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## Magic of the Ordinary

Chesterton residents of all ages and all talents are invited to make a difference to people's lives by producing a piece of artwork inspired by the title 'Magic of the Ordinary'. Contributions will form part of a charity art exhibition that will take place on Saturday 16 & Sunday 17 November, 10.30am-4pm at Chesterton Community College. All welcome!



The entry fee is £10 and includes a 12" square canvas and hanging fee. Artists need not restrict themselves to 2 dimensional work as long as the artwork fits within the dimensions. All works will be exhibited anonymously and available for sale at £45. All proceeds will go to SOS Children, a global charity providing orphans and vulnerable children with a stable and positive family life ([www.soschildren.org](http://www.soschildren.org)); and to Rowan, an arts charity based in Humberstone Road, which provides a safe, creative and unique environment where learning disabled adults, under the direction of

artists and craftspeople, can thrive and grow artistically as well as in their confidence and self esteem ([www.rowanhumberstone.co.uk](http://www.rowanhumberstone.co.uk))

Completed canvases need to be submitted by 4 November. To obtain further details and an entry form please email [info@whitehousearts.co.uk](mailto:info@whitehousearts.co.uk), telephone us on 420018 or pick up a leaflet at St Andrew's Hall and other venues across the city.

Gladys Jones  
White House Arts

## St George's at 75

On Sunday 13 October, St George's Church will celebrate the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its dedication. This is a great time to celebrate the stories of people in Chesterton during the last 75 years, so we would love it if anyone with memories, stories and/or photos could contact us to share them. Was St George's where you went to Sunday school or got married, for instance? Non-religious links to the church are also very welcome!

Please contact me either by email: [vicar@stgeorgeschesterton.org.uk](mailto:vicar@stgeorgeschesterton.org.uk), write to St George's Church, Chesterfield Rd, Cambridge CB4 1LN or phone 423374 to have a chat. We will be very grateful to anyone who volunteers to share their memories with us, and we hope over the course of the year to build up a large selection of different stories and mementos of the last 75 years.

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# Front Garden Competition

Judging of the gardens took place on 6 July and the prize-giving was held in brilliant sunshine in Hilary's back garden the next day. Besides donating three of the prizes, Don Mackay (of Roebuck House, Ferry Lane) very kindly presided over the occasion. We had 30 gardens in Old Chesterton to choose from and everyone entered into the spirit of the competition. It was very difficult to decide on the prize-winners because all the gardeners had made so much effort. Besides the first and second prizes (kindly donated by Scotsdales), there were awards made for colour, design and originality, and a special prize was awarded to the garden the judges thought made the most impact on the surrounding area. People are already showing interest for next year, so we hope lots more of you will join in. Thank you to all who entered this year and helped to make this a really enjoyable competition. Well done everybody!

*Zoë Conway Morris & Hilary Hymas*



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*Rosemary Watson*

# A New Arrival...

The Institute for Orthodox Christian Studies in Cambridge is the sole Orthodox institution for higher education in the UK, gathering together Christians from all the historical Orthodox Churches in Eastern Europe, the Middle East, Russia and Greece, but also from the various Orthodox jurisdictions in the UK and the Western world. We are also a full member of the Cambridge Theological Federation. This year, after 14 years of existence, we moved into our own building. The formal opening of 'Palamas House', named in honour of St Gregory Palamas and located at 25-27 High Street, Chesterton, took place on 6 July. The celebration started, by courtesy of the Vicar and Parochial Church Council, with a Liturgy of Thanksgiving in St Andrew's Church, followed by a procession with the icons along Church Street to Palamas House. When those present took possession of the house and put the icons in their place, there was a magnificent spread laid out by volunteer caterers, so no one could miss the message that the Orthodox feed the unity of body and spirit and show 'hospitality to all'!



Razvan Porumb  
www.iocs.cam.ac.uk



Thanks to all who helped make this year's Chesterton Festival such a success. Images are available via [www.chestertonfestival.wordpress.com](http://www.chestertonfestival.wordpress.com). Next year's dates are **Friday 20 – Sunday 22 June 2014**. Put them in your diaries now!

"Chesterton: A Year in Photographs", a feature of the Chesterton Community Association stalls at Chesterton Festival, is a record of the social and business life of Chesterton from May 2012 to April 2013. Copies are now on sale at Cheryl's News and Chesterton Post Office.

