



**July 2026
Newsletter**



St Andrew's Sponsored Child Update – Spring 2026

Meet Filza Farhin (Age 9)

It is a pleasure to share the latest news about Filza Farhin, the child supported by St Andrew's through the DFN sponsorship programme in India.

Filza attends school at Thakurani Chowk and continues to make encouraging progress in her studies. Her teachers report that she is working hard and achieving good results across a range of subjects. In

her most recent assessments she performed particularly well in Bengali, Science, Social Science and Hindi.

Filza's family faces significant challenges. Her father serves in the Indian Army, and the family struggles to meet their basic needs while living in a small house. Through the support of St Andrew's, Filza is able to attend school regularly, receive educational resources, and continue building a brighter future.

Beyond her studies, Filza enjoys karate, showing enthusiasm both in and out of the classroom.

Her school provides a structured education programme, with dedicated teachers offering additional support where needed. Students also benefit from health and hygiene workshops, as well as celebrations of special events such as World Environment Day, Literacy Day and Teachers' Day.

Your generosity is making a tangible difference in Filza's life. Education is opening doors of opportunity and helping to break the cycle of poverty for her and her family.

Thank you for your continued support and prayers for Filza and her family.

"Train up a child in the way he should go..." (Proverbs 22:6)





Farleigh
Hospice

Songs for Summer

with Farleigh Community Choir & Friends

Saturday 11th July 2026

St Andrews Church, Chelmsford, CM1 2DT



7pm - doors open at 6.30pm



£5 per person - tickets available on the door

Refreshments available to buy during the evening

We'd love to see you there!



Registered charity number: 284670 - Company number: 01619905

Chelmsford Community Church and
St Andrews Church have teamed up to bring you

Pizza and Pastor Evenings

Come and share pizza
and chat about faith & life
with **Priest Simon Pearce**
and **Pastor Chris Jackson**



Ask anything!

📞 **07548 940 712**

Text a question in advance
or ask on the night / pop a
question in our question box



**For more information
on upcoming dates**

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**Everyone
welcome –
bring a
friend!**



Enjoy pizza
and relaxed
conversation



Explore
faith in a
friendly space



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St Andrew's Church (Adults)

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Chelmsford, CM1 2QT



**Chelmsford Community
Church (Teens)**

Trent Road,
Chelmsford, CM1 2LQ



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Eco Tip

It's Plastic Free July and this year we're thinking about laundry, a top source of microplastic pollution.

Fibres from synthetic clothes (polyester, nylon, and acrylic for example) shed tiny fibres during washing and drying. These enter the sewage systems and are hard to filter out.

Use a microfibre bag or ball to catch the fibres.

Learn more about reducing plastic pollution in the laundry process at plasticfreejuly.org/get-involved/what-you-can-do/plastic-free-laundry/ and more about this year's campaign at plasticfreejuly.org.

The CHOSEN



Come and experience the story of Jesus like never before

A powerful TV series about the life of Jesus

What to expect:

- ✓ Watch an episode first
- ✓ Relaxed group discussion follows
- ✓ A welcoming, informal atmosphere

St Andrew's Church, Chelmsford
Fortnightly on Monday evenings

7:15pm – 8:45pm

Free entry

Everyone is welcome



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This month we are watching on **13th and 27th July**.

Please feel free to come to all or just some of the meetings .

Don't worry if you haven't seen them all – you can start watching at any time.

The Chosen



What happens on the night?

We meet fortnightly on Monday evenings at 7:15pm:

- First: we watch an episode of The Chosen
- Then: we hold a relaxed roundtable discussion

These discussions include insights from different Christian traditions and are followed by open, friendly conversation where everyone is free to share, or simply listen.

The Chosen – Bringing the Gospel to Life

At St Andrew's, something special has been quietly growing over the past year—an evening gathering centred around the global TV series The Chosen. For those unfamiliar, The Chosen is a historical drama based on the life of Jesus, told through the eyes of those who knew Him.

Set in first-century Israel under Roman occupation, it offers a fresh and deeply personal portrayal of Jesus

and His followers—bringing Scripture to life in a way that feels real, relatable, and engaging.

What began following our Alpha Course in 2024 as a small group seeking to continue fellowship, has grown into a welcoming outreach open to everyone, whether you are exploring faith, new to church, or have been a Christian for many years.

Real impact

Since launching in June 2025:

- 47 different people have attended
- We've welcomed people from multiple churches and walks of life

Attendees have included those exploring faith, those returning to church, and members of our wider community.

