

WELCOME TO ST ANDREW'S

Whether you are new to St Andrew's or worship here every week, it's great to see you today. We hope you will feel at home here. Please introduce yourself at the Welcome Point by the door as you enter church to find out how we can help you settle in and where you can find details of various church activities. Do complete the "Newcomer Form" on our website so we can get in contact with you.

TODAY AT ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

Please join us to pray for the services half an hour before each service in the Prayer Room (in the vestry at 9am)

8am Holy Communion

Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18 Luke 13:31-35 *Godfrey Stone*

9.30am Family Worship

Rediscovering Jesus: The Light of Life

John 1:1-5, 9-14

Dan Heyward

with children's groups (ages 0-11) and Pathfinders (ages 11-14)

11.15am Holy Communion

Sermon Series as above

Cotteslowe Connected

3.30pm at Cotteslowe Community Centre

6pm Evening Worship

Sensing the Gospel: Touch

Luke 7:11-15, Rev 21:1-4

James Dwyer

During the service there is a group for children ages 7-14

SAYGO (ages 14-18) meets 7.30-9.15pm

DIARY: 18TH-24TH MARCH 2019

Monday 18th March

9.30am Monday Mums

7.30pm Prayer for Faith for Healing

Tuesday 19th March

10am Baby & Toddler Group

Wednesday 20th March

10am Baby & Toddler Group

7.30pm Lent Course

Thursday 21st March

12.30pm Lunch Club

NB The staff will be off site at a staff away day

Friday 22nd March

7.30am Friday Prayer

7pm Pathfinders



St Andrew's Church

N O R T H O X F O R D

Sunday 17th March 2019

Second Sunday of Lent

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Please submit items for future noticesheets **by Tuesday** of the preceding week.
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CHRISTMAS COLLECTIONS

The total raised by the Christmas collections was £4834.75, and this has been divided between Oxford Winter Night Shelter, Asylum Welcome, Community Emergency Foodbank, Emmaus, Gatehouse, NOAAH, The Porch and Street Pastors. About £2,000 was kindly raised through the auction of Christmas hampers.

KEYBOARD NEEDED

We are looking for a good second-hand music keyboard to use at Cutteslowe Connected (full-size, weighted keys). If you have anything suitable, please contact Roger Peach roger.peach@standrewsoxford.org or Vanda King vanda.king@talk21.com

THE DOWNINGS

*Looking for house-sitters? We are visiting this summer with our four children (6-17) and need accommodation in Oxford. Dates are negotiable but we are hoping for 17-30th June and then 20th July - 19th August. We would be delighted to pet-sit, water plants, and mow lawns in exchange for somewhere to call 'home' for a few weeks. We look forward to hearing from you! Chris and Sarah Downing
christopher_downing@hotmail.com*

MISSION FOCUS: SARAH DORMAN, MEKELLE YOUTH CENTRE (MYC) SERVING IN MISSION, ETHIOPIA

MYC sees hundreds of young people from the age of 5 upwards come each day. They take part in a variety of sports activities, English, computer and health-related classes. We have seen growing numbers coming to the Bible clubs on Saturdays and over this last term have been going through the life of Joseph. We have also been approached by several young men wanting to participate in Bible studies and they have been meeting with one of our expat staff.



Prayer points:

- Praise God for the youth that come to MYC each day and those wanting to study the Bible in greater depth. Please pray as we build relationships, do Bible studies and seek to share the good news with them in a culturally appropriate way.
- Please pray for my teammate, Jacob Wilson. He arrived in Addis Ababa after his home assignment in the USA and became very ill. His lung collapsed and he was medically evacuated to South Africa. He is recovering well but pray for his healing and for his new wife Asse (who is Ethiopian). After much prayer, she has got a visa and been able to join him in South Africa.
- I am finishing my two-year term with SIM and will be returning to Oxford at the beginning of April. Please pray that I will have a smooth transition back to life in the UK again.

WHAT'S ON ...

Lent 2019

Lent daily reflections. Building on our “Journey through the Psalms” evening, our Lenten reflections will focus on different psalms to help us pray and reflect through the Lent season. Booklet on Welcome table or daily reflections on Facebook.

Set Your Heart on Things Above Wednesday 13th

March to 10th April 7.30-9.15pm. Please see flier on the Welcome table or My ChurchSuite for more information. Join us this Wednesday, 20th March, for the Gospel and Mental Wellbeing (part 2) or Parenting for Faith (part 2).

