



ST ANDREW'S, CHESTERTON

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

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Welcome to St Andrew's.

We extend a special welcome today to Bishop Stephen as he joins us for our 10am Sung Eucharist. Do stay behind for refreshments after the service—no hot drinks this morning but celebratory fizz and cake. Welcome too to members of the Sainsbury family—we are giving thanks today for all the new works to the church this year, including the lectern platform that was given in memory of David Sainsbury, churchwarden and faithful friend of this church for many years.

This evening there will be a united Taizé service at St George's, in the vicarage (to the right of the church) at 6.30pm.

Please ask a sidesperson at the back for access to the toilet.

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.

'See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me.'

Malachi 3.1

This Sunday, 2nd of Advent

- 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
- 10.00am Sung Eucharist—the Bishop of Ely
- 10.00am Junior Church (starts in church)
- 12.30pm Sunday lunch club
- 5.30pm YO!CFC (youth group)
- 6.30pm Taizé service at St George's Vicarage

Monday

- 10.15am Coffee morning
- 7.30pm PCC Prayers & meeting (Hall)

Tuesday-Friday, 12-2pm food4food café

Tuesday

- 9.15am Morning Prayer
- 12.15pm Holy Communion followed by lunch at the food4food café

Wednesday

- 8.15am Morning Prayer

Thursday

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

Friday

- 9.15am Morning Prayer
- 4.00pm Evening Prayer & Vigil

Saturday

- 10.00am Youth Prayer

Next Sunday, 3rd of Advent

- 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
- 10.00am Family service and Nativity
- 11.00am Short Communion
- 5.30pm YO!CFC Christmas party (Hall)
- 6.30pm Quiet Eucharist

Please pray for:

- Among the sick, housebound or recovering: Alison Hughes, Pam Fry, Valerie Holroyd, Hugh Dawson
- Clergy, musicians, sacristan and all preparing for our Christmas services and celebrations
- Bishop Stephen (who, as well as leading our diocese, is the lead bishop for education in the Church of England)
- RIP Cecil Petersen, Irene Bond

This week

The PCC will meet on **Monday at 7.30pm** in the Hall for prayer and a business meeting.

You are invited to a **Pudding and Wine Evening** on **Tuesday**, 7-9:30pm, hosted by the **Housegroup** at 17 Sherlock Road, the home of Caroline Lamaison. Donations are to go towards our monthly Azul Wasi food contribution.

Contact helen.druiff@ntlworld.com for more details on this and Housegroup, or find out more about Azul Wasi at www.standrews-chesterton.org/church-life/mission-and-giving/azul-wasi/

Coming up...

Next Sunday at 10am is a Family Service and the Junior Church **Nativity**. Old and young, please come to the service dressed as a shepherd, angel, star or stable animal and ready to join in!

Sunday 20 December will be a Parish Communion with the Crib & Christingle Service in the afternoon (there will be no Junior church that day).

The **Community Carols** are on **Thursday 17 December at 6.30pm** in the churchyard (indoors if the weather is bad)

Please come to help to make the Christingles and to decorate the Christmas tree on **Saturday 19 December** from 10am-12 noon in church. All welcome—young and old—coffee and refreshments will be provided.

Singing at the Carol Service

There will be four rehearsals this year for the Christmas Eve (7.30pm) Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols:

Friday 11 December, 7-9pm

Friday 18 December, 7-9pm

Sunday 20 December, 5.30-7.30pm

Wednesday 23 December, 7-8.30pm

Please contact Peter Wadl if you would like to sing (contact details on back page). You will need to be able to commit to attending two of the first three rehearsals plus the final one.

St Andrew's News

I would like to thank each and every person who came to the St Andrew's Fayre last Saturday. Stall holders, cake bakers, refreshment servers, children's activity providers, chair stackers and customers, every single person helped make it such a wonderful day. I am delighted to say that we raised a total of £300 for Cruse. Thank you again.

Rachel Clarke

Any sidespeople/welcoming offers for **20 December 4pm** for the Crib service & Christingle, **Christmas Eve 7.30pm**, **Midnight Mass at 11.30pm** or **10am on Christmas morning** will be gratefully received by Patricia Abrey or the churchwardens.

