



***The Anglican Parishes of Whittington, Weeford and Hints***

***THREE WEEKS - SUNDAYS***

***12th,19th & 26th July 2020***

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**Churches set to re-open!**

Our churches are cautiously reopening with the necessary CV19 safety directives in place – see separate notice. If you discern now is not quite the right time to return why not visit our **confidential prayer** page: [**http://ourvillagechurch.org.uk/prayer/**](http://ourvillagechurch.org.uk/prayer/) or website to explore a wide range of support materials and links.

**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**

**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.*





**Anglicans are Eucharistic People**.

**Sunday July 12th 2020**

* **Trinity 5 in Ordinary Time -**
1. **Bible Lessons:**
2. Genesis 25: 19-end p26 Romans 8: 1-11 p1134 Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23 p978

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

***COLLECT (BCP) Trinity 5*** *Grant, O Lord, we beseech thee, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by thy governance, that thy Church may joyfully serve thee in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

***COLLECT (CW) Trinity 5*** *Almighty God, send down upon your Church the riches of your Spirit, and kindle in all who minister the gospel your countless gifts of grace: through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

**Sunday July 19th 2020 – Trinity 6**

1. **Bible Lessons:**
2. Genesis 28: 10-19a p30 Romans 8: 12-25 p1134 Matthew 13: 24-30, 36-43 p979

***COLLECT (BCP) Trinity 6*** *O God, who hast prepared for them that love thee such good things as pass man’s understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward thee, that we, loving thee above all things, may obtain thy promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

***COLLECT (CW) Trinity 6*** *Creator God, you made us all in your image: may we discern you in all that we see, and serve you in all that we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

**Sunday July 26th 2020 – Trinity 7**

1. **Bible Lessons:**
2. Genesis 29: 15-28 p31 Romans 8: 26-end p1135 Matthew 13: 31-33, 44-52 p980

***COLLECT (BCP) Trinity 7*** *Lord of all power and might, who art the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of they Name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of thy great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

***COLLECT (CW) Trinity 7*** *Generous God, you give us gifts and make them grow: though our faith is small as mustard seed, make it grow to your glory and the flourishing of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

***May God bless you and keep you and give you peace during this crisis***



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Thursday

Due to lockdown restrictions, the annual Petertide ordination of deacons *in Lichfield Diocese,* due to take place at the end of June, has been postponed until Michaelmas, 26th September. Pray for the new ordinands who were licensed as lay workers via Zoom and who will begin their roles across the diocese as restrictions allow ahead of their ordinations. As churches begin to re-open for public worship pray for safety and good procedures and also for all who through age or vulnerability will continue to worship at home.

**We pray by name for:** Cath Gibbs, Paul, Fr Stephen Crofts, Mthr Rosie Webb, Garry Higgs, Gareth Ingham, Sharon Hibbert.

All who grieve. All ill from Coronavirus19

**Promoted to glory:**

All who have died as a result of Coronavirus

**Prayer Cycle: Week 4. The Parish of Whittington (Population c.3,400):**

**West Sector:** Back Lane, Pass Avenue, Blacksmith Lane, Chapel Lane, Huddlesford Lane, Bramley Way, Church Street, Cappers Lane, Darnford Lane, Lichfield Road, Sandy Lane, Jockey Hill, Freeford Estate.

**Prayer Cycle: Week 5. Community facilities and institutions in Whittington:**

The Parish Council; the Church Council; St Giles’ Church and the Thomas Spencer Hall; the Defence Medical Services; the Primary School; St Giles’ Hospice; the Village Hall; Langton Surgery; the Home Care Service; Stubby Leas Home; Whittington Pre-school; Elswick Nursery; village shops; The Bell, The Dog, The Horse and Jockey, The Plough; Bit End Field; Whittington Heath Golf Club; Darnford Moors Golf Club; the canal; the railway.

**Prayer Cycle: Week 6. Organisations in Whittington:**

Bowling Club; Cricket Club; F.C. – F.A. Community Club; Craft Club; St Giles’ Church Bell Ringing; Whittington & District History Society; Whittington Players; Flower Arranging Society; Mike Leonard Bridge Club; Women’s Institute; Wednesday Club; Coffee Stop; Ladies’ Lunch Club; Men’s’ Lunch Group; Whittington Fairtrade; Uniformed organisations: Scout Group – Scouts, Cubs, Beavers; District Guides – Rainbow, Guides, Brownies; Whittington Rangers; Trefoil Guild; Guide Depot; Sunbeams at St Giles; Mothers’ Union; Whittington Pre-School; Jungle Club; Cruse Bereavement Care; The Samaritans; Langton Medical Group; St Giles’ Hospice; St Giles’; Good Neighbours Scheme; Whittington Baby and Toddler Group. Local Businesses.

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

**Countries:** Portugal, Australia, Japan, Brazil, Hong Kong, Nepal, UK, Israel.

*Pray for the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea - The Most Revd Allan Migi - Archbishop of Papua New Guinea; Pray for the Episcopal Church in the Philippines - The Most Revd Joel Atiwag Pachao - Prime Bishop of the Philippines;* **Please pray for the team responsible for preparing the Lambeth Conference, which was due to be taking place now – please pray for them as they consider the implications of its postponement in light of the Covid-19 pandemic.**

We hold before God modern slavery survivors needing to find homes. As people are moved on from local authority accommodation, safe houses and asylum seeker accommodation pray for those making sure survivors of slavery don’t have to sleep on the streets.

**Domestic violence helpline**

**01543 676800**

**Our church website has many useful resources and links.**

[**http://ourvillagechurch.org.ukprayer/**](http://ourvillagechurch.org.ukprayer/)

**Worship of God recommences at our churches!**

**St Giles’ Whittington – Said Services will take place each Sunday morning at 9.30 am with effect from Sunday 26th July**

**St Mary’s Weeford – Said Services will take place each Sunday morning at 11.30 am with effect from Sunday 26th July**

**St Bartholomew’s Hints – now open for private prayer on Sundays. Eucharist Said Services recommence on Sunday 2nd August at 6.30 pm.**

**Please follow the necessary CV19 safety directives on attendance. You are strongly encouraged to wear a face mask for the safety of others. The church experience will be rather different, but it is wonderful that we can worship God together once more! Welcome back!**



The Anglican shrine and centre of Pilgrimage.

[https://www.walsinghamanglican.org.uk](https://www.walsinghamanglican.org.uk/)

A great way to help each other is to try and phone a church person, a person who lives alone and a friend each week. Send a card. Distant socialising is vital at this time

**LICHFIELD FOODBANK**

**We particularly need long-life fruit juice, custard, rice pudding. If you are able to donate any items, please drop them in our supermarket collection points or bring directly to our warehouse (message us for the drop-off details). Thank you! Stay safe.**

**01543 254596**

**Our churches urgently need your financial support**

If you are already a regular donor, please consider ways of getting the giving envelopes to the church or to the vicarage (5 Bramley Way, WS14 9SB) to aid cash flow. Even better if you can consider changing to a direct debit or bank transfer to ensure ease of giving in times of isolation that would be a great benefit to the churches. Contact Father Jason fatherjason@fastmail.co.uk