



St Andrew's Church Rugby

Welcome to St Andrew's - may God's peace be with you.

Sunday next before Lent Racial Justice Sunday 11th February 2024

8.00am BCP Holy Communion

President: The Rev'd Alison Baxter

10.30am Parish Eucharist

President: The Rev'd Peter Privett

Deacon & Preacher: The Rev'd Alison Baxter, Associate Minister

6.00pm Evensong

Officiant: Sue Goddard, Licensed Reader

Toilets are available through the arch beside the main entrance.

Please sit in the side aisles if you would prefer greater distancing.

The Collect

O LORD, who hast taught us that all our doings without charity are nothing worth: Send thy Holy Ghost, and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of charity, the very bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whosoever liveth is counted dead before thee. Grant this for thine only Son Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

Reading: Micah 6:1-8

Hear ye now what the Lord saith; Arise, contend thou before the mountains, and let the hills hear thy voice.

Hear ye, O mountains, the Lord's controversy, and ye strong foundations of the earth: for the Lord hath a controversy with his people, and he will plead with Israel.

O my people, what have I done unto thee? and wherein have I wearied thee? testify against me.

For I brought thee up out of the land of Egypt, and redeemed thee out of the house of servants; and I sent before thee Moses, Aaron, and Miriam.

O my people, remember now what Balak king of Moab consulted, and what Balaam the son of Beor answered him from Shittim unto Gilgal; that ye may know the righteousness of the Lord.

Wherewith shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before the high God? shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves of a year old?

Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, or with ten thousands of rivers of oil? shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?

He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?

The Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

And, behold, a certain lawyer stood up, and tempted Jesus, saying, Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?

He said unto him, What is written in the law? how readest thou?

And he answering said, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbour as thyself.

And he said unto him, Thou hast answered right: this do, and thou shalt live.

But he, willing to justify himself, said unto Jesus, And who is my neighbour?

And Jesus answering said, A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, which stripped him of his raiment, and wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead.

And by chance there came down a certain priest that way: and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side.

And likewise a Levite, when he was at the place, came and looked on him, and passed by on the other side.

But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was: and when he saw him, he had compassion on him,

And went to him, and bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine, and set him on his own beast, and brought him to an inn, and took care of him.

And on the morrow when he departed, he took out two pence, and gave them to the host, and said unto him, Take care of him; and whatsoever thou spendest more, when I come again, I will repay thee.

Which now of these three, thinkest thou, was neighbour unto him that fell among the thieves?

And he said, He that shewed mercy on him. Then said Jesus unto him, Go, and do thou likewise.

Healing prayer: Solanki, Irene W, George W, Edwin F, Mary S, Jane B, Adrianna, Luci & Sophie, Gillian M, Rita & Noel, Caroline, Dilshad, Lily, Denise, Tony & Kirsten, Donald, Alan & Tim, Mary G, Sarah P, Ron G, Rex & Marion, Colleen S, Rod B.

In Memoriam: James Shera, Valerie O'Rourke.

News and Notices

Any item to be included in News & Notices should be with Kate by Wednesday, 12 noon.

Lent begins this week on **Ash Wednesday**, when there will be eucharists with ashing at 12noon and 7.30pm. Details of all the many things going on this Lent are in the leaflet 'Lent 2024' - please take a copy and see what you might like to commit to. We are also considering offering an online evening Lent group on Tuesday evening for those who are at work during the day—if you would be interested please have a word to Helen Bryant.

Reading and Leading Prayers. Have you ever thought of joining the rota to read or lead prayers or to assist with the chalice at communion? If so, do have a word with Edmund, Alison or Sharon - we'd love to hear from you.

Godspell is being performed in St Andrews on Thursday 15th, Friday 16th & Saturday 17th (2 performances) by Rugby Operatic and Musicals Society. Tickets are £15 (concessions available) through www.ticketsource.co.uk/rugby-operatic-society through the link on our website Events page. Or by calling 07712 060078

 **Bereavement Point** 2pm - 3.30pm on the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month (plus the 5th if there is one!). Opportunity for group conversation and relationship building where everyone is welcome and comfort is offered <https://compassionaterugby.co.uk/>

Thirteen Bells Book Club We choose a book to read together and meet fortnightly to discuss it. Titles include thrillers, science fiction, history, family drama and romance. We meet in local cafes including St Andrew's. Contact John: shoparound1938@gmail.com

The Rugby Cafe Writers meet every fortnight in St Andrew's Church on a Friday at 10am. This is a group for anyone who enjoys writing fiction, non-fiction or poetry. The group has recently published an anthology called *A Story For Every Day Of Winter*. To buy a copy, see a member of the group or go to www.rugbycafewriters.com New members are always welcome.

