



The Anglican Parishes of Whittington, Weeford and Hints

TWO WEEKS - SUNDAYS

31st August & 7th September 2025



Season of Creation 1st September – 4th October

**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 31st August – Trinity 11



St Bart's 10:30 Benefice Sunday

The Revd Ashley Hines

CONGREGATIONS FROM ALL THREE CHURCHES

Bible Lessons: Jeremiah 2: 4-13 p756 Hebrews 13: 1-8, 15-16 p1211 Luke 14: 7-14 p1047

COLLECT (BCP) Trinity 11 *O God, who declares thy almighty power most chiefly in shewing mercy and pity; mercifully grant unto us such a measure of thy grace, that we, running the way of thy commandments, may obtain thy gracious promises, and be made partakers of thy heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

COLLECT (CW) Trinity 9 *God of glory, the end of our searching, help us to lay aside all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom, and to give all that we have to gain the pearl beyond all price, through our Saviour Jesus Christ.*



Wednesday 3rd September - Creationtide

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

Sunday 7th September – Trinity 12 - Creationtide

St Giles' 09:30 Parish Eucharist (CW)

The Revd Ashley Hines

St Mary's 11:00 Parish Eucharist

The Revd Ashley Hines

Bible Lessons: Jeremiah 18: 1-11 p728 Philemon 1-21 p1097 Luke 14: 25-33 p1058

COLLECT (BCP) Trinity 12 *Almighty and everlasting God, who art always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and art wont to give more than either we desire or deserve; pour down upon us the abundance of thy mercy; forgiving us those things whereof our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask, but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord.*

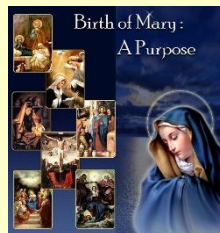
COLLECT (CW) Trinity 12 *Creator God, you made the goodness of the land the riches of the sea and the rhythm of the seasons; as we thank you for the harvest, may we cherish and respect this planet and its peoples, through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

Monday 8th September - Creationtide – Birth of the Blessed

Virgin Mary

Wednesday 10th September - Creationtide

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 South India (United) and The Anglican Church of Southern Africa.*

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: The next 24-hour Diocesan Day of Prayer has been confirmed as noon on October 1st – noon on October 2nd. If you would like to lead a 30-minute prayer slot, contact Richard Barrett Richard.Barrett@lichfield.anglican.org.

We pray for all those children and young people returning to school this coming week, and those going for the first time. Please let welcomes be offered, friendships formed, and fears allayed. Thank you for the hard work of all those who work and volunteer in schools around the diocese, and also those who serve in the diocese's Education Team. We pray for the 207 church schools and academies in Lichfield Diocese and also Lichfield Cathedral School.

We pray for the Diocesan and Cathedral Staff as they share fellowship on a staff day on 3rd September, to build closer and more productive relationships in the future.

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; Sheepwash Farm Day Nursey; 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' Church Flower Arrangers; Good Neighbour Scheme; Whittington Baby and Toddler Group.

We pray by name for: All those known to us
Promoted to glory: Barbara Stearn, Velma Cattell

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 tinned fish, tinned fruit, tinned tomatoes, tinned vegetables, carrots and peas, 1-litre cartons long life fruit juice, tea bags x 40. 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.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING AT ST BARTHOLOMEW'S

On Saturday 27th September St Bart's are once again hosting a Macmillan Coffee Morning, from 11 am to 1 pm. If you can support in any way, please do – attending, baking, donating prizes to and buying tickets for a tombola - making other suggestions for how we can raise as much money for the charity as we can. For further details contact Val on 01543 480088 or email at val.weardrive@btinternet.com.

St Bart's Fundraising Walk has also been rearranged for the same date. We walk from St Bart's Church in Hints (starting at 10:00 am) to St Mary's in Weeford, then to St Giles' in Whittington (with a stop off in the Dog Inn for refreshments) before heading back via the Tame Otter in Hopwas (for another refreshment) and back up the hill to Hints. The walk is around 13.5 miles in total and everyone is welcome. If the whole walk might be too much you are welcome to join us for the first half (Hints-Weeford-Whittington) which is around 8 miles. All we ask is a donation of £25 from participants or supporters which all goes to St. Bart's church, please contact Jane Boyle (Treasurer) - janeboylee@hotmail.com - 07843 077575.

RIDE AND STRIDE

On Saturday 13th September 2025, Staffordshire Historic Churches Trust is reviving its "Ride and Stride" fund-raising event, in which walkers and bikers participate to raise money for both participating churches and for the Trust itself which awards grants to individual churches towards repair and maintenance costs. St Bartholomew's church will be joining in the event this year, by being open and offering refreshments to participating walkers and bikers and signing their sponsorship documentation. If anyone would like to join in the event, enjoy planning and carrying out a walking or bicycle tour of local churches and raising money for a worthwhile cause, please contact Val on 01543 480088 or email at val.weardrive@btinternet.com or go to www.staffordshirehistoricchurchestrust.org for more information.

St Giles' church will also be open and offering refreshments to participants.