

# St. Thomas', Tean and St. Giles', Cheadle

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**BULLETIN FOR 16TH DECEMBER 2023 - 7TH JANUARY 2024**

**St Giles' Church building is open during the day.**

St Giles' Cheadle			St Thomas' Tean		
Date & time of Mass	Liturgical Day	Intention			
Sat 16th Dec 4.30pm	Advent 3	Ron Lucas RIP	Sun 17th Dec 5.30pm	Advent 3	Cliff Parker
Sun 17th Dec 10.30am	Advent 3	Ken Pickford RIP	Wed 20th Dec 9.15am	Advent 20 Dec	Katie Kearney RIP
Sun 17th Dec 2.30pm	Seasonal Celebration	Mince Pies & Music	Fri 22nd Dec 9.15am (School Mass)	Advent 22 Dec	Alan Nickerson RIP
Mon 18th Dec 9.15am	Advent 18 Dec	Intentions of Downie family	Sun 24th Dec 3.45pm	Christmas Eve Family Mass	People of the Parishes
Mon 18th Dec 10.30am	Painsley Year 11 Advent Retreat Mass	Sister Imelda RIP	Fri 29 Dec 11.00am	Patronal Festival of St Thomas of Canterbury	People of the Parish
Mon 18th Dec 2.00pm	Painsley VI Form	Carol Service	Sun 31st Dec 5.30pm	Holy Family	Alan Nickerson RIP
Tues 19th Dec 9.15am	Advent 19 Dec	Yvonne Cheadle RIP	Wed 3rd Jan 9.15am	Christmas 3rd Jan	Cliff Parker RIP
Tues 19th Dec 7.00pm	Penance Service		Fri 5th Jan 9.15am	Christmas 5th Jan	Bernard Webb RIP
Thurs 21 Dec 9.15am (School Mass)	Advent 21 Dec	Private Intention	Sun 7th Jan 5.30pm	Epiphany	Kate Horrobin RIP
Thurs 21 Dec 10.30am	Painsley School Advent Mass	Joe Durham RIP	<b>Seasonal Celebration - Mince Pies and Music</b> <b>Sunday 17th December 2.30pm – 4.00pm in the glorious surroundings of St Giles' Cheadle.</b>  Join us for an afternoon of instrumental music seasonal readings, and community carols.  A voluntary collection will be taken in aid of The United Nations World Food Programme.		
Fri 22nd Dec 2.00pm	St Giles' School	Christingle & Carol Service			
Fri 22nd Dec 6.30pm	Advent 22 Dec	Intentions of Fr Sandy Brown			
Sat 23rd Dec	Wedding	Christian Sale & Amelia Keavney	<b>Holy Rosary Wednesdays 8.45am at St Thomas' Tean, before Mass 20th Dec &amp; 3rd Jan.</b>		
Sat 23rd Dec 4.30pm	Advent 4	Marion Pilling RIP	<b>Children's Liturgy at St Giles' 10.30am Sunday Mass</b> Most Sundays. Children's Liturgy is for Reception age children and above. Children who are happy to join the Liturgy on their own are encouraged to do so. An adult is welcome to accompany any children not confident to join on their own. <b>Last Children's Liturgy 17th December</b> <b>Next Children's Liturgy 21st January</b>		
Sun 24th Dec 1.45pm	Christmas Eve Family Mass	John Nother RIP			
Sun 24th Dec 6.00pm	Christmas Eve Family Mass	Intentions of Beryl & Philip Brough			
Sun 24th Dec 8.15pm	Christmas Eve Midnight Mass	Beryl Dean RIP	Coffee, tea, squash, biscuits and conversation most Sundays <b>after 10.30am Sunday Mass</b> in the Presbytery (downstairs through the front door) <b>All are welcome. No refreshments 17th Dec.</b> <b>Next refreshments 31st Dec.</b>		
Mon 25th Dec 10.30am	Christmas Day Mass	Deceased of Brattley & Forrester families			
Tues 26 Dec 11.00am	St Stephen	Intentions of our Altar Servers			
Wed 27th Dec 9.15am	St John	Colin & Barbara Kemball RIP	<b>PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS</b> The work of the NHS and all involved in caring for others Those in the Developing World, all in poverty All the sick, troubled and anxious and those who mourn All in authority, who are making significant decisions The Peace of the World; for Ukraine, for the Middle East <b>All those who have died: Among them:</b> Clifford Parker, Fay Walker, Yvonne Hathaway, George Hall, Mary Elks, Barbara Cooper, Frank Titterton, Bernard Geoffrey (Geoff) Brookes, Neville Pepper, Alan Brattley, Caroline Hunt, James Keates, Fr Sean Turley, Joe Durham, Alan Nickerson, Sister Imelda, Bernard Webb.		
Thurs 28 Dec 9.15am	Holy Innocents	Roderick & Joan Gibbs RIP			
Sat 30th Dec 4.30pm	Holy Family	People of the Parishes			
Sun 31st Dec 10.30am	Holy Family	Michael McCarthy RIP			
Mon 1st Jan 11.00am	Mary, Mother of God	Nancy Shufflebotham RIP			
Tues 2nd Jan 9.15am	St Basil & St Gregory Naizanzen	Bill Rowe RIP			
Thurs 4th Jan 9.15am	Christmas 4th Jan	Arthur Moulton RIP			
Fri 5th Jan 6.30pm	Christmas 5th Jan	Jim & Mary Mundy RIP			
Sat 6th Jan 4.30pm	Epiphany	People of the Parishes			
Sun 7th Jan 10.30am	Epiphany	Sheila Allen RIP			

### Third Sunday of Advent 16-17 December

The Rose coloured vestments are worn and the third Advent Candle is lit for "Gaudete Sunday", when we rejoice that Christmas is near.

