



Sunday March 24th 2019

Lent 3



St Giles'

08.00 SAID EUCHARIST (BCP 1662)

Fr Jason

Isaiah 55: 1-9 p742 1 Corinthians 10: 1-13 p1151 Luke 13: 1-9 p1046

09.30 PARISH EUCHARIST

The Revd Canon Geoffrey Staton

Isaiah 55: 1-9 p742 1 Corinthians 10: 1-13 p1151 Luke 13: 1-9 p1046

18.30 EVENING WORSHIP

Fr Jason

Deuteronomy 6: 4-9 p185 John 17: 1a, 11b-19 p1085

St Mary's

11.30 PARISH EUCHARIST

The Revd Preb Sarah Schofield

Isaiah 55: 1-9 p742 1 Corinthians 10: 1-13 p1151 Luke 13: 1-9 p1046

St Bart's

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

March 25th – March 30th 2019

Monday	19.30	Community Choir	
	19.30	Lent house group at 2 Falcon Drive	
Wednesday	09.30	Weekday Eucharist	Fr Jason
	19.30	Bell Ringing Practice	
Thursday	10.30	Coffee Stop	Thomas Spencer Church Hall
	14.00	Whist for Pleasure	Thomas Spencer Church Hall
	19.45	Church Choir Practice- new members welcome	
Friday	19.30	Flicks in the Sticks at St Giles'	

Lichfield Cathedral Lent Lectures – Perspectives on Abraham

Wednesday 27 March – A Muslim Perspective: Dr Atallah Siddiqui

Wednesday 3 April – Exploring Common Ground: Bishop Michael Igrave

Wednesday 10 April – Talking together: Dan Cohn-Sherbok, George Chryssides and Usama Hasan

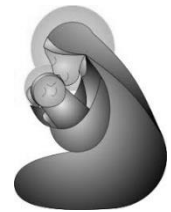
7.30 pm at College Hall, £3 payable on the door

Email: theresa.willmore@lichfield-cathedral.org



Sunday March 31st 2019

Lent 4 – Mothering Sunday



St Giles'

08.00 SAID EUCHARIST (BCP 1662)

Fr Jason

Joshua 5: 9-12 p219 2 Corinthians 5: 16-end p1161 Luke 15: 1-3, 11b-end p1048

09.30 PARISH EUCHARIST

Fr Jason & Gill Hollis

Joshua 5: 9-12 p219 2 Corinthians 5: 16-end p1161 Luke 15: 1-3, 11b-end p1048

18.30 SERVICE OF WHOLENESS, REST & PEACE

Gill Hollis

Genesis 37: 3-4, 12-end p41 1 Peter 2: 16-end p1218

St Mary's

11.30 PARISH EUCHARIST

Fr Jason

Joshua 5: 9-12 p219 2 Corinthians 5: 16-end p1161 Luke 15: 1-3, 11b-end p1048

St Bart's

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

April 1st – April 6th 2019

Monday	19.30	Community Choir	
	19.30	Lent house group at 2 Falcon Drive	
Wednesday	09.30	Weekday Eucharist	The Revd Bill Moore
	10.30	Sunbeams	Sunbeams Team
	19.30	Bell Ringing Practice	
Thursday	10.30	Coffee Stop	Thomas Spencer Church Hall
	14.00	Whist for Pleasure	Thomas Spencer Church Hall
	19.45	Church Choir Practice- new members welcome	



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

COLLECT (BCP) Lent 4 Grant we beseech thee, Almighty God, that we, who for our evil deeds do worthily deserve to be punished, by the comfort of thy grace may mercifully be relieved; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

COLLECT (CW) for Mothering Sunday God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; 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.

Website: www.ourvillagechurch.org.uk



**Sunday April 7th 2019 – Lent 5 - Passiontide
St Giles'**

08.00 MATINS

Gill Hollis

Isaiah 43: 16-21 p729 Philippians 3: 4b-14 p1180 John 12: 1-8 p1079

09.30 MORNING WORSHIP

Gill Hollis

Isaiah 43: 16-21 p729 Philippians 3: 4b-14 p1180 John 12: 1-8 p1079

14.30 TIME TO REFLECT & REMEMBER – ST GILES' HOSPICE SERVICE

18.30 EVENING WORSHIP

Fr Jason

Isaiah 35 p719 Romans 7: 21 – 8: 4 p1134

**N.B. THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING TAKES PLACE
IMMEDIATELY AFTERWARDS**

St Mary's

11.30 PARISH EUCHARIST

Fr Jason

Isaiah 43: 16-21 p729 Philippians 3: 4b-14 p1180 John 12: 1-8 p1079

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DEVELOP YOUR FAITH BY JOINING IN WIDER CHURCH EVENTS

1 Become A Dementia Friend Wade Street Church, Wednesday 3rd April at 7.00 pm. Free interactive information session. Anyone of any age can become a Dementia Friend. For further information: davidbarnes99@yahoo.com.

