

Diary for the Week

Tuesday 14 th November	9.15am 10.30am 1.30pm 7.30pm	Morning Prayer Seniors' Coffee at Bradmore Four Favourite Hymns Alpha
Wednesday 15 th November	9.30am – 12.30pm 10.45am 7.30pm	Advice Centre in Church Hall Midweek Communion PCC Meeting
Thursday 16 th November	10.00 - 11.30am 13.00 – 14.30pm	Tiddlers in the church hall Bump and Baby Group
Friday 17 th November	11.30am 7.30pm	Afternoon at the Movies Youth Night
Sunday 19 th November	9.00am 10.00am 10.30am 5.30pm 6.00pm	Holy Communion Coffee and Refreshments Informal Worship with baptism Tea and cake Choral Evensong

For our Prayers

Don Robson Ken Nichol Jean Stevenson Eileen Else

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.

No Name in the Street

There will be a read through of our Holy Week Play "No Name in the Street" on **Tuesday 28th November** at 7.30pm at the home of John Prentice, 141 Loughborough Road, Ruddington, NG11 6LQ. This is an exciting venture to look forward to so I do hope that if your name is on the list and you are interested in auditioning for a part or you have volunteered to help with the production, please do come along to the meeting. If you are interested in attending the meeting but would require transport, please see John, either in church or contact him on 07590 311992. Auditions will be on **Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th December**, again at the home of John and commencing at 7.30 pm. We are allocating two nights for auditions in case there are some of you who are really interested to audition but cannot make a particular night. Tony Vokes

Seniors' Coffee

The next Seniors' Coffee Morning will be at Bradmore Garden Centre on **Tuesday, 14th November** at 10.30 am. If you would like a lift please meet at the Church car park at 10.15 or contact David Dunford on 981 6821 if you would like to be collected from home.

Women's Weekend 2018

The women of St Giles and St Luke's will be returning to Cliff College in Derbyshire next year, **19th – 21st October 2018**, for the whole weekend, from Friday evening through to Sunday lunchtime. If you would like to come please pick up a booking form from the back of church. *We are offering the opportunity to spread the cost of the weekend over 12 months – just £12.33 a month for a weekend away!*

Contact Claire for the details to set up your standing order, and speak to Sally if you would like to know more about the weekend.



Women's Christmas Gathering Saturday 2nd December, 7.30pm



Women at St Giles

Our next women's event will be held on the evening of **Saturday 2nd December**. This is an event we hope you will feel able to invite friends to. We will be wrapping gifts together for the Friary and the Malt Cross Christmas Gift Bank and will be hearing about the Christian motivation of some of our women to work in these organisations. Tickets cost £5 and one ticket will admit two people so please invite someone new to St Giles with your ticket.

We will be wrapping gifts for the charities brought to the event by the ticket holders (details of suitable gifts are on the back of the tickets). We will have wine and canapés along with live Christmas themed music. There will be a bar and first drinks are included in the ticket. Tickets will be on sale in church on Sundays from Angela Fifer and Eve Harper, or contact Claire in the office.

Seniors' Away Day - Reflection and Refreshment

On **Thursday 30th November**, at the start of Advent, St Giles' Seniors will have a quiet Away Day on the theme of Reflection and Refreshment. It will take place at Edwalton Church Hall, 10am-4pm. More details soon but do save the date.

Life Sale

This year's Life Sale will be taking place at St Paul's Church, Boundary Road on **Saturday 18th November**, 1.30 – 3.30pm, selling quality used children's clothes, toys, books, sports and nursery equipment. 50p entrance fee. The money raised goes to the Friary Drop-in and the Education for Life charity (in Kenya). To register as a seller, go to www.lifesale.org or emailinfo@lifesale.org.

Seniors' Christmas Dinner

This year's Seniors' Christmas Dinner is on **Friday 8th December** at 12.30pm in the Church Hall. Come along and enjoy canapés, a glass of bubbly and a full Christmas dinner with wine. The children from West Bridgford Junior School will once again be entertaining us and there will be carols and a quiz. Tickets are £9.00 per person and are on sale from any Seniors' committee member between Sunday services and from Doreen Ottway after Wednesday's service. We only have 50 tickets so buy yours early to avoid disappointment!

Traidcraft Christmas Stall – Sunday 12th November

Our grateful thanks to everybody who ordered Traidcraft Advent Calendars. Please collect them from the stall on **Sunday 12th November**, as the next Traidcraft stall will be too late to open the first few calendar windows! This year our Christmas goodies include Chocolate coins, Snowmen and Reindeer chocolate lollies, the very popular Chocolate-coated Christmas tree biscuits, and gorgeous Medjoul dates from Palestine. Please also support our Christmas card sales, proceeds of which continue to help the dispossessed in Syria, refugees in Greece, and the employment of women in the poorest communities of Nepal and Bangladesh. Thank you from, Claire Voce and Lucy Bolt.