This year our "Mince Pies and Music" afternoon at St Giles' 2.30pm-4.00pm is a good way to celebrate & prepare on this special day.



### Fourth Sunday of Advent 23-24 December

The only Mass for the Fourth Sunday of Advent is Sat 23rd 4.30pm at St Giles' No 10.30am Mass Sun 24th Dec.

Today we prepare by celebrating the wonderful mystery of the Annunciation.



### Christmas Eve and Christmas Day 24th- 25th December



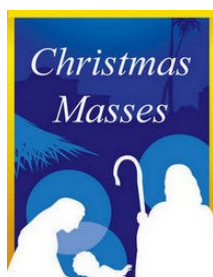
O wonder of wonders,  
which none can unfold:  
The Ancient of days is an hour or two old;  
The Maker of all things  
is made of the earth,  
Man is worshipped by Angels,  
and God comes to birth."

### Christmas Services

St Thomas'  
Sunday 24th December  
3.45pm Family Mass & Carols  
St Giles'

Sunday 24th December  
1.45pm Family Mass & Carols  
6.00pm Family Mass & Carols  
8.15pm Midnight Mass & Carols

Monday 25th December  
10.30am Christmas Day Mass & Carols



### Patronal Festival of St Thomas of Canterbury Friday 29th December Mass at 11.00am

On our Patronal Festival, we celebrate the courage and faithfulness of St Thomas of Canterbury and the mission of St Thomas' Parish, Tean.

### Holy Family 30th -31st December



Today, as we celebrate the Holy Family, we see Simeon and Anna recognising the arrival of Jesus, the Light of the World.

### Mary, Holy Mother of God, Mon 1st Jan: Mass St Giles' 11.00am

Mary is the mother of Christ and the mother of The Church. By the power of the Spirit she is linked to God in a unique way. She is our spiritual mother who encourages us to say "yes" to God.



### The Epiphany, 6th-7th January

Christ is revealed to all peoples. Wise men from the east guided by a star come to worship Him. In them we see the homage of all people to Christ who is for ever the light of the world. We too can become an epiphany - a revealing of God - through faithfulness and love.



### Advent Penance Service

St Giles' Tuesday 19th Dec 7.00pm—several priests available.

### Confessions

St Giles': before Mass

Friday 22nd December & 5th January 6.00pm-6.15pm

Also Sat 23rd December 10.00am-10.30am

Confessions after 5.30pm Sunday Mass

at St Thomas' 17th & 31st December, 7th January

(Also at other times by arrangement/request).

### Second Collections December 2023

17th-18th Dec Christmas Flowers

24th-25th December Christmas Offering for the Parish Priest

### Crib Offering

This year our Crib Offerings will support the work of Father Hudson's Care.



Father Hudson's continues to be involved in a whole variety of projects, with the elderly, those with particular special needs, families and children, the homeless, asylum seekers and refugees and others in many communities throughout the Archdiocese of Birmingham.

### Thanks to all who gave to Second Collections

9th-10th December Poor Parishes of the Archdiocese

St Giles': £139.10 St Thomas': £52.50

Thanks to all who have given to the SVP Box in St Giles'  
£400 has been donated in 2023.

### Christmas leaflets available at the back of Church

Please take one yourselves and any you would like to pass on to other people.

### Christmas Offering Envelopes

The Christmas Offering is the traditional Christmas gift to your Parish Priest. Envelopes are available at the back of Church. Thank you for your generosity.

### St Giles' Envelopes (Non-Gift Aid)

Weekly giving envelopes for 2024 are available in Church. Please take a box to support your Church regularly if you don't have Gift Aid Envelopes. Thank you.

### New Readers' Rotas

Rotas for those who read at weekend Masses are available at the back of Church. Please collect your copy. Thank you.

### Journey in Faith

RCIA group for adults, wanting to consider, being Baptised, Confirmed, received into the Catholic Church or simply wanting to explore the Catholic faith

Meetings 7.45pm Parish Room, Presbytery, 18, Charles Street  
All welcome.

Thurs 11th, 18th & 25th Jan, Thurs 8th, 15th & 22nd & 29th Feb, 7th, 14th & 21st March.

### FOOD BANK IS OPEN OAKLEY ROOM GUILD HALL WEDNESDAY 9.00AM-11.00AM FRIDAY 1.00PM-3.00PM

DONATIONS CAN BE TAKEN TO THE FOOD BANK AT THESE TIMES.  
DONATIONS CAN BE LEFT AT MORRISONS OR THE PRESBYTERY.

### Christmas Thanks

Thanks to all whose generosity and hard work contribute to our Christmas celebrations in Church and to the Church's work throughout the year

Thanks to: those who clean and decorate the Church; our Musicians, Servers, Readers and Stewards; those who support the children and young people of the Parish; all involved in Pastoral Care; those involved in Church administration; and those who pray with us and for us.