

Church at Castle is an ecumenical group of churches in the

Parish of the Ascension: Cambridge

St Augustine's, St Giles', St Luke's (URC & Anglican LEP)

and in Partnership with Castle St Methodist, St John the Evangelist (Romanian Orthodox)

ASCENSION NEWS

NOVEMBER 2026

The Monthly Magazine from Church at Castle

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This month, along with many millions of viewers it seems, I've been enjoying the second series of the BBC 1 show, The Celebrity Traitors. For those who don't know it this is a reality show where players basically take part in a big-budget parlour game set in a Scottish castle, completing tasks to build a pot of prize money. At the start three players are secretly chosen to be the 'traitors', the rest of the players are faithfuls. Put simply, it is the faithfuls' job to banish the traitors at the round table discussion before they are 'murdered' one by one, usually by letter, sometimes in plain sight!

What captivates and fascinates about The Traitors, is we get to see the best and worst of human nature played out through a lens of increasingly tense and pressured social interactions. It's compelling television because no matter how many times the players tell themselves, 'It's just a game', they are inevitably drawn in; forming alliances, laying traps, and so emotionally invested they feel betrayed and blindsided when someone they thought faithful is revealed as a traitor.

Of course, the viewer has the advantage of being able to watch everything, observe the moves and schemes of traitor and faithful alike, and it's fun to ponder questions such as, 'would I make a good traitor?' or 'would I be able to spot who was lying?'. Shouting at the television, it's easy to think we might behave differently – be smarter, kinder, fairer than those we watch, but the fact is The Traitors operates like a tiny microcosm of the society in which we live, an experiment that holds up a mirror and what we see isn't always pleasant.

We see how easily people lie and, more worryingly, how easily people are taken in, succumbing to herd mentality and conspiracy theories. As a study of human behaviour it suggests deception, manipulation and self-preservation win out and that loyalty and kindness are invariably taken advantage of. Sadly, any signs of difference or obvious intelligence are treated with suspicion or seen as a threat. If all's fair in love and reality TV, then why bother to be honest and kind, why would anyone, 'stay faithful' in any part of their life? For example, being faithful to your spouse, to your children and family is still expected, but it isn't always easy. Staying faithful in any relationship requires hard work, self-sacrifice, and putting others first, things I think we are hard-

wired to resist as humans. We all fail and make mistakes. Even if we don't betray those we love in the worst, most obvious ways, we can still be unfaithful through a myriad of small, careless words and actions: how we speak about each other in public, how we spend our time and money, where our loyalty ultimately lies.

As a priest, you won't be surprised that I think faithfulness in our relationship with God is the glue that holds all this together. Putting God first should mean that all our other relationships are pulled into alignment with His values, and we will begin to demonstrate those attributes of character and changes in our personality and actions, that God's Holy Spirit brings about. In the Apostle Paul's letter to the Galatian church we read, '*But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness*, ***faithfulness***, *gentleness and self-control*.'

So don't give up! The Bible is full of stories of men and women who didn't stay faithful and of a God who did and was able to restore them. He still does today…**stay faithful!**

Lucinda

Sunday Service Readings *(Readers need to check with the presiding ministers if any alternative readings will be used)*

1 November: Revelation 7:9-end, Psalm 34:1-10, 1 John 3:1-3, Matthew 5:1-12

8 November: Wisdom of Solomon 6:12-16 or Amos 5:18-24, Psalm 70, 1 Thessalonians 4:13-end, Matthew 25:1-13

15 November: Zephaniah 1:7. 12-end, Psalm 90:1-8 [9-11] 12 (or 90:1-8), 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11, Matthew 25:14-30

22 November: Ezekiel 34:11-16. 20-24, Psalm 95:1-7, Ephesians 1:15-end, Matthew 25:31-end

29 November: Isaiah 64:1-9, Psalm 80:1-8. 18-20 (or 80:1-8), 1 Corinthians 1:3-9, Mark 13:24-end

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NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

Services in November

We will keep everyone up-to-date with services and other parish events by the weekly, emailed bulletin and as published on the website, or in print in the magazine and the new Term Card.

2 November: Requiem Mass for All Souls' Day at St Clement's at 7.30pm. Revd Andrew Day invites all who wish to come or to submit the names of those to be remembered.