Talks at Monday Mums

Monday 18th March Ethical Shopping

Speaker Rachel Bearn, an ethical and sustainable fashion and lifestyle blogger. Rachel spoke at the Ethical Shopping Event held at St Andrew's in November and she writes about sustainable and ethical living for Tearfund's online magazine.

Monday 25th March “Chagall - the Biblical Message of Paintings” by Artist and Art teacher, David Lockett.

Even if you do not normally come to Monday Mums you are warmly welcome. Coffee from 9.30am for a 10am start in the hall. Please direct any queries to:

Mondaymums@standrewsoxford.org

Lunch Club Thursday 21st March 12.30pm

Mainly but not exclusively for the retired. A two course cooked lunch (£5) will be followed by a short talk by David Wright on ‘Walking the Camino’. Please sign up on the list at the back of church or phone Elizabeth Gittins on 553100 or Sarah Burton on 556400.

Food on the Fourth

If you would like Sunday lunch on 24th March as we serve “Food on the 4th” Sunday of the month, and you haven't signed up on the sheets at the back of church, please email carrie.heyward@standrewsoxford.org

New Wine 27th July -2nd August 2019

Week 1 is 95% full: if you are thinking of booking with St Andrew's, you need to do so quickly! Contact carrie.heyward@standrewsoxford.org

ALEXANDRA HOUSE OF JOY

Alexandra House of Joy are hosting an Indian Cultural evening in the Chesterton Community Centre, 2, Geminus Road, Chesterton OX26 1BJ. March 30th at 7pm.

Advance tickets only £20.

Ticket includes 3 course freshly cooked Indian meal followed by a performance by Professional Classical Indian Dancers. Contact Rachael (Chair/Founder AHOJ) 01869315135 for tickets or email

alexandrahouseofjoy@gmail.com

RUTH LAING

Ruth Laing, who is no longer able to come to church, would like to thank friends at St Andrew's for their loving care, support and prayers.

EASTER EGGS

We are collecting chocolate Easter eggs for a community event in Cutteslowe on 13th April and would like to collect 100 small chocolate eggs that can be bought for £1 from most supermarkets. Deadline 29th March.

We also need 100 Cadbury cream eggs and 5-10 Fairtrade “The Real Easter Egg”. Please place in the collection box in the Parish Room. Thank you.

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING (APCM)

The ACPM is on Monday 29th April. One of the matters considered at the meeting is the membership of the Parochial Church Council (PCC). Each year a third of the places on the PCC are re-elected. This year there will be 6 places vacant. If you would like to join the PCC or ask about what is involved please speak to Dan or Michael Crofton Briggs in the next few weeks. Further information about the ACPM will be published nearer the date of the meeting.

ELECTORAL ROLL

This year we are preparing a new electoral roll. If you would like to be on the roll you need to fill in an application form on the table in the Parish Room.

The Electoral Roll determines who can vote at the 2019 Annual Parochial Church Meeting (Monday 29th April) or stand for the PCC (our governing body).

The final date for additions is Thursday 4th April. Please return completed forms to Annette Williamson or put in the completed form box on the table in the Parish Room.

ST ANDREW'S CHURCH YOUTH PASTOR

We are seeking a youth pastor to take up the incredible opportunity of creatively leading our young people in the way of Jesus, equipping them to live the Christian faith and to lead a team so that young lives in Oxford are transformed by Jesus.

- Great location for youth work with 7 schools in near vicinity
- Supportive, prayerful congregation & leadership
- Opportunity to have city-wide influence in youth work
- Existing youth groups seeking leadership and with opportunity to grow in depth and breadth

Advert and job details available at www.standrewsoxford.org/aboutus/jobvacancies
Applications close on 22nd April 2019
Please publicise this and pray for it!

While we recruit a new Youth Pastor for the church the youth work will be over seen by Cheryl Dwyer (SAYGO), Carrie Heyward and Hannah Penwarden (Pathfinders) and Rachel Lane (small groups). If you need to contact anyone about youth work please email youth@standrewsoxford.org.

If you have a safeguarding concern please contact Steve Bagnall, our Parish Safeguarding Officer on safeguarding@standrewsoxford.org or via the main church telephone number.

P R A Y E R F O C U S

Please pray for:	Oxford Winter Night Shelter
Sebastian Joannou and his parents as we give thanks for him and welcome him into our church family	Give thanks that Jenni Guest's Dad is now in remission
Janette Davies undergoing chemotherapy	Those in our Church family who through illness or frailty cannot worship with us: David Bishop, Ruth Laing, Felicity Foster-Carter, Lucie Wallace
Yvonne Carpenter	
James Bastin	
Sarah Maidment	
David Keene, for miraculous healing	