#### Astwick Vale Pews News 19th January 2025

### SERVICE FOR 19th January 2025

The second Sunday after the Epiphany

10.30am, Aynho, Benefice Holy Communion
Readings
Isaiah 62:1-5,
1Corinthians 12:1-11,
John 2:1-11
Colour White

Collect

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

#### Amen <u>Post Communion</u>

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the

light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

SERVICES FOR 26th January 2025

The third Sunday after the Epiphany

9.15am, Aynho, Holy Communion

11.00am Croughton, Morning Prayer

5.30pm, Evenley, Evensong

9.15am, Farthinghoe, Morning Prayer

> 11.00am, Hinton, Holy Communion

> > Colour White

We are drawn to your feet in worship.

Your creation facing its creator Hearts laid bare by your light, Humbly asking for your mercy. We come to you as a people in need of assurance and forgiveness.

We come to you as a people in need of healing and wholeness.

The Churches of Aynho, Croughton, Evenley, Farthinghoe, Hinton and Steane office@astwickvalebenefice.org 01869 810903

new website address www.astwickvalebenefice.org

We come dependent upon your love.

Draw us close.
Enfold us in your arms.
Fill us with your Spirit
that we might reflect your light
within this dark world,
speak your Word with boldness
and draw others to your feet.
We ask this through your dear
Son Jesus Christ, Amen



#### **PRAYERS**

18<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> January is the Week of prayer for Christian unity – the prayer is, **Ephesians 4:25**-

God grant us the patience to work together, bring us all together as a family. Let us work together with understanding and compassion in our hearts. Let us not be rude or arrogant towards one another, as we light the way to your heavenly kingdom.

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We pray for all who live or work within the parishes of our Benefice, and for those known to us who are sick in body, mind, or spirit, at home or in hospital and who need God's loving touch at this time. --Among them are -

- Paula, Pip & Katie, Douglas, Jackie, Norman, Bruce, Tony, Peter, Dawn, Janet.
- For all those struggling with health issues, especially those in hospital & those awaiting treatment.
- For the family of Mrs Janet
   'Bet' Allen (formerly of Aynho),
   as they prepare for her
   funeral.
- For the family & friends of Christine Edwards as they prepare for her funeral.
- Holly as she continues to be monitored. Thank you so much for your prayers.
- Wendy & Jeremy
- For HM King Charles III & all members of the Royal family, especially for HM Queen

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Camilla. For the staff & the many volunteers of Katherine House Hospice who provide specialist palliative care for adults with life limiting conditions across North Oxfordshire, South Northamptonshire & South Warwickshire.

Our churches are always open for private prayer; all are welcome. - (Croughton by appointment only)



#### <u>Date for January 2025</u> 25<sup>th</sup> Burns Night

Dates for February 2025
2nd Candlemas
11th, Evenley Village soup
lunch, 12.00 – 1pm
All welcome
14th Farthinghoe, 10.00am
– 11.00 coffee, cake & chat
in the vestry- all welcome
14th St.Valentine's Day

Have a look at our Benefice website.

## www.astwickvalebenefice.org Telephone number (01869) 810903

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of our churches.

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#### For your information

A Rough Guide to the PCC Parochial Church Council

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The PCC looks after the general running of the Church and oversees the finances of the same by law.

The PCC consists of various members; the Rector; 6 or 9 elected PCC members, plus exoficio member, namely the Churchwardens; Deanery Synod Representatives, and the nominated officers being the PCC secretary and the PCC treasurer. All Parochial Church Councillors are elected to and serve for a maximum period of three consecutive years, after which they are required to stand down before seeking re-election. It is ideal if 1/3 of the PCC's members are elected each year.

Any member of the church can stand for election onto the PCC as long as they have registered to be on the Church Electoral Role and are over 18 years of age. You should find a list of your local PCC members displayed in your church with a list of members on the church Electoral role.



# And Finally Robert Burns 25/1/1759 - 21/7/1796 Scottish poet and lyricist. His most famous work is 'Auld Lang Syne', which we all sing to welcome the new year in. His birth is celebrated on 25<sup>th</sup> January and is called 'Burns Night'

One of his famous quotes is :'Some hae meat and canna eat,
and some wad eat that want it;
But we hae meat, and we can
eat, Sae let the Lord be thankit."

This quote addresses that we should be thankful for the food we have because there are many people across the world who are not so fortunate.

Who would believe that even 229 years after his death, there are still people around the world suffering starvation.



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