St Giles' Parochial Church Council (PCC)

The next meeting of the PCC is on **Wednesday 15th November**. Its members are: Jonathan Ashton, Marian Bestwick, Tim Chambers, Martin Crew, David Davis, Alistair Ferraro, Barry Hayman, Jude Hill, Chris Lane, Johanna Langheld, Roger Ottway, Alison Place, Sally Poon, Dizzy Prentice, Lee Proudlove, Graham Rooke, Brendan Sprakes, Rosy Sutcliffe, Mark Townshend, Hilary Walters and Sheila Wheaton. Please talk to any of them, if you have any issues you want to raise.

Bump and Baby Group

If you are a mum-to-be or a mum or dad with a baby up to 12 months old, come along to the Bump and Baby Group in the George Chapel this **Thursday, 16th November**, 1-2.30pm, to enjoy a chat over a cuppa and a slice of cake. There will be sensory toys for the little ones to enjoy and each session will finish with a short reflective thought and prayer. To find out more speak to Ellen Dann.

A Christmas Feast of Baroque Music

Ruddington and District Choral Society and Ruddington Chamber Ensemble are putting on a concert of Baroque music on **Saturday 9th December** at 7.30pm at St Peter's Church, Ruddington. Tickets are £10 (refreshments included), available from Perkins Hardware, Ruddington, or tel. 0115 921 1451, or on the door.

Book Groups

The Afternoon Group is reading Ben Elton's *Time and Time Again*; the meeting to chat about the book is on **Monday 27th November** at 3pm in the Church Hall meeting room. New members are always welcome for either group – please speak to Johanna Langheld for further information.

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"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 17th November Human Table Football

Friday 24th November Youth Café

Friday 1st December Quasar

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.

Afternoon at the Movies

The next Seniors' event is an Afternoon at the Movies in Church at 11.30am on **Friday 17th November**. As usual, there will be a soup and rolls lunch with a newsreel, cartoon and main feature film. So that we know how many gallons of soup to make could you please sign up on the sheet at the back of church.

Toy Collection for Family Care

We will be collecting toys during our All Age Christingle Service on **Sunday 3rd December** to support Family Care, who distribute them to families who are experiencing hard times and have very little to spare. If you feel able to donate toys or books, toiletries or gift vouchers for the children and teenagers who Family Care support, they would be greatly appreciated. Please note that all gifts should be new, and not wrapped. For more information please speak to Carole Sprakes.

Nativity Preparations are Underway!

Believe it or not but we are starting rehearsals for our nativity! This is one of the highlights in our year and provides us with a fun way of learning more about the Christmas story in the run up to Christmas. We will be incorporating a number of additional activities as well. There is opportunity for everyone who'd like to be involved in a way each child is comfortable with. It really helps us if we know if your child will be here on Christmas Eve so please chat with them and make sure they or we know. Please don't hesitate to ask Sarah Iain or Ellen any questions you may have. We are always in need of additional parent helpers so if you might be able to help in anyway, for example, crafts, costume fitting, tea/ coffee, music, drama, dance please let us know (as this is working with children we'll need to ensure everyone complies with the safeguarding policy). Many thanks, Sarah and Iain Moppett (tel 0115 974 4442 after 8pm or weekends)

Knitting and Sewing Group

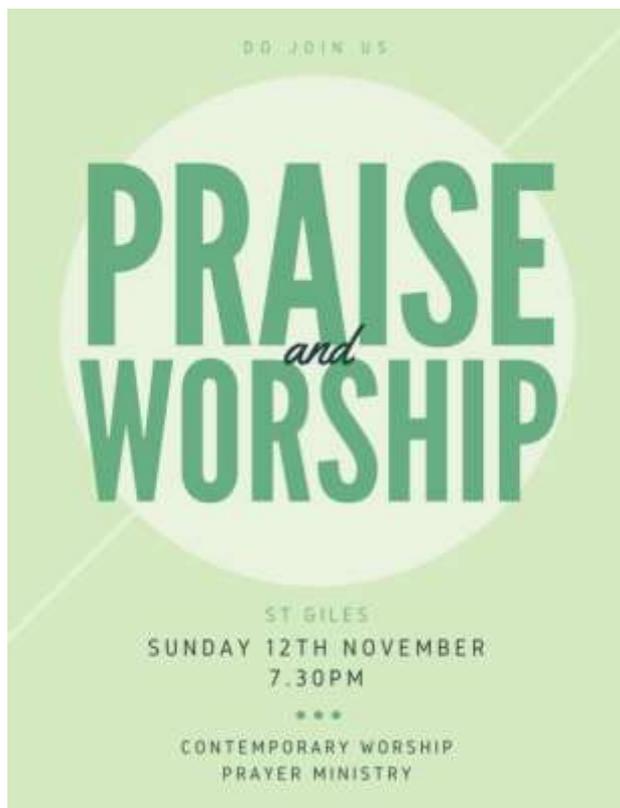
The next meeting is on **Monday 20th November** at 2pm in the Church Hall Meeting Room. Just bring along some knitting, crochet or sewing – tea and coffee provided!

Worship Night – tonight!

Everyone is welcome – come along to church this evening **Sunday 12th November** at 7.30pm for an evening of worship and prayer.

