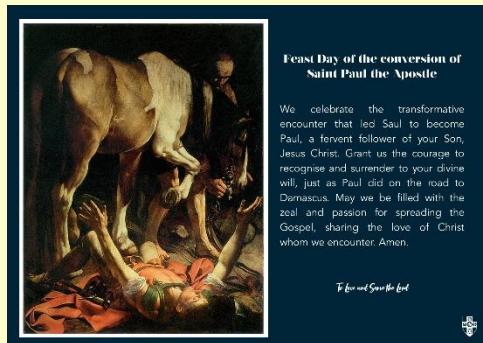


The Anglican Parishes of Whittington, Weeford and Hints

TWO WEEKS - SUNDAYS
18th & 25th January 2026



Feast Day of the conversion of
Saint Paul the Apostle

We celebrate the transformative encounter that led Saul to become Paul, a fervent follower of your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant us the courage to recognise and surrender to your divine will, just as Paul did on the road to Damascus. May we be filled with the zeal and passion for spreading the Gospel, sharing the love of Christ whom we encounter. Amen.

To love and Serve the Lord



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

Note: Lynne will be on annual leave 18th – 24th January inclusive





Sunday 18th January – Epiphany 2



St Giles'	09:30	Parish Eucharist (CW)	The Revd Ashley Hines
St Mary's	11:00	Morning Prayer (BCP 1662)	The Revd Ashley Hines
St Bart's	18:30	Evensong (BCP1662)	The Revd Ashley Hines

Bible Lessons: Isaiah 49: 1-7 p735 1 Corinthians 1: 1-9 p1144 John 1: 29-42 p1064

COLLECT (BCP) Epiphany 2 Almighty and everlasting God, who dost govern all things in heaven and earth; mercifully hear the supplications of thy people and grant us thy peace all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

COLLECT (CW) Epiphany 2 Eternal Lord, our beginning and our end; bring us with the whole creation to your glory, hidden through past ages and made known in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Wednesday 21st January

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



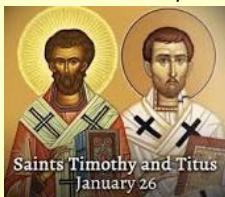
Sunday 25th January – Epiphany 3 – Conversion of Paul

St Giles'	09:30	Parish Eucharist (BCP 1662)	The Revd Ashley Hines
St Mary's	11:00	Parish Eucharist	The Revd Ashley Hines

Bible Lessons: Jeremiah 1: 4-10 p755 Acts 9: 1-22 p1102 Matthew 19: 27-end p987

COLLECT (BCP) Conversion of Paul Almighty God, who caused the light of the gospel to shine throughout the world through the preaching of your servant Saint Paul; grant that we who celebrate his wonderful conversion may follow him in bearing witness to your truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and ever.

COLLECT (CW) Epiphany 3 God of all mercy your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release to the captives, and freedom to the oppressed; anoint us with your Holy Spirit and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord.



Monday 26th January – Saints Timothy & Titus, companions of Paul

Wednesday 28th January

St Giles'	09:30	Morning Prayer with Eucharist	The Revd Ashley Hines
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In faith and love we pray and respond to the needs of the world...

Anglican Communion Cycle of Prayer: *Pray for Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo and Iglesia Anglicana de Chile.*

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: *ADVANCE NOTICE Diocesan Day of Prayer 12 noon Wednesday 6th – 12 noon Thursday 7th May 2026*

18th – 25th January Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, one of the prayers provided for it by *Churches Together in Britain and Ireland*.

Lord Jesus Christ, you bring us together in all our diversity, as family and church. In the face of so many situations on earth, where hope has given way to despair and hearts are wounded and emptied by disappointment, renew our strength and unify us. Help us to share Your hope wherever we find ourselves. You are the true Light, who casts out the darkness of sin, despair and brokenness, who shines into our hearts, releasing the joy and the true hope of Your eternal love for all. Amen.

We pray for all the lay ministers in the Lichfield Deanery, especially *Gill Hollis, Dr Trevor James and Helen Mullins*. They all play an essential and important role as they lead worship, take the word of God to the people and minister to their communities. All involved in and part of the close-knit communities they minister in, with intimate knowledge of those communities their wisdom is essential to the way the teams work. We give grateful thanks for all that they do, and for the gifts they bring to the people they serve.

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

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 (Population c.3,400):

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

We pray by name for: Angela Brookhouse

Promoted to glory: Ian Douglas

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.

LENT COURSE

The Lent Course this year will be six sessions on The Nicene Creed, facilitated by The Revd Ashley Hines. These will take place at 1 pm on Wednesdays during Lent at St Giles' church Whittington, using the social space at the back of church. No booking is necessary. The first session on Wednesday 4th February will be led by Val Edwards from St Bartholomew's church Hints, who will be sharing her knowledge of icons. All are welcome! Further information from Revd Ashley: 01543 387687 or 07831 766604.

WELCOMING WORSHIP WITH A WOW, A WHY AND A WHO!

Lichfield Diocese Community of Evangelists next gathering brings back from Great Yarmouth former Lichfield minister Jassica Castillo-Burley, who will be telling her story in song. Saturday 7th February 2026, 10.30 am – 12.00 pm with a free shared lunch and followed by a walk for the more energetic. Venue: St Matthew's Wolves, WV1 2DN. Contact Lynne for further details: 07810 550583.

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.