



St Andrew's Church

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

The Seventh Sunday after Trinity 19th July 2026

8.00am BCP Holy Communion

President and Preacher : The Rev'd Canon Edmund Newey

10.30am Choral Eucharist

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Preacher and Deacon : The Rev'd Alison Baxter

12.30pm Baptism Service

Officiant : The Rev'd Canon Edmund Newey

6.00pm Choral Evensong

President : The Rev'd Canon Edmund Newey

Preacher : Alex Suffell, Ordinand

Mass Setting: Mass of St Thomas *Thorne*

Introit: God be in my head *Walford Davies*

Anthem: Canon in D *Pachelbel arr. Goemann*

Processional Hymn **584**: All my hope on God is founded

Gradual Hymn **653**: Happy are they, they that love God

Offertory Hymn **806**: There's a wideness in God's mercy

Communion Hymn **352**: Nearer, my God, to thee

Recessional Hymn **569**: The Kingdom of God

Collect:

Lord of all power and might,
the author and giver of all good things:
graft in our hearts the love of your name,
increase in us true religion,
nourish us with all goodness,
and of your great mercy keep us in the same;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Reading: Wisdom of Solomon 12.13, 16-19

For neither is there any god besides you, whose care is for all people, to whom you should prove that you have not judged unjustly; For your strength is the source of righteousness, and your sovereignty over all causes you to spare all. For you show your strength when people doubt the completeness of your power, and you rebuke any insolence among those who know it.

Although you are sovereign in strength, you judge with mildness, and with great forbearance you govern us; for you have power to act whenever you choose.

Through such works you have taught your people that the righteous must be kind, and you have filled your children with good hope, because you give repentance for sins.

Gospel: Matthew 13.24-30, 36-43

He put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, "Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come

from?" He answered, "An enemy has done this." The slaves said to him, "Then do you want us to go and gather them?" But he replied, "No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn." '

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, 'Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.' He answered, 'The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

Healing prayer: George W, Luci & Sophie, Gillian M, Caroline, Lily, Denise, Mary S, Mary G, Cheryl W, David, S.M, Jane B, William B, Rosemary & John K, Sue P, Carol S, Patricia T, David P, Margaret S, Mick W, Nick B.

In Memoriam: Margaret Barnett, Patricia Gore., Ted George.

Post Communion Prayer:

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life,
ever giving himself that the world may live:

may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and
passion

that, in his saving cup, we may share his glory and be made perfect
in his love;

for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

News and Notices

Any item to be included should be with the office by Wednesday, 12noon

Rector's Reflection – Children in Church

One of the ways in which God is blessing St Andrew's at the moment is the growing number of children sharing in worship. It's quite common for us to have over twenty children and young people on a Sunday morning. Between the ages of around 4 and 11 children are invited to share in Godly Play in the vestry and as teenagers they can join the group meeting in the café area. Toddlers and their parents or carers are welcomed to the children's corner, where they can enjoy each other's company while being close to the heart of the worship we all offer. Others of our young people enjoy singing in the choir, leaving during the sermon and prayers to learn with Rachel, our Junior Choir Leader and Will, our Director of Music.

Worshipping together across the generations is a great blessing. In today's world there are so few times and places where people of all ages – from babies to pensioners – meet together to share in a common activity. When different people meet there are sometimes points of friction – we all have different perspectives and priorities – but I believe the key thing is that we remain thankful to God for each other, different though we are. If you feel disturbed by others' behaviour, do please keep this principle in mind and have word with one of the clergy, rather than behaving unkindly with one another, remembering that St Andrew's offers a wide range of opportunities to worship together throughout the week, ten of which are peaceful and contemplative.

And let's give thanks that God is allowing us in this season to fulfil the words of the psalmist: 'One generation shall extol your works to another and shall declare your mighty acts' (Psalm 145:4).