United Services (for all three parish churches)

8 November: Church at Castle United Evening Service, 6.30pm at Castle St Methodist

15 November: United Parish Communion 10.30am at St Luke's.

29 November: Advent Sunday Parish Worship, 9.30am at St Augustine's

29 November: Parish Candlelit Advent Carol Service, 3.00pm at St Giles' with Cantores Singers led by Jeremy Wong. Afterwards enjoy a homemade mince pie and mulled wine or spiced apple juice. Free Entry. Donations.

ST AUGUSTINE'S NEWS

During November, two concerts and a talk have been added to the programme of local events on Fridays and Saturdays at St Augustine's. These are listed in detail separately, in date order, below.

ST GILES' NEWS

St Giles Christmas Fair is coming on 12 December from 12 noon until 4pm. We now have 20 stalls booked and 2 extra on the waiting list…so we have to now say the list is closed. There will be a number of new stalls this year including a wood turner and a basket weaver. Final details of refreshments, music and stalls will be in December's Ascension News.

Stella Cross

ST LUKE'S NEWS

St Luke's Quarterly Giving Charity for October to December 2026
Practical Action https://practicalaction.org/
Practical Action is an international organisation taking practical action against poverty and the environmental crises in Africa, Asia and Latin America

News of St Luke's church family
This monthly newsletter with personal news of church members is published separately and available by email or printed copy on request. Printed copies are also available in St Luke's.

NEWS FROM THE COMMUNITY

The Annual CamCRAG Winter Ceilidh at St Giles'
Dance the night away from 7.00pm on Saturday 21 November with The Jumping Beans Ceilidh Band while raising funds for CamCRAG's work with refugees and displaced people in northern France and beyond.

This family-friendly event sees the whole room light up and link hands for one of Cambridge's biggest traditional dance nights. Beginners are more than welcome, as we'll all be stepping under the guidance of Keith the Caller, our gentle, inclusive instructor. With free, authentic folk music, and mulled wine, whether you make friends or bring friends, there's no reason not to come to this heart-warming, smile-bursting winter event.

All ticket sales go towards supplying our monthly convoys to Calais and supporting refugees stranded in Europe, who have fled war and persecution. What a great reason to dance through these cold months! Ticket price includes finger buffet in interval. Drinks available to buy. Suitable for all ages. Tickets are available from Ticketsource for £15 (adult), £10 (student) and £5 (children 6-11) plus booking fees, at https://www.ticketsource.com/camcrag/the-annual-camcrag-ceilidh-2026/e-arryxl

Castle Towns Women's Guild

Our next meeting will be on Monday 2nd November at 2.30 in St Augustine's church Community Hall. Our speaker, returning by popular demand, is Amanda Sutherland. This time she will be encouraging us to make do and mend an appropriate topic in the current economic climate !

There will be a competition so please bring along an item that you have made do or mended for us to marvel at! There will a sales table so please bring along items to sell as well as cash to buy items as well. As usual there will be refreshments and a raffle!

We look forward to seeing you there. Please bring along a friend. Visitors are always welcome for a charge of £3.00

Caroline Wilson



UPHOLDING CREATION – NEWS & IDEAS

In this monthly section we will highlight actions and opportunities in our own churches, community and individual lives. **Please do share your own suggestions for action, tips and information with us too.**

COP17 in October 2026– What is the 'biodiversity' COP?

COP stands for 'Conference of the Parties', which are regular United Nations (UN) conferences on its different conventions (written legal agreements between countries and the UN). This year the seventeenth international confererence has just taken place in Armenia.

Four years ago countries made a historic deal to save nature. The 'biodiversity' or 'nature' COP is for the UN Convention on Biological Diversity, or CBD. You can read more on this conference website. https://www.cbd.int/article/2026-10-18-06-36-57

What is the UK doing?

The UK's seventh National Report to the Convention of Biological Diversity2, paints a worrying picture, finding the UK is on track meet just 3 of the 23 Global Biodiversity Framework targets by 2030—with

insufficient or unknown progress on others. With only four years remaining to 2030, there is an urgent need to accelerate delivery. https://www.wildlifetrusts.org/sites/default/files/2026-10/COP17_Route_Map_to_Recovery.pdf

Apart from what we are already doing as individuals, in our churches and communities, could we consider supporting, as a member or donor, one of the organisations, local, national or international, that is monitoring our government's actions in meeting the biodiversity targets and holding it to account?