2 Anglican Launde Abbey near Oakham Quiet Day: Graham Sutherland's "Deposition" 4th May, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm £35 Join us for a special quiet day inspired by Graham Sutherland's painting The Deposition (1947) led by art historian and Methodist preacher Dr Miriam Gill. The original painting will be exhibited during the quiet day

3 Landscapes of the Soul Holy Week Day of Reflection. Tuesday 16th April 10.00 am – 4.00 pm at St Giles' Church Whittington. Led by Fr Jason. Cost: Donation on the day. Bookings: fatherjason@fastmail.co.uk. Ideal for Lent.

4 Organ Recital 'A Celebration of Spring' at St Editha's Tamworth. Saturday 27th April at 7.30 pm. Admission £10 includes refreshments, tickets on sale in Tamworth Church Bookshop. Information at: www.tamworthcivicsociety.co.uk.

5 Community Engagement Open Evenings at DMS Whittington The next tour takes place on Wednesday 17th April. If you wish to attend, please contact the Parish Administrator to book your place lynnewwh@outlook.com 07721 767963.

6 Food Bank Box Special needs are: Long life milk, coffee and tinned fruit - via the box at the back of St Giles' please. Thank you for your support.

7 Walsingham Families Pilgrimage 21st - 25th October- a fabulous experience <https://www.walsinghamanglican.org.uk/event/families-pilgrimage-2019/>.

8 Christian Bikers The Christian Motorcyclists Association special service at Christchurch, Hollington Road, Upper Tean, on Sunday 24th March at 11.00 am.

9 Whittington 'Post Office' USE IT OR LOSE IT! If you value this resource, please support it during this assessment period.

10 Lunch and Flower Demonstration Tuesday 14th May 12.00 noon for 12.30 pm. Lunch at the Old Schoolhouse Restaurant Weeford, followed by a flower demonstration by Ann Brown. Tickets cost £25.00 for a welcome drink followed by a choice of two starters and two mains. Contact: Janice Eagles 07816 104932 or janicee39@yahoo.co.uk.

11 Annual Celtic Service Sunday 24th March, 6.30 pm at St John the Baptist, Shenstone. Led by Alan Bateman, featuring readings, meditations and Celtic songs. Contact: alanbateman01@gmail.com.

12 St Chad's Pilgrimage Saturday 8th June, walking the full 19 miles between Repton and Lichfield, calling at Burton upon Trent and Alrewas. Total time to complete 9 hours, pausing for prayer and refreshments en route. Submit your application forms, from st.chad.pilgrimage@gmail.com, before 24th May. Or if you prefer a shorter walk, starting from All Saints' Alrewas at 2.30 pm, contact Lilas Rawling 01543 262917/07711 539844.

13 Lichfield Gospel Choir Concert Saturday 30th March at 7.30 pm at Wade Street Church, a concert of African, gospel and soulful music. Tickets £10.00, proceeds going to Refuge, part of Kate Slater's London Marathon fundraising. Tickets available from Kate, telephone 07946 811344 or book online www.tickettailor.com/events/lichfieldgospelchoir/245429.

14 Lichfield Christian Aid Action Group will be outside Lichfield branch of HSBC on Saturday 30th March 11.00 am, inviting people to sign a petition urging the bank to invest less in coal and more in renewable energy. Everybody welcome to come along and sign.

15 Support Staffordshire Volunteer Star Awards Say thank you to an amazing army of inspiring hidden heroes. Details and nomination forms at: www.supportstaffordshire.org.uk/volunteeringvolunteer-star-awards.

**Churches Together in Lichfield Good Friday Walk of Witness and
Ecumenical Service at Lichfield Cathedral - Friday 19th April 2019**

Meet outside the old Post Office, Whittington WS14 9JU, depart at 8.15 am, walk down Darnford Lane into Lichfield, arriving at Boley Park Shopping Centre for the first service of praise and worship at 9.00 am.

All are welcome to walk either the whole route or just part of it.

In faith and love we pray and respond to the needs of the world...

Countries: New Zealand, Zimbabwe, Malawi, Mozambique, Venezuela, Israel.

Global Church: *Pray for the Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui*

The Most Revd Paul Kwong - Archbishop of Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui & Bishop of Hong Kong Island

Pray for the Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean

The Most Revd James Richard Wong Yin Song - Archbishop, Province of Indian Ocean & Bishop of the Seychelles

Linked Diocese: Nordkirche

We pray for deepening relationships with the Nordkirche in Germany and for those visiting from our Diocese.