The Big Table Gospel group meets every week in the church cafe on alternate Thursdays and Fridays at 10am. This is a group for anyone who wishes to explore the weekly readings of the church in a bit more depth and talk about how they relate to everyday life. We are devoting our Thursday meetings to discussing a book on some aspect of faith. New members welcome. Contact John on shoparound1938@gmail.com

Healing Ministry We are seeking to introduce healing ministry into one of our worship services and are keen to hear from members of our worshipping community who would be interested in supporting us in this. We know that St Andrew's used to offer this and that some of you would have been involved. If you would like to offer your experience or learn more about future potential involvement in healing ministry please speak with Edmund or Sharon at your earliest convenience. With many thanks.

The 'Yes' Conference for women who want to say yes to God in 'such a time as this' *Hebrews 10:31*. Launde Abbey 3pm Friday 5th April - 12pm Sunday 7th April 2024. Full board, £273-single occupancy, £220-shared room. Contact : Juliet.packer49@gmail.com

Parish Magazine - The next copy of YOUR Magazine will be the Easter 2024 Issue and a contribution from you for inclusion is wel-

come, be it an article, poem, story or something you wish to share. Should you feel inspired then please provide your contribution by Sunday 25 February to John, Rob or Kate in the Parish Office. Thank you.

Myton Hospice's Coventry Cathedral Abseil. Mike Taylor has bravely signed up to be part of this year's fundraising of £35,000 for Myton Hospice by abseiling down Coventry Cathedral on 16th March. He has set a fundraising target of £200 and would welcome donations to achieve this. If you wish to give online, his JustGiving page can be found through the events page on our website: www.standrewrugby.org/events

Brass cleaning Would you be able to join our small team and help keep the church brass clean? Everything is provided, just your elbow grease required about twice a year. If you want to see the difference, take a look at the Sanctuary, 4 of the 6 candle sticks have been cleaned. Speak to Kate if you are interested.

Pancake Day races and celebrations are returning to Rugby town Centre on Tuesday 13 February. The FREE, fun, family event, organised by Rugby Rokeby Lions, with support from Rugby First, will take place between 12:00 and 15:00 on High Street and Sheep Street. Pancake races are open to all ages – young and old - and you can just turn up on the day, frying pans and pancakes are provided with all proceeds from the event going to Brain Tumour Research. Pancakes are being made in church all morning, pop in and enjoy with your morning coffee!

May Blossom Farm. Many thanks to everyone who supported the May Blossom Farm charity lunch last Sunday and to all the volunteers who helped. The event was a great success and raised £930 for the fantastic work Hannah and her team do

Diary for the week

12th - 18th February 2024

Monday 9.00am No Morning Prayer
10.00am Ball of Yarn *knitting and crochet group*
10.30am Art with Aish
6.30pm St Andrew's Community Choir *All welcome*
7.30pm Bell ringing practice *New members welcome*

Shrove Tuesday - Pancake Day!

Tuesday 9.00am Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*
9.30am Reflective Communion *followed by coffee*
1.00pm Lunchtime concert by Matt Johnstone (viola)
7.30pm *Godspell rehearsal*

Ash Wednesday

Wednesday 9.00am Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*
12.00pm Wednesday Communion with Ashing
2.15pm Mothers' Union Communion
5.00pm Young Choristers
7.30pm Ash Wednesday Eucharist service with Ashing

Thursday 9.00am *No Morning Prayer*
10.00am Big Table Gospel Group
7.30pm Godspell performance

Friday 9.00am *No Morning Prayer*
7.30pm Godspell performance

Saturday 10.00am-12pm *Café open. Pop in for friendship and fellowship!*
10.00am Repair Café
3.00pm Godspell performance
7.30pm Godspell performance

Sunday 18th February 2024 - 1st Sunday of Lent

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am Choral Eucharist
6.00pm Iona Evening Prayer

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or this link will allow you to give to St Andrew's online:

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