



# St Andrew's Church

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## Trinity Sunday 31st May 2026

### 8.00am BCP Holy Communion

President: and preacher: The Rev'd Hugh Priestner

### 10.30am Choral Eucharist

President: The Rev'd James Sampson-Foster

Preacher: The Rev'd Alison Baxter

Deacon: Tom Nettey



**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.

**Collect:**

Almighty and everlasting God, who hast given unto us thy servants grace, by the confession of a true faith to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of the Divine Majesty to worship the Unity: We beseech thee, that thou wouldest keep us stedfast in this faith, and evermore defend us from all adversities, who livest and reignest, one God, world without end. Amen

**Reading: Isaiah 40.12-17, 27-end**

Who hath measured the waters in the hollow of his hand, and meted out heaven with the span, and comprehended the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales, and the hills in a balance?

Who hath directed the Spirit of the Lord, or being his counsellor hath taught him?

With whom took he counsel, and who instructed him, and taught him in the path of judgment, and taught him knowledge, and shewed to him the way of understanding?

Behold, the nations are as a drop of a bucket, and are counted as the small dust of the balance: behold, he taketh up the isles as a very little thing.

And Lebanon is not sufficient to burn, nor the beasts thereof sufficient for a burnt offering.

All nations before him are as nothing; and they are counted to him less than nothing, and vanity.

Why sayest thou, O Jacob, and speakest, O Israel, My way is hid from the Lord, and my judgment is passed over from my God?

Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the Lord, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? there is no searching of his understanding.

He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increaseth strength.

Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall:

But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

**Gospel: Matthew 28.16-end**

Then the eleven disciples went away into Galilee, into a mountain where Jesus had appointed them.

And when they saw him, they worshipped him: but some doubted.

And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.

Amen.

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

## **News and Notices**

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

**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.

**Christian Aid** The cake stall for Christian Aid made around £250. Many thanks to all those who contributed for this excellent result. Sue Goddard

### **Journeying in Faith with Children, Sunday 7th June**

**12noon.** A time for parents, grandparents and members of the congregation to explore ways of supporting—and learning from—children of all ages in their journey of faith. Light Lunch & Children's activities provided. Please take one of the forms at the back of church and let us know if you're coming.

**English Mystics.** The next livestream, on Evelyn Underhill, takes place in the Lady Chapel on Monday 8th June at 7.30pm—all are welcome.

**Blessing the River Avon.** To mark the end of this year's Great Big Green Week, churches along the course of the River Avon will be blessing and giving thanks for its waters on Sunday 14th June. Here in Rugby, we'll be holding a service of blessing and a bring and share picnic beside the Avon between Brownsover and Clifton at 3.30pm. All are welcome and have a word with James or Alison for more details.

**Summer Concert on Saturday 27th June** at 4pm in church there will be a celebratory summer concert, inspired by the legacy of Rex Pogson. Entry is free and generous donations are encouraged to support Myton Hospice and our Peace Garden project. The Peace Garden, established in Rex's memory, will contain a memorial to Geoffrey Studdert-Kennedy, 'Woodbine Willie', the famous Great War Chaplain, who was curate of St Andrew's from 1910-1912—more details are available on a separate leaflet.

**Helen Bryant.** We're delighted that Helen Bryant will be ordained deacon at Coventry Cathedral on Sunday 28th June 2026. She will be serving her curacy part-time in our neighbouring parishes of St Peter with St John and St George's, Rugby, whilst continuing to work as a Chaplain at Rugby School. Please keep Helen and her family in your prayers. We will be giving Helen an ordination present—if you would like to contribute to it, please have a word with one of the clergy or wardens.

**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](mailto: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** Great news! Church Mice has restarted at St Andrew's. 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.



## Diary for the week 1st - 7th June

### Monday

9.00am Morning Prayer  
10.00am Ball of Yarn Knitting & crochet drop-in group  
10.30am Art with Aish  
6.30pm Community Singers  
7.30pm Bell Ringing practice

### Tuesday

9.00am Morning Prayer  
9.30am Reflective Eucharist  
1.00pm Tuesday Lunchtime Concert  
2.00pm Bereavement Point  
5.00pm Wedding rehearsal

### Wednesday

9.00am Morning Prayer  
10.00am Community Conversation  
10.30am Pastoral Group meeting  
12.00pm Holy Communion  
5.00pm Young Choristers  
7.00pm Adoptive parents group

### Thursday

9.00am Morning Prayer  
10.00am Big Table Gospel group  
11.00am Wedding  
6.30pm Holy Communion  
7.15pm Choir practice

### Friday

Godly Play Conference  
9.00am Morning Prayer  
10.00am Church Mice



### Saturday

Church Closed  
Godly Play Conference

### Sunday 7th June 1st Sunday after Trinity

8.00am BCP Holy Communion  
10.30am Choral Eucharist  
12.30pm Children & families lunch  
6.00pm Celtic Evening Prayer

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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.

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