



ST ANDREW'S, CHESTERTON

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Weekly News Update, 6 January 2023

A very happy New Year to everyone!

This Sunday there will be Parish Communion in church and **Cafe Church** in the Hall at 10 am – a more informal service especially suited to families and children, but all are welcome at either service.

Our **Epiphany Service & Procession** will take place at 5.30 pm this Sunday. Please do come along. As well as the Procession of the Magi we will, as in past years, be participating in the (Methodist-inspired) Renewal of the Covenant – an opportunity to rededicate ourselves in the service of Christ for the coming year. There will be refreshments served after the service. (After the service there will be Epiphany cake (courtesy of Julia) and a glass of madeira (or apple juice).

Janet Atkins' funeral will take place at St Andrew's on Monday 9 January at 2.30 pm. All are very welcome to attend, and to join the family for refreshments at the Crown and Punchbowl, Horningsea afterwards.

Resettle Chesterton are preparing for the arrival of the long awaited family from Northern Iraq this week. Please do pray for the family as they settle in to life in the UK and Chesterton, and for the Resettle Chesterton team supporting them. To learn more, contact Mary Pountain. (<https://www.facebook.com/resettlechesterton/>)

Sunday 8 January, Epiphany

8.00 am [Holy Communion](#) (BCP; live-streamed and in church)
10.00 am [Parish Communion](#) (live-streamed and in church)
10.00 am Cafe Church for children and families (in the Hall)
5.30 pm Epiphany Service & Procession (in church, not live-streamed)

Monday 9 to Friday 13 January

Every weekday: [Morning Prayer](#) at 8.30am. Online only.
Monday 9 January, 2.30 pm: Janet Atkins' funeral.
Tuesday 10 January, 10.30 am: Bible Study Group in the Annexe.

Next Sunday, 15 January, 2nd of Epiphany

8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP; live-streamed and in church)
10.00 am All-age Communion (live-streamed and in church)
5.30 pm No Service

Please pray for...

Isolde Gundert

Dorothy Peyton Jones

The family and friends of Jesse Nwokejiobi

The Resettle Chesterton project: for the family arriving and the team who will support them

From the Book of Remembrance: Reginald Leslie Rutter

RIP Janet Atkins, Richard Pryor, Patricia Mary Kelly

St Andrew's News

Hannah's message: I'm looking forward to being back with you 'in the pews' in the coming months, after a little time away - keep in touch, and also know that you're always welcome to come and visit Clare Chapel, where I'll be during Uni term times (service details can be found [here](#)).

A greeting received from LAFF:

Dear Mary and Chris, and everyone at St Andrew's,

I wanted to take a moment to wish you, the church, and your families all a wonderful Christmas, and a happy new year on behalf of us all at LAFF. We're sending digital Christmas cards this year to keep costs and our environmental footprint at a minimum.

We are incredibly grateful for your support over 2022, especially the extra support to Azul Wasi. Your donations have secured a safe, nurturing, home and quality education and personal development support for the boys.

It has been a challenging year at Azul Wasi and in Peru in general, but there has been plenty of hope, too. With the opening of schools again at the beginning of the year, we've seen the boys transition back to where they belong: playing with their friends, learning in the classroom, and getting the education they deserve and need to thrive. Our recent sports day with the young people at Azul Wasi was a real highlight - it was great to see the boys having fun, and doing things that students in the UK often take for granted ([here's a short video of one of the activities on the day!](#))

Your donations make that happen. Thanks to you and the Church, the boys have been able to continue to progress away from troubled pasts towards much brighter futures. We can't say thank you enough.

So here's to a hopeful and happy new year in 2023. We are honoured that St Andrew's continues to put its faith in LAFF to deliver for vulnerable young people in Peru, and look forward to sharing the progress of the students in the next year.

In the meantime, thank you, once again, and we hope that you have a peaceful and joyful Christmas period.

Yours sincerely

Thomas Pickford

LAFF Trustee for Fundraising and Income Generation

Updating ChurchSuite: We would like to ensure that all details on *ChurchSuite* (our digital Parish Directory) are up to date. If you are signed up to *ChurchSuite*, please could you log on and check your details are correct and, if possible, add a photo to your profile. Photos of people will be very helpful to Philip in getting to know us all! If you have problems with uploading a photo, or in logging on if

you have not done so for a while, please get in touch with Deborah: deborah.bick@standrews-chesterton.org. If you are not yet signed up to *ChurchSuite* and would like to be, please email Rachel: rachel.clarke@standrews-chesterton.org.

For 10am services **sound and livestreaming** have been provided by a very small number of people since March. It's important we recruit one or two more people so this is sustainable. If you think you could help, please speak to a churchwarden, or to current team members David, Sarah or Mark to get more details, or email david.bick@standrews-chesterton.org

Sunday Coffee Volunteers Needed: The social coffee time after Sunday service is valued by many. We are now managing to have it weekly but we will need more volunteers to continue doing so. Might you be willing to help? If you're not confident, we can match you up to assist someone who is. To sign up or ask questions, get in touch with Emily at emily.winslow.stark@gmail.com Thank you!

Book Club: The next meeting of the Book Club will be on **Tuesday 17th January**, at 8 pm, at the home of Ewa Allen (42 Hawthorn Way, Tel. 367351). We will be discussing *East West Street* by a professor of international law, Philippe Sands. It examines the lives of two Jewish lawyers, students in the same city of Lviv, and is a memoir and history of the origins of international criminal law in the aftermath of the Second World War. New and occasional members are most welcome.

The December-January Chesterton Chimes contains more news from our church community, and is available [here](#).

Other News

Helping the homeless this winter: As temperatures drop, rough sleepers are especially vulnerable. Cambridge City Council's website has advice for how you can help if you see someone sleeping rough and are concerned for their wellbeing:

- If you see someone sleeping rough, you can inform the [CGL Street Outreach team](#) on 01223 366292 or via the [Streetlink website](#). You can also direct them to a team of advisers during [housing advice opening hours](#). When informing the team of the person's location please use What Three Words if possible to help them locate the person quickly.
- In an out-of-hours housing emergency you can call 0330 053 8109. If you see someone who is in need of immediate medical attention, call 999 or 111 (with option 2 for a mental health crisis).

Find out more about the help available in the city for single homeless people and people sleeping rough at <https://www.cambridge.gov.uk/cold-weather-support-for-homeless-people>. Also see: www.cambridge.gov.uk/services-for-rough-sleepers and the Street Support website for further details of the services operating in the city: <https://streetsupport.net/cambridge/>

Financial support: As a congregation, St Andrew's is supporting the Crossways project. You can also give to Street Aid (see <https://www.facebook.com/camstreetaid>), and donate to It Takes a City: <https://www.ittakesacity.org.uk> and Jimmy's: <https://www.jimmyscambridge.org.uk>