

need the vouchers which will be in the Cambridge News every day from Monday 3 March to Saturday 29 March. The more vouchers collected, the more money they will receive. You can leave vouchers in the box at the back of church—or send them direct to Romsey Mill, Hemingford Road, Cambridge, CB1 3BZ.

On **Thursday 27 March**, 5.45 - 7pm, Dr Peter Saunders, CEO of Christian Medical Fellowship will be speaking on 'Abortion on demand: a Christian response' at the Round Church.

Cambridge Summer Schools, based at the Round Church, are running 5-day courses in Theology, Apologetics and Counselling with Dr Walter Kaiser, Dr Ted Turnau and Dr Richard Winter. There are non-residential rates - ideal for Cambridge residents. More information: www.christianheritage.org.uk/summerschools

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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



ST ANDREW'S, CHESTERTON

A thriving, open and welcoming church community for all ages

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23 March 2014

Welcome to St Andrew's.

Tonight Tricia will be leading a service of Evening Prayer.

Next week is Mothering Sunday. 'Dads and kids' are invited to come on Saturday morning to prepare the flowers—we'll be gathering yew from the churchyard to provide greenery to go with the daffodils. They will be distributed by the children to mothers and others at our Family Service on Sunday morning.

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.

There is a toilet at the east end of the church: a sidesperson will point you in the right direction.

We do have gluten-free wafers available for Communion—please speak to one of the sidespeople at the back.

'Thus the LORD used to speak to Moses face to face, as one speaks to a friend.'

Exodus 33.11

This Sunday, 3rd of Lent

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.00am Parish Communion
6.30pm Evening Prayer

Monday-Friday

8.15am Morning Prayer (9am Tuesday)

Tuesday-Friday, 12-2pm

food4food community café

Monday

10.15am Coffee morning (Hall) followed by Scrabble
2.00pm Funeral of John Carter
7.45pm Pilgrim course (Hall)

Tuesday

12.15pm Holy Communion (Church) followed by lunch in the food4food café

Wednesday

10.30am Old Testament course (Hall)
1.30pm Pilgrim course (Hall)

Thursday

9.00am- Church Mice for babies, toddlers and carers (Hall)
11.15am Pilgrim Course (Chesterton House)
7.45pm Pilgrim course (Vicarage)

Friday

4.00pm Vespers & Vigil

Saturday

7.30am Cambridge Camerata concert*

Next Sunday, 4th of Lent:

Mothering Sunday

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.00am Family Service
6.30pm Quiet Eucharist

*see inside

Please pray for:

- Among the sick, housebound or recovering: Alison Hughes, Betty and Gordon Borley, Benjamin Black, Betty Jennings, Ivy Jolley
- The Hall development project
- Meg PJ on her USPG gap year experience in Belize
- James Thomas preparing for his baptism at Easter
- RIP John Wilson, John Carter, Constance Rose

Coming up... this week

The Flower Group meets at the Hall on **Friday** at 2pm. Anyone interested in joining us to learn about church flower arranging will be very welcome to come along.

Fathers and children are summoned to do their duty on **Saturday** at 10am (see front page).

Saturday is also the date for our first Cambridge Camerata concert at St Andrew's. This orchestra is conducted by our Director of Music, Peter Wadl, and the concert will include the final three symphonies of Mozart (39-41).

Coming up... next month

Do you need something to do in the school holidays? Could you help make a tomb for this year's St Andrew's Easter Garden? Eleanor and Julia are recruiting helpers for sessions at **2pm on Mondays 7 and 14 April** at the Hall. We have space for 6 accompanied children/young people per session. Please let us know in advance if you'd like to join in.

There will be a concert by Anna Marmion (soprano) and Ralph Woodward (piano) on **Saturday 5 April**, 7.00pm. Anna and Ralph

will be performing a range of classical music including arias from opera and oratorio, and some piano solos. Refreshments will be available. No tickets, but there will be a retiring collection in aid of the mental health charity Time to Change—www.time-to-change.org.uk and a donation to St Andrew's Church Development Fund.

