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Weekly News Update, 3 March 2023

The **Sunday Lunch Club** will be taking place this Sunday, 5th March.

The **Youth Group** meets this Sunday evening, 5th March, from 5.30 to 7 pm, with food provided by our wonderful chefs, Patricia and Stewart Abrey.

Tickets are still available for the Family Beetle Drive – book yours now for this all-age evening of fun and laughter! This fundraising event for Azul Wasi will be on **Sunday 26 March, 6.00pm**, in St Andrew's Hall, with a supper of savouries and cakes. Tickets are limited (only 40) – Adults £10, Children £5 – and need to be booked in advance from: Margaret Nimmo-Smith (margaretnimmosmith@gmail.com) or Mary Pountain (mary.pountain@gmail.com).

St Andrew's Lent Groups

The St Andrew's Lent Course is running in various venues on different days of the week, based – as advertised – on Sam Wells' book *The Heart of it All: the Bible's big picture* (2019).

It is not too late to join...

The Wednesday evening group, starts this coming week, on 8 March: 7.30 pm for hot drinks; 7.45pm start – Cheney Way. Please contact Gill Bickerstaffe for more information.

Some groups on other evenings that began only this week...

Mondays, 7.45 pm – Hawthorn Way – Contact Ewa Allen.

Tuesday daytime group, 10.30am-c.11.30am – St Andrew's Hall Annexe – Contact John Reynolds

Tuesday evening group, 7.45 pm – Montague Road – Contact Graham Stevenson.

Coming up at St Andrew's

Sunday 5 March, 2nd of Lent

8.00 am [Holy Communion](#) (BCP; live-streamed and in church)

10.00 am [Family Service](#) (live-streamed and in church), followed by Short Communion

5.30 pm No Service.

5.30 – 7.00 pm The Youth Group meets in the Hall.

Monday 6 to Friday 10 March

Every weekday: [Morning Prayer](#) at 8.30am. Online only. During Lent, we are using daily prayer material in the Celtic Christian tradition from the Northumbria Community.

Monday 6 March: Coffee Morning in the Hall, 10.45 am to 12 noon.

Tuesday 7 March: Warm Hub in the Hall, 11.30 am to 1.30 pm.

Monday–Thursday - Lent Courses in various venues, see notice above.

Next Sunday, 12 March, 3rd of Lent

8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP; live-streamed and in church)

10.00 am Sung Eucharist (live-streamed and in church)

10.00 am Cafe Church for children and young families in the Hall

5.30 pm No Service

Please pray for...

We continue to pray for Jeanne Henderson's recovery in hospital, for Dorothy Peyton Jones and Isolde Gundert; for The Resettle Chesterton project; for Peru, and for the children and staff at Azul Wasi during this time of political unrest; for the victims of the earthquakes in Turkey and Syria and for aid agencies bringing help.

We pray for all who have been affected by the conflict in Ukraine, and pray for peace.

From the Book of Remembrance: Cynthia Stegmann, Sidney Bayley, Violet Cragg

More news, and some reminders...

Returning to 'the Common Cup' – receiving Communion wine from the chalice again

As was explained in past News Update, the results of the recent survey showed that many people would still prefer to continue to receive the Communion bread dipped in wine by the President, but a significant number would like to return to receiving wine directly from a chalice. Both these options are now offered at Communion services.

The way you will be asked to signal which option you would prefer will vary between styles of Communion service, as detailed below.

At the 8am Communion (in the South Aisle): all those choosing to receive the bread dipped in the wine will be invited to come forward first. Kneeling at the Communion rail has been resumed. Then, once they have received and returned to their seats, all those choosing to receive the bread and then the wine separately will be invited forward.

At the 10am Communion (in the Nave): there will be two chalice bearers – one on either side of the President. As you are invited out of your pew, it is your choice which of two lines you join: those in line on the left as you face the altar will be handed bread dipped in wine; those in line on the right will be handed only the bread. Once the latter have consumed the bread, they are welcome to step to the right-hand chalice bearer and sip from the chalice, as they choose. Please wait beside the front pew until a space in front of the President is available before stepping forward to receive.

All this will, for a period, be reiterated verbally during the instructions before the giving of Communion, and will be adjusted in due course if an alternative, better means is found of sharing

Communion in ways that will ensure we all feel as comfortable as possible in this important moment of our worship.

Two concerts in church, coming up later this month:

Sunday 19 March, 4 pm - Margery: The sounds of medieval pilgrimage St Radegund's Voices sing music by Ciconia, Dufay, Binchois, Dunstaple, and others, inspired by the pilgrimages of Margery Kempe, mystic and autobiographer from King's Lynn. Free admission, retiring collection.

Wednesday 22 March, 7.30 pm - Gabriel Faure's Requiem, sung by the Chesterton Choral Society. Also featuring music by Boulanger, Mendelssohn, Mozart and more. Tickets £10 on the door.

Wedding and Funeral Orders of Service Archive: A folder has been created in which it is hoped to make a collection of wedding and funeral orders of service, whereby members of the wider church community can be remembered, particularly now photos have now mostly become a part of funeral, thanksgiving or memorial service orders of service. It was thought such an archive would serve for us to remember those who have been part of our community for either a short or long time. We already have about 20 from the last 20 years and we know there must be many more. If you have any you would be prepared to donate to the collection then please speak to Patricia Abrey 07761 478499 or patricia.abrey@standrews-chesterton.org. Thank you.

The next meeting of the **Book Club** will be on Tuesday 14th March, at 8 pm, at the home of Ewa Allen (42 Hawthorn Way, Tel. 367351). We will be discussing *Digging to America*, by Anne Tyler. The book charts the course of two mismatched families, the all-American Donaldsons and the quieter, more reticent Iranian-American Yazdans. All they have in common is that they both adopted babies from Korea at the same time, welcoming them on the same flight at Baltimore airport one hot August evening in 1997... New and occasional members are most welcome.

Concert by the Cambridge Concert Orchestra, Sunday 12 March 2023, 7pm, West Road Concert Hall, proceeds to the [Cambridge Women's Resources Centre](#)

Hear, There and Everywhere – a World of Women Composers

In recognition of [International Women's Day](#) (Wed 8th) the Cambridge Concert Orchestra programme is entirely made up of pieces composed by women, focusing on their contribution to the light-orchestral repertoire.

Tickets: adults £15, (£12 for restricted view or block bookings of 10 tickets or more), children FREE.

Available on the door, or via online booking at

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/cambridge-concert-orchestra/t-gaixgmp>

St Andrew's Hall Warm Hub, every Tuesday, 11.30am to 1.30pm in the Main Hall. All are welcome to join us for a hot lunch (soup and a roll) and warm drinks. Board games and art materials will also be available for those who wish to use them.

The Hub is being organised collaboratively by Chesterton Community Association and St Andrew's Hall and has received a grant from Cambridge City Council.

Hope into Action's 2023 Conference: Many will remember that Ed Walker came to speak to St Andrew's about the work of the charity Hope into Action last November. If anyone would be interested in going to the charity's annual conference in Peterborough on 16 March, full details can be found here: <https://www.hopeintoaction.org.uk/Event/conference-2023>

The **February/March Chesterton Chimes** contains more news from our church community, and details of services and events coming up in the next two months, and is available [here](#).