

# St Giles' Bulletin



**11<sup>th</sup> February 2018**  
***Sunday before Lent***

**9.00am Holy Communion**  
Jeremiah 1 v 1-10 (p.755)  
Luke 2 v 41-52 (p.1029)

**7.30pm Worship Night**

**10.00am Coffee and refreshments**

**10.30am Informal Worship**

Soon after the start of the 10.30 service, our children & youth groups begin:

- Sunbeams (ages 2½ - 4½) & Junior Church (primary age) meet in the hall.
- Youth meet in the church welcome area and then go over to Lutterell Hall.

At the rear of church is The Haven, a glazed room where parents can take babies or children who are too young to join the children's groups and need some space to wriggle, crawl or cry! There are toys and books in boxes underneath the seats to help keep babies and toddlers entertained, but please be aware that the room is not soundproof. The church hall can be found through the rear doors of the church. In the hall you will find toilets and baby changing facilities (in the disabled toilet).

If you have a notice for the bulletin, please send details by 10am on Thursday – either email [admin@stgilesparish.com](mailto:admin@stgilesparish.com) or call 07948 834250.

## Diary for the Week

Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	3.00pm	Book Group
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	9.15am 10.30am	Morning Prayer Seniors' Coffee at Bradmore
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> February	9.30am – 12.30pm 10.45am 8.00pm	Advice Centre in Church Hall Midweek Communion Ladies Night
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> February	10.00 - 11.30am	Tiddlers in the church hall
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> February	7.30pm	Youth Night
Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> February	1.30pm	Wedding in church
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> February	9.00am 10.00am 10.30am 5.30pm 6.00pm	Holy Communion Coffee and Refreshments Informal Worship Tea and cake Choral Evensong

### For our Prayers

Don Robson      Ken Nichol      Jean Stevenson      Pam Russell

*He tends his flock like a shepherd: He gathers the lambs in his arms and carries them close to his heart; he gently leads those that have young.*

*If you or someone you know at St Giles would appreciate some pastoral support do talk to Daphne Carter in confidence.*

### Traidcraft returns this Sunday - 11th February.

There will be a Traidcraft stall before and after both services today. Traidcraft works relentlessly to break down the barriers which keep hardworking people in Developing Countries - especially subsistence farmers - in poverty. Every purchase helps to improve the living standards of those who actually grow/gather the ingredients in Traidcraft products. And now, with Easter approaching on April 1st, you can order a Real Easter Egg today to be collected at the stall on Sunday 11th March. We are told to love our neighbours and share the love of Jesus. But today many of our neighbours - or even our wider families - do not link the story of Holy Week to Easter eggs and bunnies! So buy a Fairly- traded Easter egg for family and friends. They will enjoy good chocolate which doesn't support slave labour, a bag of chunky buttons and an Easter story activity booklet. All for just £3.99! See you at the stall, Claire Voce

## youth@stgiles

*“To serve and equip young people on their journey of faith in Christ.”*

Youth Nights are held on Fridays from 7.30 to 9.30pm. All youth are very welcome and please do bring friends along too. Coming up.....

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February                      Café @ St Luke's

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February                      No Youth Night – half term

Any questions, please speak to Andy Wright, after the 10.30 service on Sundays, or his contact details are on the back of the bulletin.

### **Ash Wednesday**

It is Ash Wednesday on **14<sup>th</sup> February** - the communion service at 10.45am on that day will include ashing.

### **Seniors' Coffee**

The next Seniors' Coffee Morning will be at Bradmore Garden Centre on **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> February** at 10.30am. If you would like a lift please meet in the church car park at 10.15 or contact John Prentice on 984 5535 to be collected from home.

### **Songs, Games and Afternoon Tea**

It's time to stretch your vocal cords and sharpen your competitive skills as we invite all Seniors to our Songs and Games Afternoon, with (of course), a delicious Afternoon Tea. This will be on **Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February** at 2.30pm in the George Chapel. Please let us know if you can come along - sign-up sheet at the back of church. Voluntary contribution - £5. All friends are very welcome.

### **Book Group**

The Afternoon Group is reading *Us* by David Nicholls and will be meeting on **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February** at 3pm in the Church Hall Meeting Room. Refreshments will be on offer new readers are always welcome. The February choice for the Evening Group is *Autumn* by Ali Smith. They will be meeting on **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February** at 8pm at Claire Voce's (59, Gertrude Road) to chat about the book. Refreshments are on offer at both groups and new readers are always welcome.

### **Memorial Service**

This year's Memorial Service is being held on **Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> March** at 6.00pm. This is a quiet, meditative service; there will be an opportunity to remember those who have died during the past year and to light a candle in memory of a loved one.



### **Women's Breakfast**

The next women's breakfast will be on **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March** 8.30-10.30am at St Giles. Tickets cost just £3 and are on sale in church on Sunday mornings.



