Welcome to St Andrew's

16th January 2022



It's lovely to have you worshipping with us today, if you are new we would love to welcome you, please do introduce yourself to one of our welcomers on the door. If you need any help or information, they will be happy to assist.

To find out more about what's on at St Andrew's please see our website and Facebook pages;

https://standrewseg.co.uk/

https://www.facebook.com/StAndrewsChurchEasternGreen/

Collect for this week – The Second Sunday of Epiphany

Eternal Lord, our beginning and our end: bring us with the whole creation to your glory, hidden through past ages and made known in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post communion prayer

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

First Reading Isaiah 62:1-5

Because I love Zion,

I will not keep still.

Because my heart yearns for Jerusalem,

I cannot remain silent.

I will not stop praying for her

until her righteousness shines like the dawn, and her salvation blazes like a burning torch.

²The nations will see your righteousness.
World leaders will be blinded by your glory.

And you will be given a new name by the LORD's own mouth.

- ³ The LORD will hold you in his hand for all to see a splendid crown in the hand of God.
- 4 Never again will you be called "The Forsaken City" or "The Desolate Land."

Your new name will be "The City of God's Delight" and "The Bride of God,"

for the LORD delights in you and will claim you as his bride.

⁵ Your children will commit themselves to you, O Jerusalem, just as a young man commits himself to his bride.

Then God will rejoice over you as a bridegroom rejoices over his bride.

(New Living Translation)

Gospel Reading John 2:1-11

- 2 The next day there was a wedding celebration in the village of Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, ² and Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the celebration. ³ The wine supply ran out during the festivities, so Jesus' mother told him, "They have no more wine."
- 4 "Dear woman, that's not our problem," Jesus replied. "My time has not yet come."
- ⁵ But his mother told the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."
- ⁶Standing nearby were six stone water jars, used for Jewish ceremonial washing. Each could hold twenty to thirty gallons. ⁷ Jesus told the servants, "Fill the jars with water." When the jars had been filled, ⁸ he said, "Now dip some out, and take it to the master of ceremonies." So the servants followed his instructions.
- ⁹ When the master of ceremonies tasted the water that was now wine, not knowing where it had come from (though, of course, the servants knew), he called the bridegroom over. ¹⁰ "A host always serves the best wine first," he said. "Then, when everyone has had a lot to drink, he brings out the less expensive wine. But you have kept the best until now!"
- ¹¹ This miraculous sign at Cana in Galilee was the first time Jesus revealed his glory. And his disciples believed in him.

Notices:

Thought for the day

For those of you up early on Sunday morning I will be doing the Paper Review and Thought for the Day on BBC CWR this week. It normally starts around 7.40am, Jo.

Building our Faith

Our Wednesday evening bible study and fellowship takes place on Wednesdays at 7.30pm on Zoom. Everyone is welcome to join us.

The zoom access codes are: 812 4505 0020, Password: 295068.

If you have not joined us before you are very welcome. If you have any questions, please contact me. Sue Masters, Tel: 07958 322026, Email: susanmasters@sky.com

Safeguarding Training

It is a requirement that everyone who serves at St Andrew's must have up to date safeguarding training. You can access training through the following link:

https://safeguardingtraining.cofeportal.org/

Please can you make sure your training is up to date. If you are unsure whether you need to do training, or what you need to do, or have any problems accessing this please contact Parish Safeguarding Officer: Linda Chylinski on 024 7646 8535. Thank you.

Sad News

Margaret Tooby, wife of the Revd Derrick Tooby former vicar of St Andrew's, passed away on Tuesday 4th January. Our thoughts and prayers are with Nick, Diane, Helen and the family.

Mission Partners

Please find the latest update from our Mission Partners, Dan and Phillipa Munday, on the noticeboard at the back of church.

Please send notices for next week to Julie by Wednesday, email administrator@standrews-eg.org.uk