St Andrew's Westlands

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

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

Sunday 1st November

8.30 am Morning Worship

Revelation 1:4-8 (p.1235) John 1:1-18 (p.1068)

10.45 am Morning Worship

Opportunity for individual prayer after service in lady chapel

4.00 pm Memorial & Thanksgiving Service, Church

Collect for: The 4th Sunday Before Advent
Almighty and eternal God,
you have kindled the flame of love
in the hearts of the saints:
grant to us the same faith and power of love,
that, as we rejoice in their triumphs,
we may be sustained by their example and fellowship;
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.**



Welcoming the whole community



Discovering God's love



Following Jesus' teaching

This week…

Mon 2nd Nov	2.00 pm	Craft & Chat, Hall
	4.00 pm	Xcite, Hall
	7.30 pm	Prayer Meeting, Hall
Tues 3rd Nov	10.00 am	Little Sparklers, Hall
	10.15 am	Identity Course, Vicarage
	2.00 pm	Piano Tuning, Parish Room
Wed 4th Nov	10.30 am	Home Group
	1.30 pm	Renew Westlands Café, Hall
	7.30 pm	Home Group
Thurs 5th Nov	10.00 am	Holy Communion, venue to be confirmed
	7.30 pm	Home Group
Fri 6th Nov	All Day	Music Exams, Church & Parish Room
	7.30 pm	Compline via Zoom link
Sat 7th Nov	All Day	Music Exams, Church & Parish Room
	2.30 pm	Messy Church, Hall
Sun 8th Nov	8.30 am	Holy Communion
	10.45 am	All Age Worship
	6.30 pm	Café Church, Parish Room

There are no church building opening days this week.

Resurfacing of Car park and Driveways … has been delayed initially by the very bad weather last week, and then by having to compete with pre-existing demands on the contractor's resources. However the project nonetheless continues to be progressing reasonably well.

Afternoon Tea ... Tuesday, 10th November at 3.00 pm in the Hall. All are welcome to come and join with others for afternoon tea. Cost £5.00. 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.

Following the Remembrance Service … on 8th November, there will be a bookstall in the Church Hall with Christmas cards, Advent calendars, Advent candles and books for sale. If you have any particular requests for items, please speak to Helen Swanborough.

Notices from Previous Weeks

The Identity Course ... will be meeting on Tuesdays, arrivals from 10.15 am, beginning this week (3rd November). It is for anyone wanting to know more about the Christian faith, or looking for a reminder of its basic teachings. Each week will include a discussion starter on DVD, with opportunities for interaction and questions. For more details contact Andrew Dawswell.

Annual Memorial Service … will be at 4.00 pm today (Sunday 1st November), with cake and drinks in the hall afterwards - as usual, this is in place of a 6.30 pm service. As well as mentioning by name those whose funerals we have taken over the last year, others can also be included – do contact Irene Hardacre if you would like this to happen.

British Legion Poppy Appeal … a supply of poppies is now available at the back of the church. Please support this annual appeal and buy a poppy. Our 10.45 am service on 8th November will, as usual, include an act of remembrance. I'm considering what to focus on - and would be interested to know if any have served at sea, or have had close family who have done so – Andrew.

Working Party Mornings… there will be working parties to tidy up the church site from 9.30-lunchtime on Friday 20th and Saturday 21st November. You can come for all or part of the morning and refreshments will be provided. If you can, do bring appropriate implements for clearing leaves as this will be the main task but there will be other jobs too. Please let Marie Bateman know if you are able to help on either or both of the days so that she can inform you of any changes of arrangements due to bad weather.

Tearfund Big Quiz … Saturday 14th November 2026 – 7pm in the Church Hall, with savoury nibbles and soft drinks served at the start, and a mid-way break for tea/coffee and dessert/cake. Suggested donation of £5 per adult, and £1 per child to be given on the night - the quiz is intended to be suitable for adults and secondary school aged children. You can form a team in advance or join up with others on the night. There is a sign-up list for attendance at the back of church to help us gauge numbers, and if you can help with providing any of the refreshments, it would be greatly appreciated if you could also fill out the refreshments form.

Link to Hope Shoebox Appeal 2026 … we have again signed up to this appeal. If you search using the heading above all information will be

available to you. *Please note that any shoeboxes need to be left at the back of church or given to Simon by today (Sunday 1st November).*

Christmas Wreath Making Workshop … Saturday 28th November 2026, 2–4 pm in the church hall, this will be led by Emma Williams (Field Floristry, Market Drayton) who will show us how to make a beautiful door wreath for the Christmas season. The cost will be £40 per person, with all materials provided. Drinks and homemade cakes are included in the price. Numbers are limited, so if you would like to attend, please sign the list at the back of church or book via Glenys Gill. A deposit of £10 will be required when booking or alternatively the full cost can be paid in advance either by cash or card. Come along and join in whether you are an expert or a novice!

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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.