



The Benefice of Pontefract Parish of St Giles with St Mary's



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**** PLEASE NOTE—TWO WEEKS' NOTICES**** **PALM SUNDAY, 28th MARCH 2021– 9 APRIL 2021**

Please note that all social distancing measures will still be in place when public worship resumes: **sanitising hands** on entry and exit; **maintaining a 2m distance** from people you do not live with; **wearing a face covering in church; avoiding socialising** in or out of church.

We have now reached our maximum capacity for the 10.15am services at St Giles on Palm Sunday and Easter Day.

SUNDAY, 28th March—PALM SUNDAY—FULL

10.15am Parish Eucharist to include reading of the Passion Story—**please note, there will be no procession** (at St Giles and online).

6.00pm BCP Evensong (online only)

MONDAY, 29th March

7.00pm Eucharist and short address (at St. Mary's)

TUESDAY, 30th March

9.00am Morning Prayer (online only)

7.00pm Compline and short address (online only)

WEDNESDAY, 31st March

9.30am Eucharist and short address (at St Giles and online)

MAUNDY THURSDAY, 1st April

7.00pm Eucharist with Watch (at St Giles and online)

GOOD FRIDAY, 2nd April

2.00pm Good Friday Liturgy (at St Giles and online)

**** The SATURDAY VIGIL at 8.00pm will not be taking place ****

SUNDAY, 4th April—EASTER SUNDAY

**** Additional service**** 8.00am BCP Easter Day Said Holy Communion (at St Giles, not livestreamed) **no booking required.**

9.00am Parish Eucharist (at St Mary's)

10.15am Parish Eucharist (at St Giles and online) - **FULL**



DAILY READINGS TO 10TH APRIL

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| Monday, 29th <i>Monday of Holy Week</i> | Morning: Psalm 41 & Luke 22.1-23 Evening: Psalm 25 & Colossians 1.18-23 |
| Tuesday, 30th <i>Tuesday of Holy Week</i> | Morning: Psalm 27 & Luke 22.39-53 Evening: Psalm 55.13-24 & Galatians 6.11 to end |
| Wednesday, 31st <i>Wednesday of Holy Week</i> | Morning: Psalm 102 & Luke 22.54 to end Evening: Psalm 88 & Revelation 14.18-15.4 |
| Thursday, 1st <i>Maundy Thursday</i> | Morning: Psalms 42, 43 & Luke 23.1-25 Evening: Psalm 39 & Ephesians 2.11-18 |
| Friday, 2nd <i>Good Friday</i> | Morning: Psalm 69 & Hebrews 10.1-10 Evening: Psalms 130, 143 & John 19.38 to end |
| Saturday, 3rd <i>Easter Vigil</i> | Morning: Psalm 142 & John 2.18-22 Evening: Psalm 116 & 1 John 5.5-12 |
| Sunday, 4th <i>Easter Day</i> | Morning: Psalms 114, 117 & 2 Corinthians 5.14-6.2 Evening: Psalm 105 & Luke 24.13-35 |
| Monday, 5th <i>Monday of Easter Week</i> | Morning: Psalm 111 & Mark 16.1-8 Evening: Psalm 135 & 1 Corinthians 15.1-11 |
| Tuesday, 6th <i>Tuesday of Easter Week</i> | Morning: Psalm 112 & Luke 24.1-12 Evening: Psalm 136 & 1 Corinthians 15.12-19 |
| Wednesday, 7th <i>Wednesday of Easter Week</i> | Morning: Psalm 113 & Matthew 28.16 to end Evening: Psalm 105 & 1 Corinthians 15.20-28 |
| Thursday, 8th <i>Thursday of Easter Week</i> | Morning: Psalm 114 & Luke 7.11-17 Evening: Psalm 106 & 1 Corinthians 15.29-34 |
| Friday, 9th <i>Friday of Easter Week</i> | Morning: Psalm 115 & Luke 8.41 to end Evening: Psalm 107 & 1 Corinthians 15.35-50 |
| Saturday, 10th <i>Saturday of Easter Week</i> | Morning: Psalm 116 & John 11.17-44 Evening: Psalm 145 & 1 Corinthians 15.51 to end |

MISSIONS COMMITTEE - LENT APPEAL

The St. Giles' Lent Appeal for 2021 is Mara, Majengo Mapya.

