

2nd June- 9th June 2025

What's on Where

Welcome to this week's round-up of events and services happening across the Four Saints Benefice.

Thursday 5th June

9.30am @ St Andrew's Church, Countesthorpe (Holy Communion)

Sunday 8th June

9.15am @ St Bartholomew's Church, Foston (Holy Communion)

11am @ St Andrew's Church, Countesthorpe (Morning Praise)

Collect

God, who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

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Regular Events in the Benefice

Friendship Teas

Monday afternoons see a group of regulars meeting for tea, cake & a chat.

You are invited to join us, everyone is welcome, in the Bridge Starting at 2.15 until 3.30. Except holiday Mondays. Cost £1.50

Craft Group

Join the Craft Group every Tuesday in The Bridge from 1.30pm (Except for the first Tuesday of the month)

Bible Discussion Group

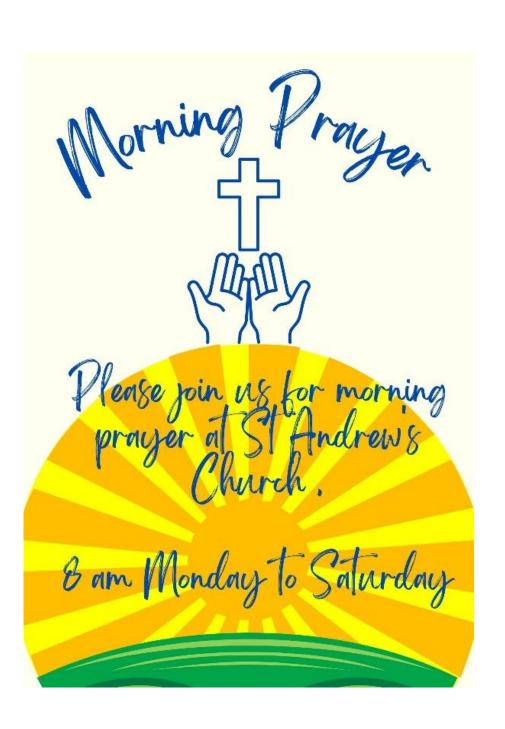
Thursday Bible Discussion – Grow in Faith, Share in Fellowship
Join us every Thursday at The Bridge, Countesthorpe, from 10:30 am
to 12pm for a relaxed and welcoming Bible discussion. Whether
you're new to the Bible or have been reading it for years, this is a
space to ask questions, share insights, and deepen your faith over a
cup of tea or coffee. Come and explore how God's word speaks into
our lives today—we'd love to have you with us!

<u>Little Friends (Term time only)</u>

Join us every Thursday in The Bridge, Countesthorpe from 1pm-3pm, for a relaxed, friendly group for babies-in-arms to 4-year-olds. **Little Friends** is a space to play and share stories. There is a light lunch.... (free or a donation) followed by tea, coffee and biscuits finishing at 3.00pm in time to collect children from school.

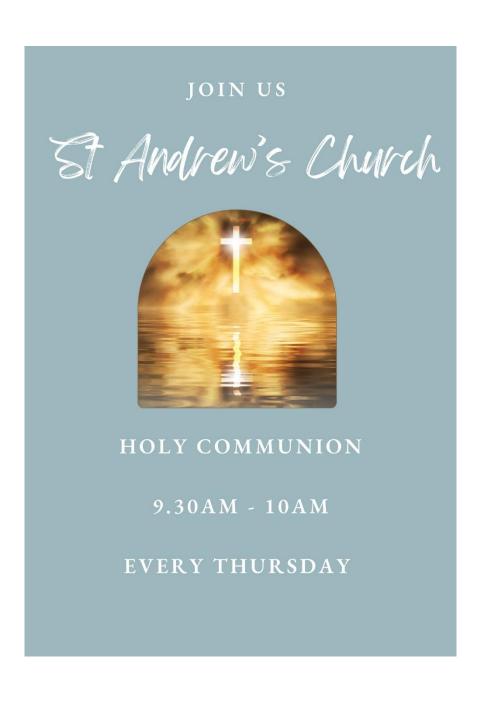
Morning Prayer

Please join us for morning prayer Monday- Saturday 8am- 8.30am This is a time for prayer and reflection and a lovely way to start your day, so please come along everyone is very welcome.



