

St Giles Church

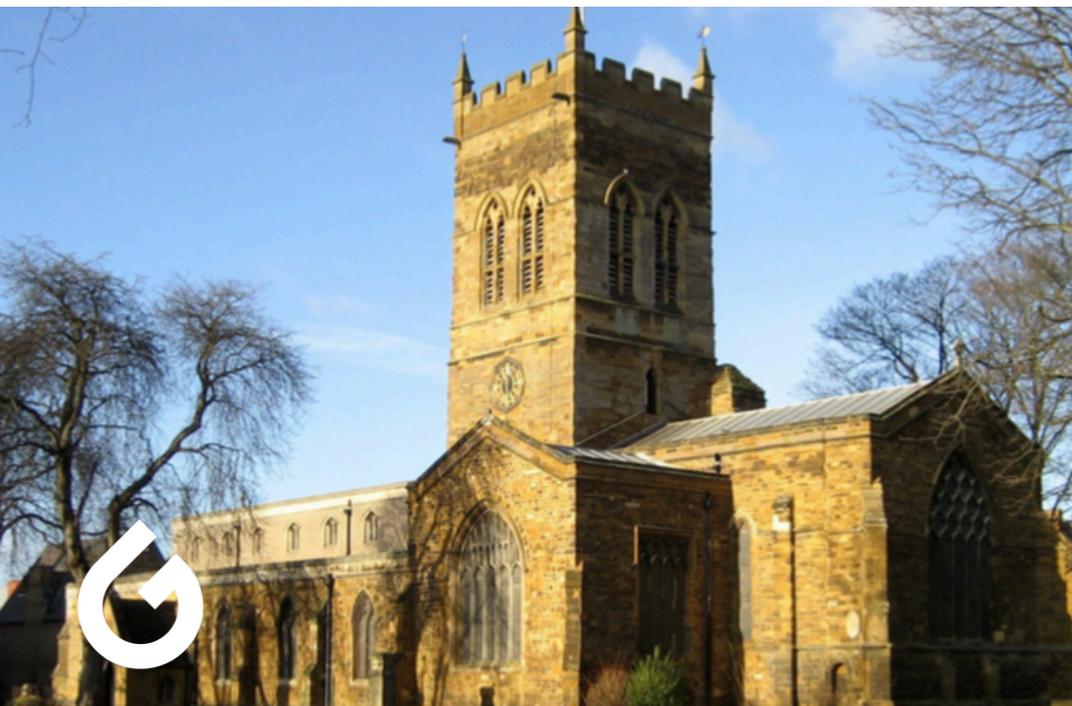
# Newsletter

*Lives being changed by the power of Jesus one person at a time*



Vicar: Revd Josh Thorne

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2026



## Pray With Us

Meet us on Zoom  
Week day mornings  
8.30-9am

Thursday evening  
8-9pm  
ID: 886 0781 8293  
p/w: prayer321

March 28<sup>th</sup>  
2.30pm- 4.30pm  
Church Centre

## Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2026

MORNING WORSHIP with Holy Communion

**10am:** Bob Steele, I Josh Thorne

Series: Lent 3: Belong

Reading: 1 Corinthians 13

Theme: what does it look like to belong?

**7pm:** Ruth Alexander I Josh Thorne

## What's on at St Giles in March?

Please check the calendar on our [website](#) for full details

Open Dining Room Friday evenings  
(until the end of March)

**Welcome lunch**  
**8<sup>th</sup> of March 12pm**

**Children's Easter Party**  
**21<sup>st</sup> March 3pm-5pm**

**Loving our grandparents well**  
**21<sup>st</sup> March 10am-12:30pm**

**Mid-week Holy Communion service**  
Thursday 11am, Church Centre

If you are not already on our **Electoral Roll** and you have been worshipping at St Giles for six months or more, please fill in an application form (available on the leaflet stand in church) and leave in one of the offering boxes or drop into the parish office (envelopes will be available from next week). Being on St Giles' electoral roll enables you to take part in any vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting in May (exact date to be confirmed).

This age, blinded by its god, has not revoked the tragic decree "we will not that this man reign over us" - Luke 19:14

Our Lent project Action for Arise Africa is now up and running. If you missed it the video shown in church can be found in the recording of last Sunday's service. More information will follow in Mission in Touch which will be sent out early next week. You can give via church suite, the church website (be sure to choose the right option). Envelopes are available in church for those who donate via cheque or cash, these can be placed in the offering box or handed in to the office. Cheques payable to St Giles PCC-lent project



## Let's do Lunch

Welcome Lunch for Newcomers  
8th March 12pm - Church Centre

scan QR code to sign up or contact the church office  
01604 628623



## Loving Our Grandchildren Well

...how the 'Five Love Languages' shape love and prayer

Saturday 21st March 2026  
10 am - 12.30 pm  
Moulton Parish Church



Please register in advance at  
christiangrandparents@btinternet.com



**St GILES**  
*Where lives are being changed*

## 18 - 30s WEEKEND AWAY

5-7 JUNE 2026

Chellington Centre (Bedfordshire)

Early bird tickets: £70 (book by 23rd February 2026)  
General tickets: £80  
Students: £60

## Supporting mums in vulnerable situations this Mother's Day



**Baby basics Northampton**



We recognise that not every mum will receive cards and gifts this Mother's Day. But we believe every new parent deserves to feel appreciated. That's why our starter packs are packed full of the love and generosity of the local community.

## Items that go into our starter packs

- Baby clothing (newborn and 0-3 months)
- Bibs and muslins
- Moses basket sheets
- Baby bath towel
- Blankets
- Nappies Size 0, 1 & 2
- Baby wipes
- Baby shampoo
- Baby lotion
- Baby soap
- Baby toothbrush
- Baby toothpaste
- Cotton wool
- Information about local support services
- Soft toys (suitable from birth)
- Chocolates
- Maternity pads
- Sanitary pads
- Breast pads
- Toiletries for mum
- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Toothbrush
- Toothpaste
- Shower gel

### Sunday 15th March

#### Morning Worship

10am: Josh Thorne | Nicola Aylett  
Series: Lent 4: Belong  
Theme: Unity: the only way belonging happens  
Reading: Philippians 2:1-11

#### Evening Worship with Holy Communion

Series: Lent 4: Belong  
Theme: Unity: the only way to Belong  
Reading: Philippians 2:1-11  
7pm: Josh Thorne | Daniel Blight

### Pray with Us 2026 dates

March 28th	July 25th
April 25th	August 29th
May 30th	Sept 26th
June 27th	Oct 31st
	Nov 28th

2.30-4.30pm Church Centre  
(unless otherwise stated)

### Church Office Hours

Monday: 1-3pm  
Tues - thurs 10-3pm

Staff days off  
Josh: Saturday  
Beth: Saturday  
Ruth: Saturday

**Church Warden: Stephen Hewitson**  
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You may be interested in...  
An Evening with Rob Parsons reflections on the Journey in Northampton on 30<sup>th</sup> April, see more information at [cff.org.uk/robparsons](http://cff.org.uk/robparsons)

**News sheet/announcement deadline:** All items must be with the church office by the preceding Tuesday at the latest and will be included for a maximum of 3 weeks (if possible) at the discretion of the church office.