

March; including a talk by Professor Odell-Miller, a concert, and workshops led by Anne Taylor and Hannah Conway. For information email: assistantmanager@michaelhouse.org.uk.

The tragedy of so many children, women and men dying to cross the Mediterranean to reach a safe haven in Europe has again highlighted the plight of those who may be fleeing persecution in Eritrea, or the agony of the conflict in Syria. **CECF Refugee Services** provides a service for all asylum seekers and refugees who come to Cambridge. We are working in partnership with the Cambridge Refugee Resettlement Campaign to help restore some hope to these Syrian families who have been re-settled in Cambridge through the Vulnerable Persons Relocation Scheme (VPR). There are, however, many practical needs that have to be met both for asylum seekers and the resettled Syrian families. We are, therefore, starting to fundraise to enable us to meet those needs. Any financial contribution would now be most welcome in order that we can meet essential or critical needs of some of the most vulnerable people that we assist. Donations can be made by cheque payable to *Cambridge Ethnic Community Forum*, or into our Lloyds Bank account 30-13-55 02959873. Thank you.

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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.

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21 February 2016

Welcome to St Andrew's on this second Sunday of Lent.

Our 10am Family Service will be followed by a short Communion service for those who would like to stay, and please come for coffee in the Hall afterwards.

Our four Lent Groups begin meeting this week. There are still places, so do sign up on the sheet at the back of church.

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.

*God brought Abram
outside and said, 'Look
towards heaven and count
the stars, if you are able to
count them.' Then he said
to him, 'So shall your
descendants be.'*

Genesis 15.5

This Sunday, 2nd of Lent

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.00am Family Service
11.00am Short Communion
4.00pm Minims
5.30pm Youth Group
6.30pm Quiet Eucharist

Monday

9.15am Morning Prayer
10.15am Coffee morning
7.45pm Lent Group at 20 Pakenham Cl*

Tuesday-Friday, 12-2pm

food4food café

Tuesday

9.15am Morning Prayer
10.15am Lent Group at 10 Lynfield Lane*
12.15pm Holy Communion
followed by lunch at the
food4food café
1.30pm Memorial & Thanksgiving
Service for Hugh Dawson
8.00pm Lent Group at 17 Sherlock Rd*

Wednesday

8.15am Morning Prayer

Thursday

8.15am Morning Prayer
9.00am Church Mice for babies, toddlers
and carers (Hall)
11.15am
7.45pm Lent Group at 10 Lynfield Lane*

Friday

9.15am Morning Prayer
4.00pm Evening Prayer & Vigil

Next Sunday, 3rd of Lent

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.00am Parish Communion
6.30pm Choral Evensong

**see inside*

Please pray for:

- Among the sick, housebound or recovering: Alison Hughes, Valerie Holroyd
- The Church of England (General Synod met this week) as it seeks to reorder its life and ministry in the light of diminishing numbers but greater needs
- John & Rachel Waters translating the Bible amongst the Kurdish peoples of Northern Iraq (our recent gift day)
- RIP Hugh Dawson

This week

Lent groups begin—see below.

We are very sad to report that Hugh Dawson died at Arthur Rank House last weekend. Hugh was a faithful member of this church over many years and gave much to our life—not least in co-leading the Sunday lunch club. Our prayers are with Catherine, Eleanor and William. There will be a private committal at the crematorium followed by a Memorial & Thanksgiving Service at St Andrew's on **Tuesday**, 1.30pm, followed by refreshments in the Hall—to which all are welcome.

If you would like to join the Coach Trip to St Alban's Abbey and Verulamium Museum on **Wednesday** there are a few places left. The coach will leave the Church at 9.30am and return by 5.30pm. Tickets cost £20. To book your place please call 306150 or email rachel@standrews-hall.co.uk.

Ideas for Lent

Lent groups start this week. We will be studying the **Pilgrim course** material on the Eucharist (Holy Communion) - alongside a sermon series at 10am. Sign up sheets are available at the back of church. **Please sign up today.**

Groups will run as follows:

Mondays, 7.45-9.45pm, at 20 Pakenham Close, led by Nigel Elliott & Bridget Baguley

Tuesdays, 10.15-11.45am, at the Vicarage (10 Lynfield Lane), led by Morten Grindvoll & Helen Orr

Tuesdays, 8.00-9.30pm, at 17 Sherlock Road, led by Helen Druiff and others

Thursdays, 7.45-9.45pm, at the Vicarage (10 Lynfield Lane), led by Julia Eisen & Nick Moir

And for **families during Lent**, *Exploring Generosity* is a family activity sticker book exploring 12 Bible passages and encouraging family members of all-ages to take the 40 acts generosity challenge. Copies will be available for £2.50 each from Maggie Tate after the service again this morning.

