



# St Andrew's Church, Rugby

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

The service sheet gives directions on when to stand or kneel, but please feel free to remain sitting if you prefer. Toilets are available through the arch beside the main entrance.

We have a plate at the back of church for offerings; a link to online giving is on the back of this service sheet.

## The Fourth Sunday after Easter

### 28th April 2024

#### 6.00pm Choral Evensong

*Officiant: The Rev'd Canon Edmund Newey*

*Reflection: Helen Bryant, Lay Chaplain, Harris Church of England School*

**Responses: Rose Canticles: Stanford in C**

**Introit** *sung by the choir* Locus Iste Bruckner

*The Minister announces the* **Opening Hymn**; *please stand*

**Opening Hymn 16 God, that madest earth and heaven**

**The Welcome**

*The Minister welcomes the congregation to the service*

Beloved, we are come together  
in the presence of Almighty God  
and of the whole company of heaven  
to offer unto him through our Lord Jesus Christ  
our worship and praise and thanksgiving;  
to make confession of our sins;  
to pray, as well for others as for ourselves,  
that we may know more truly the greatness of God's love  
and shew forth in our lives the fruits of his grace;

and to ask on behalf of all men  
such things as their well-being doth require.  
Wherefore let us kneel in silence  
and remember God's presence with us now.

*Please kneel as we say together*

**ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father,  
We have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost  
sheep,  
We have followed too much the devices  
and desires of our own hearts,  
We have offended against thy holy laws,  
We have left undone those things which we ought to  
have done,  
And we have done those things  
which we ought not to have done,  
And there is no health in us:  
But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us miserable  
offenders;  
Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults,  
Restore thou them that are penitent,  
According to thy promises declared unto mankind  
in Christ Jesu our Lord:  
And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,  
That we may hereafter live a godly,  
righteous, and sober life,  
To the glory of thy holy Name.  
Amen.**

MAY the Almighty and merciful Lord grant unto you pardon  
and reemission of all your sins, time for amendment of life, and  
the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit.

**All Amen.**

**All Our Father, which art in heaven,  
Hallowed be thy Name,  
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done,  
in earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
As we forgive them that trespass against us;  
And lead us not into temptation,  
But deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,  
For ever and ever.  
Amen.**

Cantor O Lord, open thou our lips.

Answer And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

Cantor O God, make speed to save us.

Answer O Lord, make haste to help us.

*Please stand*

Cantor Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Ghost;

Answer As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen.

Cantor Praise ye the Lord.

Answer The Lord's Name be praised.

*Please sit*

## **Psalm 96**

O SING unto the Lord a new song : sing unto the Lord, all  
the whole earth.

Sing unto the Lord, and praise his Name : be telling of his  
salvation from day to day.

Declare his honour unto the heathen : and his wonders unto all people.

For the Lord is great, and cannot worthily be praised : he is more to be feared than all gods.

As for all the gods of the heathen, they are but idols : but it is the Lord that made the heavens.

Glory and worship are before him : power and honour are in his sanctuary.

Ascribe unto the Lord, O ye kindreds of the people : ascribe unto the Lord worship and power.

Ascribe unto the Lord the honour due unto his Name : bring presents, and come into his courts.

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness : let the whole earth stand in awe of him.

Tell it out among the heathen that the Lord is King : and that it is he who hath made the round world so fast that it cannot be moved; and how that he shall judge the people righteously. Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad : let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is.

Let the field be joyful, and all that is in it : then shall all the trees of the wood rejoice before the Lord.

For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth : and with righteousness to judge the world, and the people with his truth.

*Please stand for the Gloria if you wish*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son :  
and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be :  
world without end. Amen

*Please sit*

**Old Testament Reading:** Isaiah 60:1-14

Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.

For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the Lord shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee.

And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising.

Lift up thine eyes round about, and see: all they gather themselves together, they come to thee: thy sons shall come from far, and thy daughters shall be nursed at thy side.

Then thou shalt see, and flow together, and thine heart shall fear, and be enlarged; because the abundance of the sea shall be converted unto thee, the forces of the Gentiles shall come unto thee.

The multitude of camels shall cover thee, the dromedaries of Midian and Ephah; all they from Sheba shall come: they shall bring gold and incense; and they shall shew forth the praises of the Lord.

All the flocks of Kedar shall be gathered together unto thee, the rams of Nebaioth shall minister unto thee: they shall come up with acceptance on mine altar, and I will glorify the house of my glory.

Who are these that fly as a cloud, and as the doves to their windows?

