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Tuesday 6 January, Epiphany

9.30am Morning Prayer
12.15pm Holy Communion, followed by
lunch in the food4food café
7.30pm Epiphany Procession

Wednesday 7 January

8.15am Morning Prayer

Thursday 8 January

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

Friday 9 January

9.30am Morning Prayer
4.00pm Evening Prayer & Vigil

Sunday 11 January, Baptism of Christ

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.00am Sung Eucharist
6.30pm Evensong

Christmas & Epiphany at St Andrew's

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

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of the Church



ST ANDREW'S, CHESTERTON

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for all ages*

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21 & 28 December 2014 4 January 2015

Welcome to St Andrew's and to our
services over the Christmas period.

Please note that there will be no
evening services on 28 December or 4
January.

The next pewsheet will be for Sunday
11 January. The Church and Hall office
will be closed until Monday 5 January.

We wish you all a very merry
Christmas!

*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.*

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

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

Mary said, 'Here am I, the
servant of the Lord; let it
be with me according to
your word.'

Luke 1.38

21 December, 4th Sunday of Advent

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

During the week

Tuesday-Friday, 12-2pm

food4food community café—closed until 6
January

Monday 22 December

9.30am Morning Prayer
10.15am Coffee morning (Hall)

Tuesday 23 December

9.30am Morning Prayer

Wednesday, Christmas Eve

8.15am Morning Prayer
7.30pm Nine Lessons & Carols
11.30pm Midnight Eucharist

Thursday, Christmas Day

8.00am Holy Communion
10.00am All-age Communion

28 December, 1st Sunday of Christmas

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.00am All-age Communion & Baptism
No evening service

The Church and Hall will be closed until

4 January, Epiphany Sunday

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.00am All-age Communion
No evening service

Monday 5 January

9.30am Morning Prayer
10.15am Coffee morning (Hall)

Tuesday-Friday, 12-2pm

food4food community café

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Please pray for:

- Among the sick, housebound or recovering: Alison Hughes, Betty Borley, Pam Fry, Ian Ferguson
- WinterComfort and all those they support
- The Churches' Night Shelter
- The Children's Society (see below)
- RIP Gordon Borley, Elizabeth Cantor

Epiphany

Our Epiphany celebrations will be spread over the Sunday before Epiphany (when we will celebrate the Eucharist for Epiphany) until Tuesday 6 January itself when our traditional Epiphany procession service takes place. This service includes special music (with the New Voices choir), the dramatised procession of the wise men and the opportunity to make a response making our spiritual new year resolutions (via a card offered up in one of the processions).

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...

Help is needed on **Saturday 3 January** to prepare candles for Epiphany. Meet at the church 9.30am onwards.

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.

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.

St Andrew's News

We're glad to report 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..

Readings for Daily Prayer

Monday 22	2 Peter 1.1-15
Tuesday 23	2 Peter 1.16-2.3
Wednesday 24	2 Peter 2.4-end
Thursday, Christmas Day	Mathew 1.18-end
Friday, Stephen, deacon, first martyr	Acts 6
Saturday, John, Apostle and Evangelist	1 John 2.1-11
Sunday 28 December readings: Jeremiah 31.15-17 Matthew 2.13-18	
Monday 29, Holy Innocents	Matthew 18.1-10
Tuesday 30	John 1.19-28
Wednesday 31	John 1.29-34
Thurs 1, Naming and Circumcision of Jesus	Romans 2.17-end
Friday 2	John 1.35-42
Saturday 3	John 1.43-end
Sunday 4 January readings: Isaiah 60.1-6 Matthew 2.1-12	
Monday 5	John 2.13-end
Tuesday 6, Epiphany	John 1.29-34
Wednesday 7	1 John 3
Thursday 8	1 John 4.7-endS
Friday 9	1 John 5.1-12
Saturday 10	1 John 5.13-end
Sunday 11 January's readings: Genesis 1.1-5 Acts 19.1-7 Mark 1.4-11	