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SUNDAY, 16th AUGUST 2026
ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
10.15 am: 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, 19th August: 9.30am Said Mass at St Giles

Friday, 21st August: 10.30am Said Mass at St Giles

Saturday, 22nd August: 4.00pm Cafe Church at St Mary's

SUNDAY, 23rd AUGUST 2026
TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
10.00am: Benefice Service at St Stephen's, East Hardwick
Address for Church - Church Lane, East Hardwick, WF8 3DW

NEXT WEEK'S SERVICES AND EVENTS
SUNDAY, 23rd AUGUST 2026—TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
PLEASE NOTE THERE IS NO 10.15 a.m. SERVICE TODAY AT ST GILES
12.15pm: Baptism Service at St Giles—Lucy R. and Novie A.
Wednesday, 26th August: 9.30am Said Mass at St Giles
Friday, 28th August: 10.30am Said Mass at St Giles
Saturday, 29th August: 4.00pm Café Church at St Mary's

Sunday 23rd August 2026
10.00am – Benefice Service
St Stephen's

Our first Benefice service is NEXT SUNDAY, and we are looking forward to gathering together. As promised there are now two sheets at the back of the church. The first is for those who would like transport to the service and those who can offer transport. The second list is also a dual list, as it is the first service we are having together, if you could put your name on if you are intending on joining us, and then at the end of the line there is a **voluntary tick box** if you would like to either bring biscuits or something baked that we can share.

Thank you.

✠ **Shaun Blakeston RIP** ✠

**We are saddened to advise that Shaun died on Thursday afternoon.
It is expected that his funeral will be held at St Giles, but as yet no
details are available. Please keep his family in your prayers.
May Shaun Rest in Peace, and Rise in Glory.**

PRAYER LIST

As is our practice, the prayer list is renewed on a regular basis. All names, including those recently added, will be removed from the prayer list. The new list will start on **Sunday, 30th August 2026** restarted.

If you wish any name to remain on the prayer list then please do so: by emailing St Giles' on stgiles.office@cofe-pontefract.co.uk or by leaving a message on the church phone (01977 790448).

Please note that under GPDR regulations, full names can no longer be used in the 'Prayer List' unless the person concerned has given permission for their name to be used. Could you please indicate if permission has been given. This does not, in any way, affect the Years Mind list.

Benefice Administrator Role

Further to our recent announcement that Vivienne is retiring at the end of the year, we can now confirm that the new Administrator Role is now open, and we are looking for the right person to join the team. If you know of anyone who is looking for a job, 20 hours per week, 4 hours a day, 5 days a week, then please do let them know that the full Role Description and Job Application can be found at:

<https://cofe-pontefract.co.uk/vacancies/benefice-administrator/>

The closing date for applications is noon Monday 31st August

SUPPORTING ST GILES' FOOD SHARE AND LUNCH WITH US

The next collection of food donations for St Giles Food Share and Lunch With Us will be on

Sunday, 6th September.

The Foodshare is particularly low on tinned items so anything you can donate from the list opposite would be very much appreciated.

Thank you.

BREAKFAST CEREALS - JAM - LONG-LIFE MILK
BAKED BEANS - SOUP - MEAT PASTES
COOK-IN SAUCES
RICE - PASTA - NOODLES - MASH
TINNED VEG
TINNED TUNA - TINNED MEAT/PIES
TINNED FRUIT - RICE PUD - INSTANT CUSTARD
BISCUITS - TEA BAGS - COFFEE - SQUASH

St Giles Food Share

Important Announcement

We are delighted to advise that our bid to receive money from the National Lottery has been approved, and we now have secure funding for the Project Lead for the next 12 months.

Thank you to everyone who was involved in putting the application together, and also for all those who have been keeping this important outreach in your prayers.



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 17 August		
11:00	Diocesan Records Officer Meeting	St Hilda
19:00	Bell Ringing	The Tower
Tuesday 18 August		
10:00	Mothers' Union Committee Meeting	St Oswald
15:00–16:00	Chair Exercise	The Café
Wednesday 19 August		
09:30	Said Mass	The Church
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
Thursday 20 August		
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 21 August		
10:30	Said Mass	The Church
Saturday 22 August		
09:00–14:00	Coffee Morning	The Café
16:00	Café Church	St Mary's
Sunday 23 August		
10:00	Benefice Service	St Stephen's
12:15	Baptism Service—Novie A. & Lucy R.	The Church