



The Anglican Parishes of Whittington, Weeford and Hints

**TWO WEEKS - SUNDAYS
4th & 11th January 2026**



**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 4th January –Christmas 2

St Giles' 09:30 Parish Eucharist (CW)

The Revd Ashley Hines

St Bart's 11:00 Parish Eucharist

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Bible Lessons: Jeremiah 31: 7-14 p791 Ephesians 1: 3-14 p1173 John 1: (1-9) 10-18 p1063

COLLECT (BCP) Christmas 2 Almighty God, who didst wonderfully create man in thine own image, and didst yet more wonderfully restore him; grant, we beseech thee, that as thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ was made in the likeness of men, so we may be made partakers of the divine nature; through the same thy Son, who with thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, one God, world without end.

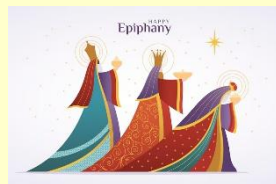
COLLECT (CW) Christmas 2 God our Father, in love you sent your Son that the world may have life, lead us to seek him among the outcast and to find him in those in need, for Jesus Christ's sake.

Tuesday 6th January – Epiphany

Wednesday 7th January

St Giles' 09:30 Morning Prayer with Eucharist

The Revd Ashley Hines



Sunday 11th January – Epiphany 1 – Baptism of Christ

St Giles' 08:00 Parish Eucharist (BCP 1662)

The Revd Ashley Hines

St Giles' 09:30 Morning Worship

Gill Hollis

St Giles' 18:00 Evening Prayer

Gill Hollis

St Mary's 11:00 Parish Eucharist

The Revd Ashley Hines

Bible Lessons: Isaiah 42: 1-9 p727 Acts 10: 34-43 p1104 Matthew 3: 13-end p967



COLLECT (BCP) Epiphany 1 O Lord, we beseech thee mercifully to receive the prayers of thy people which call upon thee; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

COLLECT (CW) Epiphany 1 Heavenly Father, at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your Son; may we recognise him as our Lord and know ourselves to be your beloved children; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Wednesday 14th January

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 the Province of Central Africa and Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America.*

We pray for Michael and Jan Gott (Evangelists) and Viktoria Korniychuk (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: 18th – 25th January Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

At Epiphany, as we remember the Magi and their gifts, we thank you again for your most precious gift to us in your son Jesus.

We pray for the Wolverhampton Area Mission and Pastoral Committee as it meets on 7th, for inspiration and wisdom for all those involved. Lord, please bless all the people who serve on this and all our diocesan committees, and may they know your presence alongside them as they serve, especially when they may face difficult decisions.

We give thanks for the continuing ministry of Dovedale House in Ilam, where church based and other groups as well as schools enjoy our hospitality within its beautiful, Peak District surroundings. Upon the recent change in residential staff, we give thanks for the improvements in the house's offering brought about by Jeremy and Julie and for the new initiatives already being pioneered by Debbie and Andrew. We pray for increased usage by groups for their discipleship and faith growing ventures and for those clergy who make use of 'The Bungalow' for rest and relaxation.

We pray for the Bishop's Staff Meeting as they gather on 14th, for wisdom and inspiration for all those involved.

Prayer Cycle: Week 7. The Parish of Weeford (Population c.450):

Tamworth Road Packington, Jerry's Lane, Levett Road, Knox's Grave Lane, Flats Lane, Watling Street, Weeford Village, Little Hay Lane, Swinfen: Barkers Lane, Heart of the Country, London Road, Old London Road, Swinfen Hall Estate.

Community facilities and institutions in Weeford:

Weeford Parish Council; Swinfen and Packington Parish Council; St Mary's Church; the Church Council; The Old School House Restaurant; Swinfen Young Offenders Institution; Swinfen Hall Hotel; Heart of the Country; The Old Stables.

Prayer Cycle: Week 8. The Parish of Hints (Population c.200):

Bangley Lane, Brockhurst Lane, Hints Lane, School Lane, Watling Street.

Community facilities in Hints: St Bartholomew's Church, the Village Hall.

Organisations in Hints: Hints and Canwell Parish Council; the Church Council, Village Hall Committee, Events Committee, Kids Club, Gardening Guild.

We pray by name for: All those known to us

Promoted to glory: All those known to us

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 Wraps, Cereal, Small jars of coffee, Biscuits, snacks and cereal bars, Tins of tuna. 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.

SATURDAY NIGHT BINGO

Whittington, Weeford and Hints Parishes jointly present Saturday Night Bingo – Saturday 31st January 2026 6.00 pm to 10.00 pm at the Thomas Spencer Church Hall, Church Street, Whittington, WS14 9LE. Tickets £10 for adults and £6 for children under 12 (includes bingo sheets for your first two games plus one free drink behind the bar). You could win £5 for a line or £25 for a full house! Don't forget to bring your dabbers! Contact Jane Boyle (Hints) to order your tickets on 07843 077575 or janeboylee@hotmail.com.

100 CLUB DRAW

The 100 Club Draw for December took place just before Christmas and the lucky winners are:

1st	Number 95	Lesley Knighton	£50
2nd	Number 10	Lynne Lacey	£20

Thank you all for your support during 2025 and your continued support in 2026!

THANK YOU FROM ST BART'S

Thanks to everyone who came to the Christmas panto on 5th December. What a fantastic night we had, Jayne and her team were so funny and entertaining yet again. The night was a huge success, and we managed to raise just over £500 for St Bart's which is great. Thank you to everyone who came or donated to the raffle, your support really does help us to keep going. Great news, we will be doing the panto again next year around the same time, this one will be Jack and the Beanstalk so watch out for notifications about this later next year. In addition, there will also be a rock tribute night in the summer. Contact: Jane Boyle on 07843 077575 or janeboylee@hotmail.com.

SHALLOWFORD HOUSE RETREATS, STONE, STAFFORDSHIRE

Quiet Mondays at Shallowford House, once a month starting on 9th February, £27 including lunch. More info on our website. *Living with Loss* - creative grief workshop for those who have lost a spouse or partner, child or other close family/friends. 21st & 28th February.

Shallowford House needs volunteers! Whether you can help in the grounds, with maintenance or any other areas, please get in touch. Or come along to our first Volunteer Party of the year; 23rd – 26th March. [Contact the office](#) for more information. Find these and more at shallowfordhouse.org.