**The Big Church Day Out** is the UK's largest annual gathering of the wider church that creates a space for all denominations and ages to gather each year for two exciting days of worship and celebration. This year it takes place on 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> June at Capesthorpe Hall in Cheshire. Take a look online at [www.bigchurchdayout.com](http://www.bigchurchdayout.com) to see if this might be something you'd enjoy. We are not co-ordinating bookings as a church but we do hope that quite a few people might decide to go along. If you do book, either for the day or weekend, please would you email the church office to let Claire know so that we are aware of everyone who will be going? Thank you.

### **Wholeness and Healing Service**

Everyone is invited to a Wholeness and Healing service at Holy Trinity with St Francis in Clifton on **Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> February** at 4pm. It will be a Eucharist, led by the Diocesan Wholeness and Healing team.

### **Take up something for Lent**

Lent begins this week. Rather than giving something up, why not mark this important season by coming to Evensong and spending time with God in this quiet and beautiful service. Next **Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> February** at 6.00pm – all are welcome, whether you have been to Evensong before or not.

## Refresh in Lent with Bishop Paul

"I am increasingly aware that sustaining momentum in 'Growing Disciples wider, younger and deeper' is dependent on the spiritual vitality of those who serve and lead across our churches," writes Bishop Paul. "Some have borne the heat through intense and uncertain seasons of ministry, others have carried the burden of leadership in some area of church life or in their day to day working world. That is why I am going to be hosting a series called Refresh in Lent, open to all but especially for anyone who exercises some aspect of leadership in their church,



workplace, or wider community. Refresh will take place over two consecutive weeks in six locations around the diocese. I will be joined by some of the younger leaders we are nurturing who will contribute in different ways to the evenings, all you need to do is come along open to receive and be refreshed." St Giles will be hosting two of these evenings on **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March** and **Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March**. Each evening will start at 7.30pm with refreshments and finish by 9.30pm, doors open from 7.15pm. This is a mini-series so it is hoped that people attend both weeks, though it would be possible to attend a 'second' evening in another venue.



## #LiveLent

*Let Your Light Shine* takes you on a six week discipleship journey in 2018 through the Gospel of John, exploring what it means to be a witness, giving you an opportunity to explore what the gift of Jesus and the challenge of Jesus mean for you, in the context of your daily life. For each day from Ash Wednesday to Easter Day there is a short reading, a pause for reflection and prayer, and an idea for a

simple action that will enable the light of Jesus to shine through our everyday lives.

**From Archbishop Justin Welby & Archbishop John Sentamu: "It is our prayer that this booklet helps and encourages you as you take hold of God's gift of life and live it – to the full. God offers us this life for the sake of others. The light he gives us in Jesus Christ is not to be hidden but to shine – it's a gift to be lived and shared. Indeed, the more we share it and let it shine, the brighter it burns."**

Pick up a booklet (no charge) at the back of church or download the #LiveLent app which has all the same content. You can also sign up for daily reflections - text Lent to 88802 to be sent a daily text message throughout Lent.

## St Giles' Mission Partners



### 2018 sees the return of the Christian Aid Quiz Night!

Yes, the Christian Aid Quiz Night is back, on the evening of **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> May**. More details will follow later in the year, but save the date in your diary for now.



Please continue to bring your donations into church (box near the front door) or take them to the Friary at their depot at Unit 6C Ludlow Hill Road, NG2 6HF (open Tue & Thu 10am – 3pm). Thank you.



**From the Friends International Prayer Diary:** Give thanks for all international students in Bournemouth. May God continue to bring people from all over the world here! We run International Connection and it happens every Monday at Christ Church Westbourne. Pray for the team to be bold in sharing the gospel, and for us to be full of love, skill and wisdom in how we speak and act. Soon I will be leaving my role so a new leader will be needed. Pray that a suitably willing and able person would be identified.



# Worship Night

Contemporary Worship  
& Prayer

Sunday 11th February 7.30pm

**Holy God,  
you know the disorder of our sinful lives:  
set straight our crooked hearts,  
and bend our wills  
to love your goodness and your glory  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> Psalm 30; Gen 37: 1-11; Gal 1

\* Attooch - (Upper Nile, South Sudan) The Rt Revd Moses Anur

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> Psalm 36; Gen 37: 12-end; Gal 2:1-10

\* Auckland - (Aotearoa NZ & Polynesia) The Rt Revd Ross Bay

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> Psalm 38; Dan 9:3 – 6, 17-19; 1Tim 6: 6-19

*Ash Wednesday*

\* Aweil - (Bahr El Ghazal, South Sudan) The Rt Revd Abraham Yel Nhial

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> Psalm 37; Gen 39; Gal 2: 11-end

\* Awgu / Aninri - (Niger, Nigeria) The Rt Revd Emmaunuel Ugwu

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> Psalm 31; Gen 40; Gal 3: 1-14

\* Awka - (Niger, Nigeria) The Rt Revd Alexander Ibezim

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> Psalm 71; Gen 41: 1-24; Gal3: 15-22

\* For Andy, Ellen & Fiona

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