



What's On Where



In the 4 Saints Benefice
29th May 2022

Sunday services

11am@All Saints
Benefice Communion

Services next week

Thursday 2nd June
9.30am@St Andrew's(HC)

Sunday 5th June
9.15am@St Bartholomew's(HC)

11am@St Andrew's
Sides: Sue J
Reader: Debs P
Coffee: Lynn S

11am@St Mary's (HC)

The Office is closed next week so there will be no WOW for the 5th June.

In emergency contact Anne or Richard

Collect for this Week

Risen, ascended Lord,
as we rejoice at your triumph,
fill your Church on earth with power and
compassion,
that all who are estranged by sin
may find forgiveness and know your peace,
to the glory of God the Father.

This weeks Readings

Acts 16.16-34
John 17.20-end

Next weeks readings

Acts 2.1-21
John 14.8-27

5th June 2022 *Pentecost Sunday* *ALL AGE SERVICE*

There is one service at St Andrew's on this Sunday

It begins at 11.00am

However, we would be delighted if you came at 10.30am and enjoyed coffee and
breakfast pastries with us



Hope to see you there Lindsey & June



What's coming up?

30	MAY, MON	 All day	Office closed
		 14:15 – 15:30	Friendship Teas The Bridge
		 19:00 – 21:00	Bellringing St Andrew's
31	MAY, TUE	 All day	Office closed (Day 1/4)
		 13:30 – 15:30	Craft group The Bridge
1	JUN, WED	 All day	Office closed (Day 2/4)
		 12:30 – 15:00	McChat The Bridge
		 19:00 – 21:30	Breathe The Bridge
2	JUN, THU	 All day	Office closed (Day 3/4)
		 09:30 – 10:30	Parish Communion
		 19:30 – 21:30	Music Group Practice St Andrew's Church
3	JUN, FRI	 All day	Office closed (Day 4/4)
		 19:00 – 20:00	Jubilee Quiz
5	JUN, SUN	 09:15 – 10:15	Holy Communion@F St Bartholomew's
		 11:00 – 12:00	11am service St Andrew's
		 11:00 – 12:00	Morning Service @ WW St Mary's

Thought for the Week

Keep Unity

May the Lord lead your hearts into God's love and Christ's patience – 2 Thessalonians 3:5

“All people will know that you are my followers if you love each other” (John 13:35). Stop and think about this verse for a minute. Could it be that unity is the key to reaching the world for Christ?

If unity is the key to evangelism, shouldn't it have precedence in our prayers? Should we, as Paul said, “make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace”(Eph.4:3 NIV)? If unity matters to God, then shouldn't unity matter to us? If unity is a priority in heaven, then shouldn't it be a priority on earth?

Nowhere, by the way, are we told to build unity. We are told simply to keep unity. From God's perspective there is but “one flock and one shepherd”(John 10:16). Unity does not need to be created; it simply needs to be protected.

How do we do that?.....Does that mean we compromise our convictions? No. Does that mean we abandon the truths we cherish? No. But it does mean we look long and hard at the attitudes we carry.

(Taken from In the Grip of Grace)

Food for thought.....

Until next time,

Keep strong, keep safe and keep the faith,

Gail x

News from the Four Saint's Benefice



Shaped By God Together:

Moving forward together

Saturday, 28th May 2022

10.00am – 12.00pm

St Andrew's Church, Countesthorpe

Please come to this meeting if you can. It is an opportunity for everyone in the benefice to come together to start to think about what 'Shaped By God Together' will look like for us.

It is the start of an exciting adventure with God as he leads us into a new direction, not only as The Four Saints Benefice but as a Diocese.

This first meeting will be an occasion for us to answer some important questions that will affect the future of our four churches.

Everyone has a role to play, your views and opinions really matter. You can help shape the future.

You will remember that during lockdown we started an appeal to raise funds for a bench to commemorate the lives and ministries of Rob Jelves and John Frakes who together served St Andrews and other churches for over sixty years. We have had the bench stored for some time now but have been waiting for a suitable day to dedicate it. The date chosen is the 19th of June at the 11:00 Service. This is also Father's Day, so a very apt day to remember two special Fathers and servants of the church and village. Please make every effort to come along on the 19th not just to dedicate the bench but to say a huge thank you for their ministries and friendship.

If you have any items you would like in WoW please let Ant have the details by Thursday morning if at all possible.

Urgent request from the Ukraine Church in Leicester

Thank you to everyone who has kindly donated items to the Ukrainian people – a car load was taken on Friday evening to the centre in Leicester. The leaders at the centre have stressed the need for the following items :-

Tents, Camping mats, Sleeping bags, Hot Water bottles, Insulated flasks, Protein & Energy bars, Painkillers(eg Ibuprofen), First Aid Kits, Wound dressing materials, Male socks, Female Sanitary items, Nappies, Baby Food

Some monetary donations are going astray so we are being asked to be extra careful when making monetary donations - even the major supporting charities have had their sites compromised with donations being diverted away from their intended destination.