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### Friends of St Andrew's Church

#### Coffee Morning and Sale

Saturday 7 September, 10am - 12 noon (SAH)

Admissions £2 including refreshments. All welcome. *The Friends have agreed to donate towards the cost of alterations to the North Porch which will improve accessibility for wheelchair users*

### Food4Food Community Café

Tuesday - Friday, 12noon - 2pm (SAH)

Info. from Rachel on 07824 634 514  
[www.food4foodcafe.org.uk](http://www.food4foodcafe.org.uk)

### St Andrew's Fayre

Saturday 30 November 2 - 5pm (SAH)

Stalls, teas and children's activities, followed by an evening ceilidh  
If you'd like to have a stall, we'd love to hear from you. Contact us on 306150 / [info@standrews-hall.co.uk](mailto:info@standrews-hall.co.uk)

### Hooray and Hiss!

A drop-in event for All Hallows' Eve  
Thursday 31 October, 4 - 5.30pm (SAH)

Games, refreshments and fun: all welcome!  
Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult. No need to book.  
Cost: £2/family

### Monday

**Pilates** 9.10-10.10am; 6-7pm & 7-8pm. Call 07976 677540 (SAH)  
**ESOL Café** 9.30-10.45am & **Just Talk English Class** 11.15-12 noon. Call 576110 (CCC)  
**Drop-in Coffee Morning** 10.15-11.30am (SAH)  
**Chair-based Exercise Drop-in** 10.15-11.30am. Call 07976 677540 (SAH)  
**Playlanders Playgroup & Pre-school** 9.15-12.15/2.45, Mon, Wed, Fri. Call 420954 (SGH)  
**Drop-in Scrabble** 11.30-12.30 from 16 Sept. (SAH)  
**The Sunshine Club (55+)** 1.30-3pm, fortnightly (BF)  
**French Lessons for Children.** From 4.30pm. Call 210900 (BF)  
**Young Carers** 5.15-7.45pm, fortnightly (BF)  
**Renaissance Fitness** 7.30-8.30pm (BF)  
**Chesterton Choral Society** 7.30pm. Call 420117 (CMC)  
**Chesterton Lacemakers** 7.30-9.30pm. Call 362961 (SAH)

### Saturday

**Pilates** 9-10am.  
Call 07939603882 (SAH)  
**Suzuki Cello Lessons.**  
Call 07511940312 (SAH)

### Friday

**Adult Art Group** 9.30-11 (BF)  
**ESOL Café** 9.30-10.45am & **Just Talk English Class** 11.15-12 noon. Call 576110 (CCC)  
**Soft Play** 10.15-11.30 (BF)  
**Eat and Meet** (over 50s & friends) 10.30-12noon (BF)  
**AL-ANON Family Group** (starts 20 Sept.) 1-2.30pm. Call 07581152990 (SAH)  
**Drop-in Table Tennis** 3-5pm (Adults only). Call 464336 (SAH)  
**Evenings of Social Card Games** 7.30-9pm. Call 424040 (SAH)

### Thursday

**Church Mice Baby & Toddler Group** 9-11.15am. Call 704791 (SAH)  
**Moves Fitness & Aerobics (with crèche)** 10-11am. Call 07834227081 (CMC)  
**Pram-Pushers** 10-11.30am (term-time). Call 424993 (SGH)  
**Thursday Together-Family Support** 10am-2pm (BF)  
**Keep Fit Walk** from Nuffield Road Medical Centre at 11am. Call 423424.  
**Over 50s Pilates** 2.15-3.15pm (BF)  
**Junior Club** 3.30-5.30 (BF)  
**Zumba Fitness** 6-7pm. Call 07985200911 (SAH)  
**Chesterton Community Choir** 7.15-8.45pm (BF)  
**KFA Moves** 7.30-8.30pm (BF)  
**The Orlando Singers** 8-9.45pm. Call 504661 (SAH)  
**Rush Hockey** 8.15-9.15pm (for 16+) 457532 (CRC)