ECO CHURCH: News, Prayer Diary, Support, Resources
You can read the latest news direct on their website at https://ecochurch.arocha.org.uk/news/

- Sign up to get all the up-to-date news direct into your inbox via https://arocha.org.uk/sign-up/
- Join in prayer for God's creation https://arocha.org.uk/get-involved/pray/
- Access a huge bank of advice and resources https://ecochurch.arocha.org.uk/resources/

Sheila Rozeik

WHAT'S ON WEEKLY

CAFÉ@99
Every Monday and Friday, 10.45am- 12.15 pm, at St Augustine's
A café run by and for the local community. Come to meet neighbours, share conversation, read a paper, or simply relax. The café is open for one and a half hours on Monday and Friday mornings. All are welcome to drop in and enjoy freshly brewed Fairtrade coffee, cakes and some friendly conversation.

COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNING
Every Wednesday, 10.30am to 12 noon at Castle St Methodist Church
All are welcome to our community coffee mornings, which are held on most Wednesday mornings. Donations for the filter coffee, tea, cakes are welcomed to support various charities.



Followed by **OVER 50's STRENGTH & BALANCE CLASS,**
Every Wednesday, 12 noon – 1pm at Castle St Methodist
Open to all– just turn up on the day. £3 per session

SPECIAL SERVICES & EVENTS

COMMUNITY SUNDAY LUNCH

Sunday 1 November at 1pm at St Augustine's

This lunch is normally on the 1st Sunday of the month when all are welcome to come and share a delicious, freshly cooked lunch and friendly company.
Cost: two courses including vegetarian options, wine or soft drinks: £10. Please contact Richard for booking and information 01223 364929

BREATHING SPACE

Wednesday 4 November, 5.30pm at St Luke's



Breathing Space meets in person, usually on the first Wednesday of the month, to pray for the parish, our churches and local communities and individual concerns. Entry is by St Luke's car park door (please ring the bell). Breathing Space welcomes new members who want to feel part of a praying community – we would love to have you with us. Please contact Margaret on 01223 354561 for more information.

PUBLIC LIBRARIES OF CAMBRIDGE

Thursday 5 November, 11 am at St Giles'

Mary Burgess will continue the monthly Your Cambridge Heritage Lectures with her talk about Cambridge's public libraries.
Refreshments will be from 10.30 after the Thursday morning service. Following the 10am Midweek service, coffee and cake will be offered from 10.30am with the talks following at 11am.

ST GILES' CHARITY BAKE SALE

Saturday 7 November, 10.30am to 12 noon



Homemade cakes, marmalades and other baked delights are on sale at St Giles' (at the gates in the warmer weather) with coffee and refreshments in the church. The proceeds are supporting Red Cross International, Cambridge Food Bank and St Giles' Hospitality Fund.

Also, on the other side of the gate, Save The Children will have a table selling reduced Christmas cards and baubles from the shop, which was in Magdalene Street before its closure at the end of September.

GOUNOD'S ST CECILIA MASS

Saturday 7 November, 6pm at St Augustine's

St Augustine's Singers are conducted by Paul Jackson with Mo Wah Chan on the organ. Free entry with retiring collection.

THE EMPRESS AND THE ENGLISH DOCTOR

Friday 13 November, 6pm at St Augustine's



Lucy Ward of Murray Edwards College recounts the astonishing story of how Catherine the Great of Russia joined forces with an English Quaker Doctor from Essex to spearhead a ground-breaking public health campaign to defy a deadly virus. Free entry with a retiring collection.