There are still plenty of **Children's Society collection candles** and **Advent Calendars** to help guide your prayers and givings. The funds raised are absolutely vital for the Children's Society to continue helping abused and exploited children. By providing

Cynthia Bull would appreciate **empty jars for marmalade**, particularly Bon Marie and 340gm. Please phone her on 322467 to arrange collection or leave under the bench outside 10 Capstan Close. **No jars—no marmalade!**

Transforming Work

Transforming Work brings together a group of Christians who want to make a difference where they work. It combines eight group sessions spaced over a year with opportunities in between to reflect, pray and try things out... leaving time for discoveries to be made, changes to occur and for God to do what only God can do.

Dorothy Peyton Jones will be running a group as part of her work for Chaplaincy to People at Work. The next date is **Tuesday 8 December**. To sign up for the group, or for more information contact Dorothy at dorothy@workplacechaplaincy.org.uk or 07503 746 520. You can also look up the course materials on www.licc.org.uk/tw

Other news

The annual **Carol Service for Cambridge city workers** (organised by Chaplaincy to People at Work and others) is on **Monday 7 December** at St Andrew the Great. It starts at 6.30pm (with mince pies and drinks from 6pm).

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

Some Contacts at St Andrew's

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Christmas at St Andrew's

Sunday 13 December

10.00am Family Service
& Junior Church Nativity

Thursday 17 December

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

Sunday 20 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

direct, one-to-one support, thousands of children and young people have been helped in moving on from the effects of suffering harm and abuse, to taking positive steps in their lives. The Children's Society policy team is also working to lobby and influence decision makers, to ensure that these children are kept safe from harm and provided with the support they need. The collection candles may be brought back to church at the Christingle service, Christmas Eve or Christmas Day service.

This Advent we are supporting the work of The Buckingham Emergency Food Appeal (BEFA), an East Anglian charity which is seeking donations of hot drinks for their '**Christmas cuppa Appeal**' to help provide warm, comforting drinks throughout the winter months. BEFA's highest profile initiative is to provide full Christmas lunch to a number of organisations, such as domestic violence refuges, soup kitchens and night shelters. Less well known is their year round support to vulnerable people via such institutions, including sometimes giving out made up hot drinks, and sometimes providing supplies for such people to make their own. We are supporting that work by collecting any hot drink donations, including hot chocolate, coffee, tea, Horlicks, Ovaltine, of any size, from catering packs to individual sachets. We will have a box at the back of the church to collect donations from people coming to services during the Advent period (but it will not be left out when the church is unattended). All donations will be much appreciated. Thank you.

Copies of the Azul Wasi Autumn Newsletter are at the back of the church. If you would like to receive future copies by email, please contact Mary Pountain, mary.pountain@gmail.com

Last week in the chancel we looked at Jesse Trees. I forgot to tell you that there is a

Readings for Daily Prayer

Monday	Isaiah 30.1-18
Tuesday	Isaiah 30.19-end
Wednesday	Isaiah 31
Thursday	Isaiah 32
Friday	Isaiah 33.1-22
Saturday	Isaiah 35

Readings for Sunday

am: Luke 3.7-18
pm: Isaiah 35 Luke 1.67-80

sheet explaining why we collected different items to put on it. I meant to say that this could be used by you or your family during Advent. There is a story about a different character in the Old Testament for each day and the symbol that can be hung on the tree to remind us of them. The sheets are now at the back of church. For those who missed it the tree is at the front of church. The items we have hung on it for this past week are:

- Picture of the world representing creation.
- Red Christmas tree bauble (apple) for Adam and Eve.
- Rainbow bead for Noah and the rainbow after the flood.
- Stars for Abraham being told he would have descendents as numerous as the stars in the sky.
- Ladder to remember Jacob's dream. Multicolored ribbon representing Joseph and his special coat.

Coming up are:

- Red ribbons for Moses and the burning bush.
- Bell for Miriam: she led the dancing after the escape from Egypt.
- Picture of horn for Joshua. Red chord for Rahab.
- Wheat stalks for Ruth and Naomi.
- Picture of temple for Samuel.
- Tree for Jesse.