

St Giles Church News



Sunday 1st and 8th May

Service 10am: Beth Whaites | Alison Steele

Reading: James 5:7-8, Matt 13:31-32

Service 7pm: Ruth Alexander | Tom Burditt

Theme: Fruit of the Spirit - Patience

Apart from the first Sunday of each month, our morning services are livestreamed and can be accessed

here: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCVLqKU_357NAwfRCqveKyVQ/live

On Sunday, Alison will be exploring one of the Fruits of the Holy Spirit: Patience.

Thank you to those who attended the **APCM** last Sunday. We are grateful to Ali who chaired the meeting and Helen who took the minutes of the meeting.

We are so thankful for **David Lidbetter** and **Alison Steele** who have faithfully served St Giles in their capacity as Churchwardens for the last 5 years. Their support and wisdom have been invaluable especially during the last couple of years. We are delighted now to welcome our new Churchwardens, **Jacqueline Wienkamp** and **Jessica Newlove**. Please pray for wisdom, guidance and encouragement in their new role.

Please join us on Sunday morning as we give thanks to **Jo Smith**, our Asst Children's pastor who, after 11 years, will be leaving the staff team here at St Giles. We will miss her enormously. Her contribution to the children's work (and support for Beth) has been

huge. We are thankful that Jo will still be around - she is not leaving St Giles! [Here is a letter from Jo](#). Please pray that God will bless her and the Smith family in this new season.

PLEASE NOTE: The Parish Office will be closed next week.

With every blessing to you all this weekend.



Prayer Diary and Mission in Touch

[The Prayer Diary](#) and [Mission in Touch](#) for May is now available. There will be a few copies in church if needed. Please take time to read Vera's news and Church on the Heath.



Bereavement Journey *Starting 12th May, Collingtree*

Simon and Denise Bridgens will be running **The Bereavement Journey** in Collingtree from **Thursday 12th May 2022**. The course lasts for six weeks. If you would like to come, please sign up [here](#).



Alpha - last opportunity to sign up

It's not too late to sign up to Alpha. You can join us for week 2 when we will be exploring the topic "Why did Jesus die?"

Please book on [ChurchSuite](#) if you would like to join us.



The Knife Angel is coming to Northampton

Fri 29th April - Fri 13th May

The iconic 27-foot-tall statue will be visiting Northampton as part of its nationwide tour to highlight the issue of knife crime in the UK. It will be on display at the All Saints' Church plaza in Northampton town centre for two weeks.

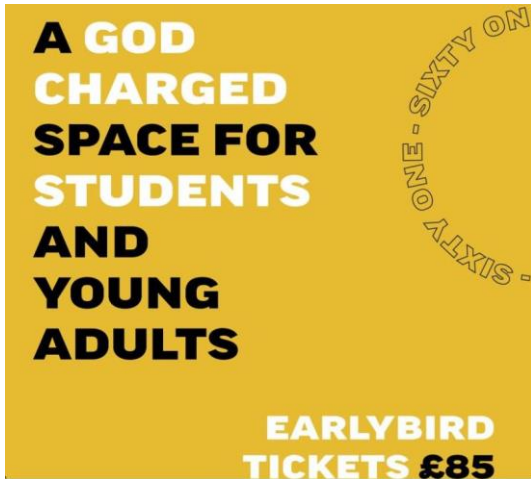
There will be a service and vigil at All Saints' Church on **Saturday, 30 April at 7.30pm** to mark the Knife Angel's visit to the town. Following the service candles will be lit around the sculpture as a symbol of light against darkness.



24/14 Week of Prayer

Friday 29th April - 14th May

We are looking forward in joining together for another time of 24-7 prayer. This will be the 5th time we have done this together. Please do join in and create a wall of prayer for our town and county! You can begin to book your prayer slots now on this sign up sheet: <https://pray.24-7prayer.com/signup/e5edc1/>



SixtyOne Conference *4-7th August, 2022*

For those aged 18-30, Fusion and New Wine have partnered together and created a great weekend conference called SixtyOne from the 4th–7th Aug. Held at the East Midlands Showground, it will be a weekend allowing space to pray on our calling from the Lord, worship, make friendships and go deeper into God's word. St Giles will be going for the whole weekend. For more info email Ruth Alexander ruth@stgilesnorthampton.org.uk.



Friday Night LIVE *Friday 13th May, 7.30pm*

An opportunity for all the blokes to bring their toys and chill out together and chat. Please let Richard Poole know what you are bringing. Food will be provided. Please sign up on [ChurchSuite](#).



Save the date

The Big Jubilee Lunch
Sunday 5th June

Next Week:

Service 10am: Steve Kelly | Ali Wagner

Service 7pm: Maggie Kelly | Ali Wagner

Theme: Holy Spirit - Creation; the breath of life

Reading: Genesis 1: 1-5, 2: 4-7

Holy Communion will be served during the morning service

A House of Prayer for all Nations

Breathe in me, O Holy Spirit, that my thoughts may all be holy. Act in me, O Holy Spirit, that my work, too, may be holy. Draw my heart, O Holy Spirit, that I love but what is holy. Strengthen me, O Holy Spirit, to defend all that is holy. (St Augustine, 354 – 430)

Zoom meetings: 886 0781 8293/prayer321
Every week-day morning at 8.30am and Thurs eve at 8pm



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