Surely the isles shall wait for me, and the ships of Tarshish first, to bring thy sons from far, their silver and their gold with them, unto the name of the Lord thy God, and to the Holy One of Israel, because he hath glorified thee.

And the sons of strangers shall build up thy walls, and their kings shall minister unto thee: for in my wrath I smote thee, but in my favour have I had mercy on thee.

Therefore thy gates shall be open continually; they shall not be shut day nor night; that men may bring unto thee the forces of the Gentiles, and that their kings may be brought.

For the nation and kingdom that will not serve thee shall perish; yea, those nations shall be utterly wasted.

The glory of Lebanon shall come unto thee, the fir tree, the pine tree, and the box together, to beautify the place of my sanctuary; and I will make the place of my feet glorious.

The sons also of them that afflicted thee shall come bending unto thee; and all they that despised thee shall bow themselves down at the soles of thy feet; and they shall call thee; The city of the Lord, The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.

*Please remain seated*

## **Magnificat**    *Luke 1*

MY soul doth magnify the Lord :  
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For he hath regarded :  
the lowliness of his hand-maiden.

For behold, from henceforth :  
all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me :  
and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him :  
throughout all generations.

He hath shewed strength with his arm :  
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat :  
and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things :  
and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel :  
as he promised to our forefathers,  
Abraham and his seed, for ever.

*Please stand for the Gloria if you wish*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son :  
and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be :  
world without end. Amen.

*Please sit or remain seated*

**New Testament Reading:** Revelation 3:1-13

And unto the angel of the church in Sardis write; These things saith he that hath the seven Spirits of God, and the seven stars; I know thy works, that thou hast a name that thou livest, and art dead.

Be watchful, and strengthen the things which remain, that are ready to die: for I have not found thy works perfect before God.

Remember therefore how thou hast received and heard, and hold fast, and repent. If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee.

Thou hast a few names even in Sardis which have not defiled their garments; and they shall walk with me in white: for they are worthy.

He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels.

He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write; These things saith he that is holy, he that is true, he that hath the key of David, he that openeth, and no man shutteth; and shutteth, and no man openeth;

I know thy works: behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and hast

kept my word, and hast not denied my name.

Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews, and are not, but do lie; behold, I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee.

Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.

Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.

Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and I will write upon him my new name.

He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

## **Nunc Dimittis**      *Luke 2.29*

LORD, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace :  
according to thy word.

For mine eyes have seen : thy salvation;

Which thou hast prepared :

before the face of all people;

To be a light to lighten the Gentiles :

and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

*Please stand for the Gloria if you wish*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son :  
and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be :  
world without end. Amen.



## **The Apostles Creed** *please stand*

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth:  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,  
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
Born of the Virgin Mary,  
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
Was crucified, dead, and buried:  
He descended into hell;  
The third day he rose again from the dead;  
He ascended into heaven,  
And sitteth on the right hand  
of God the Father Almighty;  
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the  
dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost;  
The holy Catholick Church;  
The Communion of Saints;  
The Forgiveness of sins;  
The Resurrection of the body,  
And the Life everlasting. Amen**

Cantor The Lord be with you.

Answer And with thy spirit.

Cantor Let us pray

*Please sit*

Cantor Lord, have mercy upon us.

Answer Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Cantor Our Father,

**Answer** which art in heaven,  
Hallowed be thy Name,  
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done,  
in earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
As we forgive them that trespass against us;  
And lead us not into temptation,  
But deliver us from evil.  
Amen.

Cantor O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

Answer And grant us thy salvation.

Cantor O Lord, save the King

Answer And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Cantor Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.

Answer And make thy chosen people joyful.

Cantor O Lord, save thy people.

Answer And bless thine inheritance.

Cantor Give peace in our time, O Lord.

Answer Because there is none other that fighteth for us,  
but only thou, O God.

Cantor O God, make clean our hearts within us.

Answer And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

## **The Collect**

*Then shall follow the Collects: The first of the day, the second for peace, the third for aid against all perils.*

O ALMIGHTY God, who alone canst order the unruly wills  
and affections of sinful men; Grant unto thy people, that they  
may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that

which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed, where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O GOD, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that both our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

LIGHTEN our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

**Anthem** *sung by the choir*

And I saw a new heaven *Bainton*

**Reflection** *Helen Bryant*

**Intercessions made for the world**

**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, Marion, Colleen S, Catherine E, John D, Louise E, Cheryl W, Teenie S-S.

