



St Andrew's Church Rugby

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

Christ the King 24th November 2024

8.00am BCP Holy Communion

The Rev'd Canon Edmund Newey

10.30am Sung Eucharist

President: The Rev'd Sharon Crofts

Deacon: The Rev'd James Sampson-Foster

Preacher: Gwyneth Hickman, Licensed Reader

Healing Prayer: The Rev'd Canon Edmund Newey, Mike and Carol.

6.00pm Choral Evensong

Officiant: The Rev'd Canon Edmund Newey

Preacher: 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 Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

I, Daniel, beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne was like the fiery flame, and his wheels as burning fire.

A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened.

I saw in the night visions, and, behold, one like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him.

And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed.

Gospel: John 18:33-37

Then Pilate entered into the judgment hall again, and called Jesus, and said unto him, Art thou the King of the Jews?

Jesus answered him, Sayest thou this thing of thyself, or did others tell it thee of me?

Pilate answered, Am I a Jew? Thine own nation and the chief priests have delivered thee unto me: what hast thou done?

Jesus answered, My kingdom is not of this world: if my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now is my kingdom not from hence.

Pilate therefore said unto him, Art thou a king then? Jesus answered, Thou sayest that I am a king. To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice.

Healing prayer: Solanki, Irene W, George W, Mary S, Jane B, Luci & Sophie, Gillian M, Noel, Caroline, Dilshad, Lily, Denise, Donald, Alan & Tim, Mary G, Ron G, Marion, Cheryl W, Pauline W, Teresa V, Jane G., Kate F, David.

In memoriam: Rita Bright

News and Notices

Any item for News & Notices should be with the office by Wednesday, 12 noon.

Bishop of Coventry. Our new Bishop of Coventry has just been announced: the Rt Revd Sophie Jellie, currently Bishop of Doncaster, will be joining us in the spring. We very much look forward to welcoming her and in the meantime will enjoy the continuing leadership of our Acting Bishop, Ruth Worsley, until Christmas.

St Andrew's Eve. We will keep our patronal festival on Friday 29th November with Festal Evensong at 6pm, sung by the Lay Clerks of Rugby School and the Choristers of Bilton Grange.

Parish Giving Scheme. There was an error in some of the printed material; the correct PGS Parish Code for St Andrew's is 110611116. Some people have had some difficulties with the parish giving website. If you have any issues, ring up their very helpful people on 0333 002 1271 (Mon to Fri, 9am - 5pm). If you are struggling, do have a chat to Joyce or Simon.

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/>

Rita Bright. Rita's funeral service will take place at Rainsbrook Crematorium on Monday 2nd December at 1pm. All who knew Rita are warmly invited to attend.

Festival of Christmas Trees. Our annual festival opens on Friday 29th November. If you are able to help staff the church during set-up on Thursday 28th, please speak with Joyce.

Manchester Carols Saturday 7th December at 7pm Tickets will be on sale shortly.

Carol-singing and Handbell-ringing in Care Homes. As usual, we will be singing in five homes around the parish this Christmas: Thursday 12th December 10.15 Rugby Care Home, 11.15 Farmers Court,; Monday 16th December 10.30 Granville, 11.15 Te Hira, 3pm Trinity Court. All are welcome—you don't need to be a trained singer—just enthusiastic! You might also like to join our handbell ringers, who are practising at the moment—if you're interested, please speak with Christine Homer.

Nativity Trail at May Blossom Farm. Come and meet the donkeys and sing carols around the manger on Saturday 21st December, 1.30-3.30pm

Recycling Update

Thanks to your support a further bag of **Milk Container Tops** has been provided to aid the school in Sierra Leone, cumulatively some 13 bags and 44,508 milk container tops prevented from going to landfill. Donating your used **Ink Cartridges** has so far raised over £1000 for the work of the church, let's see how quickly we can double this. A further two boxes of **Candles and Tea Lights** have been despatched for recycling, with these you have saved some 40.48 kg from going to landfill. Don't forget to recycle your old/unused **Spectacles** for Rugby Rokeby Lions to recycle, they can be deposited in their collection box. Thank you for your continued support of our various initiatives.

Eco Tip: Be a tourist in your own area – from parks, walks, theatres and museums there is plenty to enjoy in the Rugby area. Why not think of a local holiday, rather than flying?

Advent at St Andrew's

The season of Advent begins on the 1st December.

Our **Advent Quiet Day, 'Journeying to Bethlehem'**, is an opportunity to prepare spiritually for the Advent and Christmas. It will take place at Budbrooke on Saturday 30th November from 10am to 4.30pm, led by Rosemary Privett and Heather Fielding. Lifts will be available and a donation of £8 towards costs would be appreciated. Please put your name on the list at the back of church if you would like to come.

The **Advent Carol Service** is on Sunday 1st December at 6pm

As part of your spiritual preparation for Christmas, you might like to join the **Big Table Gospel** group as it reflects on the themes of Advent through the lens of poetry and to come to the weekly evening eucharist on **Thursdays in Advent at 6pm.**

**Diary for the week
25th –30th November**

Monday 9.00am Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*
10.00am Ball of Yarn knitting & crochet group
11.00am Church Mice Baby & Toddler Stay & Play
6.30pm Community Singers
7.30pm Bell ringing practice *New members welcome*

Tuesday 9.00am Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*
9.30am Reflective Eucharist *followed by coffee*
1.00pm Tuesday Lunchtime Concert

Wednesday 9.00am Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*
12.00pm Eucharist
5.00pm Young Choristers

Thursday 9.00am Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*
6.30pm Board games group
7.15pm Choir Practice

Friday 9.00am Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*
10.00am Big Table Gospel
6.00pm Festal Evensong for St Andrew's Eve

Saturday 10.00am-12noon Café open
10.30am– 4:30pm Advent Quiet Day (Budbrooke)

Sunday 1st December Advent Sunday

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am Sung Eucharist (*Worship All Together*)
6.00pm Advent Carol Service