

ST ANDREW'S CHURCH, GREAT LINFORD

STANTONBURY ECUMENICAL PARISH

Anglican, Baptist, Methodist, United Reformed Church



19th November
10am Eucharist

Trinity 23
Chuks Iwuagwu

Readings: 1 Thessalonians 25: 1-11
Matthew 25 14-30

Next Sunday:

26th November
10am Eucharist

Sunday before Advent
John Beazley

IT'S THIS EVENING! at 5pm in the church
'A BIG SING with John Bell of the Iona Community'
All welcome - Come along and help raise the roof!

*** MORNING PRAYER: every Saturday at 8.30am in church ***

Sunday 19th November	A Big Sing with John Bell of the Iona Community starts 5pm in St Andrews
Saturday 25th November	Safeguarding Foundation Training 10 – 1 at Christ Church, Stantonbury (see below)
Saturday 25th November	Advent Coffee Morning 10.30am to 12 noon in the church

ANGEL TREE CARDS

Please hand your cards and gifts into Freddie this morning who needs to hand them in to Prison Fellowship on Monday. Many thanks for the generous response, especially from those of you who take part year in year out.

CHURCH ROTA

The new rota for the period December 17 – February 18 has been sent out and labeled paper copies are available in the steward's area for those of you who have a printed copy. Please pick yours up as soon as possible. There are a few spares for those of you who would anyway like a printed copy.

PRE-ORDERS FOR THE ADVENT COFFEE MORNING

10.30am – 12 noon on Saturday 25th November (in the church)

The advanced orders lists for Xmas cakes and puddings have now been closed. Fear not, though, there should be some extra available to purchase on the day.

ST. ANDREW'S CALENDARS

These will be on sale at the Advent Coffee Morning (although you can get them from Derek Clark any time – but you might be unlucky if you leave it much longer)

MESSAGE FROM ANDY JOWITT

“Jane & I were very touched and surprised by the generous gift of garden tokens from Christ Church and St Andrew's. It was a very kind gift and we'll really look forward to using them.” Andy

~ REMINDERS ~

HELPING AT THE ADVENT COFFEE MORNING

10.30am – 12 noon on Saturday 25th November (in the church)

Suzanne and Mike Carter will need help from kind folk who could come into church on the Friday before between say 3 – 4 to help set up the church and/or at about 12.15 on the Saturday to help put it all back to normal, or give essential help in the kitchen throughout the morning on the day, so please everyone look out for the sign-up sheet.

SAFEGUARDING FOUNDATION COURSE AT CHRIST CHURCH, STANTONBURY

9.45 for 10am – 1pm on 25th November

For those of you who were unable to attend the training on November 4th, and who would still like to do so, please see the notice board for details of the introductory course, *Creating Safer Space*, being run by the Methodist Church at Christ Church on November 25th. If you wish to attend please contact Ian Wass direct via the details on the flyer. *Janet Galley, Safeguarding Officer*

WE'RE STILL COLLECTING USED POSTAGE STAMPS!

On behalf of 'Embrace the Middle East', a plea goes out that we continue to support its Stamp Fellowship, by saving our used postage stamps, especially now, nearing Christmas. They provide vital funding for The Helen Keller Centre for blind children, near Jerusalem. The stamp raising fellowship was started in 1946 by a British serviceman who spent much of the war in Jerusalem and used to visit the home then. Find out more at: embraceme.org/get-involved or speak to Deirdre Hall.

Please tear around the stamps (leaving a decent margin as the perforations must be intact) and leave them in the folder on the noticeboard at the back of the church.

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

Healing Prayer Group: 2pm at 9 Solar Court on the 1st Monday of month

House Group : 7.30pm on Monday evenings (date/venue varies)

Church Bellringers: every Tuesday at 7.30pm

Communion on the first Wednesday of the month: 10am at St. Andrews followed by coffee. Church usually stays open till 1pm

Children's Choir: rehearsals every Wednesday during term time from 5.15–6.15pm

Lunch & Learn: 4th Wednesday of every month at 10.45 at Christ Church, Stantonbury

WHO TO CONTACT AT ST. ANDREWS

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