

### Our vision at St Julian's

We long to see people - *'Living lives worthy of the Lord, that seek to please Him in every way, that bear fruit in every good work, that grow in the knowledge of God and are being strengthened according to His glorious might.'* - Colossians 1:10-11



## Shaping our Future

In response to God's immense love for us, we seek to be  
***God's people living and telling the story of Jesus***

We have discerned three priorities for action that need to be at the centre of our diocesan life to help each and every one of us:

- 1. To place mission and evangelism at the heart of everything we do.**
- 2. To realign our ministry resources towards mission.**
- 3. To identify, develop and use the gift of all our people**

*Gracious God, may your Holy Spirit guide us into the future.  
Help us, throughout the diocese, to show uninhibited reliance on your grace and power as we seek the renewal of our lives.  
Give us courage, rigour, imagination and generosity in order that your kingdom may come and your abundant life be known by all. Amen*



## The Parish of Wellow Children's Christmas Service CHRISTMAS WRAPPED UP 4.30pm - Christmas Eve 2017

### WELCOME

Welcome to our Christmas Eve Nativity Service  
Please join in the hymns and carols and any responses.  
Good afternoon and a very warm welcome to you all.  
We all look forward excitedly to TOMORROW – CHRISTMAS DAY!

### CAROL 1

*Come and Join the celebration  
It's a very special day;  
Come and share our jubilation,  
There's a new King born today!*

See the shepherds  
Hurry down to Bethlehem;  
Gaze in wonder  
At the Son of God  
who lay before them.

Wise men journey,  
Led to worship by a star,  
Kneel in homage,  
Bringing precious gifts  
from lands afar, so  
'God is with us,'  
'round the world the message bring;  
He is with us,  
'Welcome!' all the bells on  
earth are pealing.

### CAROL 2

- 1 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!  
Unnumbered blessings, give my spirit voice;  
tender to me the promise of his word;  
in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.
- 2 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his Name!  
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;  
his mercy sure, from age to age the same;  
his holy Name, the Lord, the Mighty One.
- 3 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!  
Powers and dominions lay their glory by.  
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,  
the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.
- 4 Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!  
Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.  
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord  
to children's children and for evermore!

**CAROL 3**

1 O little town of Bethlehem,  
how still we see thee lie!  
above thy deep and dreamless sleep  
the silent stars go by:  
yet in thy dark streets shineth  
the everlasting Light;  
the hopes and fears of all the years  
are met in thee tonight.

2 O morning stars, together  
proclaim the holy birth,  
and praises sing to God the King,  
and peace to men on earth.  
For Christ is born of Mary;  
and, gathered all above,  
while mortals sleep, the angels keep  
their watch of wondering love.

**CAROL 4**

1. Away in a manger, no crib for His bed  
The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head  
The stars in the bright sky looked down where He lay  
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay  
2 The cattle are lowing the Baby wakes  
But little Lord Jesus no crying He makes  
I love Thee, Lord Jesus look down from the sky  
And stay by my side, 'Til morning is nigh.  
3 Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask Thee to stay  
Close by me forever and love me I pray  
Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care  
And take us to heaven to live with Thee there

**CAROL 5**

While shepherds watched  
their flocks by night  
all seated on the ground  
The angel of the Lord came down  
And glory shone around  
"Fear not," he said, for mighty dread  
Had seized their troubled minds  
"Glad tidings of great joy I bring  
To you and all mankind,  
"To you in David's Town this day  
Is born of David's line  
The Saviour who is Christ the Lord  
And this shall be the sign

3 How silently, how silently,  
the wondrous gift is given!  
so God imparts to human hearts  
the blessings of his heaven.  
No ear may hear his coming;  
but in this world of sin,  
where meek souls will receive him, still  
the dear Christ enters in.

4 O holy child of Bethlehem,  
descend to us, we pray;  
cast out our sin, and enter in:  
be born in us today.  
We hear the Christmas angels  
the great glad tidings tell:  
O come to us, abide with us,  
our Lord Emmanuel.

"The heavenly Babe, you there shall find  
To human view displayed  
All meanly wrapped in swathing bands  
And in a manger laid  
Thus spake the seraph, and forthwith  
Appeared a shining throng  
Of angels praising God, who thus  
Addressed their joyful song  
"All glory be to God on high  
And to the earth be peace;  
Goodwill henceforth from heaven to men  
Begin and never cease

**CAROL 6**

We three kings of Orient are  
Bearing gifts we traverse afar.  
Field and fountain, moor and mountain,  
Following yonder star. *Chorus*  
*O star of wonder, star of night,  
Star with royal beauty bright,  
Westward leading, still proceeding,  
Guide us to thy perfect Light.*

Born a king on Bethlehem's plain,  
Gold I bring to crown Him again,  
King forever, ceasing never  
Over us all to reign. *Chorus*

**CAROL 7**

1 O come, all you faithful,  
joyful and triumphant,  
O come you, O come you to Bethlehem;  
come and behold him,  
born the King of angels:  
*O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him,  
Christ the Lord!*  
2 True God of God,  
Light from light eternal,

Frankincense to offer have I.  
Incense owns a Deity nigh.  
Prayer and praising all men rising,  
Worship Him, God on high. *Chorus*  
Myrrh is mine: Its bitter perfume  
Breaths a life of gathering gloom.  
Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding dying,  
Sealed in the stone-cold tomb. *Chorus*  
Glorious now behold Him arise,  
King and God and Sacrifice.  
Heav'n sings alleluia  
Alleluia the earth replies, *Chorus*

maiden for mother,  
he was born for us all;  
only begotten  
Son of God the Father:  
*Chorus*  
3 See how the shepherds  
summoned to his cradle,  
leaving their flocks, draw near to gaze;  
we too will thither  
bend our joyful footsteps:  
*Chorus*

**Thank you for your generous donations to the Food Banks  
and wishing you all a Blessed, Joyous Christmas  
and a Happy and Peaceful New Year!**

**Please join us tomorrow morning, Christmas Day,  
for our Family Christmas Communion  
at 9.30am**

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME**

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