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**SUNDAY, 3rd MAY 2026
FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

10.15 a.m. – Holy Communion at St Giles

WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP WITH US TODAY

This weekly leaflet contains details of next week's services, together with items of news and calendar dates. Please take it away with you.

SERVICES AND EVENTS THIS WEEK

Wednesday, 6th May: 9.30am Said Mass at St Giles

Friday, 8th May: 10.30am Said Mass at St Giles

Saturday, 9th May: 10.00–2.00pm Summer Fayre at St Giles

Saturday, 9th May: 4.00pm Café Communion at St Mary's

NEXT WEEK'S SERVICES AND EVENTS

**SUNDAY, 10th MAY 2026
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

10.15am: Holy Communion at St Giles

Wednesday, 13th May: 9.30am Said Mass at St Giles

Friday, 15th May: 10.30am Said Mass at St Giles

Saturday, 16th May: 4.00pm Messy Church at St Mary's

ASCENSION DAY SERVICE

Wednesday, 13th May at 7.00pm in St Giles' Church

At the 40th Day of Easter, we gather to celebrate Christ's return to Heaven at the end of his earthly ministry. The service also begins the ten days of prayer as we await the Gifts of the Spirits at Pentecost. We look forward to welcoming everyone as we mark this important festival in the life of our churches.

An Ascension Day Service is also being held at St Michael the Archangel, Carleton at 7.30pm.

CONFIRMATION

The Benefice will be having a confirmation service on **Sunday 5th July at 3.00 p.m.** If you would like to be confirmed this year Fr Ian will be arranging the confirmation course over the next couple of weeks, so if you can e-mail him at fr.ian@cofe-pontefract.co.uk with the heading Confirmation no later than **Sunday 10th May**, then he will be in touch about what is involved.

Please can we also ask that you keep those who are looking to be confirmed in your prayers as they take this next important step in their Christian faith.

Thank you.



On **Monday, 11th May** we meet in Church at 1.30pm. Everyone is always welcome to our meetings and refreshments will follow.

The **Mothers' Union outing to The Yorkshire Dales** takes place on **Tuesday, 23rd June 2026**. Please would you let Gina Netherwood know if you are interested in this event. Places need to be **booked by the end of April** with payment (£24.00) being made at the time of booking. All are welcome to join us.

Thank you.



St Giles Church
Pontefract

Summer Fayre

10.00 a.m. - 2.00 p.m

Saturday 9th May

Bric-A-Brac * **Tombola** * **Books**

DVD's **Cakes** * **Bottle Tombola** * **Toys** and so much more.

Café open for tea, coffee and cakes.

If you can help out on a stall for a few hours or all day, please see Marjorie or Pat.

Donations of items for any of the stalls are still required and can be handed in throughout April.

Thank you for your support.

The Parochial Church Council Of The Ecclesiastical Parish of St Giles'. Pontefract
is a charity registered in England and Wales (1135106)

Next week at St Giles Church and Centre

St Giles' Church is open to visitors for private prayer/lighting of candles:

Monday–Thursday: 10:00am–2:00pm, **Friday:** 10:00am–12.00pm

| Monday 4 May | | |
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| 19:00 | Bell Ringing | The Tower |
| Tuesday 5 May | | |
| 12:30–14:30 | Wellbeing Café | The Cafe |
| 15:00–16:00 | Chair Exercise | The Café |
| 19:00 | PCC Meeting | The Church |
| Wednesday 6 May | | |
| 09:30 | Said Mass | The Church |
| 09:30–12:30 | Conexus Healthy Lifestyles Group | St Oswald |
| 10:00–12:00 | Coffee Morning | The Café |
| 10:00–12:00 | Citizens' Advice | St Aidan |
| 12:30–14:00 | Lunch with Us | The Café |
| 16:20–17:00 | Piano Lessons | St Oswald |
| 17:00 | Pontefract Junior Singers | St Oswald |
| Thursday 7 May | | |
| 12:30–14:30 | Pontefract Foodbank | St Oswald/ St Bede |
| 12:30–14:30 | Pontefract Foodbank Citizens Advice | St Aidan |
| 19:00 | Bell Ringing Practice | The Tower |
| Friday 8 May | | |
| 10:30 | Said Mass | The Church |
| 17:00 | Organ Tuition | The Church |
| 18:15 | Choir Rehearsal | The Church |
| Saturday 9 May | | |
| 09:00–12:00 | Coffee Morning | The Café |
| 09:00–12:00 | RNLI Stall | Outside |
| 10:00–2:00 | St Giles Summer Fayre | The Church |
| 16:00 | Café Communion | St Mary's |