



**ST GILES CHURCH**  
KINDNESS COMPASSION COMMUNITY  
IN CHRIST'S LOVE

Everything you need to know this week  
Sunday, November 21st, 2021

**A message from Rev Gail**

Dear Friends of St Giles

I hope this finds you and your loved ones safe and well. Winter is often a challenging season and we're very aware that many are battling with illness, either themselves or in caring for loved ones. Our hearts go out to you as do our thoughts and prayers. Please be in touch with us if you need help or support.

Settling into our new service pattern, it has been wonderful to see people returning to 'in person' worship at St Giles and to welcome new faces too! Even with Covid restrictions still being lifted, we're mindful of the increase in infection rates, as well as all the usual winter cough/cold/flu bugs which we may have less immunity to than usual. To help keep everyone safe and well at our services, we recommend:

Staying at home if you feel at all unwell or have any cough/cold/flu-like symptoms

Continuing to wear a mask (unless exempt) in services, especially when singing

You could also consider doing a lateral flow test to ensure you are Covid-negative before attending a service.

Thanks for helping us to look after one another as we gather for worship!

Every blessing

Gail

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## Services this week

**Sunday 9.30am Holy Communion**

**Sunday 11.30am Sunday Celebration!**

**Sunday 5pm–7pm Memorial Service** – a rolling service of music, prayer and reflection to offer a quiet space to remember those we have loved but are no longer with us.

**Monday to Thursday 8–8.30am Quiet Prayer**

### **Next week at St Giles**

Sunday 28th November 8am Quiet Communion; 9.30am Holy Communion; 2pm Happy Hearts and Minds in the Main Hall.

Monday and Tuesday 29th and 30th Home Groups meet, Tuesday 30th 7pm Compline in church.

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100% ticket sales go to Thrive



# COMEDY NIGHT

Hosted by Holy Trinity Church  
Proceeds to local Christian charity **thrive**

Thu 2nd December  
Holy Trinity Church  
Beauchamp Avenue, CV32 5RG  
at 8pm

Tickets £12/£6 concessions  
on eventbrite or on the doors  
Licensed bar available

# ANDY KIND





### It's time to bless the Parish of St Giles!

Last year the wonderful St Giles family provided amazing gifts and hampers to families with young children who were facing a difficult Christmas and we're hoping to do the same again this year. By next week we will have a list of ages/genders of children who face going without gifts so watch this space ... we will be appealing for people to donate gifts (maximum value £10).

In the meantime, below is a suggested list of items for our hampers so if you want pick up an item or two next time you shop, it would really appreciated. Collection/drop-off details will follow next week.



**Basics:**

Tea, coffee, hot chocolate

Squash

Pasta/rice/noodles

Sauces (Dolmio-type cook-in sauces)

Tinned fruit, veg, tuna, ham etc

Ketchup, brown sauce, mayo, mustard, gravy granules, salt, pepper, vinegar etc

**Christmas:**

Mince pies, biscuits, cake etc (check dates)

