

Be. Retreat Day Saturday 9th June at Launde Abbey-now full! If you would like your name to go on a waiting list, please contact Serena.

What's on this week ...

Mon 21st	9.30am	Staff Prayers and meeting
	1.00pm	Wellbeing Café
	7.00pm	Girls Cell Group
	7.00pm	Just Girls (check with Louise)
	7.00pm	PCC meeting
Tues 22nd	9.30am	Prayer meeting in the centre
	10.00am	Toddle In
	7.30pm	The Hub, Church Centre
Wed 23rd	10.00am	'Together' English Language Group
	12.30pm	POP up! Bible Study Malachi 2:1-9
	2.30pm	Senior Fellowship
	7.00pm	Mixed Cell group
	7.30pm	Young Adults & Students: Groups
Thur 24th	11.00am	Holy Communion - in the centre
	12.15pm	Full lunch
	7.00pm	Alpha Wk 5 "Why & how should I read the Bible?"
Fri 25th	6.00pm	Youth Football
Fri 25-Sun 27th		Young Adults weekend away

Sunday 27th May

10am	Worship Together Be Chosen Reading: Mark 1:16-20, Mark 2:13-17 Led by: Krissy and Beth Cressey Speaker: Maggie Kelly
3pm	Hymns of Praise
7pm	Evening Worship Be Chosen Reading: Mark 1:16-20, Mark 2:13-17 Led by Steve Kelly Speaker: Maggie Kelly
7pm	Youth Zone

Staff days off this week...

Steve is off Friday
Jonny is not available 22nd-24th
Tim is not available from 14th-27th
Diana is not available from 21st-28th
Maggie is working Mon, Wed, Thurs am
Jo Smith is on sabbatical from 21st May-20th June

Church Office hours this week:

Mon	1.00pm	-	3.00pm
Tues- Fri	10.00am	-	3.00pm

Our Vision Statement

Our vision is to see lives being changed by the power of Jesus, one person at a time.

New to St Giles?

Please introduce yourself at the information desk. We have various helpful leaflets. If you intend to worship regularly with us, please complete a 'New to St Giles?' card and return it so that we can get to know you!

Holy Communion

If you are visiting us and normally receive Communion in your own church you are welcome to join us at Communion here.

If you prefer to receive non-alcoholic wine and/or gluten-free wafers, they are available – please indicate to the person administering Communion.

Giving

We do not take up an offering during services. Please place any offering in one of the boxes by pillars near the doors. Gift Aid declaration forms and envelopes are available nearby and at the information desk - as are standing order forms for regular giving.

Food4Thought

Inspirational emails Monday to Friday. If you would like to receive them, please subscribe via our website: <http://stgilesnorthampton.org.uk/church-life/food-4-thought/>

Valuables

Please keep your handbag, keys, wallet, etc with you at all times.

Crèche room - after service use

Please be aware that after the service only **children accompanied by their parents** can use the crèche room.

Lost Property

Please check the lost property near the information desk to see if anything belongs to you before it is sorted and donated to the local charity shop next week. Thank you!

All Saints Church of England Primary School

has a vacancy on their Governing Body for a 'Foundation Governor'. Governors come from all walks of life and bring a range of valuable skills to the group of governors. This is an opportunity to serve the community and continue to build on our relationship with this strategic church school. If you are interested and would like more details please contact Diana Rees-Jones.

Contact us:

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Our Vicar writes...

Pentecost Sunday – God keeps his promises

Jesus says to his disciples in Luke 24, "I am going to send you *what my Father has promised.*" And later in Acts 1 we read, 'Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for *the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about.*'

Today we remember and celebrate that first outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. The Father keeps His promise and the disciples receive the gift that was pledged, His power and His presence. It was a new beginning and the disciples were never the same again.

There's a specific promise Jesus has spoken **for all believers.**

On the last and greatest day of the festival, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, 'Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them.' By this he meant the Spirit...John 7v37-38.



Are you thirsty? Do you long for more? Do you want to be able to share His life and love with others? Come and drink today. **Come and ask.** God always keeps His promises.

Sunday 20th May

10am	Morning Worship with Holy Communion Be Visionary Reading: Revelation: 21:1-5 Led by: Diana Rees-Jones Speaker: Steve Kelly
7pm	Evening Worship Be Visionary Reading: Revelation 21:1-5 Led by Maggie Kelly Speaker: Jonny Dade
7pm	Youth Zone

Growing Up...

