



## St Andrew's Westlands

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

*After 10.45 Sunday services, you are warmly invited to stay in church for refreshments. These will be served in the South aisle: tea & squash by the orange oval ceramic at the front, and filter coffee from the back.*

*Instant coffee should be available at either location if you want to reduce the queuing time.*

### Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> March

8.30 am Morning Worship

Revelation 3:1-6 (p.1237) Luke 6:20-26 (p.1039)

10.45 am Morning Worship

Opportunity for individual prayer after service in lady chapel

6.30 pm Holy Communion & Prayers for Healing, Parish Room

### Collect for: The Sunday Next Before Lent

*Almighty Father,  
whose Son was revealed in majesty  
before he suffered death upon the cross:  
give us grace to perceive his glory,  
that we may be strengthened to suffer with him  
and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory;  
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 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	2.00 pm	Craft & Chat, Parish Room
	4.00 pm	Xcite, Parish Room
	7.30 pm	Prayer Meeting, Parish Room
Tues 4 <sup>th</sup> March	10.00 am	Little Sparklers, Parish Room
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> March	8.30 am	Morning Prayer via Zoom
	1.30 pm	Renew Westlands Café, Parish Room
	6.30 pm	Ash Wednesday Holy Communion, Parish Room
	7.30 pm	Children's Worker Committee & Interview, Parish Room
Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup> March	10.00 am	Holy Communion, Parish Room
	7.30 pm	Standing Committee, Parish Room
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> March	7.30 pm	Compline via Zoom
Sat 8 <sup>th</sup> March	2.30 pm	Messy Church, Church & Parish Room
Sun 9 <sup>th</sup> March	8.30 am	Holy Communion
	10.45 am	All Age Worship
	6.30 pm	Café Church, Parish Room

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

**Children's Worker Vacancy** ... there is now one candidate, leading Sunday Club this morning and being interviewed on Wednesday. Please pray for him and for the Management Committee who are entrusted with filling the vacancy (Andrew Dawswell, Glenys Gill, Bob Bell, Sam Jones, Helen Dodds and Jill Kirk).

**Does Anyone Have** ... a small table-top bookshelf, bookends or a bookworm that are of no further use? Any of these would enable us to display a small selection of books on top of the bookshelves with books to borrow. If you can help, please speak to Helen Swanborough.

**Afternoon Tea** ... Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> March at 3.00 pm in the Parish Room. All are welcome to come and join with others for afternoon tea. Cost £4.50. Please pay on the day. Places can be booked by contacting Glenys Gill. Please also contact Glenys if you are able to help. Special diets can be catered for if you let us know in advance. We hope a good number of our Church family and friends will be able to join us. Offers of help will also be gratefully received.

## Notices From Previous Weeks

**Our Lent Course...** is entitled *Asking aright: biblical priorities in prayer*. It will take place on Wednesdays at 10.30 am and 7.30 pm in the Parish Room. March 12<sup>th</sup>- Approaching God aright; March 19<sup>th</sup>- The Lord's prayer; March 26<sup>th</sup>- The Lord at prayer; April 2<sup>nd</sup>- Learning from Paul's Prayers; April 9<sup>th</sup> Practical pointers from the bible. All welcome. Please indicate if you are planning to come for some or all of the course by signing the lists at the back of church.

Note: The week before the course begins, on 5<sup>th</sup> March, the Ash Wednesday Communion will be at the earlier-than-usual time of 6.30 pm.

**Spring Working Party - Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March (am)** ... the Facilities Committee will be undertaking some necessary maintenance tasks on this date, commencing at 9.00 am. Any offers of help would be much appreciated. Tasks will include window cleaning, sanding down and varnishing external doors, and improving wheelchair access to the paving at the front of church. If the weather is kind, some general tidying of the grounds is also possible, although not a priority. Please let Margaret know if you are able to help.

**Bunching of Daffodils for Mothering Sunday** ... this will take place in the church office on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> March, starting at 9.30 am. Please let Margaret know if you are able to help.

**Lifts to Church** ... we are very grateful to a number of people who help others with transport to church. Stuart Rushton, who co-ordinates requests for lifts to the 10.45 Sunday service, could do with some extra drivers, either on a regular or occasional basis. If you would like to know more, please speak to Stuart.

The number to ring to ask for a lift on Sunday is 07951 674453 - ring on the day anytime between 8.30-9.30 am.

**Dementia-Friendly Church Training** ... the Diocesan Enabler for this, Sarah Thorpe is running a training event at Holy Trinity Chesterton on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> March, to which members of other churches are warmly invited. It is at 9.30 for 10 am-12:30 pm, and is free, but booking is required -via [sarah.thorpe@lichfield.anglican.org](mailto:sarah.thorpe@lichfield.anglican.org) or 0798 224 8949.

**A Church Awayday** ... has been booked for Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> June at Rudyard Lake. It will include worship, teaching, fellowship, and a chance to enjoy the lakeside setting and/or activities. Lifts should be available for those who need them. More details including costs and

how to book will be issued nearer the time, but please put this date in your diary.

**Newcastle Foodbank** ... expresses their thanks to all who have supported them over the last year. They are currently particularly short of: tinned tomatoes, sponge puddings, tinned cold or hot meat, toilet rolls, washing up liquid, shaving gel and shampoo. Details of other ways to get involved or to help in 2025, including regular financial giving, are shown on <https://newcastlestaffs.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/>

**Snow/Ice** ... over winter it is possible there will be snowfall or ice on the church grounds. We will endeavour to keep a pedestrian route to the front door clear on Sundays. But even this is not always possible, and if the weather is particularly hazardous there may be occasions when we could close the car park for safety and ask cars to park on the road.

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*St Andrew's Church is a charity funded by donations. We don't expect visitors to contribute towards our running costs but if you would like to do so there are gift aid envelopes in the pews, and collection plates by the door. We are very grateful to all who support us as we seek to serve God here in the Westlands.*

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