Crisps, nuts and similar snacks

Selections boxes, chocolates

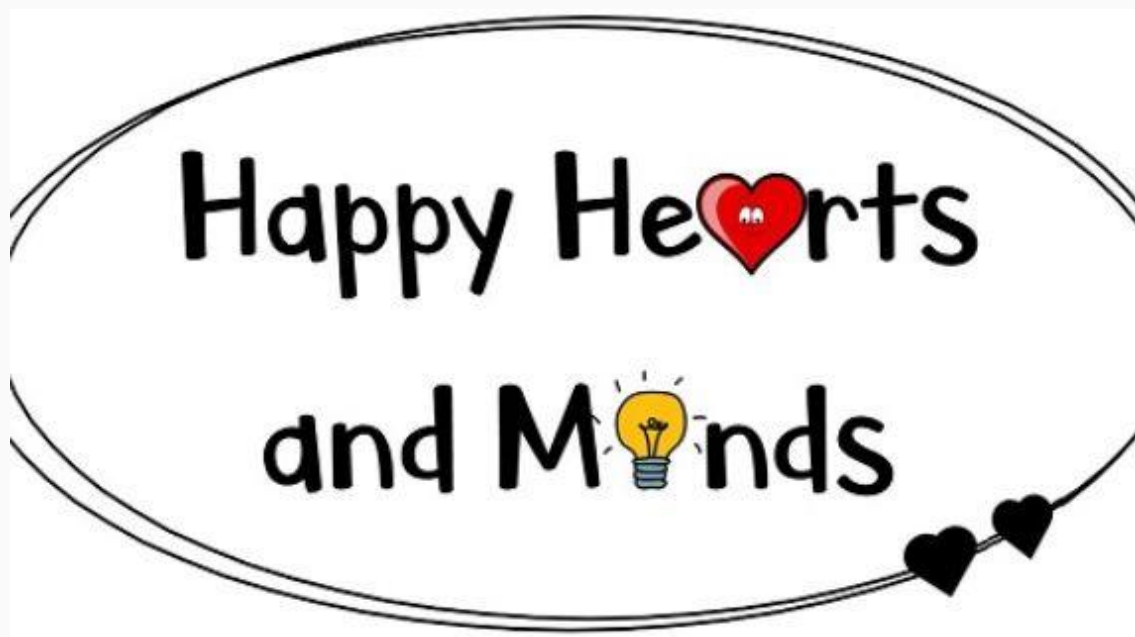
Coke, lemonade or similar

Christmas crackers

Anything that's a treat for families at Christmas

*NO ALCOHOL*

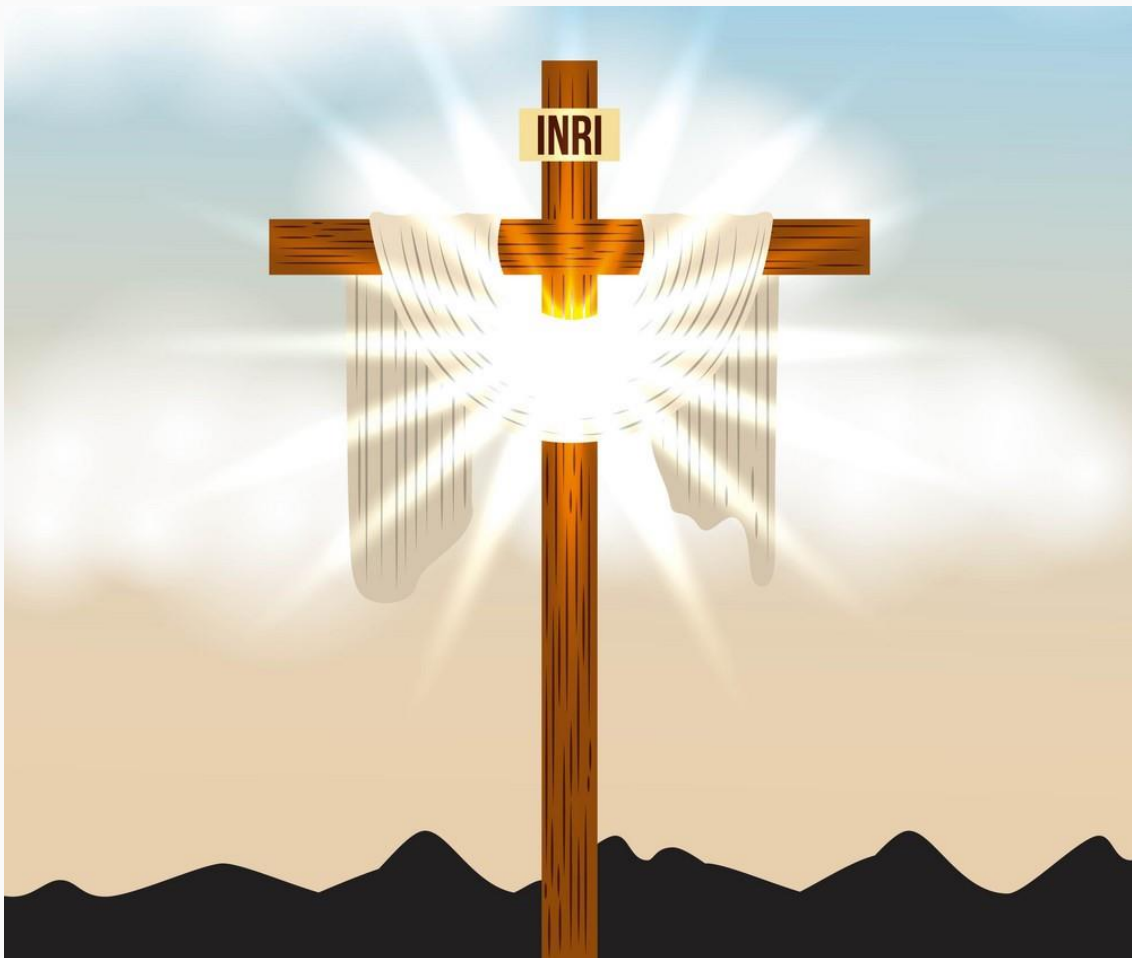
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This month's  
***Happy Hearts & Minds***  
is on Sunday, November 28th at  
2pm in the main hall. Make sure it's  
in your diary!

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Bible readings for this week



## John 18:33–37

Pilate then went back inside the palace, summoned Jesus and asked him, ‘Are you the king of the Jews?’

‘Is that your own idea,’ Jesus asked, ‘or did others talk to you about me?’

‘Am I a Jew?’ Pilate replied. ‘Your own people and chief priests handed you over to me. What is it you have done?’

Jesus said, ‘My kingdom is not of this world. If it were, my servants would fight to prevent my arrest by the Jewish leaders. But now my kingdom is from another place.’

‘You are a king, then!’ said Pilate.

Jesus answered, ‘You say that I am a king. In fact, the reason I was born and came into the world is to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to me.’

*Other suggested Bible readings for this week include: Daniel 7: 9–10, 13–14; Psalm 93; Revelation 1: 4b–8.*

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### Prayers for our church, our parish and our world

Pray for our local churches St Giles, All Saints and St Andrews. Pray for the clergy especially Gail and Jo.

Pray for our local community, our schools and all the children and staff.

Pray for the people living on the street where you live, especially those in

our congregation.

Pray for the staff at our local hospitals and medical centres, and for the patients they look after.

Lord Jesus Christ,  
Son of the living God,  
have mercy on me, a sinner.

Amen

*The Jesus Prayer*

## Collect for this Sunday

*The last Sunday before Advent*

God the Father,  
help us to hear the call of Christ the King  
and to follow in his service,  
whose kingdom has no end;  
for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, one glory.

### PRAYERS and HOME COMMUNION

If you need a name adding to the prayer list or want Home Communion please contact Penny in the parish office 024 7636 8008.

### PRAYER CHAIN

If you need prayer urgently (or know someone who does) call Chris on 07717 523512 who will pass your request through the chain and praying will begin.

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### Please keep in touch

We'd love to know what you're up to and if there's anything you would like adding to the newsletter

Please contact Penny in the parish office



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