



ST ANDREW'S, CHESTERTON

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Weekly News Update, 30 June 2023

Junior Church Tea Party. NB This is on Sunday 2nd July **3.30-5.30pm**. Please email Julia.eisen@standrews-chesterton.org for more details.

There is no Sunday Lunch Club this Sunday, 2 July.

Ordinations at Ely Cathedral this weekend: Steven McGregor, soon to be St Andrew's new curate, will be ordained Deacon this Sunday 2 July. We look forward to welcoming Steven and his family to St Andrew's soon! Our former Youth worker until 2019, Maggie Tate Druiff, is being ordained priest tomorrow, Saturday 1 July. She is serving in the Benefice of The Ramseys and Upwood where she and Toby have been living since she finished her studies in Bristol.

And... Next Sunday 9 July After Service Coffee will include a "Names Amnesty"! Next Sunday we will welcome our new Curate, Steven, and his family to St Andrew's. During the coffee after the Sung Eucharist and Cafe Church, everyone will be invited to wear a name label to help Steve learn our names. This is also an opportunity for us to re-learn the names of all those people we may have known by sight at St Andrew's for years, but have been too embarrassed to ask their name!

Stained glass windows restored and returned! The last of the stained glass windows to be repaired after last year's damage has now been re-installed in the Church. This is in the west wall of the South Aisle - and looks especially glorious in the afternoon summer sun. We are grateful to Ark Stained Glass <https://arkstainedglass.co.uk> who have done such a good job restoring the windows across the church. Many thanks are also due to everyone in St Andrew's who helped manage this project, liaising with insurers and contractors - especially Rachel Clarke, Michael Grande, Maggie Fernie and Ian Nimmo-Smith. Everyone is encouraged to take the time to enjoy the windows once again, close up.

Intercession and Worship Prayer Evening for North Cambridge at St George's, Wednesday 5 July at 7.30 pm: St George's Chesterton are hosting an opportunity for Christians across North Cambridge to pray and worship together for our common mission field and the work of the gospel in the north of our city on the 5th July at 7.30pm at St George's Church, CB4 1LN. A worship band from Holy Trinity in the city centre will lead a period of sung worship, and during the evening there will be short updates from different areas, sharing things to pray and give thanks for.

Service details

Sunday 2 July, 4th Sunday after Trinity

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

10.00 am [All-age Communion](#) (live-streamed and in church)
3.30–5.30 pm Junior Church Tea Party
5.30 pm No service

Sunday 9 July, 5th Sunday after Trinity

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 families and young children in the Hall
5.30 pm No service

In the coming week

Monday 3 to Friday 7 July

Every weekday: [Morning Prayer](#) at 8.30am (online only).

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

Tuesday: The Pilgrims group meets for the final time this term at the Vicarage, 7.45–9.15pm.

Please pray for...

Erica Newbury, now home and recovering after a few days in hospital.

We pray for Steven McGregor and Maggie Tait Druiff and all who will be ordained this weekend.

From the Book of Remembrance: Hazel Newman, Kenneth Newman, William Norris, Ada Pestell, Hilda Ashman

More news and some reminders...

Concert by Anna Marmion in church on 15 July, 7 pm: Anna will be accompanied by pianist Aleksandra Myslek. The programme will be Strauss' Mädchenblumen, a selection of Wolf songs from the Italienisches Liederbuch, and Kennst du das Land, Libby Larsen's Try Me, Good King and Zerbinetta's aria from Ariadne auf Naxos, "Großmächtige Prinzessin". Free admission, with a retiring collection.

'Threads through Creation' at Ely Cathedral – eight million stitches expressing God's love!

A spectacular textile art exhibition at Ely Cathedral has just opened that will run from now until 26th July. The show is touring twenty cathedrals, and consists of twelve beautiful silk panels re-imagining the story of creation from the Book of Genesis. They're huge – 2.7m high, up to nearly 4m wide. It's one of the largest textile art projects by a single artist, ever. It took Christian artist Jacqui Parkinson three years – and eight million stitches!

See more at www.creation-threads.co.uk.

Admission £9 online (£10 at the door). Carers free. Under 16s free. For more details, visit:

www.elycathedral.org.

