

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

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.

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

Christ the King, Next before Advent 23rd November 2025

8.00am BCP Holy Communion

President and Preacher: The Rev'd Canon Edmund Newey

10.30am Choral Eucharist

President: The Rev'd James Sampson-Foster

Preacher and Deacon: The Rev'd Canon Edmund Newey

12.30pm Baptism for Cory James Schoales Litten

President: The Rev'd Pam Gould

6.00pm Choral Evensong

Officiant: The Rev'd James Sampson-Foster

Collect:

Stir up, we beseech thee, O Lord, the wills of thy faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may of thee be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Reading: Colossians 1:11-20

Strengthened with all might, according to his glorious power, unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness;

Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light:

Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son:

In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins:

Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature:

For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:

And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.

And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence.

For it pleased the Father that in him should all fulness dwell; And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven

Gospel: Luke 23.33-43

And when they were come to the place, which is called Calvary, there they crucified him, and the malefactors, one on the right hand, and the other on the left.

Then said Jesus, Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do. And they parted his raiment, and cast lots.

And the people stood beholding. And the rulers also with them derided him, saying, He saved others; let him save himself, if he be Christ, the chosen of God.

And the soldiers also mocked him, coming to him, and offering him vinegar,

And saying, If thou be the king of the Jews, save thyself.

And a superscription also was written over him in letters of Greek, and Latin, and Hebrew, THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS.

And one of the malefactors which were hanged railed on him, saying, If thou be Christ, save thyself and us.

But the other answering rebuked him, saying, Dost not thou fear God, seeing thou art in the same condemnation?

And we indeed justly; for we receive the due reward of our deeds: but this man hath done nothing amiss.

And he said unto Jesus, Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom.

And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, Today shalt thou be with me in paradise.

Healing prayer: Irene W, George W, Luci & Sophie, Gillian M, Caroline, Lily, Denise, Mary S, Mary G, Cheryl W, Teresa V, David, S.M, Faith F, Jane B, William B, Rosemary & John K, Chris & Chris H, Sue P, Chris C, Carol S, Elizabeth I.

In memoriam: Ronald Talbot, Peter Church, Jill Montgomery, Owen Miller, Audrey Chandler.

News and Notices

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

Advent Quiet Day—Waiting on God. Our annual Advent Quiet Day will take place at The Olde House Retreat in Southam on Saturday 29th November between 10.30 am and 4pm. Led by Rosemary Privett and Heather Fielding, the day will include the opportunity for an optional walk to Southam's holy well. Quiet days are a great way to deepen your relationship with God-if you've not been on one before, do ask Rosemary, Heather or one of the clergy to talk you through how they work. A list to sign up is at the back of church and we invite a contribution of £15 to cover costs. Please bring a packed lunch with you and indicate if you would be able to offer a lift.

Our Advent Carol service is on Sunday 30th November at 6pm

Bishop Sophie's Visit. The Bishop of Coventry will be spending a day getting to know the Rugby Deanery on Monday 1st December. During the day there are two opportunities to meet her—first at Morning Prayer at 9am St Andrew's and secondly at our Deanery Confirmation service at St Mark's, Bilton at 7.30pm, at which three candidates from St Andrew's will be confirmed: Mick, Blessing and Grant.

St Andrew's Day. Also on Monday 1st December we keep our patronal festival with a service of Choral Evensong in church at 6pm sung by the Temple Consort of Rugby School.

Rugby Town Centre Christmas Lights Switch-On

As Rugby gets ready to sparkle with the big Christmas Lights Switch-On at the end of November, St Andrew's will be opening its doors for a family-friendly afternoon of Christmas crafting. It will be a creative, cosy, and Christmassy time – a quieter alternative to the hustle, bustle and expense of the town centre funfair. To help make the afternoon extra special, we are asking for donations of

Christmas craft supplies – things like tinsel, glitter, felt, wrapping paper, ribbons, bows, pom-poms, pinecones, sequins, buttons, and any other festive items in red, green, gold or silver. Why not have a little rummage and raid your Christmas decoration or craft boxes at home – you never know what treasures might be hiding in there! If you can help, please pass your donations onto Simon Armstead (Children & Families Team). A big, sparkly thank you for your generosity – every little ribbon, pom-pom, or sprinkle of glitter will help make Christmas extra magical for the children and families who come through our doors!

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/

The Big Table Gospel group meets every week around the talking table in the cafe, alternating on Thursday and Friday mornings. Contact John on shoparound 1938@gmail.com

Recycling Update We have received news that the most recent box of lnk Cartridges, sent on 13 October, has raised £62.05 meaning the cumulative for the lnk Cartridge Initiative has now raised £1148.75 since we started collecting. Thank you to all our donors, and if you know anyone who uses and can provide used lnk Cartridges for recycling do let then know, as this is a welcome addition to Church Funds. Keep colleting and donating. We can accept used or unwanted Spectacles, used Postage Stamps and Tealights and white or ivory Candles (at present we cannot accept coloured or scented candles or those in glass containers).

The St Andrew's 100 Club The 7th draw took place on Sunday 2 November with the winning tickets being - Ticket Number 72 - William Uglow, Ticket Number 80 - Patrick Eales and Ticket Number 102 - Noni Khumlalo. It is still not too late to support the work of St Andrew's, application forms are available at the West

End of Church, why not collect one, complete and join the illustrious company of the twenty one winners to date. Good Luck to all ticket holders, future draws take place on the first Sunday of the month. Thank you for your support, John, Helen and Sonia.

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Community Engagement Lead We are delighted to announce that our new part-time Community Engagement Lead will be on Bryant. Jo started work with us on Wednesday—do make her welcome as you see her at events and activities over this busy season.

Church Mice Stay and Play Group Great news! Church Mice has restarted at St Andrews. 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.

May Blossom Farm Live Nativity: Following the success of last year Hannah has kindly agreed to host another live nativity trail at her farm on the 20th December at 2-3.30pm. Come along and be prepared to dress up as a nativity character and follow the trail around the farm as we greet the animals that are there and sing a carol at each pen. Following the trail we will warm ourselves up again by having mulled wine/fruit punch and mince pies/shortbread. It was a lot of fun last year so we look forward to seeing you there. Car parking spaces are limited so it would be useful to have an indication as to whether you intend to come by speaking to either Joyce Wooding or Rev'd Alison Baxter.

Diary for the week 24th - 29th November

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9.00am Morning Prayer 10.00am Ball of Yarn Knitting & crochet drop-in group 10.30am Art with Aish 1.00pm Funeral of Ronald Talbot 6.30pm Community Singers 7.30pm Bell Ringing practice	Tuesday 9.00am Morning Prayer 9.30am Reflective Eucharist 1.00pm Tuesday Lunchtime Concert 6.30pm Free Voice
Wednesday 9.00am Morning Prayer 10.00am Pop Up Play Village 12.00pm Eucharist 5.00pm Young Choristers	7.15pm Choir prayet G.00am Morning Prayer 10.00am Setting up of the Christmas Tree Festival 3.30pm Official Opening of the Festival by the Mayor 6.00pm Eucharist 6.30pm Board Games group 7.15pm Choir practice
Friday 9.00am Morning Prayer 10.00am Big Table Gospel group 12noon Funeral of Owen Miller	Saturday 10am– 12pm Café Open
Sunday 30th November Advent Sunday Fire and Ice town event for Christmas light switch on	8.00am BCP Holy Communion 10.30am Choral Eucharist 1.00-4.00pm Café open and Christmas crafts 6.00pm Advent Carol Service

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