

## St Andrew's News

We're glad to report—hot off the press—that we have been awarded a grant of £20,000 from AmeyCespa (via the Community Foundation) for our ramp and toilet and we have also had a large anonymous donation of £7,000. The works will cost a little more than we had hoped (about £80,000) so a few extra donations would still be welcome....

## From the Diocese

The Diocese is re-launching its **Authorised Lay Ministry Programme** in the new year. Would you be interested in engaging in a programme of specialist training as a parish administrator, pastoral assistant, worship leader, music minister, lay pioneer, minister to the elderly, lay chaplain in schools, or in social awareness or communications? As well as the specialist training, the course includes a common element - a 9 week **Discipleship course** beginning in February (which is open to anyone wanting to deepen their knowledge of Scripture, mission and vocation). There is more information at the back of church. Please speak to Nick if you are interested.

The Diocese of Ely is running a mini social media campaign for the season of Advent. The themes will be related to work going on in our diocese and will include rural matters, spirituality, Mother's Union, resilience/reconciliation, and worship and music. The aim is to tell more of 'our story' as a diocese during this season of preparation and looking forward. A short note, item of information or reflection prepared by Bishop's Advisers or our MU President will be posted each weekday on our diocesan Facebook page - <https://www.facebook.com/elydiocese>

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# ST ANDREW'S, CHESTERTON

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

[www.standrews-chesterton.org](http://www.standrews-chesterton.org)

## 14 December 2014

Welcome to St Andrew's.

Today Junior Church members will be helping to enact the Nativity.

Please come and support the Community Carols on Thursday in the churchyard (inside if too unpleasant!) at 6.30pm. Don't forget to bring a torch or lantern.

Details of our Christmas services are inside. Next Sunday is our Crib & Christingle Service at 4pm—a great opportunity to bring all the family. There will be refreshments and crafts afterwards in the Hall. (Please note that the Christmas Eve Nine Lessons & Carols is not suitable for young children.)

There will be no evening services on 28 December or 4 January.

*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 said,  
'I am the voice of one crying out in  
the wilderness,  
"Make straight the way of the  
Lord"', as the prophet Isaiah said.  
John 1.22*

**Today, 3rd Sunday of Advent**

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)  
10.00am Family Service and Nativity  
11.00am Short Communion  
6.30pm Quiet Communion

**During the week****Monday**

9.30am Morning Prayer  
10.15am Coffee morning (Hall)

**Tuesday-Friday, 12-2pm**

food4food community café—special Christmas menus

**Tuesday**

9.30am Morning Prayer  
12.15pm Holy Communion, followed by  
bring & share lunch

**Wednesday**

8.15am Morning Prayer  
12.45pm Gordon Borley's funeral  
(West Chapel, Cambridge  
Crematorium)

**Thursday**

8.15am Morning Prayer  
9.00am- Church Mice for babies, toddlers  
11.15am and carers (Hall)

**Friday**

9.30am Morning Prayer  
4.00pm Evening Prayer & Vigil

**Next Sunday, 4th Sunday of Advent**

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

### Please pray for:

- Among the sick, housebound or recovering: Alison Hughes, Betty Borley, Pam Fry, Ian Ferguson
- Sophie Joyce Dickerson to be baptised today
- Our choir and music leaders preparing for the Christmas and Epiphany services.
- The Children's Society (see opposite)
- RIP Gordon Borley

### Today

Members of St Andrew's are invited to join the 'Lyn's House' community for Carol Singing and Tea **today**, 3-5 pm, 76 De Freville Avenue. Lyn Carr was a longstanding member and churchwarden at St Andrew's, and her house is now a centre for hospitality for adults with learning disabilities. Contact Judith Gardom, judith@gardom.net.

### This week

John Reynolds would welcome help with preparing the candleholders for Christmas—please join him in church at 10am on **Tuesday**.

