

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The sick: Shelagh Almond, Pauline Baker, Harry Banks, Polly Barclay, Charlie Bartlett, Mary Bartlett, Emma Brindle, Karen Brown, Harley Byrne, Diane, Frankie Cooper, Rhiannon Crick, Mandy Daly, Win Dennis, Gary Downes, Eric Edwin, Sam Fathers, Ed Fuller, Emma Hayward, Laura Hearne, Heidi, Gill Hynes, Enid Ingle, Julie, Margaret Keech, Helen Macabe, Victoria Martin, Paul Merry, Jackie O'Shea, Carol Page, Cliff Page, Susan Pearson, Donna Prior, June Simmonds, Heid Simon, Darren Smith, Robin Stokoe, Hazel Suffolk, Carol Vanner, Hilary Wilson and Sarah Wilson.

The departed: Michael Parker, Francesca (Frankie) Orrell, Leon Gittens, Bob Bodsworth

We endeavour to keep this list up-to-date; if you have any questions, please speak to Beverley, Elizabeth or one of the Readers.

Year's Mind

9th Margaret Frear, Florence Ormston, Grace Redman, Percy Rogers, Sidney Stow

10th Cecilia Frances, Frank Myall, Bertha Sadler

11th Joan Lowe

12th Pamela Knight

13th Ivy Champion, Horace Farmer, Colinwood Rushforth

14th Harold Gattwood, William Hitchcock, Arthur Nottingham

15th Jodie Blackaby, George Gower, Matt Halton

NOTICES

BIBLE STUDY meets every Wednesday on Zoom at 7.00pm. If you would like to join us please contact David Young on 01525 404947 or dryoung1@btinternet.com Each meeting is independent and you can join as many, or as few, as suits you.

ANNUAL REPORTS In anticipation for St Andrew's APCM on Thursday 10th April, if anyone usually writes a report, please send this to Elizabeth Neil.. Thank you.

NEW ELECTORAL ROLL Please complete a new application form TODAY

SOUP LUNCH Tomorrow Monday 10th March 12noon -2.00pm. ALL WELCOME

JUMBLE SALE Have a Spring Clean to help make our Jumble Sale on 5th April a big success. Please leave your good quality jumble at the back of church. Thank you

SEARCH FOR NEW RECTOR Re-advertising will begin week commencing 31st March with closing date 5th May; shortlisting meeting 8th May; interview 28th May. Let us pray for a successful outcome.

Please ensure that notices are with Beverley by Wednesday for inclusion in the next pew sheet.

ST ANDREW'S | AMPHILL

WITH ST MICHAEL'S, MILLBROOK, AND ST LAWRENCE'S, STEPPINGLEY

First Sunday of Lent Sunday 9th March

8.00am	Morning Prayer	St Andrew's, Ampthill	Pippa Kilgour
9.30am	Parish Eucharist	St Andrew's, Ampthill	Rev'd David Powell
	Hymns: 56 – Forty days; 129 – Lord Jesus think on me; 123 – Jesus, lover of my soul; 224 – Lead us, heavenly Father		
	Anthem: Ave Verum – Plainsong		
	Recessional: Prelude and Fugue in D Minor – Bach		
11.15am	Parish Eucharist	St Lawrence's, Steppingley	Rev'd Andy Jefferson
11.15am	Parish Eucharist	St Michael's, Millbrook	Rev'd Paul Lanham
3.00pm	Civic Service	St Andrew's, Ampthill	

DURING THE WEEK

Monday 10 th	12noon-2.00pm	Soup Lunch in the Chapter House
	6.30pm-7.30pm	Churchyard Nature Club in the Chapter House
	7.30pm-9.30pm	Childbirth Trust in the Chapter House
Tuesday 11 th	9.15am-11.00am	Little Stars in the Chapter House
	7.00pm- 9.00pm	Yoga in the Chapter House
Wednesday 12 th	10.15am-11.30am	Baby Yoga in the Chapter House
	12.30pm-2.30pm	Tai Chi in the Chapter House
	8.00pm-10.00pm	Wine Society in the Chapter House
Thursday 13 th	10.00am	Said Eucharist at St Andrew's Rev'd Roger Wood
	7.30pm	Bell Ringing Practice at St Andrew's
Friday 11 th	7.00pm	Choir Practice in the Church
	7.30-9.00pm	Yoga in the Chapter House
Saturday 15 th	12noon-5.00pm	Private Booking in the Chapter House
Sunday 16 th	1.00pm-3.00pm	Singing Circle in the Chapter House
	7.00pm-9.00pm	Yoga in the Chapter House

Morning Prayer is said at 9.00am each weekday at St Andrew's.

NEXT SUNDAY

Sunday 16th March

8.00am	Said Eucharist
9.30am	Parish Eucharist
11.15am	Morning Praise
11.15am	Parish Eucharist
6.30pm	Taize

Second Sunday of Lent

St Andrew's, Ampthill	Rev'd Anne Barker
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St Lawrence's, Steppingley	Stella Brooks
St Michael's, Millbrook	Rev'd Anne Barker
St Andrew's Ampthill	Chris Hodges

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AMPTHILL PCC

Sort Code: 20-05-74

Account no.: 40063762

COLLECT

Heavenly Father, your Son battled with the powers of darkness, and grew closer to you in the desert: help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer that we may witness to your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

READINGS

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

Moses spoke to the people, saying: When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors: the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me." You shall set it down before the Lord, your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

This is the word of the Lord

Deuteronomy 26: 1-11

Thanks be to God

A reading from the Letter of St Paul to the Romans

⁸What does scripture say?

'The word is near you,
on your lips and in your heart'

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. ¹¹The scripture says, 'No one who believes in him will be put to shame.' ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all

and is generous to all who call on him. ¹³For, everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

This is the word of the Lord.

Romans 10: 8b-13

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, ²where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. ³The devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread.' ⁴Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone."'

⁵Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world.

⁶And the devil said to him, 'To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. ⁷If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.' ⁸Jesus answered him, 'It is written,

"Worship the Lord your God,
and serve only him.'"

⁹Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, ¹⁰for it is written,

"He will command his angels concerning you,
to protect you",

¹¹and

"On their hands they will bear you up,
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"

¹²Jesus answered him, 'It is said, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" ¹³When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Luke 4: 1-13

Praise to you, O Christ.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord God, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it you nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from out of your mouth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**