

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 11th May

8.30 am Holy Communion

Acts 9:36-43 (p.1106) John 10:22-42 (p.1081)

10.45 am Confirmation & Holy Communion Service

We welcome Rt Rev Alistair Magowan, Assistant Bishop in the Lichfield Diocese

Opportunity for individual prayer after service in lady chapel

6.30 pm Worship & Annual Church Meeting, in the Parish Room

Collect for: The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Almighty God,

whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life:

raise us, who trust in him,

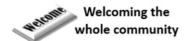
from the death of sin to the life of righteousness,

that we may seek those things which are above,

where he reigns with you

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. Amen.







This week ...

Mon 12th May 10.00 am Pastoral Visiting Team 12.30 pm Funeral of Susan Brown 2.00 pm Craft & Chat, Parish Room 4.00 pm Xcite, Parish Room 7.30 pm Prayer Meeting, Parish Room 7.30 pm Facilities Committee, Office Tues 13th May 10.00 am Little Sparklers, Parish Room 3.00 pm Afternoon Tea, Parish Room 7.00 pm Social Media Team, Parish Room Wed 14th May 8.30 am Morning Prayer via Zoom 10.30 am Home Group, Parish Poom 1.30 pm Renew Westlands Café, Parish Room 7.30 pm Home Group, Parish Poom Fri 16th May 10.30 am Forget Me Not Café, Parish Room 7.30 pm Compline via Zoom 10.30 am Tearfund Café. Church Sat 17th May Sun 18th May 8.30 am Morning Worship 10.45 am All Age Worship 6.30 pm Evening Worship, in the Church

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

Afternoon Tea ... Tuesday, 13th May 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.

Tearfund Open Café ... Saturday 17th May at 10.30 am - come and enjoy refreshments, browse the stalls and support some of the poorest people in the world. Donations of plants, books, CDs, DVDs, toys and games in good condition as well as homemade cakes/biscuits to sell would be most welcome. Please leave any donations at the back of church. Paper plates are available to put cakes on.

Tearfund Display... a display about the work of Tearfund is on the boards at the back of church. Tearfund works in partnership with local churches and communities in more than 50 countries to try to alleviate the challenges of extreme poverty. Tearfund also provides relief when disasters occur and works in areas of conflict. All the work is underpinned by prayer.

Notices From Previous Weeks

Door to Door Introductions ... we are again 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.

St Andrew's Annual Meeting ... will be held in the Parish Room at 6.30 pm this evening (Sunday, 11th 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 2025-26. There are nomination forms at the back of the church for those who are willing to stand - anyone on the electoral rolls for both 2024 and 2025 is eligible. 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.

Home Groups ... one group will meet on MS Teams on Tuesdays at 7.30 pm, the others will meet in person on Wednesdays at 10.30 am and 7.30 pm; and Thursdays at 7.30 pm. They will meet on 14th May & 20/21/22 May, 3/4/5 and 17/18/19 June and 1/2/3 July and will continue to study a series on 'Meeting God', written by J.I.Packer, and looking at 12 key bible passages that enlarge our vision of our Heavenly Father.

Jigsaw Festival ... Saturday 19th July, 10 am to 3.30 pm - your help needed please. The Events Group are planning a Jigsaw Festival as part of the celebrations for the completion of our new hall. Could you please help in the following ways:

- 1. Do you have any large pieces of sturdy cardboard packing or boxes that can be cut to mount jigsaws on?
- 2. Would you be willing to donate a new or used but 100% complete and good condition jigsaw that we can sell? 1000, 500 or less pieces, including children's or larger piece adults puzzles.
- 3. Would you or your family be willing to construct jigsaws in advance of the event, that we can lay on cardboard and display? Please contact Margaret Hollins to discuss any of these. Please let me know details of what you may have to contribute. We will also need help on the day and the day before, with setting up, helping with refreshments, etc. Full details in due course.

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Transport to 10.30 service: 07951 674453 on the morning.8.30-9.30 am St Andrew's Church (charity number 1132163) is 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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