### Tuesday

**Little Music Makers** 9.45-11.45am (BF)  
**Mummy & Me Zumba** 10-11am. Call 07985200911 (SAH)  
**Computer Buddying** 1.45-2.45 from 17 Sept. Call 526007 (SAH)  
**Over 50s Folk Dance** 2-4pm (BF)  
**Over 60s Club**, 1.45pm, fortnightly. Call 423367 (SGH)  
**41<sup>st</sup> Cambridge Brownies**, 5.50-7.15pm. Call 07894230310  
**Yoga for Everyone** 6-7.15pm. Call 07954388505 (SAH)  
**Yogabirth** 7.30-9.30pm. Call 07791002064 (SAH)  
**Youth Club** (for ages 11+) 7.30pm (BF)

Weekly

### Wednesday

**Over 60s** 9.30-11.30am (BF)  
**Good Morning Yoga** 9.30-10.45 (SAH)  
**Coffee Morning** 9.30-12.30 (CMC)  
**Chesterton's History Explored** 11-12.30, 18 Sept-16 Oct. Call 353296 (SAC)  
**Family History** 11-12.30, 6-27 Nov. Call 353296 (SAH)  
**Family Fun** 3.30-5.30pm (BF)  
**Girls Brigade** 6.30pm. Call 420117 (CMC)  
**Renaissance Fitness** 7.30-8.30pm (BF)

### Gadgets to Go

Friday 20 September 7.30 - 9.30pm (SAH)

A film, a practical talk on electronics & sustainability, then a gadget swap. Bring your old yet useful gadgets & swap them with others.  
Free event, bookings essential:  
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### Chesterton Garden Club Autumn Show

Saturday 7 September  
Doors open at 2.30pm (CCC)

To be opened at 3pm by The Mayor of Cambridge  
All welcome

### Monday

**Little Mess Makers** 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays, 1.30-3.30 (BF)  
**Macular Disease Association (Cambridge branch)** 3rd Mondays, 12noon-2pm. Call 420117 (CMC)  
**Cam Sight Monday Club** 1<sup>st</sup> Mondays, 2-4pm. Call 420117 (CMC)  
**St Andrew's Church Healing Group** 1<sup>st</sup> Mondays, 7-8pm. Call 525009 (SAH)

Monthly

### Saturday

**Arts & Craft Club** 1<sup>st</sup> Saturdays, 10-30am-3pm  
Call 07795816625  
@ Hundred Houses Society, 51 Scotland Rd.

### Sunday

**St Andrew's Junior Church** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays, 9.50am. Contact Victoria: 704791 (SAH)  
**St Andrew's Sunday Lunch Club** 1<sup>st</sup> Sundays. Call 510456 (SAH)  
**Turkish Kurdish Speakers** 12.15pm (BF)  
**St Andrew's Church Youth Group** (10-13s) 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays, 5-7pm. Call 355367 (SAH)  
**St Andrew's Sports Club** (9-13s) 1<sup>st</sup> Sundays, 3.30-5.30pm. Call 234267 (SAH)

### World's Biggest Coffee Morning Monday 7 October 10.30am - 12noon (SAH)

Drop in & help raise funds for Macmillan.  
All ages welcome, children included!

### Tuesday

**Kettle Club** 1st Tues, 10.30-12noon for tea, coffee, a free raffle and lots of chat, all for £1.50. Call 314018 (SGH)  
**Chesterton Local History Group** 3<sup>rd</sup> Tues., 2.30pm. Sept: Listed Buildings; Oct: Home Movies; Nov: Cambridge Bookshops. Call 368279 (SAH)  
**St George's Lunch Club** 3<sup>rd</sup> Tues, 12.30pm. Call 425074 (SGH)  
**East Chesterton Women's Institute** 4<sup>th</sup> Tues, 7.30pm. Sept: Confidence with Colours; Oct: A College Porter's View of Life; Nov: Samplers. Call 07971004405  
**Cruse Bereavement Care Drop-in** 1st & 3rd Tues, 7.30-9.30pm. Call 778667 (SAH)

### Friday

**St Andrew's Church Healing Group** 3rd Fridays, 12noon-12.45pm. Call 525009 (SAH)  
**St Andrew's Church Craft Group** 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays, 7-9.30pm. Call 704791 (SAH)

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**SAC:** St Andrew's Church  
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**BF:** Brown's Field  
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**CMC:** Chesterton Methodist  
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# News from St Andrew's Church, Church Street

