

**Sunday November 26<sup>th</sup> 2017**

**Feast of Christ the King**

**St Giles', Whittington**

08.00 SAID EUCHARIST BCP 1662) *Fr Jason*  
 Ezekiel 34: 11-16, 20-24 p865 Ephesians 1: 15-end p1173 Matthew 25: 31-end p995  
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 18.30 EVENING WORSHIP *Gill Hollis*  
 2 Samuel 23: 1-7 p330 Matthew 28: 16-end p1001

**St. Mary's, Weeford**

11.30 PARISH EUCHARIST *Revd Dr Stephen Barton*  
 Ezekiel 34: 11-16, 20-24 p865 Ephesians 1: 15-end p1173 Matthew 25: 31-end p995

**St. Bartholomew's, Hints**

18.30 EVENING WORSHIP *Dr Trevor James*  
 Ezekiel 34: 11-16, 20-24 p865 Ephesians 1: 15-end p1173 Matthew 25: 31-end p995

**November 26<sup>th</sup> – December 2<sup>nd</sup> 2017**

Sunday	14.30	Bridge with Friends	Thomas Spencer Church Hall
Monday	19.30	Community Choir	
	19.30	Emmaus Course: Being Church – 2 Falcon Drive	
Tuesday	14.30	House Group at Wren Cottage Darnford Lane	
	20.00	Quiet Space	Gill Hollis
Wednesday	10.30	Weekday Eucharist at <b>St Giles' Hospice</b>	Fr Jason
	10.30	Sunbeams	
	19.30	Bell Ringing Practice	
Thursday	10.30	Coffee Stop	Thomas Spencer Church Hall
	14.00	Whist for Pleasure	Thomas Spencer Church Hall
	19.00	St Andrew's Eucharist at St Mary's	Fr Jason

**Next Sunday December 3<sup>rd</sup> 2017: -Advent Sunday –**

**Greening of the Church Sunday**

*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 Advent Service of O Antiphons *Gill Hollis and Anne Colgrave*

**St Mary's**

11.30 Parish Eucharist *Fr Jason*

**St Bart's**

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

**DEVELOP YOUR FAITH BY JOINING IN WIDER CHURCH EVENTS**

**1 Can you assist** Fr Jason on Godparents' Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December 3.15-4.30 pm, with refreshments, checking godparents in, supporting etc. at St Giles'? He needs about 4 helpers. Contact Fr Jason if you can help.

**2 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, Rennies, mints, Pringles, roll-on deodorant, cards with messages of support. Your support for our (local) armed forces will be much appreciated.

**3 Christmas Tree Festival** 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2017 – 4<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at Lichfield Cathedral.

**4 A Service of Light and Christmas Reflection, Cloth for the Cradle** Boxing Day, Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> December at 3.00 pm at Lichfield Cathedral.


**5 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](mailto:paveyfamily@googlemail.com).

**6 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.

**7 Advent with our German partners in Mecklenberg** Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November - Monday 4<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:terry.bloor@btinternet.com))

**8 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](http://www.fpe-network.org/annual-conference/conference-2018).

**9 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.



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

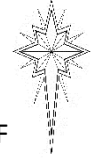
Retreat Day led by The Revd Dr Jason Phillips

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> 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!



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

### **Christ the King - Sunday before Advent**

**Global:** Wad Medani - (Sudan) The Rt Revd Saman Farajalla Mahdi. For Canon David Long and The Bishop of Jerusalem. For Pope Francis pastoral visit to Bangladesh.

**Countries:** Zimbabwe, Nepal, Manus Island, Haiti, Canada, Venezuela, Israel.

**Companion Link: Qu'Appelle** - 6 lay people who are just coming up to the 6<sup>th</sup> month of their Lay Readership; female clergy at the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the ordination of women in the Diocese; Canon Michael Jackson of St Paul's Cathedral, Regina having been honoured as the longest serving Deacon in the Anglican Church of Canada; all the children and teenagers who attended Summer Camps in 2017 that their time may have deepened their faith and positively shaped their lives.

**Local:** The Spirituality Team – giving thanks for Charles Ruxton who Chairs this team; for the Spiritual Companion Co-ordinators – Pauline Shepherd, Stephanie Fahie and Freda Bishop; for Diocesan initiatives seeking to help 'discover the heart of God.' For all Benedictine communities including Ampleforth Abbey. Pray for our parish readers Anne, Gill and Trevor as they support our spiritual growth. For RUACH organisation as it supports spiritual growth through retreats and journal.

**Special Focus:** Please pray for all Christians and Jews around the world who today are persecuted for their faith. Pray for their wisdom and endurance, for an awareness of our solidarity, and for a special closeness to God.

### **Prayer Cycle: Week 1. The Parish of Whittington (Population c.3,400):**

**North Sector:** Brookhay Lane, Broad Lane, Whittington Hurst, Park Lane, Fisherwick Hall and Farm, Fisherwick Wood Lane, Burton Road, Noddington Lane, Swan Road, Neal Croft, Rock Farm Road, Bay Tree Walk, Darby Avenue, Dyott Avenue, Noddington Avenue.



*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 26<sup>th</sup> 2017**

**The Feast of Christ the King**

**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](mailto: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](mailto: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 3<sup>rd</sup> Hymn to support the church.

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

Mark Hibbert  
Charlotte  
Julie

**The Deceased:**

Cherry Bellini,  
Joanne Eason

**To be a Christian without prayer  
is no more possible than to be  
alive without breathing.**

Martin Luther

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

**COLLECT (BCP 1662) Sunday next before Advent** Stir up, we beseech thee, O Lord, the wills of thy faithful people, that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may of thee be plenteously rewarded: through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**COLLECT (CW) Sunday next before Advent** God the Father, help us to hear the call of Christ the King and to follow in his service, whose kingdom has no end; for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, one glory.