FRIENDS OF THE ASCENSION BURIAL GROUND WORKING PARTY

Saturday 14 November, 10am to 12 noon

The Friends meet monthly on a Saturday morning for a working party at the Ascension Burial Ground where there is much to do. All are welcome to come and help. You will need sturdy shoes and gardening gloves. Tools are provided and everyone is welcome. Read more about the Friends group on their website: https://ascensionparishburialground.uk You can support the Friends' activities by joining for a very modest annual subscription. Further 2026 meetings: 12 December

CamCRAG CEILIDH
Friday 21 November, 7 to 9.30pm at St Giles'
Dance the night away from 7.00pm on Saturday 21 November with The Jumping Beans Ceilidh Band while raising funds for CamCRAG's work with refugees and displaced people in northern France and beyond. Tickets: £15 (adult), £10 (student) and £5 (children 6-11) plus booking fees, at https://www.ticketsource.com/camcrag/the-annual-camcrag-ceilidh-2026/e-arryxl

TWO PIANOS & CASTANETS
Friday 21 November, 8pm at St Luke's
Enjoy an evening of enchanting Spanish music with Kristin Loretta Barone and Paolo Lopes playing two pianos, and Mari Molina, concert castanets. Tickets are £20 from Eventbrite- https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/two-pianos-castanets

CSD BRASS AUTUMN CONCERT
Sunday 22 November, 3pm at St Luke's.
A concert of major works, from well-known tunes to brass band gems, it will be a concert guaranteed to put a smile on your face. Prepare to meet all the sections of the band, conducted Graham Sheldon, in the utterly joyous Peace, Joy and Happiness by Richard Phillips.
Programme:

Willcocks *The Champions*
Arnold *Little Suite for Brass*
Phillips *Peace, Joy and Happiness*
Graham *A London Celebration*
Heath *Frolic for Trombones*
Prokoviev arr. Roberts *Montagues and Capulets*

Tickets: £10 adults, £2 under 18's, available from the ADC Box Office at https://www.adcticketing.com/whats-on/concert/csd-brass-autumn-concert/

ST LUKE'S KNITTING GROUP
Tuesday 24 November, 2-4pm at St Luke's
The knitting group normally meets on the last Tuesday of each month. All are welcome, bring friends, whatever your level of skill, swap ideas and learn new techniques. Needles and wool will be supplied. Please contact Judith, 01223 357627, for further details. Can you donate any spare wool – we need new supplies? We support charity projects practically with what we knit.

DREAMING TO LIVE – a recital by Alec Buchan
Friday 27 November, 6pm at St Augustine's
Ely based tenor Alec Buchan is joined on the piano by Cleo Loi for a recital of works by 12 contrasting composers, and spanning 6 languages. The themes of dreams and visions are explored, intertwined with love, hope, despair and determination. Free Entry with a retiring collection.

'A NOEL OF STARS & SPACE: UCCB Michaelmas Concert
Friday 27 November, 8pm at St Giles'
A lively, seasonal concert on the theme of Christmas and Space.
Notable pieces:
Jupiter from The Planets by Gustav Holst
Star Wars: Revenge of the Sith by John Williams
A Christmas Festival by Leroy Anderson
Sleigh Ride by Leroy Anderson *(and more!)*
Tickets: General Admission: £10, Student: £5 On the door or online
https://fixr.co/event/uccb-michaelmas-concert-tickets-782655062

CREATIVE TEXTILES WORKSHOP
Saturday 29 November, 10.30am to 12.30pm at St Giles'
This workshop is normally held monthly on fourth Saturdays at St Giles', led by Margaret Waring (Textiles Society and Embroiderers' Guild). In general, all materials for the session will be provided but you are also welcome to bring your own current project. Participants are invited to make a donation to the Friends of St Giles' Church. Please book in advance, email: amwaring8@gmail.com

WORSHIP AND PRAYER RESOURCES ONLINE

Sunday Morning Resources – for those Sundays when you cannot attend church.

https://www.elydiocese.org/church-in-action/sunday-morning-resources/

These resources are available for use at home for personal reflection or worship with those you live with. Based on the lectionary readings for the Sunday, each resource consists of a short reflection based on the Gospel reading. The homilies have been written by clergy and LLMs in the Diocese of Ely.

