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SUNDAY, 30th AUGUST 2026 PATRONAL FESTIVAL—FEAST OF ST GILES

10.15am: Paternal Festival at St Giles

Last Weeks Benefice Service

Thank you to everyone who joined us for the service last Sunday, it was wonderful to be able to come together.

As we mentioned last week, if anyone would like to get involve with our Net Carbon Zero work, please do contact Fr Ian.

SERVICES AND EVENTS THIS WEEK

Wednesday, 2nd September: 9.30am Said Mass at St Giles

Friday, 4th September: 10.30am Said Mass at St Giles

Saturday, 5th September: 4.00pm Café Church at St Mary's

NEXT WEEK'S SERVICES AND EVENTS

SUNDAY, 6th SEPTEMBER 2026

10:15am Sung Eucharist at St Giles

Tuesday, 8th September: 1.30pm Funeral at St Giles (Shaun Blakeston)

Wednesday, 9th September: 9.30am Said Mass at St Giles

Friday, 11th September: 10.30am Said Mass at St Giles

Saturday, 12th September: 4.00pm Café Communion at St Mary's

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 TOMORROW

THE NEW SEASON OF ORGAN RECITALS BEGINS



We hope you can join us for the first recital of the 2026-27 series on

Friday, 4th September at 1.00pm

with Paul Dewhurst

A voluntary donation of £5 is suggested, which includes tea and coffee, served from 12.30pm.

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



We meet in Church at **1.30pm on Monday, 7th September 2026.**

Our guest speaker is our very own Bruce Dalglish. Bruce is going to present his latest film show titled "THE MOST BEAUTIFUL VOYAGE IN THE WORLD"

Everyone is invited, so please come along and support Bruce and Mothers' Union.

Tea and biscuits to follow.

Thank you.

✠ **Shaun Blakeston RIP** ✠

We are saddened to advise that Shaun died last Thursday afternoon.

His funeral will take place in St Giles at

1.30pm on Tuesday, 8th September 2026.

Please keep his family in your prayers.

May Shaun Rest in Peace, and Rise in Glory.



**Citizens Advice Wakefield District
St Giles' Advice Outreach Service**



WEDNESDAY MORNINGS IN ST GILES, 10.00am–12.00pm

Email us via www.wakefielddistrictcab.co.uk

Debt/Benefits/Housing/Employment/Family: 03444 111 444

Universal Credit – Help to Claim: 0800 144 8 444

Consumer goods, services, digital, events, travel etc.: 0808 223 1133

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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 31 August

19:00	Bell Ringing	The Tower
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Tuesday 1 September

12:30–14:30	Wellbeing Café	The Cafe
15:00–16:00	Chair Exercise	The Café
19:00	PCC Meeting	The Cafe

Wednesday 2 September

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 3 September

12:30–14:30	Pontefract Foodbank	St Oswald/ St Bede
12:30–14:30	Pontefract Foodbank Citizens Advice	St Aidan
18:40	St Marmadukes Society of Ringers	The Tower
19:00	Bell Ringing Practice	The Tower

Friday 4 September

10:30	Said Mass	The Church
13:00	Organ Recital with Paul Dewhurst	The Church

Saturday 5 September

09:00–12:00	Coffee Morning	The Café
09:00–12:00	Castleford & Pontefract Lions Stall	Outside
16:00	Café Church	St Mary's

Sunday 6 September

10:15	Parish Eucharist	The Church
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