

# St Andrew's, Chesterton

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# **August News Update, 2023**

We are taking a break during the holiday period and so this News Update will cover all the remaining weeks of August. We will return to a weekly issue from Friday 1st September.

The new August–September edition of Chesterton Chimes, which contains news from our church community and details of services and events coming up in the next two months, is available <a href="here">here</a>.

There will be no Monday coffee morning on 7 August. The weekly coffee morning will resume on Monday 14 August at the usual time of 10.45 am to 12 noon in the Hall.

# Quinquennial building repairs update: arrangements in church from mid-August to the end of October.

We now have a date from our contractors for when they intend to undertake the urgent repairs needed to the church building - described in past editions of the Weekly News Update. A huge thank you to the generous donations made to the Friends of St Andrew's in response to their current appeal to help fund this work.

- The most disruptive part of the project involves removing and replacing plaster from the wall in the South Side Aisle. From the week beginning 14 August, we now expect this side aisle to be sealed off with plastic sheeting, and out of use by the church for an estimated 10 weeks.
- For the duration of this period, the 8am Communion service will move to the nave area and use the central Communion Table. The prayer area and votive candle stand will also move to the North Aisle.
- We are conscious that some of us who worship at the 10am service are used to sitting in the South Aisle, and many more pass through it after receiving Communion. For the period that the South Aisle is out of use, adjustments to seating and the way back to seats from Communion will have to be made. The way we currently receive Communion on respective sides of the Communion Table will remain the same.
- The repair work will take place on weekdays. The church will remain open to the public in the usual way, but regrettably won't be as peaceful. The church may be closed earlier on some days. Our aim is for the church to be open to visitors at weekends.

### **Morning Prayer in August**

Every weekday morning, a small group of us meet at 8.30am online on Google Meet (a format like Zoom) to say Morning Prayer together, using the Church of England's Common Worship prayers and Bible readings for the day. We normally take a break in August, so while Philip is on leave, from the week beginning 7 August, we will not be meeting. Morning Prayer online will resume on Tuesday 29 August. Plans for resuming a service of Morning Prayer in church once a week on a Tuesday from September will be shared in due course. Anyone can access the Church of England's form of Daily Prayer online. See the link here: Join us in a service of Daily Prayer | The Church of England

The Church and Hall office will be closed from Friday 4 to Monday 14 August. Philip is also on leave from Tuesday 7 August to Tuesday 27 August. In the event of a pastoral emergency in this specific time when neither Philip nor Rachel is available, between 7 and 14 August, please contact our Churchwarden Chris Pountain: 01223 311055 or chris.pountain@standrews-chesterton.org

**Further holiday office closure:** The Church and Hall office will also be closed **from Wednesday 30th August to Tuesday 5th September.** 

#### Service details

We can only provide live service links in this News Update for this coming Sunday, 6th August. For the remaining Sundays in August, please follow the links that are provided on the home page of the website, which are updated weekly: <a href="https://www.standrews-chesterton.org">www.standrews-chesterton.org</a>.

#### Sunday 6 August, 9th Sunday after Trinity

8.00 am <u>Holy Communion</u> (BCP; live-streamed and in church)
10.00 am <u>Family Service</u> (live-streamed and in church), followed by a service of Short Communion

#### Sunday 13 August, 10th 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)

#### Sunday 20 August, 11th 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)

## Sunday 27 August, 12th 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)

# Weekdays

Monday: Coffee Morning in the Hall, 10.45 am to 12 noon (except 7 August).

### Please pray for...

We continue to pray for Ian Nimmo-Smith, now returned home from hospital.

We pray for Isolde Gundert in her new home in Waterbeach.

We pray for the families and friends who are mourning Benjamin Moore and Emily Penfold.

From the Book of Remembrance: Winifred Fry and Ernest Fry (6 August); Harry Martin and Nancy Martin, Horace Stimpson, Violet Webb and Alfred Webb (13 August); Cyril Canning, Reginald Suttle, Derek Prime (19 August); Muriel Humm, Winifred Whitechurch, Frances Clark (27 August).

#### More news and some reminders...

**Thank you!:** An enormous heartfelt 'thank you' to all who have put so much time into ensuring the church was perfect for our wedding day on Saturday. Everyone who has cleaned, gardened, polished, flower arranged, rang bells and Chris and Mary Pountain for our wonderful music. Of course Philip

for a joyous ceremony too. For those of you who took time out of your day to come along it meant so much to us to see you on Saturday.