November's Resources:

- Sunday Morning Resources 8 November 2026 (The Third Sunday before Advent/Remembrance Sunday) click here
- Sunday Morning Resources 15 November 2026 (The Second Sunday before Advent/Safeguarding Sunday) available soon
- Sunday Morning Resources 22 November 2026 (Sunday before Advent/Christ the King) available soon
- Sunday Morning Resources 29 November 2026 (Advent Sunday) click here

Church at Castle: Downloadable service and worship resources are kept up-to-date on our own website at:
https://www.churchatcastle.org/resources/

Everyday Faith from **the Church of England**. Find out more and download the app via cofe.io/EverydayFaithApp

Daily Devotions from the **United Reformed Church.** A daily reading, reflection and short prayer are available by email, URC social media and this website. https://devotions.urc.org.uk/

Sing a Hymn: The Royal School of Church Music has uploaded a whole playlist of hymns on their YouTube channel, for you to sing along with. It does not cover the whole year but there are plenty of cracking hymns to enjoy. https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLn-vhbQASCJhW_Gz8Fww32Nmy_XuCQmNl

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OUR SERVICES (online and in person)

You are welcome to join all and any of these services. Send an email to office@churchatcastle.org to receive a Zoom invitation to any of the services shown below marked 'hybrid' or 'online'. **Resources for all online services are on our website –**
https://www.churchatcastle.org/resources/
SUNDAYS and SEASONAL (please check the month's services update on the back page and our website)

MIDWEEK SERVICES
1st WEDNESDAYS – Communion at Storey's House 2pm, in person only
THURSDAYS – Midweek Eucharist at St Giles', Common Worship. 10am (online and also in person).
– St Luke's School Assembly, 2.45pm in term time, led by our ministers.

IF YOU DON'T USE THE INTERNET

FREE HYMNS & PRAYERS ON YOUR TELEPHONE OR RADIO

0800 804 8044 DailyHOPE
A free phone line of hymns, reflections and prayers

THE free phone line DailyHOPE has secured fresh funding, which is allowing the service to reopen. Further resources are on the Faith in Later Life webpage https://faithinlaterlife.org/dailyhope/

WORSHIP RESOURCES FOR EVERYONE
We can send resources for people to use at home. If you would like a printed copy of any prayers, hymns or services please ring Sheila Rozeik on 01223 315000. The ministry team can also telephone those who would like to say the service and share the liturgy with them. If you would like one of us to share the service with you or know of someone else who might appreciate it, then please ring the number above.

talking together

Talking Together is a unique initiative that brings older adults together for stimulating, telephone-based conversations about topics of shared interest. Just select and register for a group and we will do the rest. We will call you on your phone when the discussion is

about to start and connect you to your group. Then you enjoy 45 minutes of discussion, facilitated by a skilled leader. All groups take place on Monday and Thursday afternoons. Just select from the five different topics and register. The leaflet is online or pick up a copy from COPE, at St Luke's Church. Tel: 01223 364303 Email: copetalkingtogether@hotmail.com. http://www.copecambs.org.uk/talking-together.html

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NOTICES

Inbox or Letterbox If you would like to have the Ascension News delivered to yourself or someone else electronically or as a print copy, please contact office@churchatcastle.org or phone 01223 315000

Have you got news for us? It is good to hear about people, and what they are doing in their communities practically and creatively. Send your news via email to: office@churchatcastle.org or post it to Sheila Rozeik at the Parish Office. The deadline for submissions is ten days before the end of the month, but please send your article as early as possible and include photographs too, if you have them.

https://www.reform-magazine.co.uk/

Reform, produced by the United Reformed Church, is a fresh and challenging magazine exploring theology, ethics, personal spirituality and Christian perspectives on social and current affairs. Published eight times a year, the magazine is for people who enjoy reading about Christian ideas from a range of viewpoints. It covers a wide range of thought-provoking topics of relevance to everyone (not specifically URC) and features writing from journalists, academics, politicians, campaigners, scientists and religious leaders. £18 for the digital edition (with free access to all digital back issues) £29.50 for the printed and posted edition

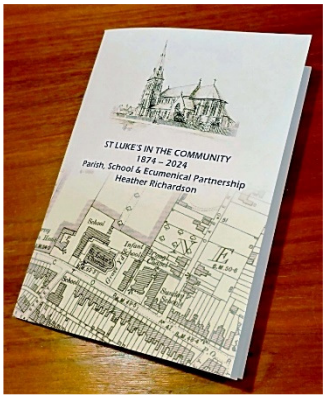
BAA BAA (sheep of any colour) Have you any Wool?
St Luke's Knitters need fresh supplies of wool – double knitting weight is preferred. If you have wool to donate, especially anything colourful,

please drop it off at St Luke's one Sunday morning or contact Judith Crowe-01223 357627. We are making blankets to donate to humanitarian charities.