Sunday Lunch Club - volunteers needed!

The Sunday Lunch Club meets eight times a year on the first Sunday of the month in St Andrew's Hall. It started some 35+ years ago to provide a two-course lunch for those who would otherwise normally be eating alone on a Sunday, a day which is typically much quieter for everyone. It is run by volunteers who choose the menu, purchase everything required and cook the lunch. Preparation and cooking typically happen at home the day before, with food then transported to the hall on Sunday at about 9.30 am. The meat is re-heated in the kitchen, and the vegetables are cooked in time for a 12.30 pm start, all with the help of an assistant. They would then set out the tables with table cloths,

cutlery, serviettes, and flowers and put out welcome drinks of sherry and fruit juice as well as grapes and chocolates to serve with coffee after lunch.

To serve the typical 25-35 diners, the help of two more servers is also required. To continue successfully into next year, the club needs, ideally, a couple of new cooks and helper volunteers for at least two Sundays a year. Although no mean task to cook a hot meal for 35 people, this is a very worthwhile and satisfying activity which is also great fun on the day! Full introduction and progressive training will be provided to all who are interested in this much-appreciated church & community activity. Best Wishes, Sheila, Ian, Jean, Karrie & Jim

World premiere of Tristan Latchford's settings of seven poems by Bishop Graham Kings: In 2022 Bishop Graham [preached](#) at St Andrew's on many of Silvia Dimitrova's seven paintings of Women in the Bible and his poems on them. Tristan Latchford's world premiere of his seven anthems on these paintings and poems took place on Wed 13 June 2023 at St Stephen, Walbrook, London. The recording of the livestream of the concert may be viewed [here](#) (starting 16 mins 30 secs in). The Concert Programme, with paintings, biblical texts, poems and details of the artists etc, may be downloaded [here](#).

Graham is the co-producer of a film, which is being made by Fugue State Films, of the event and about Tristan Latchford. His article about the film and the concert is [here](#).

Changed Pattern of Sunday 10am Services in July and August. Our usual pattern of varied styles of Sunday morning service will change slightly in coming weeks:.

Sunday 23 July (Vassa Day) will be a Family Service, including the Baptism of Millie Halls. A short Communion will follow refreshments, as on a typical first Sunday of the month.

On Sunday 6 August there will also be a Family Service and Short Communion, but otherwise there will be All-age Communion services on Sundays through the school holiday season, so on 16 July, 30 July and 13 August to 3 September (inclusive).

Our 10am service on Sunday 3 September will include the Baptism of Xander Adekunle.

Church Building Repairs Project - Every 5 years, our precious Grade 1 listed church building has an architect's Inspection, and we receive a report indicating where repairs are needed, and which are especially urgent. Our most recent (Quinquennial) inspection was in 2021, and a wide range of repairs were considered urgent(!) - to our roofs, the upper windows, the stonework, and, most visibly, replastering and repainting the side aisle walls, with recommended work on the drainage gulleys to the south of the church. Two years have now elapsed since this report, and so it is high time this work was done, in order to safeguard the building fabric from damp and the weather, and restore its beauty for all who enjoy this space for prayer and worship.

The PCC has accepted one of three tender quotations - the chosen bid being from FA Valiant, a firm we worked well with for our ramp, accessible toilet, and other recent projects.

Giving the go ahead to this project commits the PCC to a very considerable expenditure - c.£70,000 in total. The Friends of St Andrew's have kindly offered to make supporting this project their current appeal. If you would consider supporting this project through the Friends Appeal, or directly through the PCC, please feel free to contact Philip, or PCC Treasurer, Michael Grande, or the Chairman of the Friends of St Andrew's Church, John Reynolds.

Intercessions and reading at 10am services: It would be helpful to extend the rota of people particularly to lead intercessions at 10am services. Please speak to Philip, the Churchwardens or rota organiser, Patricia Abrey (07761 478499) if you are inspired to serve in this way. Readers are also welcome and remind Patricia if she hasn't been in touch lately. Thank you.