Renovation Works. You will notice that work has started on our Phase I building project. Over the next three months, the northern frontage of the church will be cleaned, stonework restored, window guards replaced, ecologically-sound floodlighting installed and the railings refurbished. We are very grateful for the support of Rugby Borough Council's town centre regeneration funding to enable this project. The church will remain open as normal throughout.

Ordinand on placement—we're delighted to welcome Alex Suffell for a four-week placement at St Andrew's from Sunday 21st June. Alex is training for ordination at Cranmer Hall in Durham, but comes originally from Onley just down the road. She will be assisting with worship and mission on Sundays and during the week—do please say hello and make her welcome!

Choral Evensong on Sunday 19th July. This will be the last Evensong before the choir's summer break over August and Pimms or non-alcoholic alternatives will be served afterwards—all are welcome!

The Big Table Gospel group meets every week around the talking table in the cafe, alternating on Thursday and Friday mornings. Contact John on shoparound1938@gmail.com

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/>

Church Mice Stay and Play Group 10-11.30am Fridays (term time) for ages 0-4 years and it's free. Please spread the news where you can. Volunteers are warmly welcome—have a chat with Lydia, Joyce or Heather for more information. Thank you.

Summer Camp for children aged 5-11 at Dunchurch Baptist Church, Coventry Road, Rugby CV22 6RF. Dancing, acting, singing, games, crafts, cooking, bouncy castle, face painting. Further details from strongrootsgroup@gmail.com

July is South Asian Heritage Month, celebrating the cultures of the Indian sub-continent. The Christian communities of South Asia are a rich source of blessing to the worldwide Church and this month is an opportunity for us to pray together in solidarity and thanksgiving. In particular, you might like to offer this Indian Christian prayer, Christaraksha, which many people find a source of strength in adversity:

May the cross of the + Son of God,
which is mightier than all the hosts of Satan
and more glorious than all the hosts of heaven,
abide with us in our going out and in our coming in.

By day and by night, at morning and at evening,
at all times and in all places may it protect and defend us.
From the wrath of evildoers, from the assaults of evil spirits,
from foes visible and invisible, from the snares of the devil,
from all passions that beguile the soul and body:
may it guard, protect and deliver us.
Amen.

The St Andrew's 100 Club The third draw of the second year of The St Andrew's 100 Club, took place following the 10.30 service on Sunday 5 July with the winning tickets being - Number 56 held by Joyce Woodings, Number 78 held by Sue Goddard, and Number 48 held by John Howes. Congratulations to our three new winners who bring our total winners to 46. Tickets are £25 each per annum, which is less than 7p per day, and there is no limit as to the number you may hold. The prize draws take place on the first Sunday of each month, for the previous month. Thank you for your support - 'You've Got To Be In It, To Win It'

Diary for the week 20th July - 26th July

Church Community Café open Monday - Friday 9.30am-2pm
Saturday 9.30am-12noon

Monday

9.00am Morning Prayer
10.00am Ball of Yarn Knitting &
crochet drop-in group
10.30am Art with Aish
7.30pm Bell Ringing practice

Tuesday

9.00am Morning Prayer
9.30am Reflective Eucharist
1.00pm Tuesday Lunchtime
Concert
2.00pm Bereavement Point

Wednesday

9.00am Morning Prayer
12.00pm Holy Communion

Thursday

9.00am Morning Prayer
6.00pm Holy Communion

Friday

9.00am Morning Prayer
10.00am Big Table Gospel
group
2.00pm Funeral of Ted George

Saturday

Sunday 26th July

8th Sunday after Trinity

8.00am BCP Holy Communion
10.30am Choral Eucharist
6.00pm Celtic Evening Prayer

Thanking all volunteers! St Andrew's relies on the generosity

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After the service, please feel free to join us for coffee—a chance for us all to get to know each other better.

If you have felt something special in this service and want to talk about faith, have a chat with one of the clergy or ministers after the service.

Toilets are available through the arch beside the main entrance