COPE STILL NEEDS YOUR HELP www.copecambs.org.uk

Cambridgeshire Older People's Enterprise is a local organisation that serves the county's over 50's, with their office sited in St Luke's Church. They are in urgent need of volunteers to help in the office which is open every weekday from 10am to 12.30pm. Volunteers help with grant application and raising funds, taking messages, answering the phone and emails, distributing post and the monthly Newsletter – articles and distribution. Contact: 01223 364303 or email: copecambs@outlook.com

ST LUKE'S IN THE COMMUNITY 1874-2024



Copies of Heather Richardson's 32 page booklet can be purchased from the Parish Office or St Luke's Church for £5. Illustrated with 30 historic photographs, this local history traces how St Luke's school, church and parish developed hand in hand, and how the church, with the neighbouring Victoria Road Congregational church, became an ecumenical partnership today. Sale proceeds will go towards church funds.

Boost parish funds with your online Shopping

The Parish of the Ascension is a registered charity and member of the Give as You Live scheme. Anyone can donate to the Ascension Parish funds at no extra cost to themselves whenever they are shopping online, by clicking on the Give as You Live icon on your browser when starting to shop and select the Parish of the Ascension. – here is a shortcut https://www.giveasyoulive.com/join/ascensionparishcambridge

New lease of life for musical instruments



Do you have an old woodwind instrument that is no longer in playing condition and needs some TLC? Local teenager, Ben Deegan, has started

a project to save old clarinets, saxophones and bassoons and bring them back into use. Ben is very knowledgeable about how to repair these instruments and has brought several instruments back to life, including some which were in previously very poor condition, and played beautifully at the end. He is happy to do the work for free, and charges only the cost of any replacement parts that are needed. If you have an instrument for repair, please write to Clarinet.restorations@gmail.com.

HOW ARE YOU CAMBRIDGE?

https://haycambridge.co.uk/

H.A.Y. CAMBRIDGE is a website that brings together local activities and services that boost health and wellbeing. H.A.Y. is all about helping you look after you. The website provides not just listings of local activities, groups and services but also video introductions to group organisers and taster clips of what to expect. The H.A.Y. team are part of Cambridgeshire & Peterborough NHS Foundation Trust.

HELP IS AT HAND

This directory lists many of the social services available in the Cambridge area to provide support to people facing difficulties in their daily lives (in mind, body, family and circumstances) or to help them out of difficulties. A printed copy is available on display in each of the churches – ask your churchwarden where if you can't find it easily.

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Cambridge Business Park, Cowley Park, Off Milton Road, Cambridge, CB4 0WZ Tel: 07366 283312 https://cambridgereuse.org.uk

WHO'S WHO IN THE PARISH OF THE ASCENSION, CAMBRIDGE
MINISTRY TEAM AND CHURCH COUNCILLORS & OTHER POSTHOLDERS
2026 – 2027 (post APCM 2026)

Ministry Team ex-officio on PCC

Interim Priest-in-Charge	Andrew Day
Interim Assistant Priest	Lucinda Howard
URC Minister	Deborah McVey (interim)
Assistant Priest	Tom Ambrose
Retired Priest	Owen Spencer Thomas
Licensed Lay Minister	Margaret Cooper
Authorised Lay Ministers	Gill Ambrose (children), Gill Mead (worship)

Churchwardens ex-officio on PCC (elected annually)

St Augustine's	Norma Davies, Gill Mead
St Giles'	Oliver Coates
St Luke's	Paul Gibbs, Frances Klein

Parochial Church Council – all members of the PCC are ex-officio members of the appropriate DCC as at the APCM on 19 April 2026

St Augustine's	2024-2027	Patricia McGuire (Secretary)
	2025-2028	Hilary Footitt
	2026-2029	Antony Rix
St Giles'	2024-2027	vacancy
	2025-2028	Luis Jiménez Pina
	2026-2029	Stella Cross
St Luke's	2024-2027	Joan Jeans
	2025-2028	Angela Gibbs
	2026-2029	Margaret Cooper

District Church Councils

St Augustine's	2024-2027	Sam Skeaping
	2025-2028	John Gatiss
	2026-2029	Philip Mead
	2026-2029	Pamela Clamp
St Giles'	2024-2027	vacancy
	2025-2028	vacancy
	2026-2029	2 vacancies

