

OUTWARD GIVING - A Token of Thanks from the Waltons

On the vestibule board is a photo collage in the shape of Africa, a token of grateful thanks from the Waltons who were with us here at St Andrew's last month. They have been bowled over by the farewell gift of £1,000 from the church presented to them at the end of the service on the Sunday of their visit. The Africa collage is made up of innumerable tiny snaps reflecting experiences in Tanzania over the period of fourteen years spent living out their mission in working there, schooling there and worshipping at St Monica's church. We pass on the heartfelt message of thanks from Simon and Laura, Grace, Esther and James and continue to hold them in our prayers. Come June/July the family will have been back in the UK for a year and we join them in rejoicing in the good news that Grace has been offered a conditional place to begin her medical studies at Newcastle University. Please pray especially for her as she has set her heart on becoming a doctor and will need to achieve the grades required to take up this place in September.

Liz & Jack

THIS WEEK IN JUNIOR CHURCH - John 4:5-42

This week in Junior Church our title is *Thirsty work*. Jesus talked with a Samaritan woman about 'living water' and revealed himself to be the long-awaited Messiah, the Saviour of the world. Many Samaritans came to believe in Jesus because of this woman's belief in Jesus and her testimony. We will learn about how Jesus is the living water, the power of testimony and how we too, can make a difference in someone's life. **Our Prayer of Thanksgiving for this week:** *Jesus, you knew absolutely everything there was to know about the woman at the well. Thank you, Jesus, that you know us like that, too, even though that can feel a bit scary. Thank you that we are all different, but you love each one of us in a very special way. Amen.*

CONTACTS

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The Third Sunday of Lent

WEEKLY NEWS 19 March

Today's Services

8am Holy Communion

Minister: Revd Mary-Beth Hawrish

9.30am Morning Prayer

Minister: David Crouch

Preacher: Phillip Herbert

Talk by Hugh Bryant from Food Bank

Reader: Mary Hilborne

Prayers: David Crouch

11.15am Oxshott Praise Communion and Junior Church

Minister: Revd Mary-Beth Hawrish

Preacher: Phillip Herbert

Reader: Caroline Green

Prayers: Revd Mary-Beth Hawrish

READINGS

For 8am Service

Luke 18:1-8 (NT p78)

for 9.30 and 11.15am

1 Peter 5:1-14 (NT p232)

John 21:15-19 (NT p112)

Welcome!

We welcome you to our services.

St Andrew's seeks to be a vibrant, growing and united church, reaching out to proclaim the Gospel of Christ.

If you are new or would like to know more about our activities, please pick up a 'Welcome' leaflet in the vestibule, speak to a leader or see the website.

Children's Activities on Sundays

In term time, at 11.15am children are invited to come into Church for a time of worship before going into their Junior Church groups:

Scramblers and Climbers aged 3-8

Explorers aged 8-11

Pathfinders aged 11+

Sunday evenings:

Quest for Year 10+ Encounter for 10-14s

Speak to Josey for more information.

Refreshments

You are invited for chat over coffee and biscuits served between the services.

Recording of Sermons

Recordings of the sermons can be downloaded from our website

For more news, information and calendar of events go to
www.standrewsoxshott.org.uk

TODAY



At Morning Prayer Hugh Bryant joins us to tell us how the work of our local Food Bank is progressing. Should you wish to make a financial gift to support this needy work, please put in a gift aid envelope and put your gift in the collection box nearby. Cheques should be made payable to St Andrew's Church. And, please see the list in the collecting bin for special requirements for this week.



Easter Cards for Sale

The Monday Craft Group will be selling hand-made cards in the vestibule at coffee time. All proceeds raise money for St Andrew's.

1 Peter 5:1-14 *Living in the Real*

World: Living with Confidence:

the conclusion of our teaching series. If you have missed any of the talks, they are available as a download from the website.



THIS WEEK

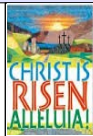
Monday 20 March	9am	Easter Workshop for RKS
	2-4pm	Craft Group
Tuesday 21 March	9am	Easter Workshop for RKS
Wednesday 22 March	10am	Holy Communion - Revd Mary-Beth Hawrith MUCC
	12.30pm	Lunch Club
	3.15pm	Kids Alive 325
Thursday 23 March	3.30pm	Ministry Meeting
Friday 24 March	6pm	Choir Practice
	8pm	
Saturday 25 March	8.30am	Prayers for the Parish
Sunday 26 March	8am	Service of the Word - Karen Banks
	9.30am	Holy Communion: Rt Revd Andrew Watson
	11.15am	Oxshott Praise: Rt Revd Andrew Watson

HELP NEEDED

Lent

Giving Ourselves to God.

Come and pray with us this Lent. See the purple leaflet for information.



Easter Story Telling Days

20 & 21 March

It's not too late to offer help

Lead a prayer station: words and materials supplied; help walk children to and from school; pray for the children and all involved. Speak to Josey for more details.

Spring Cleaning Morning: 1 April 9-1pm

Help make the church sparkle for Easter. Sign on the list on the magazine cupboard door. Refreshments provided.



WELCOME



Free Wi-Fi Now Available!

in the vestibule, come and join us in Coffee Corner

8.30 - 10.15am and 10.15 - 12noon

Volunteers urgently needed!

Can you help?
Please fill the spaces for: last few weeks in March, last week in April and first week in May.

ELECTORAL ROLL REVISION - Forms are due today

Electoral Roll: Putting your name behind your faith

Putting your name on the roll is a way of saying 'I belong' - it is an act of commitment to your church and to the Church as a whole. Joining the electoral roll opens up the way for greater involvement in the life of the Church. You become entitled to stand for election to the PCC and vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting which this year will be on **9 April (Palm Sunday) at 7pm.**

If you would like to be included on the roll today is your last opportunity!
NB If you completed a form in 2013 or later, you don't need to register again.
The revised roll will be available in the office from next Saturday.

Electoral Roll

- ☒ **Belong**
- ☒ **Participate**
- ☒ **Contribute**

WHAT'S ON



Lunch Club Wednesday 22 March 12.30pm in the Church Hall

Meet old and new friends over a delicious, home-cooked, 2 course meal with coffee and wine. For more information, contact 01372 842071



Sunday 26 March Mothering Sunday services at 9.30 and 11.15am

Bishop Andrew leads our services at which flowers for Mothering Sunday will be distributed.



Revd Frances Trickey's Induction April 25 at 7pm

The list for volunteers is now up in the vestibule. Volunteers are needed for: welcoming guests; washing up, seating; car parking, drinks and setting up/packing away

CHURCHWARDENS BLOG @ 17 March



In the event the main event of our week was a non-event.

The annual meeting of the sidesmen (of both gender but the term sidewoman might suggest an unsavoury connotation) was to have taken place earlier in the week. It was called off at the last minute due to the ill health of Gwen our long standing and omniscient Senior Sides'man'.

We were disappointed because we had intended to express our appreciation then for the valuable way in which they assist us in our work week by week. If you're a sidesman at St Andrews and reading this blog please accept our sincere appreciation for all you do. And to Gwen goes an even bigger expression of thanks with our loving concern and prayers for your health.

The first of the ten duties of sidesmen listed in the Churchwardens' handbook is providing the 'books and papers needed for services': the last is 'how to contact the police'. Somewhere in the middle is the counting of the money and putting it in the safe.

If you're reading this and not yet a sidesman why not give it a try? Training is available.