

ADVICE FOR VISITORS – PRIVATE PRAYER

Welcome to St Giles. Although the church is now open again, please note that restrictions to reduce the risk of spreading Coronavirus are in place in accordance with government and diocesan guidelines and as agreed by the Parochial Church Council (PCC). Accordingly, the Café and Toilet facilities are closed and the water supply isolated. Similarly, lighting will be discretionary for non-service visits, which are allowed for **Private Prayer /Contemplation only** at the following times:

Sundays (when no service)- 9 am to 12 noon
Wednesdays - 1 pm to 4 pm (but CLOSED on 23 December 2020)

For Service information, please see [Church Services](#). The area accessible by visitors is shown on the [plan](#), which should be consulted in conjunction with this advice. Please note that CCTV operation is unaffected by these restrictions.

Visitors intending to enter the Church are kindly requested to observe the following for your and others' safety:

- Entry should be for private prayer/contemplation only
- Social distancing should be maintained at all times
- The wearing of face masks is now mandatory when others are present
- Please use the hand sanitiser provided before entry and also exit
- Please stay within the area shown on the plan and delineated with barrier tape
- A one-way system is in operation, as indicated on the plan and arrows on the floor
- Pre-printed prayers are available on the table on the left inside the entrance – if used, please retain and take away with you
- Please refrain from unnecessary contact with items in the church
- Pews within the accessible areas are available for use if required, although this is discouraged (kneelers have been removed)
- On leaving the church, please give way to anyone simultaneously entering, behind the line indicated on the floor (and the plan)
- **Visitors with smartphones are recommended to download the [NHS Covid-19 App](#) to check in with the relevant poster (adjacent or on back of church door)**

The PCC hope that your visit to this beautiful church is beneficial in these difficult times. We thank you for your patience, understanding and cooperation with our efforts towards full and safe restoration of church facilities. In the event of any difficulty or query regarding the above, please contact me on 01373 812654 or other member of the PCC.