Other Postholders

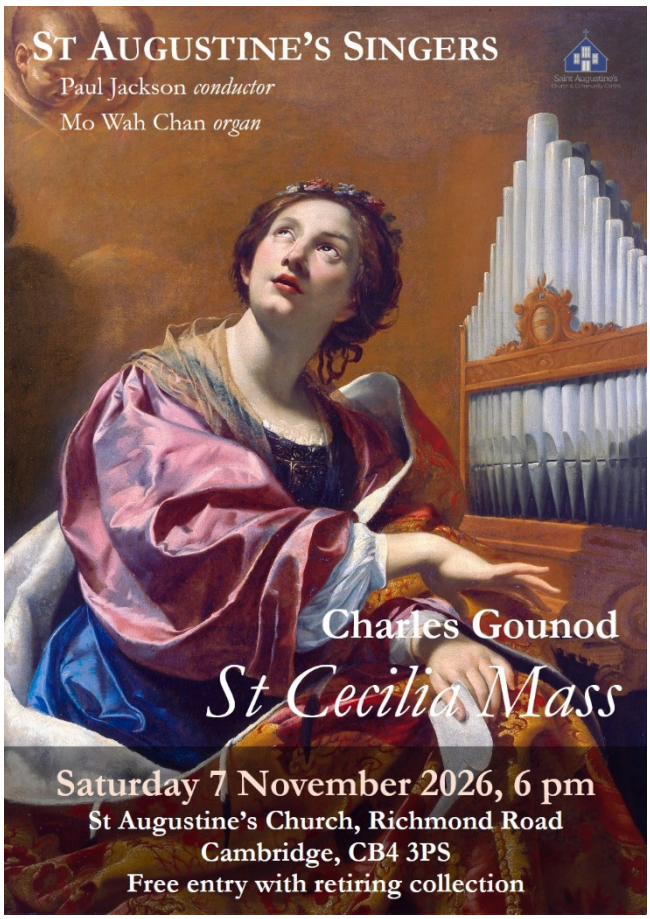
Parish Safeguarding Officer Angela Gibbs
Parish Treasurer Richard Footitt

Deanery Synod Representatives 2026–2029 (ex officio on PCC)
Gillian Mead, Oliver Coates, Gill Ambrose

St Luke's Ecumenical Church Council *as at the ACM on 22 March 2026*
Gill Ambrose, Angela Gibbs, Paul Gibbs, Lib Hallam, Brian Harrison, a post-share between Sarah Herring and Judith Crowe, Frances Klein, Ken Smith

St Luke's Joint Council *as at the ACM on 22 March 2026*
Anglican: Margaret Cooper, Judith Crowe, Frances Klein, Alison Taylor
URC: Isobel Fox, Angela Gibbs, Paul Gibbs, Brian Harrison.

Meetings: St Luke's ECC, 3 November, 7.00pm. St Giles' DCC, 3 November 7.30pm, St Luke's Congregational meeting, 22 November, 11.30am.





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SERVICES IN NOVEMBER 2026

This plan is subject to change should one of the ministers become unavailable
Please check the website regularly.

Day	St Giles'	St Augustine's	St Luke's	Other
SUNDAY **1 November** *All Saints'*	9am Sung Eucharist	9.30am Morning Prayer (Community Sunday lunch at 1pm)	10.30am Service of the Word	
SUNDAY **8 November** *Remembrance Sunday*	9am Sung Eucharist 11am Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial	9.30am Sung Eucharist	10.30am Holy Communion	6.30pm ChurchatCastle Evening Service Castle St Methodist
SUNDAY **15 November** *Trinity 24*	10.30am Parish Holy Communion at St Luke's			
SUNDAY **22 November** *Trinity 25*	9am Sung Eucharist	9.30am Sung Eucharist	10.30am Holy Communion	
SUNDAY **29 November** *Advent Sunday*	9.30am Parish Holy Communion at St Augustine's			3pm Parish Advent Carols At St Giles'

MIDWEEK SERVICES

Midweek Communion on Thursdays, 10am at St Giles', followed by refreshments and a chat.

GENERAL ENQUIRIES

Ascension Parish Office Parish Administrator: Sheila Rozeik
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