Thank you, Riccardo and Sarah Wysoczanski and Stewart and Patricia Abrey

Follow the link here to see a lovely photo of Sarah and Riccardo on their wedding day!

**Stained Glass Summer:** As announced previously, the Church of England is encouraging churches this summer to celebrate their beautiful stained glass windows and invite people to come and see them. St Andrew's has a number of beautiful windows, some very recently restored. Follow the links here to learn more about four of the windows, as featured on the church website: the <u>Mansel</u> Window; the <u>Smedley</u> Window; the <u>Perry</u> Window; the <u>Wragg</u> Window. Look out in coming weeks for some stained glass themed materials on the welcome table and in the children's area too.

Julia Birke and Johann Friedrich Röpke were married on 15<sup>th</sup> July in Altenburg church, Germany where Johann Friedrich is the organist and music lead. You can see a recording of their marriage ceremony via this link: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/live/khcyV0DzSJ0?feature=share">https://www.youtube.com/live/khcyV0DzSJ0?feature=share</a>
It features lots of music! They were in Cambridge after that and Julia delivered a copy of their "Wedding Newspaper" to St Andrews, so if you'd like to borrow that please ask the churchwardens.

The next meeting of the **Book Club** will be on Tuesday 19th September, at 8 pm, at the home of Ewa Allen (42 Hawthorn Way, Tel. 367351). We will be discussing *In the Days of Rain* by Rebecca Stott, an account of the writer's own life, and her father's, in the Exclusive Brethren, and their experiences that followed their decision to walk out. New and occasional members are most welcome.

**Sunday Lunch Club:** Thank you (from Sheila and Karrie, cooks for the Sunday Lunch Club) for the good response for more servers/pudding makers and cooks to help with this very much appreciated club which is open to anyone to come along to, who may be eating Sunday lunch alone. Pre-booking is necessary. Contact Sheila or Karrie. Or speak to Jean Welham (01223 710686). Anyone who has had time to think about lending a hand - it's not too late - "many hands make light work". Another person/s to volunteer as a cook would be brilliant. It would mean most months would be covered. You get a free lunch for your time if you are a cook/server. Contact Sheila (07948544558) or Karrie (07752456440) for more information.

The Ride and Stride sponsored fundraising bike ride, which raises money for the Cambridgeshire Historic Churches Trust (CHCT), is celebrating its 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> 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: <a href="https://camhct.uk/">https://camhct.uk/</a>.

## **Community News & Notices**

Seaside trip to Great Yarmouth, Tuesday 22 August: Chesterton Community Association in partnership with Cambridge City Council and St Andrew's Hall is organising a day trip to Great Yarmouth for those living in the Chesterton ward, organised in memory of Michael Bond, who took great joy in organising the Chesterton beach trips in years past. The coach will leave from Brown's Field Community Centre at 8.30 am and will return from Great Yarmouth at 5 pm. Tickets: £5 adult, £3 children over 2, £2 children under 2, will be available from Brown's Field Community Centre (cash

only) at the following times: Tuesday 8 August 11.30 am – 4 pm, Thursday 10 August 10.30–11.30 am.

Daily Bread needs you! The wonderful Daily Bread Co-operative needs support, following all the disruption of the past few years that negatively affected so many businesses. This award-winning 100% vegetarian wholefood shop promotes an ethical lifestyle through its working practices and the products it sells. It will be well-known to many of us, but if you haven't yet visited, it is close by, in Kilmaine Close off King's Hedges Road. Their website is full of helpful information too: https://dailybreadcambridge.org

**Bridge the Gap charity walk, Sunday 10th September:** The event gives you the opportunity to take part in a leisurely family-friendly walk around some of the beautiful grounds and courtyards of seven of Cambridge's colleges. Money raised from registrations and donations is shared equally between two Cambridge-based charities, **Romsey Mill** and **Arthur Rank Charity Hospice**. For more information and to book, visit:

https://www.arhc.org.uk/fundraising/events-challenges/bridge-the-gap/

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 (<a href="http://csoc.org.uk/">http://csoc.org.uk/</a>) are looking to appoint two new Foundation Governors for St Paul's Primary School (<a href="https://www.stpauls.cambs.sch.uk/">https://www.stpauls.cambs.sch.uk/</a>). 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: <a href="mailto:chair@stpauls.cambs.sch.uk">chair@stpauls.cambs.sch.uk</a> or the school office: tel. 01223 568840.

The next Weekly News will be available on Friday 1st September. Please email any notices for inclusion by 12 noon on Thursday 31st August to deborah.bick@standrews-chesterton.org.

Wishing everyone a happy August.