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ST ANDREW'S, CHESTERTON

A thriving, open and welcoming church community for all ages

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6 March 2011

WELCOME to St Andrew's today.

Today is the last Sunday before Lent and a chance to think about how to observe this season of preparation, fasting and prayer.

If you did not hear the presentation about our development proposals then please do catch up today: there is a display at the back of the north aisle—and do ask questions. The members of the development committee are Geoff Peel, Eleanor Whalley, Alison Wilson, Alec Corio, Margaret Robins and Nick. There is a feedback form available too—do let us know what you think.

Fairtrade Fortnight 2011: there will be a Traidcraft stall after the 10am service this morning, selling food, stationery and other fairtrade products.

If you would like to know more about life at St Andrew's, please fill in one of the 'Welcome' cards in the pews and hand it in to one of the clergy.

'He was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun'
Matthew 17.3

Today: Sunday next before Lent
8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.00am All-age Communion
12.30pm Lunch club
5.00pm Sports Club
6.30pm Evensong

Monday - Friday
8.15am Morning Prayer (9am on Tues)

Monday
10.15am Coffee morning (Hall)

Shrove Tuesday
4.00pm Flippin' Marvellous Pancake Party
8.00pm House group (83 Hertford St)

Wednesday
10.30am Midweek Break
12.30pm Holy Communion and Imposition of Ashes (Church)
7.30pm Holy Communion and Imposition of Ashes and talk by the Revd Dr Philip Jensen*

Thursday
9.15am Church Mice: for babies, toddlers and carers (Hall)
8.00pm Bible Study Group*

Friday
No Vespers this week

Sunday: 1st Sunday of Lent
8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.00am Sung Eucharist
6.30pm Evensong

**For details, see overleaf*

Please pray for:

- Among the sick and grieving, Alison Hughes, Diana Blackwood Murray, Janet Wheeler, Barry Eaden, Betty and Gordon Borley, Maureen Littlewood, Supatra Adler, Nick (who has a minor op on Tuesday)
- Our new bishop, Stephen Conway, installed at the cathedral yesterday
- Our response to the development proposals
- The future of the Middle-East
- Our provision for 9-13s (see below) at St Andrew's

This week...

The **Flippin' Marvellous Pancake Party** is on **Tuesday** in St Andrew's Hall. All are welcome to drop in between 4 and 5.30pm for pancakes and simple fun, regardless of age or pancake-tossing ability, and with or without children. Cost £2 per family. Enquiries to Eleanor on 306150 - or just turn up.

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent this week. There will be services of Holy Communion (with ashes) at 12.30pm and 7.30pm. Following the evening service (which will be shorter than usual) the Revd Dr Philip Jenson will be leading a *Thinking our Faith* special—an introduction to the prophet Jeremiah, our bible book for Lent.

There is no **Silver** Threads meeting this month but all are invited to the pancake event (see above). The next date is 12 April.

The Wednesday Bible study is no longer meeting. However the **Thursday Bible study** will still meet each week in Lent, studying the gospel of Mark.

Lent 2011 at St Andrew's

We will be journeying with the prophet Jeremiah this Lent.

- Our 10am Sunday services will be looking at various pictures and images the prophet is given and uses to convey his message.
- Why not take up the Bible challenge for Lent and read through the whole book of Jeremiah (from the Old Testament)? The readings will be on the pewsheets—and the whole scheme is available on a separate sheet at the back of church or on the website.
- There will be **groups** that will be exploring Jeremiah through Lent (beginning next week, i.e. from 15 March)—ideally with members having done the daily readings. There is no central booking system but please let the relevant group know that you'd like to come:
Tuesday (house group meeting every week through Lent at 83 Hertford St): Helen Druiff (572828, helen.druiff@ntlworld.com)
Wednesday: (at the Vicarage): Alec Corio 520246, a.s.corio@open.ac.uk
- The **Tuesday lunchtime Communion** will also be following Jeremiah: why not come and join us for Lent? We meet in the Hall, beginning with the service and you are welcome to stay for a simple lunch (no need to bring anything during Lent).
- At the same time, the Thursday evening bible study will continue reading and exploring Mark's gospel: Dorothy (523485, dorothy@peytonjones.org).
- Why not take the opportunity of having a spiritual health check? The clergy would be delighted to meet with

individuals thinking through their spiritual lives and priorities.

St Andrew's News & Notices

Calling **Electoral Roll members and (now) anyone in the parish directory**: if you have not already collected or received one, a letter awaits you in the pigeonholes at the back of church. Please save us a stamp and collect it!

We now have over 70 people booked in for this year's **Parish Weekend** at Belsey Bridge, 20-22 May, and have reached the number of spaces booked. We can probably take more but there is no guarantee of spaces from now on...! We are thrilled that our speaker will be Bishop John Taylor, who was Bishop of St Albans before he retired to Cambridge. Bishop John is a much-loved (and sought after) teacher of the Bible, especially the Old Testament, which he always brings to life ('did not our hearts burn within us while he opened to us the scriptures?' Luke 24.32). Enquiries to Peter Robins or to Nick.

From the Junior Church team:

WE ASK THE CHURCH TO PRAY FOR OUR YOUTH WORK. At present, the Junior Church team are thinking about provision for the 9-13s. We have about 30 church children in this age group and want to provide more to nurture and encourage them in their faith. We ask some of you to take on the task of praying for this, while we, the JC leaders, do the planning. Please pray too for new leaders with gifts and a passion for inspiring the young people to come forward.

Book Group: The book for this month (15th) *Any human heart* by William Boyd, Amazon current cost £4.43. The book for May is *Twelve Steps to a Compassionate Life* by Karen Armstrong (author of *The Spiral Staircase* which we read some years ago. Amazon current cost £5.84. Mick

Readings for Daily Prayer:

The 1 Corinthians challenge is over, but you may like to continue reading the Bible daily. Our readings are from Jeremiah.

Monday	Jeremiah 1
Tuesday	Jeremiah 3.1-21
Wednesday	Daniel 9.3-6, 17-19*
Thursday	Jeremiah 2.14-32
Friday	Jeremiah 3.6-22
Saturday	Jeremiah 4.1-18

Our Bible challenge for Lent will be to read through the prophet Jeremiah. *Reflections for Daily Prayer* has notes on each day's reading. It is available for £3.79 on Amazon.

Next Sunday's Readings:
Jeremiah 1, Matthew 1.4-11

Lumsden is happy to place orders. Suggestions for future books to Zoe, please.

St Andrew's Hall

We will be hosting a First Aid morning on **Tuesday 29 March** from 9.30am to 12.30pm, focusing on situations most likely to occur later in life, e.g. spotting a stroke, coping with falls, etc. The cost is £5, and booking is essential as numbers are limited. Please contact Eleanor on 306150 if you'd like to come. All are welcome.

Other News & Notices

Quiet Days at Lode Chapel led by Tricia Troughton: on 12 March ('New Beginnings') and 9 April ('Growth & Maturity'), 10am-4pm. Further details are on the information table by the south door (opposite main entrance). There is also a Quiet Day at St Giles on Saturday 9 April led by Fr Eric Simmons, CR.

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