Thursday Morning Communion

Join us on Thursday mornings from 9:30am to 10am for a quiet Holy Communion service. It's a simple, reflective time to pause, pray, and refocus in the middle of the week. Whether you're a regular or just curious, you're welcome to come along and take part



Notices

The Common Cup

Starting on Easter Day, it has been decided that we will reintroduce the use of the common cup at our communion services. This means that the current practice of the priest intincting the bread with the wine will stop and this will be replaced with the traditional method of offering both the bread and the wine separately.

For those who do not wish to receive the wine may just receive the bread and return to their seats. It remains Anglican teaching that to receive the sacrament in one kind only, is to receive the sacrament in its entirety.

The practice of the individual communicants intincting themselves is not permitted. For further guidance please see the following link from the Diocese of Europe.

https://www.europe.anglican.org/note-about-receiving-holycommunion-intinction

As always, Richard is very happy to discuss this matter with anyone.

Safeguard Training Saturday June 7th

As ever, it is important that all of us as church members play our part in protecting everyone from abuse of any kind and that we follow the Church of England guidelines.

Thank you to those of you who have completed your DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) check and training.

The Diocese safeguarding training team have offered to come to St Andrews, on June 7th, to deliver basic and foundation level safeguarding training in the Bridge Building. Please could those of you who are outstanding in your training consider attending this. Please let Emma Adams, Dave McAughey, Helen Stokes or Jacqui McAughey know if you would like to attend as spaces are limited.

Dine India has agreed that we can use their parking on that day.

This is the outline of the day:

9.15am Refreshments available

9.30am Basic Awareness training (2.5 hours)

Mid-day Lunch – bring your own if you are staying

12.30 Foundation training and domestic abuse training (3.5

hours)

4 pm Close of day

As a reminder

Basic Safeguarding training is essential for anyone volunteering in a Church. It is required for but is not limited to:

Vergers, servers, welcomers, caretakers, refreshment helpers, shop staff, sides persons, PCC members, church wardens, bell ringers, choir members, members of music groups,

Basic safeguarding training is a prerequisite for further training, including foundation safeguarding training and safeguarding leadership training.

This training is renewed every three years.

Foundation training is required for anyone who has safeguarding responsibilities or has contact within their Church role with Children, young people, and/or vulnerable adults.

This course is for lay volunteers and paid staff in roles involving contact with under 18's or vulnerable adults. It is also suitable for paid staff members who only have indirect contact with under 18's and/or vulnerable adults.

This course is required for but not limited to:

Anyone in a role which involves work with children, young people, or vulnerable adults, Churchwardens; Anyone going on to complete any other safeguarding learning pathway, Vergers, PCC Members/Lay Chapter Members.

All training can be completed online on the Leicester Diocese safeguarding website

With Thanks

David McAughey (Safeguarding Office)

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Foston Flower Festival

Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th June
St Bartholomew's Church, Foston
10.30am- 5pm
There will be refreshments, Bric a Brac, Books and Plants.



Coffee & Cake



Help

Hi all,

Mila and Semone (10-year-old son) are temporarily living in one of our apartments we have for sale. They have been in the Uk 3 years and have been living in Braunstone town where Semone still goes to school. Mila works as an assistant chef in Leicester. They feel quite isolated, and Mila was very tearful this evening and I think Semone was as well as he went off to his room to be alone.

I thought it would be nice if St Andrews could put together a hamper, or gift card for Aldi etc and welcome card for the two of them.

Sanaz is her neighbour and has introduced herself and offered to take them to the supermarket etc. If you would like to contribute, please contact me.

