



The Anglican Parishes of Whittington, Weeford and Hints

**TWO WEEKS - SUNDAYS
26th April & 3rd May 2026**



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

We believe in an inclusive Church - church which does not discriminate, on any level, on grounds of economic power, gender, mental health, physical ability, race, age or sexuality. We believe in an hospitable Church which welcomes and serves all people in the name of Jesus Christ; which is inherently Eucharistic and sacramental, scripturally faithful but open to new insights; which seeks to proclaim and apply the Gospel afresh for each generation; and which, in the power of the Holy Spirit, allows all people to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Jesus Christ.

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For baptism and wedding bookings and other enquiries

Office hours: Thursdays 10.00 am – 3.00 pm

Please telephone beforehand to avoid a wasted journey

Note: Revd Ashley is on annual leave 27th April to 5th May inclusive





Sunday 26th April – Easter 4

St Giles'	09:30 Parish Eucharist (BCP 1662)	The Revd Ashley Hines
St Mary's	11:00 Parish Eucharist	The Revd Ashley Hines
	12:30 Baptism of Oakley Robert Eagles	The Revd Ashley Hines

Bible Lessons: Acts 2: 42-end p1094 1 Peter 2: 19-end p1218 John 10: 1-10 p1076

COLLECT (BCP) Easter 4 *Almighty God, who shewest to them that be in error the light of thy truth, to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness; grant unto all them that are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may eschew those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ.*

COLLECT (CW) Easter 4 *Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep; teach us to hear your voice and to follow your command, that all your people may be gathered into one flock, to the glory of God the Father.*

Wednesday 29th April

St Giles'	09:30 Morning Prayer
	Helen Mullins



Friday 1st May – St Philip & St James - Apostles

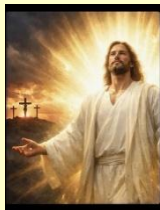
Sunday 3rd May – Easter 5

St Giles'	09:30 Parish Eucharist (CW)	The Revd Adrian Dorber
St Bart's	11:00 Morning Worship	Helen Mullins

Bible Lessons: Acts 7: 55-end p1100 1 Peter 2: 2-10 p1218 John 14: 1-14 p1082

COLLECT (BCP) Easter 5 *O Almighty God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men; grant unto thy people, that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed, where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

COLLECT (CW) Easter 5 *Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life; give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father.*



Wednesday 6th May

St Giles'	09:30 Morning Prayer with Eucharist
	The Revd Ashley Hines

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

Anglican Communion Cycle of Prayer: *Pray for The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) and The Church of North India (United).*

We pray for Michael and Jan Gott (Evangelists) and Viktoria Korniyshuk (Trainee nurse from the Ukraine).

As 'People of Hope,' we remember those impacted by natural disasters; those in Ukraine suffering grievously along with the people & leaders of Russia; and for a lasting peace for the people of Palestine, Israel and the wider Middle East.

Lichfield Diocese: *ADVANCE NOTICE Diocesan Day of Prayer 12 noon Wednesday 6th – 12 noon Thursday 7th May 2026*

We join with the Diocesan Evangelical Fellowship in '[Praying for the 34,000](#)', as we start to analyse the 2025 Stats for Mission, we thank you for all the encouragements within them of the evidence of you being at work across the diocese. We pray that this will be shown through more and more people choosing to follow you faithfully, in churches of every kind throughout this place and beyond.

On 29th we pray for the Churchwarden Café focussing on '[All Things Green](#)'. We pray for this chance to explore the opportunities around Net Zero and the support available and pray that all those attending or taking part may leave feeling encouraged and better informed. We thank you again for this world that you gave us and pray you will continue to guide us on how to better take care of it.

On 30th we pray for the first of two twilight sessions from the Education Team on '[Spirituality and Creating a Culture of Justice and Responsibility](#)'. We thank you for the opportunities in developing the language of spirituality with children and in further embedding spiritual development across the curriculum.

Prayer Cycle: Week 7. The Parish of Weeford (Population c.450):

Tamworth Road Packington, Jerry's Lane, Levett Road, Knox's Grave Lane, Flats Lane, Watling Street, Weeford Village, Little Hay Lane, Swinfen: Barkers Lane, Heart of the Country, London Road, Old London Road, Swinfen Hall Estate.

Community facilities and institutions in Weeford:

Weeford Parish Council; Swinfen and Packington Parish Council; St Mary's Church; the Church Council; The Old School House Restaurant; Swinfen Young Offenders Institution; Swinfen Hall Hotel; Heart of the Country; The Old Stables.

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.

We pray by name for: All those known to us
Promoted to glory: Steve Kirk, Susan Barker

LICHFIELD FOODBANK

Thank you to everyone who is continuing to donate food and also to all those who donate money, which we are using to buy essentials to keep our service going. Our most needed items at the moment are long life milk; tins of fruit; tins of tomatoes; jam, peanut butter, honey etc; tinned ham, corned beef, chicken or beef. There is a collection point at St Giles' Church, Tesco, Morrisons, Waitrose and the Co-op in Lichfield. Thank you!

WORSHIP ONLINE

All of our regular services are now in person for the foreseeable future. However, occasional services will still continue to be offered on Zoom. If you are not on the email list for these services and would like to take part, please contact Gill Hollis on 01543 432107.

100 CLUB DRAW

The latest 100 Club draw took place on 9th April 2026. The winners are: 1st No 9 Jeremy Duncan Brown £50. 2nd No 39 Sue Jackson £20. Thank you all for your continued support.

TWO NEW GROUPS STARTING AT ST GILES' CHURCH!

On Monday 1st June 2026 two new and informal groups will be starting in the social space at the back of St Giles' church, and it's hoped that both will become a monthly event on the calendar, every first Monday of the month.

At 10:00 am there will be a Prayer Meeting. All are welcome to attend – no experience necessary!

Then at 10:30 am we will be starting an informal Bereavement Group. We hope that this will give people the opportunity to chat with those who have also lost a loved one, whether that is a partner, child or pet. Grief can be isolating and sometimes we cannot share our feelings with our families or friends. Our journeys are all different, but we hope that you will find strength and encouragement as you learn to live with your loss.

BIBLE STUDY GROUP

A new Bible study will begin on Wednesday 6th May for five weeks from 13:30-15:00 – all are welcome! For further details, contact Revd Ashley on 07831 766604/01543 387687 or email revdashleyhines@gmail.com.

INTERSTELLAR IN CONCERT WITH THE ROGER SAYER, THE INTERSTELLAR ORGANIST

Lichfield Cathedral presents the Interstellar Organist in Concert on Friday 8th May at 19:30. The organist on the film "Interstellar", Roger Sayer, brings the original score by Hans Zimmer to the Cathedral's magnificent Hill Organ. Three thrilling movements from Gustav Holst's epic *The Planets* begin a programme which will culminate in Roger's own concert arrangement of Hans Zimmer's iconic music. Tickets £15-30. Further information and booking at <https://lichfieldcathedral.littleboxoffice.com/events/150882>.

FLICKS IN THE STICKS

Advance notice Friday 1st May - 7.30 pm - St Giles' church Whittington – "The Ballad of Wallis Island" is a 2025 British comedy-drama film directed by James Griffiths, produced by Rupert Majendie, and written by Tim Key and Tom Basden. It is based on their 2007 short film "The One and Only Herb McGwyer Plays Wallis Island". Basden and Carey Mulligan star as a folk duo who reunite to perform for a wealthy fan (Tim Key) on a remote British island.