Chris Pountain has decided to hang up his baton and retire as Director of Music at St Andrew's after 11 years in the role – and his wife Mary is also stepping down from the considerable administrative role she has fulfilled in the musical life of St Andrew's. We are not saying 'goodbye' to them as they will remain a part of our church community, but we have taken several opportunities to say 'thank you' and to celebrate all they have achieved with us. Notably they received sustained applause and the singing of 'For they are jolly good fellows' at the All-age Communion on 7 July – when eleven of their current generation of choristers received choral awards (four red ribbons, five blue ribbons, a Dean's Award and a Bishop's Award). Musical life at St Andrew's is flourishing and we are so grateful to Chris and Mary for all their labours on our behalf – all done with their characteristic humility and good humour.



It was poignant that as we were celebrating their long service we learnt of the death of Ian Parrott who was Choirmaster during the 1960s. As a boy, Ian was a chorister at Westminster Abbey, and sang at the coronation of King George VI. His knowledge and understanding of the church music repertoire was vast, and he was also a skilled arranger.

In the same weekend a much loved member of the congregation, Nick Bull, also died after a spell in hospital. Nick was the church treasurer for seven years and a great purveyor of both wit (up front on many social occasions) and marmalade (raising thousands of pounds for good causes). We will miss him.

Many of our neighbours will have realised that we had one of our biggest funerals ever at St Andrew's on 1 July – for Joseph Lee, a member of the travelling community, who died suddenly in a very tragic accident. If you would like to be emailed when there are such large funerals that are liable to cause delays in traffic, please email the parish office at [admin@standrews-chesterton.org](mailto:admin@standrews-chesterton.org) and we would be glad to add you to the list.

Highlights of our calendar in the autumn include Harvest Festival on 6 October and our annual All Souls tide 'Time to Remember' service on 3 November (4pm, followed by tea). Remembrance Day is on 10 November; the 10am service (not a Communion) is followed by the two minutes' silence by the war memorial in the churchyard. All are invited to join us either in church or outside. In the evening will be a Requiem Eucharist, with New Voices singing Fauré's setting.

Finally, the last weekend in November will be our St Andrew's Festival, with the St Andrew's Fayre (and Hall birthday party) on the Saturday afternoon, a ceildh in the evening and special services on the Sunday to mark both St Andrew's Day and the beginning of Advent.

Full details of all our services and events can be found on our website [www.standrews-chesterton.org](http://www.standrews-chesterton.org).

Nick Moir

We were all shocked and saddened in early July to hear that Neil Harding had suddenly died. Neil was a good friend to the community of churches in our area. He had been minister of Arbury Road Baptist Church since 2004 and was from 2007-9 Chair of the North Cambridge Council of Churches. He was much loved and appreciated by his own church community and beyond. We will miss him – and extend our deepest sympathies to Ruth, his wife, to their four children, and to the church family at Arbury Road.

Nick Moir

# Letter from a Minister



Hello to all the readers of *Chesterton News*!

My name is Ian Murray and on 1 September I will begin my new post as a Methodist minister, based mainly at Chesterton Methodist Church, working in collaboration with colleagues in the Cambridge area. It is a pleasure to have the opportunity to introduce myself to you so here goes. I am 44 years old, and this will be my third post in ministry. With my family I have just moved from Bournemouth after 11 years there, but I am originally from London (to be exact, Waltham Forest – just the other end of the M11). I hope to be able to get back to see my football team play from time to time – Leyton Orient, for those of you who may be interested.

I am looking forward to getting to know lots of new faces in Chesterton and joining in with the life of the local community in different ways. Please help me to get settled by saying hello if you see me around. I have been reading the last three editions of *Chesterton News* and trying to start learning about local developments and issues such as schools, housing, 20mph speed limits, the new railway station, pubs and more.

You might notice that my title is “Deacon” rather than “Rev’d” (although please call me Ian). In the British Methodist Church we have two orders of ordained ministry, with Deacons having a distinctive emphasis on pastoral and community ministry – ask me more about that if you would like to know more. I have a background in supporting activities and groups involving children and youth, including schools, but also a wide range of other aspects of church and community life.

Moving home is always a challenge and a time to look backwards and forwards - leaving behind familiar things and having lots to sort out, and wondering what the future holds. I look forward to the surprises I will find along the way and I know there will be many kind people around to offer a smile and some help.