Farewell service for Bishop Stephen in Ely Cathedral on Sunday 16 July, 4.30 pm

There will be a farewell service for Bishop Stephen in Ely Cathedral on Sunday 16 July 2023 at 4.30pm. It will also be the occasion for a presentation to Bishop Stephen to express our gratitude. If you would like to contribute to this, please send a cheque or make a BACS payment **by 5th July** at the latest. Cheques may be sent to *Sarah Hewitt, Diocese of Ely, Bishop Woodford House, Barton Road, Ely CB7 4DX*. They should be made payable to Ely Diocesan Board of Finance and have "Bishop's Farewell" written on the back. Or to make a BACS payment, the details are:

Account Name: Ely Diocesan Board of Finance

Account No: 10346241

Sort Code: 20-17-68

Ref: Bishop Farewell

The Ride and Stride sponsored fundraising bike ride, which raises money for the Cambridgeshire Historic Churches Trust (CHCT), is celebrating its 40th anniversary on Saturday 9th September 2023. The PCC are still looking for an **enthusiastic champion**, who can be St Andrew's named contact for this event – please let Philip know if you could be that person! For more details about Ride and Stride and the CHCT, please visit: <https://camhct.uk/>.

Wintercomfort Collection Box – donations of items: Donations of shop-bought jams, marmalade, marmite, peanut butter, honey and chocolate spread are still very welcome. The box can be found at the back of church on Sunday mornings, near the welcome table.

Photos of Church and Community Life – and videos!: As previously announced, we are building up a portfolio of photos of church life 'in action' and also planning a **'Welcome to St Andrew's' video**, to feature on the church website. Anyone who doesn't wish to be filmed or photographed will of course be able to opt out, and permissions will be sought for use of any footage or photos. Any questions or concerns, please contact Patricia or Deborah. Thank you.

The next meeting of the **Book Club** will be on Tuesday 18th July, at 8 pm, at the home of Ewa Allen (42 Hawthorn Way, Tel. 367351). We will be discussing *The Slaves of Solitude* by Patrick Hamilton. Written in 1947, it is described as a black social comedy, set in a wartime boarding house in a small town on the Thames, and follows the lives of the assorted residents there. It achieved quite some critical acclaim. New and occasional members are most welcome.

The June/July edition of **Chesterton Chimes** is available [here](#).

Community News & Notices

Save Soulaf's Sight: Fundraising Lunch at St Andrew's Hall this Saturday, 1 July, 12 noon – 3 pm

Soulaf is a Syrian refugee living in Lebanon. She needs an operation to save her sight so she can care for her three young children. Soulaf's sister, Linda, lives in Cambridge and she is desperate to help. Linda and her husband are excellent cooks and a fundraising lunch has been organised, where there will be delicious sweet and savoury Syrian dishes served. There will also be a silent auction. More information about the event is [here](#).

Amy and Duncan Gray are looking for an **after-school nanny** from September to pick up four-year-old Hector from school at St Faith's and have fun with him until c. 6pm, ideally Monday–Friday. They would be very grateful if anyone can recommend someone – if you can, please let Philip know.

Foundation Governor Vacancy: St Paul's CofE VA Primary School: Church Schools of Cambridge (<http://csoc.org.uk/>) are looking to appoint two new Foundation Governors for St Paul's Primary School (<https://www.stpauls.cambs.sch.uk/>). It is an incredibly rewarding voluntary role, serving the

whole school community. Sarah Abrey is the staff governor at the school and if anyone is interested in understanding more about the school and the work of the governors, do speak to her. You can also contact the Chair of Governor's, Beverly Jones, for more information: chair@stpauls.cambs.sch.uk or the school office: tel. 01223 568840.

A message from Rowan: “We have a fantastic opportunity here at Rowan this summer with our **NEW holiday club for adults with learning disabilities**. Starting from July we are running Shakespeare workshops, Makaton sing and signing, an extra day of forest school and the chance to join our regular workshops in print, wood, mixed media, ceramics, and textiles. With all places subsidised by The Arts Council, The National Lottery and Cambridgeshire County Council.” To find out more, visit <https://www.rowanhumberstone.org.uk>.

Please email any notices for inclusion in the next Weekly News by Thursday, 12 noon to deborah.bick@standrews-chesterton.org. Thank you!