One attendee beautifully summed it up:

"I used to read my Bible in black and white, but now I see it in colour."

Others have shared that it has renewed their interest in the Bible, deepened their faith, and even encouraged them to attend church regularly.



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A true team effort

These evenings are made possible by a small but dedicated team; from setting up the church and running the tech, to providing refreshments and welcoming guests. It's a real community effort, and everyone plays a part.

A global movement

The Chosen is now available in over 125 languages, with a vision to reach 600. Around the world it is being watched in homes, churches, prisons, and community groups—helping people encounter Jesus in a deeply personal way.

Looking ahead



You are invited

Whether you're curious, questioning, or committed—there is a place for you.

We are continuing through Seasons 3–5 this year.

We also hope to attend cinema releases of future seasons together.

Come along, watch, listen, and be part of the conversation.

St Andrew's Church, fortnightly on Monday evenings at 7:15pm
Refreshments provided.



Praise at The Place will be on **Sunday 19th July** gathering from **6:30pm.**

Praise at The Place is our contemporary worship evening. It's less structured than a normal morning service and often follows different themes. At the heart of the Place is a desire to create space to encounter God through different ways of worship. It takes place on the 3rd Sunday of every month.



Messy Church

Come and join us on 5th July for all our usual activities, worship and refreshments.

Messy Church takes place on the first Sunday of every month at 4.00 pm.

Don't forget - Messy Church is for people of ALL AGES so come and join us



This month, Energise will be on **12th July** during the 10.00am service.

This will be the last Energise before the school holidays and we will have a break until September

Energise is for school age children and young people.

We meet on the second and fourth Sundays of the month.

Weekly Events



MORNING PRAYER

Thursday Mornings
9:30am



HOLY COMMUNION

Thursday Mornings
10:00am



There is great coffee and tea with homemade cakes, soup and toast at our cafe.

There are plenty of friendly people to chat to so why not come and join us for coffee?

Little Fishes takes place in the Church Hall on Fridays **in term time**, between 9.45 and 11.45 a.m.

It is for children 0-5 years old with their parents and carers. There is indoor play, craft activities and song time and everyone is welcome.

Services in July

Sunday 5th July - 10.00 am Communion Together

Thursday 9th July - 9.30 am Morning Prayer

10.00 am Holy Communion

Sunday 12th July - 10.00 am Holy Communion with Energise

Thursday 16th July - 9.30 Morning Prayer

10.00 am Holy Communion

Sunday 19th July - 10.00 am Worship Together

6.30 pm The Place

Thursday 23rd July- 9.30 am Morning Prayer

10.00 am Holy Communion

Sunday 26th July- 10.00 am Service of the Word

Thursday 30th July - 9.30 Morning Prayer

10.00 am Holy Communion



And so we pray

Throughout July, churches across the country are invited to unite in a national month of prayer for the Church of England and its witness

Lord Jesus Christ,

Head of the universal church,

without whom nothing is true and nothing is holy,

we pray for Your blessing and protection on our life and witness as the Church of England.

Direct and fill all who lead with Your Holy Spirit,

sustain and equip the local church with the gifts of Your Spirit

and enable us all to reveal in our way of life the fruit of Your Spirit,

that we may love what You command

and desire what You promise,
to the glory of God the Father, Amen

On 18th July we celebrate the 67th anniversary of the dedication of St Andrew's church, we give thanks for all who have in the past faithfully served God and our community. May we continue their legacy in our worship and service, in being light and salt to all we meet. We pray for all our activities that support our community. We pray for all who are in need, who are sick or anxious. May we reach out to them and bring them your peace and healing.

A prayer for the World Cup

Loving God, we give you thanks for the gift of football and we rejoice in the excitement and joy the World Cup brings to millions of people watching. We pray for all the teams taking part, for their stamina, their skill and their safety, and the commitment that has taken them to the pinnacle of their sport. We pray for spectators, that they may know joy in the results and satisfaction with the performances...and a sense of perspective if their team goes home early. We pray that the World Cup will be a wonderful spectacle, encouraging national pride and international co-operation, and that it will provide a platform where your gospel may be declared. We ask that it would inspire people around the world to strive for the best in all they seek to do. May it bring new generations to love sport, and especially football, as a way of bringing people together. Amen.

Our Father,

which art

in heaven,

Hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth,

As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us

our trespasses, As we

forgive them

that trespass

against us. And

lead us not
into temptation
But deliver us
from evil.
Amen.

If you have any thoughts or news to share, do let us know.

WITH LOVE AND PRAYERS FROM THE LEADERSHIP TEAM

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