Due to the exceptional circumstances this year it has been decided to provide two different ways for people to make their donation.

Either,

by using the Treasurer's box in the church reception area, marking the envelope 'Lent Appeal'

or

by bank transfer using the following details:

Account Name: St Giles PCC

Sort code: 05-06-71

Account No. 16172795

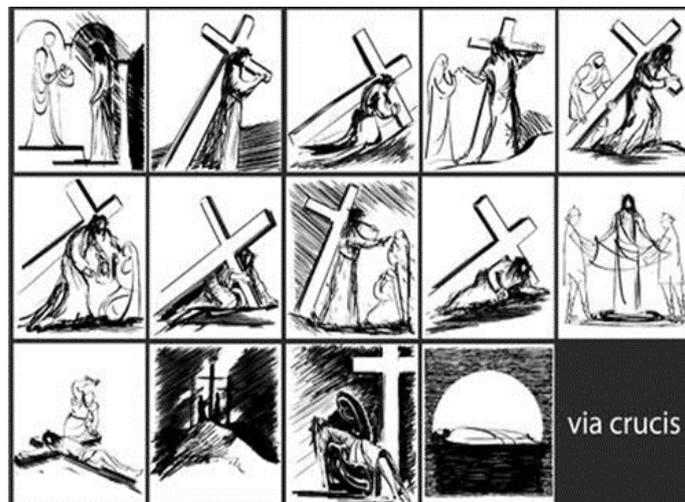


STATIONS OF THE CROSS IN LENT AND PASSIONTIDE

Found in the 'Lent/Holy Week' header on the St Giles website.

Watch out! At 5.00pm each day from Passion Sunday (21st March) to Easter Sunday (4th April), our Facebook page will be posted with a daily stations of the cross image along with reading and prayers.

For **Stations of the Cross**, different booklets are provided for your personal use: one containing readings and poetry from Malcolm Guite, and a traditional booklet with the St Giles stations and accompanying readings and prayers. Another offering is from the Jesuits again with images and reflections in addition to readings. There is also a young person's stations of the cross **booklet and a children's** with images to colour in and a little verse to accompany the image.



BOOKING FOR SERVICES GOING FORWARD

Booking for Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday has shown that we are reaching our maximum permitted number at St Giles. Until we are fully out of lock-down (hopefully 21st June) we would like to ask you to book in for each Sunday service. This can be done by emailing (stgileschurchpontefract@gmail.com) or advising the churchwardens each week for the following week.

On Sunday, 18th April at 10.15am, we shall be welcoming Bishop Tony as our President and Preacher.

HOLY WEEK RESOURCES

A number of resources have been added to the St Giles' website, under the tab of Lent/Holy Week, which you might like to use at home. They are:

[Stations of the Cross](#)

[The Way of the Cross, with sonnets by Malcolm Guite](#)

[Walk with Jesus on the Way of the Cross—for children](#)

[Order of Morning Prayer in Holy Week & Eastertide](#)

[Bake your way through Holy Week](#)

[Light at Home for teenagers](#)

[Holy Week activities for children](#)

[Light at Home for young children](#)

Rhythm of Life: Taster Session

Bishop Tony Robinson, Bishop of Wakefield, invites you to join a Rhythm of Life Taster Session via Zoom on **Wednesday 14th April from 7.30pm—9.00pm** with the aim of allowing you to be more intentional about developing your spiritual life.

To register your interest and to receive the Zoom meeting link, please email

RoL@leeds.anglican.org

Rhythm of Life: Families – Seasonal Material Lent 2021 Resources

This Lent material looks at some key points in Jesus life, starting with his baptism. It is designed to be used by children, young people and their families each week during Lent. The resources can be accessed directly online, by clicking on the weekly links below. In addition, for each week there is a downloadable sheet which can be shared if that is more helpful.

[Week 6 – 28th March](#)

[Easter](#)

ARE YOU ON THE ELECTORAL ROLL?

The electoral roll is being updated. The formal notice of revision is on the church notice boards as required and available to view from the link below. If you need to check whether you are on the roll please contact the parish administrator, Vivienne Smales (stgileschurchpontefract@gmail.com).

If your name is not on the roll, you are aged 16 or over and you would like to be a full voting member of the parish, please fill in a form obtainable from [Bevil Edwards](#), Vivienne Smales, a church warden or by following the link [here](#).

