

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 & instant coffee by the orange oval ceramic at the front, and filter coffee from the back..

Sunday 25th May

8.30 am Holy Communion

Isaiah 40:21-31 (p.725) 1 Corinthians 8:1-6 (p.1151)

10.45 am Morning Worship Opportunity for individual prayer after service in lady chapel

6.30 pm Evening Worship, in Church

Collect for: The Sixth Sunday of Easter

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**





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This week ...

Wed 28 th May	12.00 pm	Morning Prayer via Zoom Funeral of Alan Fox Renew Westlands Café, Parish Room
Thurs 29 th May		Book Club, Parish Room Ascension Day Holy Communion, in Church
Fri 30 th May	7.30 pm	Compline via Zoom
Sat 31 st May	pm	Community Orchestra Rehearsals, in Church
Sun 1 st June	10.45 am	Morning Worship Morning Worship Holy Communion & Prayers for Healing, in Church

With the school holidays, there are no open building days these weeks.

Our Safeguarding Officer... is Sue Maddison - do contact her or the vicar if you have any concerns. She is also a member of the PCC.

Door to Door Introductions ... on the evenings of Wednesday 18th June and Wednesday 6th August (NB not July as previously stated) we are planning to make personal contact with those living in some of the streets of St Andrew's Parish. It would be great if others could join the small team that we have recruited so far, gathering at 6.30 pm (till 8.00 pm). Please speak to Andrew or to Irene Hardacre if you want to know more.

Support for the Developing World...

- Just over £1200 has been raised at the Open Café, and will be passed on to Tearfund.
- Christian Aid Week envelopes can be returned to the local addresses given on them, or via the church collection plate.

Thank you very much for all who helped to organise, or supported these events.

Church Gardening ... 6 gallant volunteers (average age about 80) worked very hard on Friday 9th May (many thanks) but there is a great deal more to be done to tidy up our grounds. The Facilities Committee are therefore planning two more gardening mornings on Friday 27th and Saturday 28th June. Could you spare a couple of hours to help, please? Especially if you are younger than us and have more muscle power. We need some succession planning, so any help would be very

much appreciated. Please let Margaret know if you can help and on which day.

Notices From Previous Weeks

Rudyard Awayday, Saturday 14th June ... we are hoping that a good number will join us for this day for worship, teaching and fellowship in a great setting. Cost £10 including drinks and sandwich buffet lunch, we will aim to make transport available for those who need it. If you haven't yet received a flyer about this, do please take one from the back of church. Replies are needed by next Sunday (1st June.)

Annual Meeting ... we had a full complement of nominations to serve for 2025/2026 on our PCC: Helen Collins, Irene Hardacre, Gillian Moss, Stuart Rushton, Helen McGarry, Jane Machin, Sue Maddison, Margaret Hollins, Bob Bell, Tania Arnold, Stuart Jackson, Karen Gallagher, Steve Forrester, David Leech, Alan Swanborough, Helen Swanborough, Chris Gill and Glenys Gill, all continuing in this role for another year, joined by Neil Thompson, and by our wardens Sam Jones (continuing) and Marie Bateman (taking over from Margaret Hollins). We are very grateful to all who serve in this way.

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 or hardboard 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 her 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. **Nicene Creed:** We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds

from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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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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