St Andrew's News & Notices

If you would like to give a donation towards the cost of the **Easter lilies** in memory of a loved one, please put your donation in an envelope, together with the names of the persons to be remembered, and hand it to one of the churchwardens, Maureen Ling, or another member of the Flower Group. Thank you from the Flower Group.

Both the Hall management committee and the PCC met this week and decided to proceed with the Hall development—a revision to the plans for the front annexe has bought the price down to our budget figure (£270,000: £140,000 of which is coming from a council section 106 grant, £100,000 from the PCC's Hall capital fund and £30,000 from an individual donor). The revised plan is on display outside the Hall front door – the main changes from the original scheme are that all the linking space to the new room has been removed and the roof has been lowered. The scheme will still provide a new parish office by building over the storeroom at the back.

The deanery **Confirmation** service will be on **Thursday 15 May**. We have three confirmation candidates already—would you like to join them? Do have a word with Nick.

A reminder that the dates of this year's **Parish Weekend** are **3-5 October**. Booking forms will be coming out soon after Easter.

If you are interested in leading prayers during 10am services then we'd love to

hear from you. Assistance will be given as needed. Offers to Patricia Abrey or the wardens please. Many thanks for offers of help already received for other vacancies.

New singers wanted

Could you help lead enhance our worship at St Andrew's by joining the **Allcomers choir**? They lead our singing at the 10am service on the 4th (and the occasional 5th) Sunday of the month. There are no rehearsals other than before the service and no previous experience is required. Do have a word with Peter.

Mission News

As part of our Mission work, St Andrew's has donated £100 to The Barnabas Fund in response to the Syrian Christian leaders appeal for urgent aid:

"We entreat Western governments to alleviate the suffering of our people by providing urgent humanitarian aid, as our communities are in dire need. The majority have been displaced from their homes with hardly anything to subsist on; most are jobless, homeless, and in danger of abduction and assaults by radical militants."

Christian leaders from the country have called on Western nations to focus their efforts not on military aid but instead on providing aid to help meet the "dire need" of the suffering people. Barnabas Fund is at the forefront of humanitarian work among the Christian community in Syria. Since the conflict began in 2011, they have provided practical aid to an estimated 139,000 Christians, around 10% of those who remain in the country. Around 600,000 Christians have sought refuge in other countries. Most of those whom they are helping are internally displaced, having had to flee their homes as a result of targeted violence against them by Islamist rebels.

Readings for Daily Prayer

Monday	Genesis 47.1-27
Tuesday	Annunciation of Our Lord to the Blessed Virgin Mary 1 Samuel 2.1-10
Wednesday	Genesis 49.1-32
Thursday	Genesis 49.33-end of 50
Friday	Exodus 1.1-14
Saturday	Exodus 1.22-2.10
	Reading for Sunday: 1 Kings 19.3-14

Christians are being singled out for violent attack, kidnap, torture, sexual assault and murder; their homes have been taken over in violent raids. Christian leaders have been particularly targeted, and numerous church buildings have been deliberately destroyed. Their support includes food parcels, hygiene kits, medical and surgical costs, blankets, heaters and sleeping mats.

Please pray that refugees from Syria will be welcome and looked after in other countries. Give thanks for Sweden's decision to offer permanent residency to 8,000 Syrians. For Syrian Christians, that the Lord will give them strength, hope and peace as they continue to suffer privation, danger and persecution. Further information from <http://barnabasfund.org>.

Other news

Hannah Hobday (associate priest at St George's) is doing a small research project as part of an MA and needs some help! She is aiming to run focus groups to discuss the topic of 'worship' and wants participants from a range of different churches. Would you be willing to help? See Nick this morning please.

The Romsey Mill has got into the final round of the Cambridge News and Cambridge Building Society **Cash for the Community Campaign 2014**. They now