

Sunday November 19th 2017

Creation-tide

St Giles', Whittington

08.00 SAID EUCHARIST BCP 1662) *Ven George Frost*
 Zephaniah 1: 7, 12-18 p944 1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11 p1188 Matthew 25: 14-30 p994
 09.30 PARISH EUCHARIST *Revd Christine Polhill*
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 14.00 BAPTISM OF ROBIN WOOTTON *Canon Fr Geoffrey Staton*
 18.30 EVENING WORSHIP *Gill Hollis*
 1 Kings 1: 15-40 p334 Luke 9: 1-6 p1039

St. Mary's, Weeford

11.30 PARISH EUCHARIST *Anne Colgrave*
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St. Bartholomew's, Hints

NO SERVICE (Please attend St Giles' or St Mary's)

November 19th – November 25th 2017

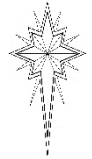
Sunday	14.30	Bridge with Friends	Thomas Spencer Church Hall
Monday	19.30	Community Choir	
Wednesday	09.30	Weekday Eucharist	Revd Bill Moore
	19.30	Bell Ringing Practice	
Thursday	10.30	Coffee Stop	Thomas Spencer Church Hall
	14.00	Whist for Pleasure	Thomas Spencer Church Hall
Friday	19.30	Flicks in the Sticks	

Please note: Father Jason is on sick-leave but plans to return for Sunday 26th November. If you have any queries, please contact the Parish Administrator.



**The Carpenter's Christmas
 Journey with Joseph this Advent**

Retreat Day led by The Revd Dr Jason Phillips
 Friday 1st December at St Mary's Abbey Colwich ST18 0UF
Cost just £13.50, includes booklet, soup and mince pies
 Bookings contact: Lynne Mills, Parish Administrator
 Why not make this the start of your Advent observances this
 Year? A gentle pleasant day. Book now!



Visit our website: www.ourvillagechurch.org.uk



Next Sunday November 26th 2017: -Christ the King

Have you Invited and brought someone to church this week? Invite someone for Christmas services now! We are all responsible for growing God's church.

St Giles'

08.00 Said Eucharist (BCP 1662) *Fr Jason*
 09.30 Parish Eucharist *Fr Jason*
 18.30 Evening Worship *Gill Hollis*

St Mary's

11.30 Parish Eucharist *Revd Dr Stephen Barton*

St Bart's

18.30 Evening Worship *Dr Trevor James*

DEVELOP YOUR FAITH BY JOINING IN WIDER CHURCH EVENTS

1 Mercian Regiment request items for their Appeal for serving Armed Forces. Please label clearly and leave in church or at vicarage: Items include paracetamol, Imodium, razors, lip salve, plasters, Rennie's, mints, Pringles, roll-on deodorant, cards with messages of support. Your support for our (local) armed forces will be much appreciated.

2 Food Bank Special needs are: long-life orange juice, tinned fruit, custard and individual Christmas puddings. Thank you for your contributions, which are greatly appreciated.

3 Christmas Fayre at Lichfield Methodist Church Saturday 25th November 10.00 am – 2.00 pm. Further information: 01543 263742. Refreshments available, many stalls.

4 Christmas Tree Festival 2nd December 2017 – 4th January 2018 at Lichfield Cathedral.

5 A Service of Light and Christmas Reflection, Cloth for the Cradle Boxing Day, Tuesday 26th December at 3.00 pm at Lichfield Cathedral.

6 Christmas Day Together – you don't have to be alone on Christmas Day! Festive lunch and light entertainment for Lichfield Residents. If you would like an invitation contact Maria Pavey on 07505 129830 or email paveyfamily@googlemail.com.

7 Alzheimer's Society Carol Concert A delightful evening of music by The Tamworth Ladies Choir and The Mercian Singers at St Editha's Church, Tamworth, on 7 December at 7pm.

8 Advent with our German partners in Mecklenberg Thursday 30th November - Monday 4th December. World Mission Trip, including visits to Rostock, Bad Doberan, and Heiligendamm. Accommodation in both hotels and family homes. Plane Cost £80 return. More information from Terry Bloor (terry.bloor@btinternet.com) or Philip Swan (philip.swan@lichfield.anglican.org).

