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There is a list of PCC Members at the back of the church.

If you would like a copy of the notice sheet e-mailed to you, please send an e-mail request to the Parish Administrator.



ST ANDREW'S, CHESTERTON

*A thriving, open and welcoming church community
for all ages*

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22 April 2012

WELCOME to St Andrew's today.

It is the church's annual meeting (the annual parochial church meeting—APCM) today. The business part of the meeting, including the election of churchwardens and church council (PCC) members, will happen after the 10am service and there will be a bring & share lunch in the Hall.

There are still a lot of letters for electoral roll members at the back of church: they contain a shortened version of the annual report plus other goodies....

YO!CFC (youth group) meets today in the Hall, 5-7pm. Film and food and stuff.

Do join us for an Informal Worship service tonight. Richard will be leading and Nick reflecting on being a church in paradise!

Many thanks to those who played host to the orchestra on Friday/Saturday.

The parish weekend will soon be upon us (18-20 May: see overleaf). Do take a leaflet from the back of church and return it by next weekend if possible, please.

'Repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem.'

Luke 24.47

Today, 3rd of Easter

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.00am Parish Communion
11.30am Annual meeting
5.00pm YO!CFC (youth group)
6.30pm Informal Worship

Monday-Friday

8.15am Morning Prayer (9am Tues)

Monday

10.15am Coffee morning (Hall)

Tuesday-Friday, 12-2pm

food4food community café

Tuesday

12.15pm Holy Communion in Church followed by lunch at the food4food café
8.00pm Housegroup

Thursday

9.15am Church Mice: for babies, toddlers and carers (Hall)

Friday

7.30pm Hard Questions

Sunday 29 April, 4th of Easter

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.00am Parish Communion in Church
All-age Communion in Hall
3.00pm Great & Small tea party
6.30pm Vespers (reflective Evening Prayer)

Please pray for:

- Among the sick, housebound or recovering: Alison Hughes, Diana Blackwood Murray, Betty and Gordon Borley, Supatra Adler
- Our church's finances and our Christian stewardship
- Sarah Peyton Jones, now in Peru
- St George's as a new (half-stipend) vicar is appointed
- **RIP** Barry Eaden (his funeral is on Friday 27 April, 12pm, Holy Trinity, Bottisham), Louie Appleton, Irene Firman, Kathleen Harrison

Coming up... this week

The Flower group meeting arranged for **Friday** will now be held on **Thursday** at 2pm.

Coming up... next Sunday

At 10am there will be two services: a Parish Communion in Church and an All-age Communion in the Hall—during which there will be the chance to work creatively in different groups.

The children of St Andrew's Chesterton invite you to a **Great and Small Tea-party**, at 3pm in the Hall next Sunday, with cakes and entertainments! You can pick up an invitation at the back of church.

Coming up... next month

Get up early and join the May Day festivities (see opposite) on **1 May**.

On **Friday 4 May** come and enjoy **Chocolate Bingo**, an evening of fun for all ages in St Andrew's Hall, 7.15pm – 9pm (eyes down 7.30pm). £1 a game - all proceeds to St Andrew's Youth Choir Holiday Fund. Light refreshments available.

If you have any chocolate items that you would like to donate we would be pleased to recycle them as prizes!

Alternatively on that day (**4 May**) you can go to the **Hard Questions** group at the Clarksons' house—246 Milton Road—to discuss 'What is the good news?'

The next **Silver Threads** is **Tuesday 8 May** when Judith Jones from the Rowan Foundation is going to speak about their work with disabled people. Their slogan is 'Making Art, Improving Lives'.

Tuesday 8 May is the date of the Hall annual meeting (7.30 for 7.45pm). Do come along and support your management committee (half are appointed by the church, half are community representatives).

Wednesday 9 May is the 350th birthday of Mr Punch. At 7.30pm for 8pm in the Hall, Nick will be telling the story of Mr Punch's first appearance 350 years ago, and explains why St Andrew's has a painting of him dated 200 years earlier. Tickets £5 from the parish office or the Hall (in aid of the development fund) - or pay at the door. There will be a glass of something to toast the birthday boy...

The next meeting of the craft group is on **Friday 11 May** in room 2 of the Hall. All welcome - just bring any craft you are working on and join in a sociable evening.

Thursday 17 May is **Ascension Day**. The Friends will be having their annual meeting after the service of Evensong (7.30pm)

This year's **parish weekend** won't be at Belsey Bridge but at the even more attractive venue of St Andrew's Hall! We are having a parish weekend at home on the weekend of **18-20 May**. We will start on the Friday evening with a meal and welcoming activity; our main sessions will be on the Saturday morning; there will be a

walk and workshops in the afternoon and entertainment in the evening. The theme of the weekend will be the Eucharist—which we will be exploring in different ways and some of our children will be preparing for their first Communion on the Sunday.

Christian Aid Week (13-19 May). Please enlist on the notice at the back of church. Material for collectors will be in church on Sunday 6 May. Contact Margaret Partridge (362039) or Pam Fry (358176) for further information.

St Andrew's News & Notices

Sarah Abrey is preparing for her **Confirmation** on Sunday 24 June. It's not too late to be (baptised and) confirmed alongside her. Do have a word with Nick or Dorothy if you are thinking about it.

In case you haven't noticed yet, we now have bike racks at the north-east end of the churchyard (just inside the wall opposite the Vie development). Please use them!

Another 11 people have returned their stewardship reply slips. Thank you! That puts the total up to 35, promising an extra £2,136. Just another £1,500 to go then.... Have you replied yet?

Sad to say that Flori won't be with us for ever and is already well over half way through her stay, but the good news is that we will be having a Flori mark 2, also from Germany, but this time it's a he not a she. Adrian Layer comes from near Heidelberg, is 18 years old, enjoys ballroom dancing and plays the ukulele.

Other News & Notices

Drop-in Palestine afternoon & world lullaby workshop with Palestinian cake, Arabic coffee, mint tea. **Saturday 28 April**, 3-5pm, St Paul's Centre, Hills Road. Full details: www.worldlullabies.co.uk. Booking for workshop janet.walker3@googlemail.com or 690157.

Readings for Daily Prayer

Monday, St George's Day, Joshua 1.1-9
Tuesday Exodus 20.1-21
Wednesday, Mark the Evangelist
Isaiah 62.6-10
Thursday Exodus 25.1-22
Friday Exodus 28.1-4c, 29-38
Saturday Exodus 29.1-9

Next Sunday's readings:
Genesis 7.1-5,11-18,8.6-18,9.8-13, Acts,
John 10.11-18.4,5,12

'Reconciliation & Co-Existence in the Middle East' is a talk to be given by His Grace Bishop Angaelos of the Orthodox Coptic Church at the United Reformed Church, Trumpington Street on **Monday 14 May** at 7.30pm.

CELEBRATE · MAY · DAY



Morris Dancers & Madrigals

Tuesday 1st May 7.00am - 8.30am
Breakfast Muffins, Tea & Coffee on sale
(Outside from the food4food Café)
Everyone welcome - young and old
for any or all of the time
On the area of ground near the new Riverside Bridge
between the Vie development & the river
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