

Live Life 123 @ The Hub "Be Accountable"

If you are not in a mid-week group come and join our mid-week community The Hub. Every Tuesday in the Church Centre from 7.30pm. Sign up at the information desk.

What's on this week ...

Mon 4th	9.30am	Staff Prayers and meeting
	1.00pm	Wellbeing Café
	7.00pm	Girls Cell Group
	7.00pm	Just Girls (check with Louise)
	7.30pm	Prayer and Praise, St Giles
Tues 5th	9.30am	Prayer meeting in the centre
	7.30pm	The Hub, Church Centre
	7.00pm	Youth Music Practice
Wed 6th	10.00am	'Together' English Language Group
	12.30pm	POP up! Bible Study Mal 2:17 -3:5
	7.30pm	Young Adults & Students in the church centre
	7.00pm	Mix Cell Group
Thur 7th	11.00am	Holy Communion - in the centre
	12.15pm	Full Lunch
	7.00pm	Alpha Wk 6 "Why & How Should I Tell Others?"
Fri 8th	6.00pm	Youth Football
Sat 9th	9.30am	Bible School in the Church Centre
	All day	Be. Retreat at Launde Abbey
	8.00am	Men's Breakfast
	10.30am	Town Centre litter pick

Sunday 10th June

10am	Morning Worship Be Strong and Courageous Reading: Joshua 1:1-11 Led by Tim Smith Speaker: Steve Kelly
7pm	Evening Worship Be Strong and Courageous Reading: Joshua 1:1-11 Led by Jonny Dade Speaker: Diana Rees-Jones
7pm	Youth Zone

Staff days off this week...

Steve is off Friday
Jonny is off Saturday
Tim is off Friday
Diana is off Friday and Saturday
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.

The poor will always be with you...

a theological approach to poverty today by the Rt Revd Philip North (Anglican Bishop of Burnley) on Thursday 7th June, 7pm at Northampton Catholic Cathedral. All welcome. Free entry but donations welcome.

Northampton Carnival Sat 9th June 12 noon

There will be live entertainment, an exciting fun fair and a wide range of stalls at the Racecourse from 12-7.30pm. The Carnival Parade will leave the Racecourse at 2pm and travel down the Kettering Road into the town centre and return to the park.

Contact us:

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Our Vicar writes...

TOGETHER WE CAN SAVE OUR TOWN!

This was the headline in the Chronicle this week. It was the strapline for a campaign to get shoppers, business leaders and retailers involved and interested in the flourishing of Northampton town centre. The recent news about the possible closure of M&S is *more bad news* following on from the floods, the financial problems of the county council and the woes of the football club.

The **Loving Northampton** initiative is a movement to bring some hope and *some good news*. The **10,000 hours project** in June is a practical way of showing that God loves the people in Northampton and it's something we can all be involved in. There are a range of suggested activities we can join in with or we can do something on our own or as a group. Be creative, be practical and remember to record your hours at the signup page <http://www.lovingnorthampton.org.uk/10000hrs.html>

You'll be joining with Christians all around the town and together we can share a different message.



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Sunday 3rd June

10am	Morning Worship with Family Communion Be Accountable Reading: James 5: 7-20 Led by Steve Kelly Speaker: Jonny Dade
7pm	Joint Celebration Be Accountable Reading: James 5: 7-20 Led by Steve Kelly Speaker: Matt Summerfield
7pm	Youth Zone

Growing Up...

Prayer, Praise and Action in Northampton

Join us tomorrow (Mon 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**. For more information, please contact Tim Smith, Cameron or Natalie.



Town Centre Litter Pick - 10,000 hours

An opportunity for the whole family to show God's love in a practical way on **Sat 9th at 10.30 am** as we clean the streets around the town centre. Beginning at the church centre. Litter pickers and gloves will be provided but if you have your own litter picker, please bring it with you.

Tim Smith's Ordination - Sun 24th June

Tim Smith, our Curate, will be ordained at Peterborough Cathedral on Sunday 24th June at 11am. It would be great if some of us from St Giles could attend this service. If you plan to go and have a spare seat in your car, please let the office know (01604 628623).

Jonny and Anna's Leaving Lunch!

The time is (sadly) drawing near to Jonny and Anna's departure from St Giles church and their last Sunday with us is on 1st July. After the morning service (1st July) we will be having a 'bring and share' leavers lunch in the church centre. If anyone is able to help out on the day, please contact Helen in the church office (01604 628623) or email: office@stgilesnorthampton.org.uk. There will also be a sign up sheet on the information desk next week.

Collection - if you would like to contribute towards Jonny and Anna's collection, please put your donation in a marked envelope ('Jonny & Anna's collection') and place in one of the offering boxes. There are envelopes available if you need one.

Sat4Seniors 23rd June Whole day event

If you are over 70 and would like to come, please complete an application form (on the information desk). Cost: £10 which includes hot drinks, biscuits/cake, a cooked lunch, activities, live entertainment and transport to and from the Church Centre. Limited availability.

Joining In...

Save the dates...

Month of June - 10,000 hours

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)



We welcome Matt Summerfield, this evening. Matt is the President of Urban Saints. It's a movement which has been reaching out to young people for over 100 years. Tens of thousands of children and young people have been introduced to Jesus through the groups and camps of **Crusaders and Urban Saints**, and have followed a lifelong journey of commitment to Jesus. Many of these have been inspired to pass on the baton of faith to the next generation, and have themselves led groups and camps and disciplined young people. Matt is the author of the **LiveLife-123 programme** we're following this term.

Steve's mini break!

Steve has talked to the wardens and the PCC about taking a **mini break** this summer for his wellbeing and to re-charge his batteries. He will have a lighter workload in July and August. He will be around but has asked Renee to protect his diary. He also plans to take a 3 week holiday, then go to New Wine and also to have a structured retreat week away. He will be back 'on duty' in the week commencing 20th August. The rota has been organised so he will not have any Sunday responsibilities during this period. When not on holiday or retreat, he will of course be available for pastoral emergencies. If in doubt, please check with Renee.

Our Summer Bible School has started

St Giles' Bible School is running a six week course which started on Sat 2nd June at 9.30am in the church centre. We are studying the Gospel of Mark followed by a Basic Theology Course. It's not too late to come. Please go to our website and register: www.stgilesnorthampton.org.uk. Thank you.

Spreading Out...

Giving Away...

Prayer Points...

We are asked to pray especially this week for:

- ⇒ Gill & Peter Vriend
- ⇒ CPAS
- ⇒ Those working in science and technology

Those who are unwell or bereaved, especially:

- ⇒ Grace Clark, Lois's sister, who has been diagnosed with secondary cancer.
- ⇒ Judith Cooper who has the onset of a heart condition.
- ⇒ Cat Nichol's colleague, Sam, who is in hospital.
- ⇒ David Bailey, friend of Angela Garrod, who has terminal oesophageal cancer.
- ⇒ Clare Biddiscombe's mum who is in a care home.
- ⇒ Beryl Baxter.
- ⇒ 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

We're so thankful to You, Almighty Father, for many who are serving You over the greater Middle East, remembering that this is costly in obedience just as Abraham was so obedient over Your command to sacrifice Isaac.] Bless each one of their ministries to forward Your Purposes.

Men @ St Giles' Saturday 9th June 2018

Full English breakfast at Church Centre followed by a talk by Gerard Parsons entitled "*A ministry of multiplication: living a Barnabas lifestyle*". Gerard will be looking at how we are the fruit of discipleship and that we should be discipling others in our own right as we pass on our knowledge of God to future generations. 8am - 9.45am (prompt finish).

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!