Prayer, Praise and Action in Northampton

Join us on Monday
4th June, 7.30pm
at St Giles church
when we will be
hosting the next
Prayer and Praise



event. It will be an evening of praise, worship, prayer and intercession. During the evening we will also be launching **10,000 hours**. Please think about how you can get involved in this. Check out Facebook for more details or speak to Cameron or Natalie.

Newcomers Lunch today!

For those of you who are coming to our newcomers' lunch today, please take the opportunity to stay for coffee in church and make your way over to the church centre at about 12.15pm.

Live Life 123 @ The Hub



If you are not in a mid-week group come and join our mid-week community The Hub. We are following the Summer teaching series **Live Life 123**. Every Tuesday evening starting from 22nd May in the Church Centre from 7.30pm.

e: assistantminister@stgilesnorthampton.org.uk to book or sign up at the Information desk.

Cake Sale Fundraiser £ £ £...

Well done Charlotte and the Just Girls team for raising a fantastic **£175** last week selling delicious cakes! A great success and the money will be used to buy resources for orphanages in China when Jennifer and Jacqueline go in July. Well done girls (and Louise).

Scout Group

Could you get involved in helping our Scout group? We are looking for female leaders/helpers to join our Scout group of 10-14 year olds, meetings are held on Wednesday evenings.

We also have opportunities for leaders in our Cub section (8-10 year olds), meetings are held on Thursday evenings. Please speak to Mark and Sine Cookman for further details.

Joining In...

Save the dates...

Month of June - 10,000 hours

Sat 2nd June - Bible School starts

Sun 24th June - Tim's Ordination at Peterboro' cathedral

Sun 1st July - Jonny & Anna's last Sunday with us. There will be a Leaving Lunch after the morning service.

Sun 15th July - Youth Deanery Service at St Mary's

Wed 29th August - Jonny Dade's Licensing (eve)



Summer Bible School starting soon

St Giles' Bible School will be running a six week course in the summer from 2nd June studying the Gospel of Mark followed by a Basic Theology Course. Please pick up a leaflet from the information desk. **If you are new to the Bible School and plan to come could you please go to our website and register: www.stgilesnorthampton.org.uk.** Thank you.

Opportunity to Pray for our Children, Families and Youth ministry.

Meeting for an hour on Tuesday 22nd May, 7.30pm at Louise Whaites' home. Please speak to Jo or Louise for further details.

Men @ St Giles' Saturday 9th June 2018, 8am

Full English breakfast at the Church Centre followed by a talk by **Gerard Parsons** entitled "A ministry of multiplication: living a Barnabas lifestyle."

Northampton in Bloom!

If you want to be involved in this year's Northampton in Bloom, please let the office know (01604 628623). On 2nd June in the morning a team will be 'shoeplanting' and it would be good if we, at St Giles, could support this and be part of the launch.



Spreading Out...

Giving Away...

Prayer Points...

We are asked to pray especially this week for:

- ⇒ Richard and Frances Jones
- ⇒ The Manna House
- ⇒ Those working in social work and probation services

Those who are unwell or bereaved, especially:

- ⇒ David Bailey, friend of Angela Garrod, who has terminal oesophageal cancer.
- ⇒ Clare Biddiscombe's mum who is unwell in hospital.
- ⇒ Beryl Baxter.
- ⇒ David Cline.
- ⇒ Little Phoebe who is bravely battling new signs of neuroblastoma.
- ⇒ Fiona Shepherd.
- ⇒ Yoke and her daughter Gabrielle.
- ⇒ Laurie Brown.
- ⇒ Peter Ford, Lois's friend, who has secondary cancer.

If you know someone who needs our prayers, please contact the clergy or the parish office.

We will only include their name here for 2 weeks; please contact us after that time if you would like them to be included for a further 2 weeks.

For Israel & the Middle East

Brothers and sisters: not known to us but positioned over the Middle East, able to do amazing outreach... We bless God for you all, and we bless you for your yieldedness, your rootedness, your walk in faith, your love, your joy: shining out the call of God to many of those you meet.

Service and Hospitality Rotas

The new summer rotas are now available and have been emailed to those of you who are involved. Please contact Helen 01604 628623 office@stgilesnorthampton.org.uk, if you would also like a paper copy.

Thank you for your prayers!

Peter and Sheila would like thank everyone for their personal messages of support and prayer during Peter's recent illness. He is now recovering at home following successful treatment at the Northampton Heart Centre.

News sheet deadline: All items must be with the church office by 9am on Thursday of each week. Items received after this deadline may not make it into the news sheet!