



Christmas & Epiphany at St Andrew's

Tuesday 18 December

7.00pm 'A Garland of Carols'
Christmas concert by the Senior Youth Choir

Thursday 20 December

6.30pm Community Carols
in the churchyard; indoors if weather is bad

Sunday 23 December

4.00pm Christingle & Crib Service
followed by Christmas crafts in the Hall

Christmas Eve

7.30pm Nine Lessons & Carols
(not suitable for young children)

11.30pm Midnight Eucharist

Christmas Day

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

10.00am All-age Communion

Sunday 6 January, Epiphany

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

10.00am All-age Communion

6.30pm Epiphany Procession



ST ANDREW'S, CHESTERTON
*A thriving, open and welcoming church community
for all ages*

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16 December 2012

Welcome to St Andrew's.

Please see the notice inside about sending just one Christmas card to your St Andrew's friends via the tree at the back. Alternatively, there are pigeonholes at the back of church (south side) for those who would prefer to send many.

There are posters for our Christmas services at the back of church. Do take one if you have somewhere suitable to display it.

Do join in next Saturday morning at 10am for making christingles, decorating the tree, etc. It will be lots of fun! All ages welcome—and required...

There will be a pewsheet next Sunday which will be for two weeks—i.e. there will be no new one on 30 December.

Nick, Rosalind, Thomas & Claire have gone to Germany for the weekend to stay with Flori and her family—they are taking your greetings with them.

John answered all of them by saying, 'I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals.'

Luke 3.16

Today, Advent 3

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.00am Family Service & Nativity Play
11.15am No service
6.30pm Quiet Eucharist

During the week

Monday-Friday

8.15am Morning Prayer (9am Tues)

Monday

10.15am Coffee morning (Hall)*

Tuesday-Friday, 12-2pm

food4food community café

Tuesday

12.30pm Holy Communion in Church
NB followed by bring & share lunch in Church

7.00pm A Garland of Carols, sung by Senior Youth Choir

Thursday

9.15am Church Mice: for babies, toddlers and carers (Hall)
6.30pm Community Carols*

Friday

4.00pm Vigil & Vespers

Saturday

10.00am Decorate Christmas tree, etc*

Sunday, Advent 4

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.00am Parish Communion
4.00pm Christingle & Crib Service

Please pray for:

- Among the sick, housebound or recovering: Alison Hughes, Diana Blackwood Murray, Betty and Gordon Borley, Harry Holroyd, Dorothy Richardson, Benjamin Black, Lyn Carr
- Potential Church involvement in the new school on Green End Road
- Our church musicians as we approach this busy time for them
- **RIP** Christine Newman, Hetty Calladine, Hope Page

Today

Greetings cards with envelopes featuring the stained glass windows will be on sale in the Hall after the 10am Family Service for £1.50 each in aid of the Friends of St Andrew's who raise money for the upkeep of the church building.

Coming up... this week

There is a special coffee morning on **Monday** from 10.15am to 12.30pm—coffee, tea, sausage rolls, mince pies and a raffle, all for £1. Please note the extended time.

There are five potential new sponsors for the new school in Green End Road, including the combined one from the Diocese of Ely and the Methodist Church. There is a **public meeting** to discuss the pros and cons of the various sponsors in the Hall at 8.15pm on **Monday**. It will be chaired by our county councillor, Ian Manning. For more information see <http://www.facebook.com/chestertonnewschool>

Our weekly Coffee, Cake and Christmas Card sessions continue at the Hall this week, with refreshments from food4food café and Christmas cards, gift tags and wrapping paper from Phoenix Trading. Drop in between 10.30am and 12 noon on **Friday** to see what's on offer.

Come and sing your favourite carols with members of CSD Brass on **Thursday** at 6.30pm in the churchyard (indoors if wet). Christmas food and drink will be served. Please bring a lantern if you have one!

Please come on **Saturday** at 10am to help prepare the church for Christmas. Sarah Abrey will be leading a team assembling christingles; the tree will be put up and decorated and there may even be the chance to polish some brass or silver! Refreshments and festive company will help the time to slip by.

Coming up... next Sunday

Please note that the **Crib Service** and **Christingle Service** are wrapped into one this year—on **Sunday 23 December** at 4pm. There will be a cup of tea afterwards and Christmas crafts for the children.

Please note that there will be no evening service on **Sunday 30 December**.

St Andrew's News & Notices

The Healing Group will not be meeting on Friday 21 December.

Our deanery **baptism and confirmation** is booked for **Monday 15 April 2013**. Would you like to be prepared for baptism/confirmation (and full membership of the Church)? If so, do have a word with Nick.

A reminder that copies of *Chesterton News* are awaiting distribution at the back of church. Would distributors please collect their bundles.

Next April we will be returning to Belsey Bridge, Ditchingham, for another **Parish Weekend**. Leaflets (with booking forms) are available at the back of church. Do please write the dates in your diaries now and book as soon as possible—don't just file it away!! The dates are 12-14 April 2013.

The next **book group** will take place at 42 Hawthorn Way, 367351, at 8pm on **15 January**. We are reading Julian Barnes's 'The Sense of an Ending', a novella about meditation on ageing, memory and regret.

Tricia Troughton writes

Wish everyone a Happy Christmas at St Andrew's and support WinterComfort: why not combine your good wishes for everyone at church with a donation to WinterComfort? Here's how: 1. choose one of your cards to write your greeting (saves writing to everyone separately), 2. stick it to the 'tree' at the back of church (everyone can read it), 3. put your donation (eg £1, £5) in a Gift Aid envelope marked 'WinterComfort' into the collection plate (folk in dire straits will benefit). Hopefully everyone will benefit that way! Happy Christmas!

Other News & Notices

Quiet Days at Lode Chapel continue on the second Saturday of each month.....

12 Jan 'God with us' as an infant
9 Feb 'God with us' in joy
9 Mar 'God with us' as our servant

The day begins with refreshments at 10am and finishes at 4pm. A simple lunch is provided. Contact Tricia for further details and to book a place (01223 521786 or patricia.troughton@ntlworld.com).

Readings for Daily Prayer

Monday	1 Thessalonians 5.1-11
Tuesday	1 Thessalonians 5.12-end
Wednesday	2 Thessalonians ch 1
Thursday	2 Thessalonians ch 2
Friday	2 Thessalonians ch 3
Saturday	Jude

Next Sunday's Readings
Micah 5.2-5a Hebrews 10.5-10
Luke 1.39-55

Some Contacts at St Andrew's

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If you would like a copy of the notice sheet e-mailed to you, please send an e-mail request to the Parish Administrator. A large print version is available at the back of the Church