



Epiphany

9th January 2022

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The Baptism of Christ

8.00am Holy Communion

10.00am Family Holy Communion

Join Zoom Meeting: [CLICK HERE](#)

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Collect for Baptism of Christ, 9 January

Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus revealed him to be your Son, anointing him with the Holy Spirit: grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit, that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children; 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.

Readings for The Baptism of Christ, 8.00am

Isaiah 43.1-7 God promises restoration and protection.

Luke 3.15-17, 21-22 Jesus submits himself to John, for baptism and prayer

Reading for Baptism of Christ, 10.00am, Family Communion

Matthew 3.13-17 Jesus is baptised by John

This Week

Monday 10th January

Tuesday 11th January

7.30pm PCC Standing Committee by Zoom

Wednesday 12th January

09.00am - 12.00 noon, Church Open for Private Prayer

Thursday 13th January

Hilary, Bishop of Poitiers, Teacher of the Faith

9.30am Holy Communion followed by Coffee & fellowship in Chapter House

Readings for 13th January

I Samuel 4.1-11

Mark 1.40-45

Friday 14th January

Saturday 15th January 2022

09.00am - 12.00 noon, Church Open for Private Prayer

Sunday 16th January 2022

2nd Sunday of Epiphany

10.00am Holy Communion in Church

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New Year's Prayers from The Vicar

Eternal Lord God,
we give you thanks for bringing us through the changes of time
to the beginning of another year.
Forgive us the wrong we have done in the year that is past,
and help us to spend the rest of our days
to your honour and glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
whose years never fail
and whose mercies are new each returning day:
let the radiance of your Spirit renew our lives,
warming our hearts and giving light to our minds;
that we may pass the coming year
in joyful obedience and firm faith;
through him who is at the beginning and the end,
your Son, Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.
Amen.

The Lord bless you and watch over you,
the Lord make his face shine upon you
and be gracious to you,
the Lord look kindly on you
and give you peace;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be amongst you and remain with you now and always,
Amen.

We wish you a happy and healthy New Year,
Revd. Liz & Sam, Oscar and David x





In our prayers this week:

We pray for the people of Mafambisa, for the vulnerable and orphaned children, the care workers, the care givers and all who support them. www.standrewslink.blogspot.co.uk

Needing our Prayers: Dave Stapley, Peter Hill, James Etienne, Pauline Pryor, Molly Whitelaw, Susan Milln, William Jack, Norman Staples, Bernie Marron, Angela Morris, Betty Magill, Patience and George from Mafambisa, Laura, Audrey, and baby Baltiska from Mozambique

Continue to Pray for: Audrey Huckle, Cory Sherry and Sylvia Rutt

The Departed: Valerie Kifford

Year's Mind: 10th Ivy Dilley, 12th Stanley Smith, 13th Gilly Allston

COMING SOON

Saturday 29th January, 10.00 am. Preparation of Christingles in Chapter House

Sunday 30th January 2022 - The Feast of Candlemas

10.00am Holy Communion

3.00pm - Christingle Service

Sunday 6th February 2022

8am Holy Communion

10am Family Communion

12.45 Sunday Lunch

Wednesday 2nd March 2022—Ash Wednesday

Sunday 17th April 2022 - Easter Day

Monday 18th April 2022—Easter Monday Pilgrimage to St Albans

Sunday 8th May 2022 Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) -

Saturday 21st May 2022 PCC Away Day -

Meeting dates

Next Standing Committee Meeting 11th January 2022 at 7.30pm

Next PCC Meeting 8th February 2022 at 7.30pm



NOTICES AND NEWS

A Happy New Year to you all.

PARISH OF ST. ANDREW BIGGLESWADE

GUIDANCE IN RELATION TO OUR CHURCH RISK ASSESSMENT

It is a legal requirement for worshippers to wear a face covering during public worship.

Use of sanitiser, and 'track and trace' [either by use of QR code, or signing-in] is now required.

Regular and consistent ventilation of Church and Chapter House remains imperative.

For the foreseeable future, Communion will be administered in one kind to the congregation, and processions will not be part of worship. Major acts of worship will continue to be available via Zoom: access details via website and pew sheet. The possibility for social distancing remains, if required; requests should be addressed to Sidespeople or Churchwardens.

WEEKLY NOTICES

For an interim period, hopefully short-lived, until we are able to appoint a new Parish Secretary, we wish to outline the way forward for weekly updates.

Notices for inclusion on the website, and a limited number of paper copies in church, should be emailed to office@standrewschurchbw.org.uk, by Wednesday 10.00 am at the very latest for inclusion in the following Sunday's pew sheet. If absolutely necessary, hand written information may be posted through the Chapter House letter box by the same deadline. Details of future events most welcome. Please contact the churchwardens if further details required; and to keep us informed of those who should welcome our prayers.

OPEN CHURCH FOR PRIVATE PRAYER St. Andrew's Church will normally be open for private prayer on **Wednesdays and Saturdays, 9.00am - 12.00 noon**

TEA AND COFFEE

People have been asking how to donate towards the tea and coffee after church. Well now you can do this "on-line", if you go to the church website you will find a "GIVE" button at the top right of the home page. When you press this you will be able to make your donation and you can even gift aid it.

Living God, draw us deeper into your love; Jesus our Lord, send us to care and serve, Holy Spirit make us heralds of good news.

Stir us, strengthen us teach and inspire us to live your love with generosity and joy, imagination and courage, for the sake of your world and in the name of Jesus. Amen

New to St Andrew's?

St. Andrew's is an Anglican Church normally offering a variety of Services with and without communion. There are many ways to praise the true and living God and in addition to our Communion services there are usually contemporary services with modern music. During the current Covid

Pandemic we are offering services via Zoom (details on the front sheet) We hope that you will find these services bring you closer to God. We normally have lots going on at St. Andrew's for all ages; Sunday School, Youth Groups, Holiday Club and more. We have a Sunday Lunch every month, Food for Thought, Lent Lunches and Group study during Lent. We hope that we will be able to resume these events in the not too distant future.

MAFAMBISA PARTNERSHIP

We are now getting weekly updates from Hands at Work - from different communities via WhatsApp. If you would like to receive these I will add you to the WhatsApp group. Please text your mobile number to Chris on 07702 250776 or email on chris2parker@btinternet.com

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Used Postage Stamps

Please keep collecting these for me to take to St. John's Hospice; it is important especially at this time that we give them all the support possible.

Gill Hibbert

Social Media

Keeping in touch with family and friends has never been so crucial, and this is something as a Church we are trying to undertake through the use of our social media platforms. The online sphere is another channel we are also able to use to be able to spread God's message. The platforms allow us to reach out to our community of faith, our local community as well as others who aren't as local. Please do contact Oliver Dilley or Jessica Mephram with any ideas, thoughts or content for the social media pages. In the meantime please continue to like, follow and share our social media accounts. *Thanks.*

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