Help with Transport

Might you be able to help with local transportation to and from church for people who can no longer get here themselves? We would love to hear from you if you think that you might be able to help on an occasional basis – for either of the Sunday morning services or the midweek service on Wednesdays. If this is something that you might be able to help with, please get in touch with Daphne Carter (details on the back of the bulletin).



Home Insurance Renewal

To celebrate their 130th anniversary, Ecclesiastical is offering to donate £130 to our church for every new home insurance policy taken out, with cover commencing before 31st December 2018. To take advantage of this offer please go to www.ecclesiastical.com or call 0800 7830130.



Junior/Youth Choir for Christmas

Yes, it's that time of year again, Christmas is coming and I am looking for singers for our junior/youth choir, to perform a song at Carols by Candlelight on Sunday 17th December at 7pm, and at the Nativity at 4pm on Christmas Eve. We will be rehearsing straight after the morning service on **December 3rd, 10th and 17th**. I'm not just looking for junior singers, but as many youth to help and support too. Please sign up on the sheet at the back of church. Thanks. Hannah

Bicycle

A bike has been locked to one of the bike racks in the courtyard for the past few months. This has now been removed. If it is yours please let Claire in the office know, otherwise it will be passed to a charity for refurbishment and re-use. Thanks.

Job Vacancy: Referrals and Allocations Secretary.

Nottinghamshire Area Cruse has an urgent need for Referrals and Allocations Secretary to work in the Lenton Business Centre in Nottingham. It is a job share post, 2 or 2.5 days per week. The salary is, pro rata, in the order of £16,886 p.a. for a 35 hour week. The job is available now and applications are required by **Monday 20th November**. Please contact John Woodall, Area Chair, email woodallja@hotmail.com, if you are interested in applying.

St Giles' Mission Partners

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...according to the traditions of Africa...

News from Fusi Secondary School

This year we have been able to support some upgrading work to the school by purchasing a photocopier and extending the electricity supply to the classrooms. We have also bought a computer for the primary school - the first computer experience for the pupils there. In January, a new set of students are hoping to progress to High School and need our support for their fees. Please keep them in mind.



Emergency Appeals

Christian Aid are currently running a number of emergency appeals for crisis situations around the world.

If you would like to donate please go to <https://www.christianaid.org.uk/>



From the Friends International Prayer Diary: We are pleased to announce that Jonnie Green has joined our team in Oxford. Jonnie will be working alongside Peter and Lynette Teagle. Please pray

for him as he joins the ministry. We also thank God for Penny Wang, the new Staff Worker for Leicester who started in September. Please pray that Penny would settle quickly and find a suitable church. Pray that God would provide those who would support, encourage and pray for her.

A request from Friends International: Team members (especially female) are needed for a weekly activity to be held at the new Nottingham College in the city centre, 'Nottingham College Globe Cafe'. This Tuesday lunchtime activity from 12.15 - 1pm, is a remodelling of what was previously provided at 'Central College' in Chilwell and will hopefully start in a few weeks' time. Team members would be present in an informal capacity, talking with international students. If interested or you have questions, please contact Alan Pawley on alan.pawley@gmail.com



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). These are the items that are particularly needed at the moment. Thank you.

Sleeping Bags
Rucksacks & Holdalls
1-2 man tents
Groundsheets
Torches & batteries
Tin Openers
Pots & pans
Small Radio
Watches

Household:

Bedding – duvets, duvet covers
Sheets & pillow cases, pillows
Towels
Saucepans
Plates, bowls & mugs
Cutlery & Utensils
Washing up bowls / liquid

Jeans, Joggers & Leggings
Socks & hiking socks
T-shirts & shirts / blouses
Jumpers, Hoodies & Fleece
Waterproofs, Coats & Jackets
Underwear (new if possible please)
Pyjamas
Trainers, flat practical shoes / boots
Belts, gloves & wool hats

Toiletries:

Soap, & shower gel.
Toothbrushes & Toothpaste
Deodorants (roll on & spray)
Razors & shaving foam
Shampoo & Conditioner
Nail clippers
Talc

**Eternal God, in whose perfect realm
no sword is drawn but the sword of justice,
and no strength known but the strength of love:
guide and inspire all who seek your kingdom,
that peoples and nations may find their security
in the love which casts out fear;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.
Amen.**

Monday 13th Psalm 20; Isa 5: 8-24; Matt 4:23 – 5:12

* Ukhahlamba - (Southern Africa) The Rt Revd Mazwi Tisani

Tuesday 14th Psalm 21; Isa 5: 25-end; Matt 5: 13-20

* Ukwa - (Aba, Nigeria) The Rt Revd Samuel Kelechi Eze

Wednesday 15th Psalm 23; Isa 6; Matt 5: 21-37

* Umzimvubu - (Southern Africa) The Rt Revd Mlibo Ngewu

Thursday 16th Psalm 26; Isa 7: 1-17; Matt 5: 38-end

* Upper Shire - (Central Africa) The Rt Revd Brighton Vitta Malasa

Friday 17th Psalm 32; Isa 8: 1-15; Matt 6: 1-18

* Uruguay - (South America) The Rt Revd Michael Pollesel

Saturday 18th Psalm 33; 47; Isa 8:16 – 9:7; Matt 6: 19-end

* For Archbishops and Bishops

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