Tricia Troughton will be leading an **Open Mind** course in the Hall, **Painting to music through Lent**, Tuesdays 23 Feb, 1/8/15 March, 1.45-3.45pm. (Cost: £16.) The group will explore various themes of Lent and spring-time through music and respond using the simplest of media which will be supplied. No experience or particular talent needed - do come and enjoy some quiet reflective sessions.

Reflections for Lent offers a simple way to make space for Bible study and reflection from Ash Wednesday (10 February) to Easter Saturday (26 March 2015). This app provides a chance to try the readings from best-selling Reflections for Daily Prayer app. Each day (excluding Sundays) it provides daily Bible readings, a reflection by a leading author, and a prayer for the day. It also includes over 3 hours of audio, which features best-selling authors Paula Gooder, Andrew Davison, Martyn Percy and Steven Croft reading their own reflections. Download from App Store or Google Play.

(£2.99) One of the authors was in the congregation last week!

This year's **Women's World Day of Prayer service** takes place at St Laurence's Church, Milton Road on **Friday 4 March** at 2.30pm. The women of Cuba have put together this year's service and it is called 'Receive Children, Receive Me'. So we will learn about the lives of children in Cuba but also about adults and about the Cuban way of life and its culture. It is a fascinating island with a rich and varied history and much in the news because of negotiations to lift the trade embargo imposed by the United States. Six of the churches in the North area of Cambridge take part in this service, which welcomes all who would like to come – not only women! Put the date in your diary.

We are booking up fast for the **Parish Weekend** (Friday 29 April to Sunday 1 May). Booking forms are available at the back of church. Please take one today, fill it in and return it to Patricia Abrey. The earlier you book, the more likely it is that we'll be able to give you your ideal room! **Please return forms by the end of this month.**

The next meeting of the **Book Club** will be on Tuesday **5 April**, at 8 pm, at the home of Ewa Allen (42 Hawthorn Way, tel. 367351). We will be discussing *Nora Webster* by Colm Tóibín. A brief description: 'Nora Webster is recently widowed and lives with her two young sons in a small town on the east coast of Ireland. Within Nora is a strength, and through the discovery of music and the gift of friendship, she finds a way to live again...' As always, new and occasional members are most welcome.

St Andrew's News

The **Open Mind Course** 'How to Make a Difference' has been cancelled due to illness. We hope to be able to run it again

Readings for Daily Prayer

Commentaries in 'Reflections for Lent'

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| Monday | Hebrews 1 |
| Tuesday | Hebrews 2.1-9 |
| Wednesday | Hebrews 2.10-end |
| Thursday | Hebrews 3.1-6 |
| Friday | Hebrews 3.7-end |
| Saturday | Hebrews 4.1-13 |

Readings for Sunday

am: Isaiah 55.1-9 Luke 13.1-9

pm: Genesis 28.10-19a John 1.35-end

later in the year.

We urgently need new helpers for the **Sunday Lunch Club**, particularly those who can take responsibility (with assistance) for producing the meals once or twice a year. Please have a word with Nick if you can help.

The **Chesterton Festival 2016** begins on Saturday 18 June with the Community Fun Day on Pye's Rec., 1 - 5pm, and there will be other events throughout the following week until Sunday 26 June. Brown's Field will host a Family Band Night on Friday 24 June. If you are interested in taking part in the Festival this year then participation forms are available from the Hall Office.

Other news

Great St Mary's are holding a series of **Lent Talks**. They have some really interesting speakers in this year's series of lunchtime talks on the theme of FAITH SHAPING - exploring how the experience of people in the past can form our faith in the present. The talks are as usual on Monday lunchtimes at 1pm during Lent at Michaelhouse. See the poster on the church noticeboard for the list of speakers.

Singing from the Centre, a celebration of singing for health and well-being, in Michaelhouse, Trinity Street, **11th & 12th**