9 Fellowship for Parish Evangelism Conference 'Apprentices not Passengers – the Challenge of Discipleship' 22-24 January 2018 The Hayes, Swanwick. Contact Lynne Mills for further details. www.fpe-network.org/annual-conference/conference-2018.

In love and faith let us pray for the needs of the world...

2nd Sunday before Advent; Hilda, Abbess of Whitby, 680

Mechtild, Béguine of Magdeburg, Mystic, 1280

Global: Uyo - (Niger Delta, Nigeria) The Rt Revd Prince Asukwo Antai

Countries: Zimbabwe, Angola, Yemen, Venezuela, Israel, Germany, Philippines

Companion Link: Nordkirche / Church of Northern Germany; please pray for our ecumenical partnership with the Nordkirche which will hold its annual Anticipating Advent service next week. This year the service is being held in Rostock and about 12 visitors from Lichfield will be present. This partnership visit to Germany is all the more special as it falls in the 500th jubilee year of the Reformation. Celebrate our partnership and the renewing/deepening of valuable friendships.

Local: For all engaged in the agricultural industry and rural economy; for those whose livelihood is dependent upon the productivity of the land and a fair return for their livestock, and those whose business relies upon tourism. Remember to go on an Autumn Whittington prayer walk – prayer booklets by door to use and return.

Ecumenical: For Local Ecumenical Partnerships and Churches Together groups, in which congregations and chaplaincies co-operate across denominational boundaries. For our Quaker brothers and sisters and Woodbrook Quaker Centre in Birmingham. For Lichfield Churches Together. For interdenominational hospital, university and military chaplaincies. For Padre David Smith at DMS Whittington and Padre Crispian Acher.

Prayer Cycle: Week 8. The Parish of Hints (Population c.200):

Bangley Lane, Brockhurst Lane, Hints Lane, School Lane, Watling Street.

Community facilities in Hints: St Bartholomew's Church, the Village Hall.

Organisations in Hints: Hints and Canwell Parish Council; the Church

Council, Village Hall Committee, Events Committee, Kids Club, Gardening Guild.



**For those that are needing prayer
for body, mind or spirit:**

Mark Hibbert

The Deceased:

Cherry Bellini,

Joanne Eason

O God of peace, by whose grace the abbess Hilda was endowed with gifts of justice, prudence, and strength to rule as a wise mother over the nuns and monks of her household, and to become a trusted and reconciling friend to the leaders of the Church: Give us the grace to recognize and accept the varied gifts you bestow on men and women, that our common life may be enriched and your gracious will be done; through Jesus Christ our Lord



The Anglican Parishes of Whittington, Weeford and Hints

*The Lord has told you what is good and what the Lord requires of you;
to do justice and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God*



SUNDAY November 19th 2017

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**We are inclusive Anglican churches where you are always welcome
May God's blessing be upon you**

Church Contacts: Parish Priest and Vicar: The Revd Dr Jason Phillips

Weddings, Baptisms, Spiritual and Personal concerns, Starting Church, Spiritual Direction, Pastoral and to pray for you.

Contact Father Jason: revdjason@fastmail.co.uk (01543) 432728

Parish Administrator: Lynne Mills 07721 767963 for church matters and if Fr Jason is not available. Contact Lynne: lynnewwh@outlook.com

Lynne's office hours: most Thursdays 10.00 – 15.00 telephone first to check.

You are invited to free refreshments at the end of the St Giles' 9.30 service.

Larger print hymn books and service sheets available on request.

Gluten-free communion wafers: please advise the welcome person by the door.



Pages for Bible lessons are on board at front of church or on this sheet. Bookmarks are inside Bibles at the end of the pews so you can prepare in readiness for the service if you wish to follow as lessons are read. Pages will not ordinarily be announced.

Toilet facilities – in the vestry room at the back of church/porch area.

A voluntary contribution is requested during 3rd Hymn to support the church.

Collects are set prayers prayed by the priest/ leader on behalf of everyone

COLLECT (BCP 1662) *O God, our refuge and our strength, who art the author of all godliness: Be ready, we beseech thee, to hear the devout prayers of thy Church; and grant that those things which we ask faithfully we may obtain effectually; through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

COLLECT (CW) Second Sunday before Advent *Heavenly Lord, you long for the world's salvation; stir us from apathy, restrain us from excess and revive in us new hope that all creation will one day be healed in Jesus Christ our Lord.*