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Vestry Hour in St Giles: Every Tuesday 6.00 - 7.00 pm

SUNDAY 21ST JANUARY 2024: THIRD SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY

SPRING QUIZ

Friday 19th April @ 7.00 pm
St Giles' Community Hall
£10 in aid of St Giles
Tickets from: Alison Wilson or Jean Newson

APCM SEASON IS LOOMING

An early request for all St Giles' groups. Could you please make a note in your diaries to have your reports in by the end of February. Please also note that these reports should cover the period January to December 2023 only. THANK YOU!

SAVE THE CHILDREN

Thank you to everyone who bought quiz sheets. 50 sheets were returned, and 45 were correctly answered! The winning entry was Diane Green of Balderton. £313 was raised for the charity.

Michael and Alison Wilson, David and Jean Newson

NEWARK TOWN BAND CONCERT

SATURDAY 16TH MARCH AT 7.30 PM
IN ST GILES' CHURCH

Tickets £10 available from church or from Alison Wilson.

THIS WEEK'S SERVICES

Wednesday 17th January
7.30 pm Encounter (online)

Thursday 18th January
10.00 am Holy Communion, St Giles

Sunday 21st January
10.00 am Holy Communion, St Giles
12 noon Baptism, St Giles
4.00pm 4 @ The Hall, St Giles' Community Hall

Tuesday 23rd January
10.00 am Coffee & Prayer Time (online)

Wednesday 24th January
7.30 pm Encounter (online)

Thursday 25th January
10.00 am Holy Communion, St Giles

Sunday 28th January
10.00 am Holy Communion, St Giles
10.00 am Holy Communion, All Saints, Coddington
4.00 pm Sunday Together at All Saints, Barnby

AN INVITATION TO FRIENDS AT ST GILES

FROM THE METHODIST CHURCH

A weekend break 23rd to 25th February.
£190 per person in an ensuite room.

Full or continental breakfast, mid morning coffee, afternoon tea. a hot buffet lunch and a main evening meal. Staying at the Hayes Conference Centre in Swanwick, Derbyshire.

If you are interested contact Andrew or Kate Trowbridge on 01636 705926

READINGS FOR THE 3RD SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY

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Collect
God of all mercy, your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release to the captives, and freedom to the oppressed: anoint us with your Holy Spirit and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord.

Genesis 14. 17-20
After his return from the defeat of Chedorlaomer and the kings who were with him, the king of Sodom went out to meet him at the Valley of Shaveh (that is, the King's Valley). And King Melchizedek of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was priest of God Most High.[a] He blessed him and said,

'Blessed be Abram by God Most High, maker of heaven and earth; and blessed be God Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your hand!'

And Abram gave him one-tenth of everything.

Revelations 19. 6-10
Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the sound of many waters and like the sound of mighty thunder-peals, crying out,

'Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns.
Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory,
for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready; 8 to her it has been granted to be clothed with fine linen, bright and pure'— for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints.

And the angel said to me, 'Write this: Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.' And he said to me, 'These are true words of God.' Then I fell down at his feet to worship him, but he said to me, 'You must not do that! I am a fellow-servant with you and your comrades who hold the testimony of Jesus.Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.'

John 2. 1-11
On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

Post Communion Prayer
Almighty Father, whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world; may your people, illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**.