Teddies for Tragedies

Would you like to find a way to support refugee children coming from Ukraine?
Manchester Airport Chaplaincy Team, in collaboration with the organisation

@ teddiesfortragedies.org.uk,

are asking for knitted teddies that can be given to refugee children as they arrive here. The teddies are small (10") and knitted to an easy standard pattern that takes a couple of evenings to do. It's a really good way to use up all those bits of left over DK wool!

If you would like to be involved you can pick up a pattern in Church or in the Rainbow shop. I will collect all the finished teddies and send them off to Rev George Lane at the airport. I'm aiming to get a lots of teddies to send off by the middle of June. Please place your finished teddies in Church or hand in at the Rainbow shop. Knit as many as you can!! By all accounts the children treasure them.

Sally Bailey has some materials for stuffing the teddies if you need it. If you can't make the drawstring bag mentioned, please still hand in your teddy.

Many thanks. Gill Allard

St Andrew's
ELECTION RESULTS

24 May 2022

At the Meeting of Parishioners

CHURCHWARDEN

Anne Jelves

At the Annual Parochial Church Meeting

PCC MEMBERS (three-year term of office)

Christine Baxter

Chris Gradden

Geoff Kirk

Deborah Perkins

Edward Thomas

DEPUTY CHURCHWARDENS

Sally Bailey and Steve Bailey

NOTE. **Josh Stokes** is Honorary Churchwarden

Already on the PCC: The Revd Richard Reakes (Rector), June Ainge (Pioneer Minister and Reader Minister), Helen Stokes (Reader Minister), Lindsey Jelves (Reader Minister), Gail Mackley (Associate Minister), Sally Bailey and Steve Bailey (Deanery Synod), Alison Dale, Gill Gillespie, Jacqui McAughey and Eva Morris..

Officers elected at the PCC meeting:

VICE CHAIR	Anne Jelves
PCC TREASURER	Alison Dale
PCC SECRETARY	Eva Morris
STANDING COMM	Christine Baxter Gail Mackley

LOOSE CHANGE & SMARTIE TUBE APPEAL

Thank you to all who have taken a tube of Smarties - we hope you enjoyed eating the sweets. We are starting to receive a few back filled with 20p and £1 coins.

We read in the Bible about the Widows mite and how important even the smallest donations are to enable the whole to function more effectively. So it is with the Loose Change appeal and the Smartie Tube. Every little helps St Andrews to carry out the various activities of our community.

Please continue to donate whatever you are able.

If you are wondering where the Loose Change Jar has gone to it is now on the table by the kitchen counter.

Dine India

Fundraiser for church building fund

Tuesday June 14th 7 for 7.30pm

Tickets £20 each (£10 goes to us)

Contact Anne Jelves or Claire Reakes for a ticket

Turntable Junction 20th Year!

Date 25th June 2022

St Andrews Church Main Street Countesthorpe

7.00pm – 10.00pm

Live Music, Good Company & a Relaxed atmosphere

Variety of Artists and styles

Pay on door £5 / £3 concessions

Prayers 29th May 2022



Everyone is welcome, at all the churches in our Benefice.

We pray this week and praise dear God,

We give thanks and praise as we worship together as a benefice in All Saints Peatling Magna.

We give thanks for the opportunity to join in community and benefice celebrations to commemorate the 70th anniversary of her majesty Queen Elizabeth as our monarch.

We look forward and give thanks for services in our benefice next Sunday when we will worship and celebrate Pentecost.

We pray to our God for what others need and for ourselves,

We pray for our families taking time away from school and work next week. May they have rest and relaxation as they enjoy time spent with friends and family.

We continue to pray for Ukraine and its people. Please dear God protect those people trying to escape the horror of war.

We pray for any families we know; we pray for their safety as they try and prepare to leave Ukraine.

We pray for our Queen and all the royal family as her jubilee celebrations draw closer. We pray for harmony and friendship and safety in the organization.

We pray for our benefice as we learn more about the Shaped by God together process and what this means for our churches and communities.

We continue to pray for our church members and those who care for them, who still need our prayers.

We pray for those ill or recovering from illness, Kath, Dave, Christine, Roger, Angela, Matthew, and Stephen.

We pray for them all and their families, please keep them all safe in the shelter of your loving arms, dear Lord.

We also pray for friends and relatives in need of our prayers,

We pray for Chris and Penny, Lynda and Bryan, Tracey, Isabelle and James, Jean, Pat, Bob and Margaret, Colin, Hazel, Pat, and Karen.

We pray for all the residents in Cherrytrees, especially Freda, and for Roberta, Elsie, Sheila, Jean, and Barbara in other care homes.

We pray for anyone remembering an anniversary this month, a birthday, a death, or anniversary of a special day.

Dear God please surround them all with your love.

We pray especially for families in our community mourning their loved ones.

Be with them all now and in the days ahead.

Thank you, God, for hearing our prayers. Amen.

If you know anyone, especially in our benefice, who needs our prayers, large or small, and would like them to be included above (with their permission) please contact Anne on 0116 2772781.

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