



St Andrew's Westlands

A warm welcome to anyone worshipping with us today for the first time.

After the 10.45 service, you are warmly invited to join us for refreshments in the church hall.

Sunday, 28th April

1 John 4:7-end (p.1229) John 15:1-end (p.1087)

8.30 am Holy Communion

10.25 am Prayers for Naomi, Mr Noisy's Room

10.45 am Morning Worship

Opportunity for individual prayer after service in lady chapel

6.30 pm Evening Worship, Parish Room

Collect for: The Fifth Sunday of Easter

*Almighty God,
who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ
have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life:
grant that, as by your grace going before us
you put into our minds good desires,
so by your continual help
we may bring them to good effect;
through Jesus Christ our risen Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.*



Welcoming the
whole community



Discovering
God's love



Following
Jesus' teaching

This week...

Mon 29 th April	4.00 pm	Xcite, Parish Room
	7.30 pm	Standing Committee, Parish Room
Tues 30 th April	10.00 am	Little Sparklers, Parish Room
Wed 1 st May	8.30 am	Morning Prayer via Zoom
	1.30 pm	Renew Westlands Café, Parish Room
Thurs 2 nd May	All Day	Local Elections, Parish Room
	10.00 am	Holy Communion, Church
	7.45 pm	Singing Practice in church
Fri 3 rd May	7.30 pm	Compline via Zoom
Sun 5 th May	8.30 am	Morning Worship
	10.25 am	Prayers for Naomi, Mr Noisy's Room
	10.45 am	Morning Worship, including baptism of Emilia Campbell
	12.45 pm	Thanksgiving service for Amelie & Elodie Hales
	6.30 pm	Holy Communion & Prayers for Healing, Parish Room

The church building is also open on Monday & Thursday 9.30-3.00

Home Groups ... though these generally meet fortnightly, the next meeting is not this week, but the following one ie 7th/8th/9th May.

Thank You Very Much ... to all who helped to organise and who supported, Saturday's garage sale in aid of the new hall fund.

The Messy Church Team ... would like to say thank you for all the materials you have provided for our junk modelling, we now have enough to last us for several sessions!

Katia Rocks ... latest link letter is available via [this link](#) or from the back of church. Sadly Katia needed cancer surgery in December and is just beginning preventative chemotherapy - please do pray for her and for her children Joanna and Davi at this difficult time.

Tearfund Open Cafe ... Saturday 18th May - come and enjoy refreshments, browse the stalls and support some of the poorest people in the world.

St Andrew's Stewardship Statements ... thank you to all who have given generously over the last 12 months to support the work of St Andrew's, and our new hall project. The annual statements of individual

donations have been prepared, and sent out on email by our Treasurer, Chris Gill on behalf of Alan Swanborough, Gift Aid Secretary, to those who provided their email address. If you are expecting a statement by email, please also check your spam folder as it may have been directed there. If you have not received your statement, need a paper copy, or have any questions, please contact Alan Swanborough.

Christian Aid Week ... is fast approaching (12th–18th May). We deliver envelopes to all properties in the Westlands Parish but we no longer collect them. Instead, we have drop off points, obviously the more drop off points we have the more likely it is that people will donate. Therefore, please contact Simon Wright if you are willing to be a drop off address. You will only have to simply keep the envelopes and Simon will collect them from you.

Notices From Previous Weeks

St Andrew's Annual Meeting ... will be held in the hall at 6.30 pm on Sunday, 12th May, and will include worship, sermon and prayer. Please do collect a copy of our annual report beforehand (or you can download it [from our website](#))

We need to elect 15 members of the PCC (Parochial Church Council) for 2024-25. There are nomination forms at the back of the church for those who are willing to stand. We also need to elect two church wardens to serve for the next 12 months. Please note that signing that you are being willing to be nominated for either of these roles includes confirming (a) that you are a 'fit and proper person' to act as a charity trustee - the requirements for this being spelled out on the attached sheet; and (b) that you are willing to undergo DBS clearance. There is also an additional list for any who would like to volunteer to join the welcomer's rota.

St Andrew's Electoral Roll ... an up-to-date list of those now on the electoral roll is available at the back of church, you are welcome to check your entry.

Clicks and Likes ... we are looking to improve and increase St Andrew's online impact. What used to be done solely by word of mouth now includes pop-ups and app notifications on our smart phones and computers. So, while we are not undervaluing real human communication, we are looking to maximise our communication on digital media. To this end we are asking for Clicks and Likes from you all. We would really appreciate if, when you get our notifications, you

would click, like, and maybe comment. In doing so knowledge of our events and services can be spread further than just the church contact list. We would love that our “welcoming of our whole community” was as well heard of as possible, and you could play a part in that. If you haven't yet found us on Facebook, just search for *Church in the Westlands* and then subscribe. In addition, can we encourage men in the congregation to search for *St Andrew's Men's Fellowship* when you are on Facebook, and subscribe to that too. Thanks in advance. Digital Warriorship Committee.

Door to Door Introductions ... we are hoping to get together a small team to make personal contact with those living in some of the streets of St Andrew's parish, while we have the benefit of lighter evenings. Please let me know if you might be interested in being part of this team, or in praying for this ministry – Andrew

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