With best wishes, *Ian*

Deacon Ian Murray  
[deacon.cmc@gmail.com](mailto:deacon.cmc@gmail.com)

## News from St George’s Church, Chesterfield Road

We were delighted to share in Chesterton Festival by hosting the Cambridge Concert Orchestra’s concert. Those who ran stalls on Pye’s Rec also enjoyed themselves. It was great to see so many different people from across the community getting involved.

The front page of this edition of the *News* gives information about plans for our 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary year. As well as spending some time celebrating the past of this community, we are also looking to develop new ways in which the church building can be used, and we will be asking Chesterton residents to give us ideas and suggestions for the future. See future editions of the *News* for more information.

*Ruth Adams*

### Playing the Piano for Pleasure

Do you love classical music? Would you like to take up piano playing again or start from scratch in a friendly, stress-free atmosphere? Then get in touch.

Janine Maegraith, Chesterton  
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## Registers

### Baptisms

26.05.13 Benedict James Edmund Doyle (StA)  
 02.06.13 Elizabeth Alice Maria Davies (StA)  
 02.06.13 Florence Olivia Rowen (StA)  
 16.06.13 Andrew George Coupe (StA)

### Marriages

11.05.13 Richard Reeve & Clare Flory (StG)  
 15.06.13 Jonathan Sharman & Cassandra Bradnack (StA)  
 27.07.13 James Stevens & Faye Powell (StA)

### Funerals

14.02.13 Michael Rodney Driver (StA at the Crematorium)	27.06.13 Roy Stubbs (StA at the Crematorium)
02.05.13 Christopher Paul Mitchell (StG)	01.07.13 Joseph Lee (StA)
02.05.13 Peggy Reed (StA at the Crematorium)	11.07.13 Jean Margaret Seaman (StG at the Crematorium burial ground)
08.05.13 Cameron Wroe (StG)	15.07.13 Nicholas Bull (StA at the Crematorium)
20.05.13 David Langley (StG at the Crematorium)	22.07.13 Elizabeth Robertson (StA)



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## NEW at St Andrew's Hall

Would you like to know more about local history? Do you enjoy playing scrabble? Need a computer buddy? Well, from mid-September, we might be able to help at St Andrew's Hall. This is what we can offer this term:

**Chesterton's History Explored:** Wednesdays 11.00-12.30 in St Andrew's Church. Nick Moir will use the church building, memorials, artefacts, grounds and records to explore aspects of the history of our village and locality: a 5-week course, starting on 18 September. Cost: £15.

**Family History:** Wednesdays 11.00-12.30 in Andrew's Hall. Michael Bond will give you some starting points to trace your own family history: a 4-week course, starting on 6 November. Cost: £12.

To book a place on either of these two courses, ring Sue Richards on 353296.

**Scrabble:** Mondays 11.30-12.30 in St Andrew's Hall from 16 September. Perhaps you already come to the coffee morning, and would like to stay on for a game of scrabble. Or just drop in! This activity will cost £1 per session. No need to book – just drop in. Later this term there will be a flower arranging demonstration following coffee, when you can have the chance to try your hand. Details to follow.

**Help from a computer buddy:** Tuesdays 1.45-2.45 in St Andrew's Hall from 17 September. If you would like help with your laptop, perhaps to set up an email address, to download photos, to access the internet, or to create and save documents, we can offer an hour of 1 to 1 support for £5. To arrange an appointment ring Linda Stollwerck Boulton on 526007. More will be offered next term. If you have ideas about other activities, please let Sue Richards know (353296).

## Cambridgeshire Celebrates Age 2013

We are now in our 9<sup>th</sup> year, and our programme of activities to celebrate International Day of Older People will be available from libraries, community centres and council reception areas from early September. This year's theme is 'Celebrating Volunteers', acknowledging the work that older people contribute to their communities.

Look out for special events in Cambridge City, and also for a brochure listing all year round activities for older people which will be reproduced in January. If your group or organisation runs an activity for older people and you would like it listed in the brochure please visit [www.cambscelebratesage.org.uk](http://www.cambscelebratesage.org.uk) and complete the regular listings form, or contact Georgina on 508150.

Sally Roden

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