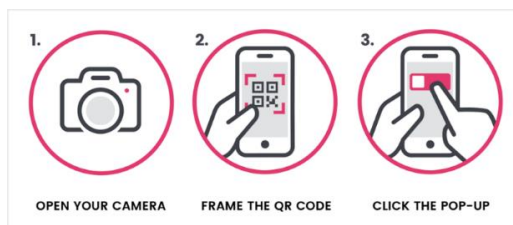
All conversations and transactions will be confidential and subject to General Data Protection regulations.

We are all being forced into a cashless society so technology is increasingly in use therefore donations can be made via the Tap & Scan application on smart phones and other internet connected devices.

On the Google Play Store or the Apple App Store download the Tap&Scan app. It's provided by (Thyngs) and its logo is orange. (Using this app you can scan QR codes without getting adverts which is handy).



### Tap & Scan



You will have an option to add Gift Aid if you are a UK tax payer. Completing this element enables the church to claim an additional 25% on your donation from HMRC.

When the process is complete you will receive an email confirmation.

## **News from the Churches of Great Staughton, Little Staughton and Hail Weston**

During the time we can't meet up, here is a way of keeping in touch with what is happening through our Church network.

There is now an electronic newsletter which gives a weekly update from the Staughtons with Hail Weston Church family. If you would like to be included in its circulation please email giving permission to:

[elizabeth.edmunds4@gmail.com](mailto:elizabeth.edmunds4@gmail.com)

### **Covid 19 - Hail Weston Mutual Aid**

**Hail Weston has its own Covid-19 Mutual Aid Group where we can support each other during these difficult times. If you need help or you would like to volunteer then please get in touch.**

#### **Possible Support Options are:**

Arranging Deliveries  
Picking up Shopping & Medication  
A friendly Phone Call  
Posting Mail  
Urgent Supplies  
Help topping up Electric or Gas key

**Phone call or text to 07513-914986**

**Email:** [marianmulcahy@btinternet.com](mailto:marianmulcahy@btinternet.com) and /or  
[martin@baughan.org.uk](mailto:martin@baughan.org.uk)

**Just call or text and we will do our best to help you (for free!)**

**Even if you're self-isolating, you're not alone**

**THE VILLAGE HALL**

**Contact: Dawn Isaac (01480 581634)**

Hire Rates: £10 ph Hail Weston Residents £12 ph Non-Village Residents

Deposit: £20

**PRE-SCHOOL ACTIVITY GROUP** Monday-Friday 9.15am - 2.15pm term time

**Contact: Sam Hitchen (during pre-school session) on 01480 214574**

**If you have news, articles or events for inclusion in the next issue, please contact Ruth. Publication deadline is 15<sup>th</sup> of each month (7.00pm)**

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