



The Anglican Parishes of Whittington, Weeford and Hints

TWO WEEKS - SUNDAYS

18th & 25th July 2021



**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





Sunday July 18th 2021 – Trinity 7



St Giles’	09:30	Said Eucharist (CW)	The Revd Karen Lowther
12:00	Baptisms of Elsie Leech & Siân Wyre		The Revd Graham Wigley
St Mary’s	11:30	Said Eucharist	The Revd Canon Stephen Mayes
St Bart’s	18:30	Said Eucharist	The Revd Canon Stephen Mayes

Bible Lessons: 2 Samuel 7: 1-14a p310 Ephesians 2: 11-end p1174 Mark 6: 30-34, 53-end p1009

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 thy 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.*

Sunday July 25th 2021 – St James the Apostle - Trinity 8

St Giles’	09:30	Said Eucharist (BCP 1662)	The Revd Canon Brian Maguire
St Mary’s	11:30	Said Eucharist	The Revd Canon Stephen Mayes
13:00	Baptism of Harrison Page		The Revd Val Hicks

Bible Lessons: Acts 11: 27 – 12: 2 p1106 2 Corinthians 4: 7-15 p1160 Matthew 20: 20-28 p988

COLLECT (BCP) St James *Grant, O merciful God, that as thy holy Apostle Saint James, leaving his father and all that he had, without delay was obedient unto the calling of thy Son Jesus Christ, and followed him; so we, forsaking all worldly and carnal affections, may be evermore ready to follow thy holy commandments, through Jesus Christ our Lord.*



COLLECT (CW) Trinity 8 *Lord God, your Son left the riches of heaven and became poor for our sake: when we prosper save us from pride, when we are needy save us from despair, that we may trust in you alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

Saturday 31st July Wedding of Terry Williams & Stephanie Phillips at St Giles’ Whittington



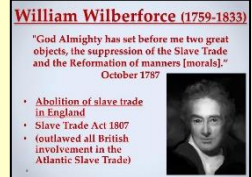
We pray by name for:
 Margaret Lenton, Pat Gumbley
Promoted to glory:
 Pamela Palmer

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

Anglican Communion Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for The Diocese of Maryland – The Episcopal Church (III (3) Province) and The Diocese of Masindi-Kitara – The Church of the Province of Uganda.

Give thanks for **Bishop Rob Hardwick** as he prepares to retire after 9 years as Bishop of Qu'Appelle, Saskatchewan; for all involved in choosing and electing his successor; for all seeking to respond to the latest tragic revelations about the abuse and death of Indigenous children in Church Residential schools; for healing, reconciliation and restitution.



Lichfield Diocese: Our prayers take forwards the 'SHAPING FOR MISSION' Deanery focus. As 'People of Hope' we remain mindful of the implications of Covid-19, both locally and globally.

We give thanks for and pray for the **Waterways Chaplains** working within the Lichfield Diocese - in Cheddleton, Market Drayton, Lichfield, Stafford, Tamworth, Stoke on Trent, and Cheadle; for Barbara Davis, Kevin Greally, Steve Straw, Malc and Stephanie Gray-Smart, Revd Mike Bridgewater as they walk the towpaths engaging with Boaters, walkers, the homeless, and the fishing community; that they may love mercy, seek justice, and walk humbly with our God.

We pray for the frontline workers in the wider community who are still working tirelessly in the fight against Covid-19, especially the GPs, Vaccination Teams and Funeral Directors; for businesses as they start to reopen; for the Food Banks and Support Agencies.

Prayer Cycle: Week 1. The Parish of Whittington (Population c.3,400):

(Four sectors radiating from the Post Office at centre of village)

North Sector: Brookhay Lane, Broad Lane, Whittington Hurst, Park Lane, Fisherwick Hall and Farm, Fisherwick Wood Lane, Burton Road, Noddington Lane, Swan Road, Neal Croft, Rock Farm Road, Bay Tree Walk, Darby Avenue, Dyott Avenue, Noddington Avenue.

Prayer Cycle: Week 2. The Parish of Whittington:

East Sector: Barley Croft, Middleton Road, Spring Lane, Fisherwick Close, Fisherwick Road (from Peel Bridge to Hademore), Falcoln Drive, Kestrel Close, Merlin Way, Osprey Close, Peregrine Close, Elford Road (from Hademore to Stubby Leas), Tamhorn Park.

LICHFIELD FOODBANK

Our most-needed items are: Snack bars/Cereal bars, Long-life milk, Custard, Rice Pudding, Chocolate. There is a collection point in the Whittington newsagents as well as at Tesco, Morrisons, Waitrose and the Co-op in Lichfield. Thank you!

WORSHIP ONLINE

Online provision remains via our YouTube page (see below). Alternatively, you can contact our parish Reader Gill Hollis on 01543 432107 and request to be added to her e-mailing list or included in our St Giles' WhatsApp group.

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC0KnuUe7DF8kzQ1tYYZN_nQ

You can follow regular prayers and services for our three parishes at:

<https://tinyurl.com/st-giles-services>

At home you are encouraged to make use of the wide range of resources on our Church website especially under the spirituality and Bible sections.

<http://ourvillagechurch.org.uk/spirituality/>

RIDE & STRIDE 2021

Ride and Stride is the annual sponsored event in aid of county Historic Churches Trusts all over England. It takes place this year on Saturday 11th September. Participants are sponsored by family and friends to visit as many churches as they can between 10 am and 6 pm. The money is used to make grants to churches for repairs and essential maintenance. Half the money raised by each cyclist/walker is returned to their home church. Find out more about how to get involved in Staffordshire Ride & Stride.

<https://staffordshirehistoricchurchestrust.org/contact-us/>

ENABLING CHURCH

At least 1 in 6 people in our communities (significantly more in those aged 60+) are impacted by difficulties with mobility, vision, hearing, or living with some kind of physical or mental disability - many of them hidden. Are you one of these 1 in 6 people with a lived experience of a disability? The Enabling Church team would love you to join their network. They will be offering regular online meetings to help people share their experiences and build relationships with others from around the diocese. Email them at Enabling.Church@lichfield.anglican.org

#STAND FOR SYNOD

Being on General Synod is an opportunity to represent the concerns of your community and your diocese at a national level. Whether lay or clergy, you can have a say in national legislation that affects all parts of the Church of England. You can also raise issues and contribute to debates on social and policy matters. Nominations open on 30th July, closing on 8th September. Find out more [here](#). An initial letter/email is in the process of going to all electors to let them know that Civica will be contacting them directly if they have email, or by post if they don't have email. If you're a member of a deanery synod and haven't received an email or letter (or receive one in error) please contact [Jo Durber](#). For any general queries about standing for election please contact diocesan CEO [Julie Jones](#), who's written a blog about the elections [here](#).