Forms must be returned no later than Sunday 3rd April 2021.

If you are under 16, but your 16th birthday is before April 2022, you can apply now and your name will be entered on the roll when you become 16.

If you have any questions, please ask Bevil Edwards beviledwards@tiscali.co.uk

To see the full **Revision Notice**, please click on the link [here](#).

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING St Giles, Sunday 25th April following the morning service

Notice is hereby given of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting beginning with the Meeting of Parishioners for the election of **four** Churchwardens.

At the APCM we will need to elect **four** new PCC members for St Giles and **two** members for St Mary's representation on St Giles' PCC.

Please feel free to talk with Canon June or any of the churchwardens about any of the vacancies. Forms will need to be completed and received ahead of the meeting and can be obtained from church or by following the appropriate links below.

Form for the Nomination of election of PCC member, click [here](#).

Form for the Nomination of Churchwarden, click [here](#).

We still have two vacancies for Deanery Synod. Please ask for a form or download [here](#) if you would like to fill a vacancy. Deanery Synod meets three times a year, you do not need to take up the PCC ex-officio place if you do not wish.

Caring for each other....

As we endure the third lockdown, let us think of our friends and acquaintances. If you haven't seen or heard from someone for a while, try and find out how they are or let us know and we will try to make contact. Please also ask the person if they would like to go on the service prayer list (using their full name or just first name). A note to us giving a contact number or address of the person concerned often helps.



SPONSOR A SERVICE SHEET

Do you have a memory, either happy or sad, that you would like to share with our congregation, a wedding anniversary; a birthday; the passing of a loved one. Please consider sponsoring our service sheet so that we can share this with you. Either write your dedication in the diary in Reception or email to stgmnotices@gmx.com or stgileschurchpontefract@gmail.com .

David Leigh will happily receive any sponsorship contributions.

Account: St Giles Parochial Church Council,

Bank: Yorkshire Bank, 25 Ropergate, Pontefract WF8 1LQ

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LUNCH WITH US

Lunch with Us continues to offer a takeaway service on

Wednesdays, 12.00pm—1.00pm

Thank you to all the volunteers for making this possible.

PUBLICATION DEADLINE

Deadline for Notices and Prayer List, Tuesday, 30th March.

Items must be received by 3:00p.m.

Please e-mail Vivienne Smales at stgileschurchpontefract@gmail.com

THE PARISH MAGAZINE

If you would like to contribute to the May magazine, please send your article to both Bruce Dalglish, Editor (brucedalglish0@gmail.com) and Vivienne Smales (stgileschurchpontefract@gmail.com) just in case either is on holiday.

The deadline for receipt of articles this month is **Sunday, 25th April 2021**.

Also, if you would like to submit photos or details about any upcoming events that you would like posted on social media, send to:

stgmsocialmedia@gmail.com

REVISION OF CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL

Notice is hereby given

that the Church Electoral Roll of the above parish will be revised by the Parochial Church Council, beginning on Sunday the 28th day of March 2021, and ending on Sunday the 3rd day of April 2021.

After the revision, a copy of the Roll will be published by the Parochial Church Council by display on the church notice board for at least 14 days and a copy of the Roll will be available for inspection on a reasonable request being made to the Council.

Under the Church Representation Rules any lay persons are entitled to have their names entered on the roll if the person is—

- (a) is baptised,
- (b) is aged 16 or over, and
- (c) has made one of the following three declarations and duly applied for enrolment.

The first declaration is that the person is a member of the Church of England or of a Church in communion with it and is resident in the parish.

The second declaration is that the person is a member of the Church of England or of a Church in communion with it, is not resident in the parish, but has habitually attended public worship in the parish during the preceding six months.

The third declaration is that the person is a member in good standing of a Church which is not in communion with the Church of England but subscribes to the doctrine of the Holy Trinity and is also a member of the Church of England and has habitually attended public worship in the parish during the preceding six months.

Application Forms for enrolment can be obtained from the Church Electoral Roll Officer. In order for a person to be entitled to attend the annual parochial church meeting and to take part in its proceedings, an Application Form for enrolment must be returned by the date shown above for the ending of the revision of the Church Electoral Roll by the Parochial Church Council.

Any error discovered in the Roll should at once be reported to the Church Electoral Roll Officer.

Dated this 7th day of March 2021

Signed: Bevil Edwards
Church Electoral Roll Officer

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