

Notices - 8th May 2022

Monday Prayer

Join us on Monday Morning's at 9.30am for zoom prayers. Please contact the vicar for the new link.

Children's Church

Children's Church is back this Sunday, 8th May.

Building our Faith

Building our Faith bible study is taking a break and will restart on Wednesday 18th May.

APCM

Do join us for our annual meeting on Monday 16th May at 7.30pm in church. This is a chance to hear about the work of the church and support the PCC. A copy of this year's Financial Report and the Annual Report can be found at the back of church.

We will have vacancies on both the PCC and Deanery Synod. Is this something you would like to consider? Do have a chat to one of the current PCC members to find out more. Nomination forms are at the back of church. Even if you don't intend on standing do come along to the meeting to find out more about the work of the church and support those who serve on PCC and Deanery Synod.

May Challenge

Jo will be walking 300,00 steps in May to raise money for Christian Aid. You can find out more about her progress at the back of church. To donate to our Christian Aid Appeal, you can give through our e envelope, you can also pledge on the form at the back of church, or take some envelopes for a cash collection. This is the link to our e-envelope https://envelope.christianaid.org.uk/envelope/st-andrews-church-eastern-green?channel=status or scan the QR code at the back of church.

Christian Aid Week

Sunday 15th May is the start of Christian Aid week. We would love to

hold a bake sale in church to raise money. If you are able to make cakes, biscuits or other things for next Sunday please speak to Jo.

Volunteer Drivers Wanted!

Would you be able to offer the occasional lift to church for someone in need? We are looking for people who could assist in helping to church those who are unable to come without help. If you would be happy to do this please speak to Jo. If you would like a lift to any of our services do get in touch with Julie and we will do our best to help.

Children's Society Boxes

It's that time of year for the collection boxes to be emptied. Please, if possible, leave them in church. If you need them collecting, please contact me and I'll collect them in early May. If you would like a collection box, please let me know. Thank you, Nick Tooby, 07951 925772.

Bereavement Group

Our group for the recently bereaved has restarted. We meet on Tuesday Mornings in Church for tea, biscuits and chat on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at 11am. If you have been bereaved over the last 3 years and would find a small friendly group helpful then do come along. If you would like more information speak to Lynnette on 024 7646 7097 or 07890 048210.

St Andrew's Book Club

Our book club meets every two months to discuss the book agreed by the group and the next book we will be reading and discussing is The Prayer Box by Lisa Wingate.

A synopsis of the book:

When Iola Anne Poole, an old-timer on Hatteras Island, passes away in her bed at ninety-one, the struggling young mother in her rental cottage, Tandi Jo Reese, finds herself charged with the task of cleaning out Iola's rambling Victorian house.

Running from a messy, dangerous past, Tandi never expects to find more than a temporary hiding place within lola's walls, but everything changes with the discovery of eighty-one carefully decorated prayer boxes, one for each year, spanning from lola's youth to her last days. Hidden in the boxes is the story of a lifetime, written on random bits of paper—the hopes and wishes, fears and thoughts of an unassuming but complex woman passing through the seasons of an extraordinary,

unsung life filled with journeys of faith, observations on love, and one final lesson that could change everything for Tandi.

The next Book Club meeting is on Monday June 6th at 7.30pm, where we will meet to discuss and share our views on the book. If you would like to join us or have any questions, please contact me. Sue Masters on 07958322026

Priorities 2022

The PCC agreed the following church Priorities for 2022 at our meeting on the 25th April 2022. We now want to progress the priorities through several subgroups, so that everyone is involved in moving our church forward. This is a great chance for us to put our faith into action. James 2 vs 18 "someone will say "you have faith and I have deeds" Show me your faith without deeds and I will show you my faith by what I do"

The aims and areas to focus on are included on the sheets on the notice board at the back of church. If you feel called to any of the subgroups, then please put your name on the list. There is no minimum or maximum number for each group. The more involved in the work of our church the greater the impact we can have. Thank you for your support. Nick Tooby.

Church Collection

From Sunday 8th May we will be reintroducing passing the collection basket around the congregation during the 10:00am service. I'm conscious that some people may feel a little nervous still regarding Covid, if you prefer, then you can give your collection via card reader ie "tap and go" (please speak to one of the churchwardens) or prior to the service via the basket at the back of church. Nick Tooby

Donations

We have several people who continue to use the online giving page to make donations and give weekly to the work of the church. The link below will take you directly to the page. It is a secure way of supporting the churches ministry. Thank you for your ongoing support. Nick Tooby https://givealittle.co/campaigns/eef64318-0a22-4db7-8d81-0ab3ccddf15d

Craft & Hobby Fair

St Andrew's Church is hosting a Craft & Hobby Fair on Saturday 11th June 1.30- 4.30pm at Eastern Green Village Hall. If you or someone you know would be interested in having a stall to sell their crafts, please speak to Rebecca Martin in church or contact Julie Crow by tel

07756918847 or via email administrator@standrews-eg.org.uk for further information & / or to book a table. A flyer is enclosed.

Alternatively, maybe you can help as we would like to sell refreshments and therefore need some people to:

- Take on the running of the refreshment stall.
- Provide some delicious cakes to sell as part of the refreshments.
- In addition, we will be selling books and jigsaws, so if you have any of these you wish to get rid of, we will be happy taking these off your hands.
- Please note NO BRIC- A- BRAC

Tea/Coffee

We are looking for people willing to make and serve teas and coffees after the Sunday Service. There are currently only 3 people on the rota and would be grateful for a few more, especially as we are approaching holiday season. If you are interested, please could you let Julie know on 07756 918847 or via email administrator@standrewseg.org.uk

Ascension Day

Our Ascension Day service will take place in church on Thursday 26th May at 7.30pm. We are looking for volunteers to read, prayers and sides duty. If you are available and willing to help, please could you let Julie know on 07756 918847 or via email administrator@standrews-eg.org.uk

City Praise and Prayer

A chance to come together with others and pray for Coventry. Sunday 15th May 6.30pm in the Cathedral Ruins. To find out more and book follow their website https://www.citypraise.org/

Diary Dates May	Time	Event
Sun 8 th	10.00am	Parish Communion
	3.30pm	St Andy's service at St Oswald's
	9.30am	Morning Prayer on zoom
Weds 11 th	10.00am	Midweek Communion