This month's **Encore concert** is on **Wednesday**. Come for coffee and cake at 10.30am and this month's concert—a Christmas Celebration with Sally Landymore (flute) - at 10.45am. £5 adults, free for pre-school children. Come and enjoy music for all ages in an informal and relaxed setting.

### Christingle collection candles

The Children's Society collection candles given out at the start of Advent may be brought back to church at the Christingle, Christmas Eve or Christmas Day services. If

you didn't receive a collection candle and would like one, there are still some available at the back of church. Here's what your donations will go towards:

- 2,762 children will run away this Christmas, exposing them to violence and danger on the street. The Children's Society helps understand why they have run away, to help them find solutions to the problems they face.
- Gypsy, Roma and Traveller families often face bullying at school and rejection from their local communities. Due to widespread prejudices and little understanding of their culture and traditional way of life, the Children's Society fills a gap which few agencies try to bridge.
- War, persecution and torture force many children to flee to the UK by themselves. The Children's Society helps these young refugees find accommodation, overcome language barriers and, most importantly, to rebuild their lives in new communities, surrounded and supported by friends. Children living in families where parents are affected by drugs or alcohol misuse are often affected by domestic violence and poverty. With a lack of dedicated services and funding to address this area, the Children's Society identifies and supports these children.

### Coming up...

In association with Ruth Adams and the Diocese of Ely, we are holding a Saturday morning **Safeguarding training session** on **Saturday 17 January** in the Hall. Under our church's safeguarding policy, such training is mandatory for those involved in leading/helping at our children's and young people's groups and may be needed for those helping in some adult groups. If you are not sure if that includes you, then please have a word with our safeguarding officer (Ewa Allen) or with Nick.

The next meeting of the Book Club will be on **Tuesday 20 January**, at 8 pm, at the home of Ewa Allen (42 Hawthorn Way, tel. 367351). We will be discussing 'The Seven Sisters', by Margaret Drabble. It tells the story of Candida, a middle-aged divorcee, who gathers together six travelling companions - women friends from childhood, from married life and after - and maps out a journey around Tunis, Naples and Pompeii, in search of a new adventure. As always, new and occasional members are most welcome.

### Church Council News

The PCC met on Thursday 20 November. Here are some of the highlights:

- Several members of the PCC attended safeguarding awareness training detailing our responsibilities. It was agreed that the PCC would ask all those involved with Junior Church and Youth work to undertake safeguarding training which should be renewed every three years.
- The hall annexe should be completed by the beginning of February, whilst the timetable for the new parish office has slipped due to its complexity. It is anticipated that the total costs of the project will overrun by approximately £3,000.
- As the church development project has now enlarged to include the vestry, loo and path, the project has been put back out to tender. We have applied for a grant from AmeyCespa to help fund this project to improve access to our church.
- The PCC contributes 4% of its annual budget to the Mission and Giving group for distribution to several causes including Azul Wasi and Winter Comfort. As it has remained unchanged for a number of years, the PCC agreed to increase its contribution to 4.5% with a view to possibly increasing this amount incrementally in future years.

### Readings for Daily Prayer

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

#### Next Sunday's readings:

am: 2 Samuel 7,1-11,16 Romans 16,25-end  
Luke 1,26-28

### Help needed

Sidesperson help is needed for Christmas services including the carol service (Christmas Eve at 7.30pm) and the Midnight Eucharist at 11.30pm. Offers to the churchwardens please.

## Christmas & Epiphany at St Andrew's

### Thursday 18 December

6.30pm Community Carols  
in the churchyard; indoors if wet

### Sunday 21 December

4.00pm Christingle & Crib service,  
followed by Christmas crafts in Hall

### Wednesday 24 December

7.30pm Nine Lessons & Carols  
11.30pm Midnight Eucharist

### Christmas Day

8.00am Holy Communion  
10.00am All-age Communion

### Epiphany Sunday, 4 January

8.00am Holy Communion  
10.00am All-age Communion  
No evening service

### Epiphany, Tuesday 6 January

6.30pm Epiphany Procession