

28th January

Presentation of Christ in the temple Candlemas

8am Holy Communion

Presiding: Peter Vickers
Preaching: David Taylor
Intercessor: Richard Hollington
Reader: Dominic Combe

10am Parish Communion

Presiding: Peter Vickers
Preaching: David Taylor
Intercessor: David Tipping
Readers: Kathy Moyse and Geoff Morris

6pm Candlemas Choral Evensong

Presiding: Godfrey Hilliard

Friday 2nd February

10:30am Holy Communion

Presiding and Preaching:
Charleen Hollington

Welcome to St Andrew's!

Welcome to St Andrew's. We extend a very warm welcome, If this is the first time you are joining us please do introduce yourself to one of the clergy or someone with a name badge. If you would like more information on anything at St Andrew's please leave your details on the card on the desk. Members of all Christian churches are most welcome to receive Holy Communion. We have an audio loop in the church and large print versions of our service booklet are available. Please use a yellow Gift Aid envelope if you would like to make a donation. There is a WC in the corner of the church, just past the organ. We hope you enjoy the service.

Kids' Church is a time of teaching, fun and worship for children and young people. We have activities available for children from the age of 2 to 13 and up. Please enter through the main door of Church Gate House. Children join their families to worship together for the last part of the service. **Parents should meet their children at the Church's main door at the start of Holy Communion.**

At the back of the Church there is an activity space for very small children.

SAY It's Sunday youth group for year 6 and above meet at 6pm during term time in Church Gate House.

Refreshments Tea & Coffee will be served after the 10am service by Carrie Taylor and Lyn Sahami. please do join us.

This week's prayers and readings:

Service Booklets:

8am & 10am:

Feast Day Booklet

Readings:

8am & 10am:

Malachi 3:1-5

(OT 926)

Hebrews 2: 14-end

(NT 234)

Luke 2:22-40 (NT 63)

Collect for The Presentation of Christ

Almighty and ever-living
God, clothed in majesty,
whose beloved Son was this
day presented in the
Temple, in substance of our
flesh: grant that we may be
presented to you with pure
and clean hearts, by your
Son Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with
you, in the unity of the Holy
Spirit, one God, now and for
ever. Amen

Praying For:

- Peter and David as they lead our services today. Pray that God will speak to us through their words as we worship together.
- Those reading and leading the prayers.
- Those attending and leading Kids' Church today
- SAY It's Sunday Youth Group

Pastoral/Church

- The bereaved family and friends of Sheila Wort and John French
- Those in our congregation who are ill, recovering from operations or lonely.
- The successful outcome of the treatment to beat lung cancer faced by Liz Bradley, and her family.
- Peter Franz as he faces further treatment for cancer.
- Polly Zabari as she prepares to face chemotherapy.
- Nichole Carson as she starts dialysis.
- Dean who is suffering with pancreatitis.
- Clive Moorman who has cracked ribs.
- Christine Woodfield recovers from her fall.
- The Church Wardens & Clergy during the Interregnum.
- A response to the advert for the new Rector in the Church Times in the last two weeks.
- The victims and those affected by the fires in Korea.

A VACANCY PRAYER

God our father, you have welcomed each one of us in Jesus and called us to be His Body in this place; Send us your Holy Spirit, at this time of uncertainty and change, to fill us with vision, energy and faithfulness in prayer, that we may be true to our calling to bring new life to our community; And guide with your heavenly wisdom those who are to choose a new Rector for this Benefice, that the one whom we receive may be a wise and gentle shepherd of your people: ready to serve us with joy, to build us up in faith and to lead us by example in loving obedience to your son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen

This week's notices:

ECUMENICAL DISCUSSION GROUPS LENT 2018.

Better Together? All about relationships – in the church and within family and society. An ecumenical course for discussion groups in five sessions will start during the week commencing 19th February 2018. More details and sign up sheets in the porch.

AVENUE OF REMEMBRANCE Following the public consultation in September 2017 work will start on site during the week commencing 29 January. All the existing cherry trees will be removed and the soil will be improved prior to planting young replacement cherries. A meadow strip will be then sowed underneath the young trees. Planting of the 46 new trees will commence in the week beginning 12 February subject to weather conditions. The meadow will be sown in the spring.

LIFT TO CHURCH REQUIRED we urgently need volunteers to offer lifts to the 10am service. If you can help regularly or occasionally please contact Elaine Bray in the office.

WELCOME LUNCH if you have recently joined the congregation you are warmly invited to our welcome lunch after the family service on 4th February. It will be an opportunity to informally share a light lunch, meet more people and ask any questions you may have about St Andrew's. Please sign up on the sheet in the porch or let Elaine in the office or Esther in Kids' Church know if you are able to come to the lunch.

THE FOOD BANK would be grateful for Tomato ketchup, UHT/Long-life fruit juice or squash, Custard, Tinned vegetables (not sweetcorn, pulses or beans please), Tinned potatoes, Tinned fruit, pasta sauce, sponge pudding, large instant coffee, Sugar (500g) or Dog & Cat food.

MAIASTRA CONCERT this evening at 7:30pm and on the 11th February at 7:30pm. Details of the two different programmes on the different flyers.

CHORAL EVENSONG FOR CANDLEMAS at St Mary's this evening at 6pm. Details of the music on the poster.

Sunday 4th February – 2nd Sunday before Lent

8am Holy Communion Presiding & Preaching: Charleen Hollington	10am Family Service Leading: Esther Holley Talking: Moni Babatunde	6pm Evensong Presiding: Godfrey Hilliard
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Upcoming Events

Sunday 28 th	8am	Holy Communion
	10am	Parish Communion
	6pm	SAY It's Sunday Youth Group
	7:30pm	Maiastra Concert
Tuesday 30 th	9am	Morning Prayer
	7:30pm	Preaching Workshop (Clergy & Lay Preachers)
Wednesday 31 st	9am	Morning Prayer
	10:30am	Baby Talk
	7pm	14+ Youth Group
Friday 2 nd February	10:30am	Holy Communion
Sunday 4 th	8am	Holy Communion
	10am	Family Worship – <i>The Loving Father</i>
	12:30pm	Welcome lunch
	6pm	SAY It's Sunday Youth Group
Monday 5 th	8pm	Vacancy Prayer Meeting
Tuesday 6 th	9am	Morning Prayer
Wednesday 7 th	9am	Morning Prayer
	10:30am	Baby Talk
	7pm	14+ Youth Group
Thursday 8 th	7pm	Spiritual Cinema – <i>Erin Brockovich (15)</i>
Friday 9 th	10:30am	Holy Communion
	12 noon	Lunch Club