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There is a list of PCC Members at the back of the church.

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



ST ANDREW'S, CHESTERTON

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

www.standrews-chesterton.org

22 December 2013 & 29 December 2013

Welcome to St Andrew's.

Many thanks to all those who have helped to get the church ready for our Christmas celebrations—flower arrangers, decorators, Christingle-makers, cleaners, polishers, Sacristans... What a team! And also to Peter, John and all our wonderful music-makers.

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.

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

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

*'He became their saviour
in all their distress.
It was no messenger or
angel but his presence that
saved them.'*
Isaiah 63.8-9

4th Sunday of Advent

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.00am Parish Communion
4.00pm Christingle & Crib Service
followed by Christmas crafts in
Hall

Monday-Tuesday

8.15am Morning Prayer (9am Tuesday)

Tuesday

No Holy Communion in Church
(24 and 31 December)
7.30pm Nine Lessons & Carols
11.30pm Midnight Eucharist

Christmas Day

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.00am All-age Communion

First Sunday of Christmas

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

Epiphany Sunday, 5 January

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

Monday 6 January, Epiphany

7.30pm Epiphany Procession

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Please pray for:

- Among the sick, housebound or recovering: Alison Hughes, Betty and Gordon Borley, Benjamin Black, Betty Jennings, Ivy Jolley
- The residents and staff of our local care homes: Langdon House and Cambridge Nursing Centre
- The homeless and hungry in Syria
- The Hall development project: now out to tender (some low bids please!)
- **RIP** Albie Barham

Christmas to Epiphany

Please note that the church will be locked during the day throughout this period.

In the new year

Please note the shape of our **Epiphany** celebrations this year. Our Eucharist for the feast will be on Sunday 5 January at 10am while the Epiphany Procession returns to the day itself, Monday 6 January, at 7.30pm. This is a very dramatic service with the arrival of the three kings. It also gives us all opportunity to make our new year gifts (our spiritual resolutions for 2014) in a thoughtful way.

The next **Hard Questions** is at 7.30pm, **Friday 7 February**, at the Lamiasons' (17 Sherlock Road).

The next meeting of the Book Club will be on **Tuesday 18 February**, at 8 pm, at the home of Ewa Allen (42 Hawthorn Way, tel. 367351). We will be discussing *The Red House*, by Mark Haddon (author of *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time*), a tale of a family get-together in a rented house on the Welsh border. As always, new and occasional members are most welcome.'

St Andrew's News & Notices

We have once again installed some pigeonholes at the back of church for Christmas cards. You are welcome to leave cards there (posted in the right slots please...) but don't forget also to check whether there are any for you!

Many thanks to all who gave generously at our recent **mission gift day** for the Melanesian Mission. A total of £848.62 was given and the mission & giving committee had already committed a further £200. The money will be earmarked for the Community of the Sisters of Melanesia towards the construction of their ablutions block.

Sidespeople are needed to ensure a warm St Andrew's welcome to all over the Christmas season especially Christmas Eve Carol service 7.30pm, Midnight Eucharist on Christmas Eve 11.30pm, Christmas Day 10am service and Sunday 29 December 10am. Offers to Patricia Abrey or the wardens please.

If you are interested in leading prayers during 10am services then we'd love to hear from you. Assistance will be given as needed. Also we need sidesperson recruit(s) on the 4th Sunday of the month to assist Ian Nimmo-Smith and John Lees. Offers to Patricia Abrey or the wardens please. Many thanks for offers of help already received for other vacancies.

Ros Ayres and Tricia Troughton are organising a **Spring Break at Launde Abbey**, arriving at Launde for afternoon tea on Monday 31 March, leaving after lunch on Thursday 3 April. Cost £221.50. Please contact Ros (rosayres@tiscali.co.uk, 328995) or Tricia (patriciatroughton@ntlworld.com, 521786) for further details—booking forms are now available.

Chaplaincy to People at Work

Dorothy writes:

Chaplaincy to People at Work is participating in a **Christmas Tree Festival** at Wesley Methodist Church from **Saturday 14 to Sunday 22 December**, 10am-40m. . Come to see our unique tree and attractive decorations representing the places served by our chaplains. There will be many others as well. Organised by the Rotary Club of Cambridge. Admission free but donations in aid of the Cambridge Churches Homeless Project. Pop in while you are shopping.

Street pastors

Dorothy writes:

Some of you will remember we had a giving day for this local charity in the summer of 2012. After a talk by Chris Jenkin, 3 of our congregation then, Caroline Fisher, Judith Gardom and Mick Lumsden trained to become pastors. Judith and Mick are still serving, going out till 4am around the city centre nightclubs on Friday and Saturday nights. Liz Frayling-Cork has joined the team which works in a café in St Columba's chapel on Saturday nights. This is really useful as a safe place for the pastors to take vulnerable people. There are over 60 volunteers. I am now Chair of the trustees. Cambridge Street Pastors has been greatly blessed over the past 3 years by support from the Community Safety Partnership in the form of an annual grant of £5,000. We have been very grateful for this. However this support was provided on a 3-year programme and we have received confirmation that the grant cannot be continued in 2014. This has created a financial crisis for the next 6 months and we need to reach out to the community for urgent assistance. We are actively chasing other grant support but need help now to plug the £5,000 gap. If you would like to give then please look out for the leaflets at

Readings for Daily Prayer

Week beginning 23 December

Monday	Malachi 1.1, 6-end
Christmas Eve	Malachi 2.1-16
Christmas Day	Isaiah 62.1-5
Thursday, St Stephen	Acts 7.51-end
Friday, St John	1 John 1
Saturday, Holy Innocents	Matthew 2.13-18

Readings for Sunday:

Isaiah 63.7-9, Matthew 2.13.23

Week beginning 30 December

Monday	Colossians 1.15-23
Tuesday	Colossians 1.24-2.7
Wed., Naming & Circumcision of Jesus	Luke 2.15-21
Thursday	Colossians 2.8-end
Friday	Colossians 3.1-11
Saturday	Colossians 3.12-4.1

Readings for Sunday:

Isaiah 60.1-6, Matthew 3.1-12

the back of church which have all the details or look on the website www.cambridgestreetpastors.org.uk and follow the link 'how to give'.

Other news

The Cambridge City Foodbank Project are looking for new trustees. Are you interested in helping this important charity to achieve the vision and strategy required? Since it was established in 2010, it has supported 5,500 people with food collected from 59 churches on a regular basis and from 31 schools, businesses and occasional collections outside some supermarkets. Please visit www.cambridgecityfoodbank.org.uk or contact d.a.livesey@ntlworld.com for further details.