



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 for refreshments, which will be served in the new hall.

Do take this notice sheet home with you – there's a very warm welcome to participate in the activities listed

Sunday 26th April

8.30 am Morning Worship

Act 2:42-end (p.1097) John 10:1-10 (p.1080)

10.45 am Holy Communion

Opportunity for individual prayer after service in lady chapel

6.30 pm Evening Worship, 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.**



Welcoming the
whole community



Discovering
God's love



Following
Jesus' teaching

This week...

Mon 27 th April	12.15 pm	Funeral, Church
	4.00 pm	Xcite, Hall
Tues 28 th April	10.00 am	Little Sparklers, Parish Room
	7.30 pm	Home Group, via MSTeams
Wed 29 th April	8.30 am	Morning Prayer via Zoom
	1.30 pm	Renew Westlands Café, Hall
Thurs 30 th April	10.30 pm	Book Club, Parish Room
Fri 1 st May	7.30 pm	Compline via Zoom
Sun 3 rd May	8.30 am	Morning Worship
	10.45 am	Morning Worship
	6.30 pm	Holy Communion, Parish Room

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

Church Awayday... if you haven't yet got a leaflet about this, please do take one from the back of church. It is on Saturday 20th June at Cloverley Hall, including worship, teaching and fellowship. Please return booking slips by 17th May, along with payment of £30 for adults (either in cash or cheques payable to St Andrews Westlands PCC) free for children. Transport available if needed.

Links For Deliveries ... bundles are available for collection from the back of church. If you do not live in the delivery area, please do take a copy from the back of church – we are very keen that all who are part of the church know what is going on too!

St Andrew's Annual Meeting ... will be held in the Parish Room at 6.30 pm on Sunday, 10th 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 2026-27, and 3 Members of Deanery Synod ...there are nomination forms at the back of the church for those who are willing to stand - anyone who has been on the electoral roll since 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.

Tearfund Open Café ... Saturday 16th 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, smaller items of bric-a-brac, 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

Engaging With The Bible ... there is an encouragement to try one of online aids that different church members have highlighted recently: the YouVersion or lectio365 smartphone apps; or the wordlive.org website.

St Andrew's New Electoral Roll ... is at the back of church, you are welcome to check your entry.

Home Groups Have Restarted ... our study series 'Living by Faith' will be mainly exploring the book of Habakkuk. 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 continue to meet on 28 April/6 May/7 May, 12/20/21 May, 2/3/4 & 16/17/18 June and 30 June/1/2 July. All welcome.

Tearfund Cafe Plant Stall - Saturday 16th May ... Mike and I will be running the plant stall again this year, so if anyone is thinking of splitting plants and has some spare, why not pot them up, label clearly and save them for sale? Many thanks, Margaret Holins.

Church Silver we are looking for a volunteer to keep this in good condition. This probably requires an annual full polish and some more limited attention every quarter. Please speak to Andrew or to Diana Cotes if you are interested in finding out more.

Drivers Needed ... we are very grateful to Stuart Rushton for continuing to co-ordinate lifts to the 10.45 am Sunday service. However, we really need to increase the number of potential drivers. If you want to know more, please speak to Stuart.

Concert at St Andrew's ... on Saturday, 9th May at 7.30 pm. Bard & Broadway - with music by Shearing, Bernstein, Rodgers & Diemer. Tickets are £15, £7.50 for students and under 16s are free.

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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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