

## PRAYER REQUESTS

**The World:** With the World Council of Churches, we pray for the churches and peoples of Myanmar and Thailand : for ethnic and religious groups continuing to experience discrimination, persecution or even genocide (such as the Rohingyas), and for greater interfaith understanding and tolerance for this diversity; all those victimized by sex tourism and exploitation, and those who perpetuate such acts; political stability and progress toward democratic rule, economic justice for all, and environmental protection, as these countries undergo development. We continue to pray for our broken world full of suffering and fear, especially in places where there is conflict: Gaza, The Middle East, the Ukraine, Sudan to name but a few. We are gladdened by the news of a cease fire in Gaza and pray that it will lead to talks and a lasting peace in Gaza, Israel, Palestine and The Lebanon.

**The Church:** With the Anglican Communion we pray for The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.

**Our Community:** We pray for our whole community in this Advent time: that people may listen to and learn the message of the coming of Emmanuel (God with us) to live in His way here on earth, and come to trust and love Jesus as Lord. We also pray for Samuel and his family as he is Baptised, and welcome them all into God's family.

**The Suffering:** Please pray for all those suffering in body, mind or spirit: Ron Sutton & Wendy and Helen, Heidi, Enid & Angela Read and family, Michael & Ann and Ian, Lexi and Nick, and all those who are enduring seasonal illnesses at this time.

**The Departed:** We pray for all those who grieve at this time for the loss of someone they love: especially the families and friends of Geoffrey Walker. Ivy Ashwell, William Abercrombie, Anthony Vickerman, Barry Lewis, Fred Fox; may they be enfolded in the love of Christ.

## HELPFUL INFORMATION

### **THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITY IN THE CHURCH OR HALL**

The church building is now being used by various community groups. The weeks details are here:

**Monday** 5.30—9pm Rainbows and Guides  
**Tuesday** 5.45-7.45pm Brownies  
**Friday** 8-9pm Bell Ringing Practice (bell tower)

### **PARISH SURGERY**

First and third Tuesday monthly for Revd Josh to meet with prospective wedding couples & baptism families. Appointments only through Penny.

### **PLEASE TAKE THE MEMO HOME**



### **Contact Details**

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WELCOME! GOD'S GRACE  
AND MERCY BE WITH YOU

### **1st December Advent Sunday**

10.30am Holy Communion with Baptism  
at St Giles'  
Holy Communion at St Thomas

*Readings* Jeremiah 33.14-16 (OT pg 749)  
1 Thessalonians 3.9-13 (NT pg 201)  
Luke 21.25-36 (NT pg 82)

### **Collect (special prayer) for Today**

Almighty God,  
give us grace to cast away the works of  
darkness and to put on the armour of  
light, now in the time of this mortal life,  
in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us  
in great humility; that on the last day,  
when he shall come again in his glorious  
majesty to judge the living and the dead,  
we may rise to the life immortal;  
through him who is alive and reigns with  
you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

### **PLEASE TAKE THE MEMO HOME**





## WHAT'S ON AT ST GILES

## PLEASE TAKE THE MEMO HOME WITH YOU

### THIS WEEK AT ST GILES

#### ONLINE WORSHIP AVAILABLE EVERY SUNDAY

**10.30AM HOLY COMMUNION AT ST GILES'  
WITH HOLY BAPTISM  
HOLY COMMUNION AT ST THOMAS**

#### MONDAY

**1PM M & M MEETING**

#### TUESDAY

**10AM BIBLE STUDY**

#### WEDNESDAY

**9AM RAINBOW TODDLER GROUP  
1.10PM OASIS HOLY COMMUNION  
2PM FELLOWSHIP GROUP  
7.30PM CHOIR PRACTICE**

#### FRIDAY

**9AM-1PM COFFEE SHOP & MINI MARKET**

#### SATURDAY

**9.30AM CHRISTINGLE MAKING**

### NEXT SUNDAY

**8TH DECEMBER 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**10.30AM CHRISTINGLE AND NATIVITY  
ALL AGE WORSHIP**

Please come dressed as your favourite Nativity character (or just your favourite character) and join in the story telling! Limited costumes are available in church: come early to get changed!

### NOTICES

### PARISH NEWS DECEMBER AVAILABLE NOW!!

#### FELLOWSHIP ADVENT CAROL PARTY

**Wednesday 4th December 2pm  
A Special Advent Carol Service  
followed by a bring and share tea.  
ALL ARE WELCOME!**

#### GREEN TEAM VOLUNTEERS WANTED

to plant a lot of daffodil bulbs in the churchyard on  
**Wednesday 11th December at 10:30am .**  
Able to help? Please contact Laurie Bailey on 07470365470

#### DALEIAN SINGERS CHRISTMAS MAGIC CONCERT

**FRIDAY 13th December 7pm**  
Tickets from Andy Maxfield andymaxfield67@gmail.com  
or 07706912601 **stewards required for access & lock up  
please**

#### CAROL SINGING Royal Stoke Hospital wards

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2024 6pm - 8pm**  
Meeting point **Chaplains' Office Lift LG2** by 5.30pm  
Anyone who is interested please contact Linda Lovell  
07980537686

#### WINTER HEAT CONSERVATION

Volunteers needed (4 or more) to man the hall doors, to open and close them efficiently and effectively for those arriving for services, during the next 4 to 5 months.

#### A PLEA FOR NEW SIDESPERSONS

Wish to be a sidesperson? Please speak to Joanne or Dennis. They would love to have you join the team!

*Notices continued over the page...*

### CHILDRENS AND FAMILIES GROUPS

### YOUTH GROUP FOR THOSE AGED 11 TO 18

with James and Rosie. 1st and 3rd Sundays  
**SHINE!** 1st, 3rd, 4th and 5th Sunday each month  
**at 10.30am in the church hall.**

Please speak with Rev Josh or Jean to volunteer for SHINE! to run these activities every Sunday

### ST GILES LIBRARY BOOKSTAND

this is here for everyone to look at and to borrow books from. there is a wide range of books about faith and life for adults and young people and children too!!

### COFFEE SHOP AND COMMUNITY PROJECT

Volunteers to help at of these activities are needed please. If you know someone who is looking to do a little volunteering every few weeks then please put them in touch with us. Thank you.

### CHURCHYARD PARKING

Please remember, when unlocking **and** locking the coded gate lock, to scramble the numbers **before** moving away from the gate. NEVER leave the code revealed. Protect it and the safety of your vehicle

### SAFEGUARDING

If you have any safeguarding queries or concerns please speak to our SGO Penny Richards, the Rector or a member of the ministry team.

**Please can all chairs, tables and other furniture be put away after Sunday services and activities every week.  
Thank you**

*"Mark the season of Advent by loving and serving others with God's own love and concern" - St. Mother Teresa*