**In Memoriam:** Eric Rani, Frank Roger Badger, The Rev'd John Hargreaves

*Please stand*

**Final Hymn 216 The day of resurrection!**

*Please remain standing*

## Final Blessing

The peace of God,  
which passeth all understanding,  
keep your hearts and minds  
in the knowledge and love of God,  
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord:  
And the blessing of God Almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost,  
be amongst *you* and remain with *you* always.  
**Amen.**

*The choir and minister depart*

## Voluntary

### News and Notices

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

**Confirmation.** We are delighted that Bishop Ed Condry will be returning to St Andrew's on Sunday 5th May at 6pm to confirm four candidates: Glenn, Mel, George and Mia. Glenn's son, Charlie, will also be baptized at the service. Please pray for these five fellow pilgrims on their next stage in the journey of Christian faith. All are welcome at the service, which will draw on the Celtic tradition and be accompanied by St Andrew's Community Singers.

**Rogationtide Blessing Service** at May Blossom Farm. Come and walk the boundaries of May Blossom Farm, asking God's blessing on all the farm's green and growing things, especially its newly planted areas of native woodland and hedgerow.

**Rugby Foodbank** greatly appreciates your contributions and ongoing support. We now have a collection basket at the back of church

**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/>

**Community Conversation**, Wednesday 1st May, 10.30-11.45am. As a lead into 'Dying Matter Week,' 6th-12th May, you are invited to attend our Community conversation, which will focus on the topic of dying and death. This is an important topic for people to talk about, including how we might ourselves make preparations for that eventuality, talk to our loved ones about it and how we might support our community friends and neighbours when they are grieving. I hope you will join me. Reverend Sharon Crofts

**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](mailto: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](http://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](mailto:shoparound1938@gmail.com)

**The Easter Magazine** is now available and it is hoped you will find something of interest. The next issue of Your Magazine will be the Pentecost Issue and a contribution from you is welcome, be it

an article, story, poem or something of interest you wish to share with the readers. Should you feel inspired please provide your contribution by 21 April. Please send to John or Kate. Thank you.

**Regular Giving to support St Andrew's Mission and Ministry.** We are hugely grateful to all who support St Andrew's financially by regular giving. We are in the process of transferring the management of regular giving to the new Parish Giving system, which saves a lot of administrative time and expense. To sign up you can take a form from the back of church or you can use this link: <https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/rugby-st-andrew-rugby/> Please have a word with Hash, Joyce or any PCC members if you would like to find out more.

You are warmly invited to **May Blossom Farm's Gardening** for Wellbeing Saturday afternoon sessions between 2pm and 4pm on various dates until the end of June. Sessions are an opportunity to grow veg, connect with others and enjoy time outdoors in God's creation. They are part-funded through your very generous donations at the recent St Andrews Community Lunch. To come along, simply book a parking space for the sessions you would like to attend on Eventbrite here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/gardening-for-wellbeing-3190549>

Please note that for the **World Food event** on 12th May tickets are now available. We are seeing a high demand for the tickets and not to disappoint, please see Hash and Joyce to ensure tickets are allocated. We have set the number at 100 due to the high demand. The event will be very informal, no seating, 10 serving stations, bar and raffle. Self service with no limits to how many times you go! up!

**Rev'd John Hargreaves** who did his curacy in St Andrew's has sadly died following a long illness. His family warmly invites anyone who wishes to attend his funeral on Friday 3rd May at 11am in Rippon Cathedral and to refreshments afterwards.

## Diary for the week 29th April - 5th May

- Monday** 9.00am Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*  
10.00am Ball of Yarn knitting & crochet group  
10.30am Art with Aish  
6.30pm St Andrew's Community Singers *All welcome*  
7.30pm Bell ringing practice *New members welcome*
- Tuesday** 9.00am Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*  
9.30am Reflective Communion *followed by coffee*  
1.00pm Lunchtime Concert by Da-Hee Kim (piano)  
2.00pm Bereavement Point  
6.00pm Free Voice
- Wednesday** 9.00am Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*  
10.30am Community Conversations  
12.00pm Holy Communion  
5.00pm Young Choristers practice  
7.30pm Adoptive Parents Group
- Thursday** 9.00am Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*  
1.00pm Funeral of Eric Edgar Rani  
6.30pm Board games group  
7.15pm Choir Practice
- Friday** 9.00am *No Morning Prayer*  
10.00am Big Table Gospel group
- Saturday** 10.00am-12pm Café open. *Pop in for friendship and fellowship!*

### Sunday 5th May - 6th of Easter

**8.00am** Holy Communion

**10.30am** Choral Eucharist

**3.00pm** Rogation Service at May Blossom Farm

**6pm** Confirmation Service with Bishop Ed Condry

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