



## St Andrew's Westlands

*A warm welcome to anyone worshipping with us today for the first time.  
After the 10.45 am service, you are warmly invited to join us for  
refreshments in the church hall.*

### Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> May

8.30 am Morning Prayer

10.45 am Holy Communion

Revelation 21:1-11 (p1250) & Luke 23:32-43 (p1065)

Opportunity for individual prayer after service in lady chapel

6.30 pm Evening Prayer

#### ***Collect for: the Fifth Sunday of Easter***

*Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.*

**Tearfund Open Café ... Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> May, 10 am to 12 noon ...**

we would be very grateful for any donations of the following in good condition: Toys, games, books, DVDs, CDs, jigsaws, bric-a-brac, items for the craft stall. Boxes are available at the back of church to put these in; also paper plates to bring in any cakes that you are willing to bake for us; and donations for the plant stall would also be very welcome on the day. We are also still in need of helpers for car washing; please contact Chris Gill if you are able to help.

The Café also includes a nail bar, an activity for children, a lucky dip, and you can bring your car along for a clean too. Tickets £1 which includes a drink and biscuit.

## This Week

The church building is also open Mondays & Thursdays 9.30-3.00.

Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> May	7.30 pm	PCC Meeting, Parish Room
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> May	2.00 pm	Wedding of James White & Lara Burton
	7.30 pm	Home Group, via Zoom
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> May	8.30 am	Morning Prayer, via Zoom
	10.30 am	Home Group, Parish Room
	7.30 pm	Home Group, Parish Room
Thur 19 <sup>th</sup> May	7.30 pm	Home Group
	7.30 pm	Extension Interior Design Cttee, Parish Rm
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> May	10.30 am	Forget Me Not Café, Church Hall
	7.30 pm	Compline, via Zoom
Sat 21 <sup>st</sup> May	10.30 am	Tearfund Open Café, Church Hall
Sun 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	8.30 am	Holy Communion
	10.45 am	Morning Prayer
	6.30 pm	Evening Prayer

**Christian Aid Week: 15<sup>th</sup> – 21st May** ... most houses in the area will receive an envelope through your letterbox inviting you to make a contribution either online or by returning the envelope through the letterbox of one of the team who live nearby. We will pass on any that are returned via our church collection plate too, and there are also a few extra envelopes available at the back of church.

**Grand Charity Auction** ... a big thank you to everyone who helped in any way with the event on 7<sup>th</sup> May. We won't know the final total of money raised for a little while, as there is still some income to come in, and also some expenses to be paid out. However, it looks as if we have raised well over £6000. It was a great occasion for both church and community and everyone enjoyed participating.

**An Opportunity to go to Bishton Hall** ... thanks to Charles Hanson, there is a further auction lot for 6 people to go to Bishton Hall near Shugborough, on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September, to watch the Children in Need episode of Bargain Hunt being filmed. A champagne breakfast was also mentioned! The cost will be £200 in total. If you have 5 friends to go with you and want to bid for this, please contact Bob Bell by the end of May please. If there is more than one groups interested, priority will be given to those who helped with the auction.

**Scrap Metal Collection** ... just a reminder that this comes to an end at the end of May. If you have any more scrap metal for Bob, please ensure you contact him before this date.

**Knitting Meetings** ... will resume on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September, 2 pm. We are now knitting and crocheting squares for blankets for various charities, also baby clothes etc. why not join us for fellowship, a cup of tea and a chat? Please contact me if you need a pattern for knitted squares or wool. Margaret

**Parish Electoral Roll** ... an up-to-date list of those now on the electoral roll is available at the back of church.

**Sale of Pews** ... assuming that the building project is able to proceed, as the worship area will be reduced a little, we will need to dispose of several items of church furniture. (Details on our website; our faculty for the works included permission to sell these items). This includes 6 long pews and 6 slightly shorter ones. Though we intend to retain all of the little plaques indicating who donated these items, if there are pews that were given by families that are still connected to St Andrew's we should be able to make sure that the whole pew is retained. Please let Alan Swanborough know if this affects a pew associated with your own family.

**Platinum Jubilee Booklet** ... Hope Together have produced a booklet highlighting the Queen's faithfulness both to the nation, and to the Christian faith. Copies are available at the back of church both for yourself, and even better to pass an extra one on to any non-churchgoers you know to assist in sharing your faith. If you are able to put £2 in the collection plate, that will cover what we have paid for each copy.

### **Notices From Previous Weeks**

**St Andrew's Annual Meeting** ... will be held in church at 6.30 pm on Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup> May. We need to elect 15 members of the PCC (Parochial Church Council) and one deanery synod member for 2022-23. There are nomination forms at the back of the church for those who are willing to stand. We also need to elect two church wardens to serve for the next 12 months, and although Helen Collins and Margaret Hollins are willing to stand for re-election, others can be nominated too. Please note that signing that you are being willing to be nominated for any of these roles includes confirming (a) that you are a 'fit and proper person' to act as a charity trustee - the requirements for this being

spelled out on the attached sheet; and (b) that you are willing to undergo DBS clearance. There is also an additional list for any who would like to volunteer to join the sidesperson's rota.

**Holy Communion at Morning Services** ... when this was first resumed sometime after the first lockdown, the PCC agreed with the Covid Committee's suggestion that we only included communion monthly at each of the two morning services. This was because of the perceived extra covid risks - although the pattern was fairly soon increased to twice-monthly at the early service.

The 16<sup>th</sup> May PCC will be reviewing whether to stay with this long-term or to revert to our previous pattern of communion every week at the early service and twice a month at the main service (albeit now subject to the availability of clergy cover when I am on leave)

If you would like to express an opinion, you can do so electronically using [this link if you attend the 8.30 service](#), and/or [this link if you attend the 10.45 service](#); or by telephoning or emailing me Andrew.

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*Transport to 10.30 service:* 07951 674453 on the morning.8.30-9.30 am

*Scrap metal collection:* contact Bob Bell.