We pray for

- deepening relationships as we face up to the implications of Brexit and a renewed commitment to celebrating our identity as Christians together whatever the future holds.
- Revds Graham Adamson, Gloria Harrison, Josh and Shell Penduck as they spend time in the Nordkirche, particularly as they are welcomed to Synod and share a message from Bishop Michael, and also as they join in prayer and solidarity throughout the visit and especially throughout the proposed Brexit Day.
- the newly elected Bishop Katrina Bishop Kristina Kuehnbaum-Schmidt as she anticipates starting in post next month.
- the Revd Christa Hunzinger, Revd Tilman Jeremias and Revd Anne Lange in their positions of leadership.
- for Laura Radon from Güstrow as she prepares to come to this Diocese as a St Chad's Volunteer in the summer.

Lambeth 2020 July 22 – August 1

We pray for Lambeth 2020 - "God's Church for God's World: walking, listening and witnessing together".

We pray for

- the Archbishop's Task Group, which was set up to strengthen relationships within the Anglican Communion and is calling Anglicans to a Season of Prayer and Repentance during the fifth week of Lent in 2020.

- for the Lambeth Design Group chaired by Archbishop Thabo Makgobi and in particular for the Bishop of Sabah, the Rt Revd Melter Tais who is a member of the group.
- for the Hospitality Initiative enabling visiting bishops and their spouses to feel welcomed in advance of the Conference; for us as a Diocese to be generous and hospitable to the group of Bishops entrusted to us.
- for a profound willingness and openness to acknowledge and process our differences as brothers and sisters in Christ.

At the Request of The Archbishops of York and Canterbury

We pray for our local MPs and politicians, seeking God's strength for the responsibilities they bear to serve the common good: Christopher Pincher MP for Tamworth & Michael Fabricant MP for Lichfield; Staffordshire County Council – Leader Philip Atkins & Chairman Michael Greatorex; Lichfield District Council – Diane Tilley Chief Executive & Tamworth Borough Council – Daniel Cook Leader; Whittington & Fisherwick Parish Council – Martyn Bennett Chairman; Weeford Parish Council & Hints with Canwell Parish Council.

We pray for Saint Giles' Church in this exciting phase where it discerns which plan to progress to make our hospitality and welcome even stronger, update our facilities and to make the building future fit for purpose. We are coming towards the end of the consultation period. Have you had your say?

Please Pray about

We are searching for our new **Safeguarding Officer** at St Giles'. Could that be you?

Cushion Appeal – are you able to help?

St Mary's are seeking £99.00 each, looking to buy 6 cushions to complete all pews.

Bishop's Lent Appeal 2019 this year focuses on mental health and wellbeing. It will support charities which help those suffering from trauma both at home and abroad – Combat Stress and Embrace The Middle East – see leaflets in church.



We pray by name for

Mark Hibbert, Rosie, Neil,
and all grieving at this time



including the families of Susan Young, Helen Smith, Brian Woodgate

Skittles Event at St Giles'

Saturday 6th April 2019 in the Thomas Spencer Church Hall



Afternoon session for Junior Teams (under 14s)

Evening session for the more Senior Teams



Light refreshments available during both sessions with teas and coffees in the afternoon, soft drinks in the evening, and a licensed bar available during both sessions.

Teams of 5 people – cost £10.00 per team.

Two magnificent cups to be won – to be kept for 12 months.

To book or for further information telephone: 01543 304990

Closing date for teams to register: Saturday 30th March 2019

Finance Alert!

Did you know that you can now use a contactless payment device to contribute towards the upkeep of your church?



The machines are contactless only and not chip and PIN. There are four pre-set payment options £3.50, £5.00, £10.00, £20.00

Please use rather than white envelopes if at all possible, as better for Church

Children's Mothering Sunday weekend Preparation Activities

Saturday 30th March 2019

3:00 pm - 4:30 pm

In the Thomas Spencer Church Hall

All welcome to come along and make a card and decorate a cake
(Please note, children must be accompanied by an adult)



The Anglican Parishes of Whittington, Weeford and Hints

TWO WEEKS - SUNDAYS March 24th & 31st 2019

As Jesus came to give humanity true and complete fulfilment without discrimination, we seek to be totally inclusive and to remove all barriers to church life so that everyone has the chance to reach their full God-given potential. We see no biblical grounds to discriminate, marginalise or persecute any individual due to age, gender, race, beliefs, sexuality, abilities or wealth.

We are inclusive Anglican churches where you are always welcome

May God's blessing be upon you

Church Contacts: Parish Priest- The Revd Dr Jason Phillips

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

Contact Father Jason: fatherjason@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

You are invited to free refreshments at the end of the St Giles' 9.30 service and before St Mary's 11.30 service from 11.10 am.

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 not ordinarily b announced.

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

A voluntary donation is requested during 3rd Hymn to support the church's work.



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COLLECT (BCP) Lent 3 *We beseech thee, Almighty God, look upon the hearty desires of thy humble servants, and stretch forth the right hand of thy Majesty, to be our defence against all our enemies; through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

COLLECT (CW) Lent 3 *Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; 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.*