Stephen Bailey 07969103993

All Saints Church Blaby Concert- See info below

Just a quick email to you all, to let you know that Leicester Cathedral Choir will be singing Evensong at 4pm on Sunday 8th June (Pentecost Sunday) at All Saints Church, Blaby.

Could you please let your parishioners know of this event should any of them be interested in attending it.

There will be refreshments available in our Parish Centre after the service, Thanks

God Bless You All

Mick (Churchwarden and Deanery Rep)







LEICESTER CATHEDRAL CHOIR

ARE SINGING HERE

AT A SERVICE OF EVENSONG

ON PENTECOST SUNDAY

JUNE 8th at 4pm

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE AFTER THE SERVICE NO CHARGE





Timetable for Mission Week

Please see below all that is going on in the mission week and how you can get involved. Everyone is invited to take part in each of the events, I would love to see many people take part in the street mission event and accessing the healing service for yourselves and with friends.

Most importantly, please pray for the week, that many people would take their interest in faith further, joining our communities and becoming new disciples. Pray for those you know for guidance as to what and how to invite them into the events. Pray for the students as they lead these events and get involved in regular ministries of the church.

COMMUNITY MISSION WEEK

Tuesday 17 - Sunday 22 June



Tuesday 17 June

- Street Mission: 9:30am-12:00 pm (including training)
- Street Mission: 2:00 pm-4 pm



Thursday 19 June

• Healing Service 8:00 pm at St Andrew's Church



Friday 20 June

- Street Mission: 9:30am-12:00 pm (including training)
- POpen Mic Night: 8:00pm at The Bridge



Saturday 21 June

- Community Fun Day: 12:00pm-4 opm on The Paddock
- Messy Church: 4:00pm at St Andrew's



Sunday 22 June

 Sunday Service: 11:00 am at St Andrew's Church This healing service is a wonderful chance to invite friends who have prayer needs in mental, emotional, or physical health to come into church. There will be an accessible talk detailing how God both heals by alleviating symptoms and by coming alongside us in our suffering in God's strength and love. There will then be a time of healing prayer for every person that would like. It is aimed at non-Christians, so please do think and pray about who you could invite. The point of the service is to draw in people who would not normally attend a 'normal Sunday service' and to demonstrate the reality and power of God through healing prayer. People do not need to have any kind of faith to come along!



Open Mic Night!



This event, run as part of the mission week, is put on to give you a space to invite your friends or family along who are not Christians, as it will be a very relaxed evening with different kinds of performances and a very short invite to church at the end- no prayer or other Christian content. Do invite local friends and family, and contact Cam to sign up for a ticket (they are all free but need to be reserved so we know how many seats). It would be great to see lots of church family members bring guests along.

Contact Cam at cwpfoursaints@gmail.com / 07397197427 for tickets.



Come along, soak up the vibes, and be part of our lovely community.

Whether you're here for the music, the games, or just the ice

cream—we'd love to see you!

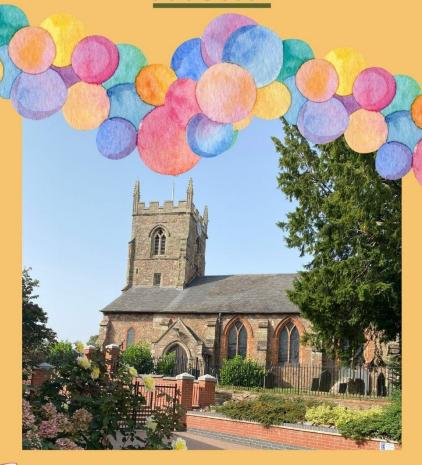
Most of it is completely free!

Bring some cash for the BBQ, Ice Cream van and Coffee Van.

SEE YOU THERE!

St Andrew's Fundraiser





Tuesday 24th June 2025 @ 7pm

Axe & Square, Countesthorpe

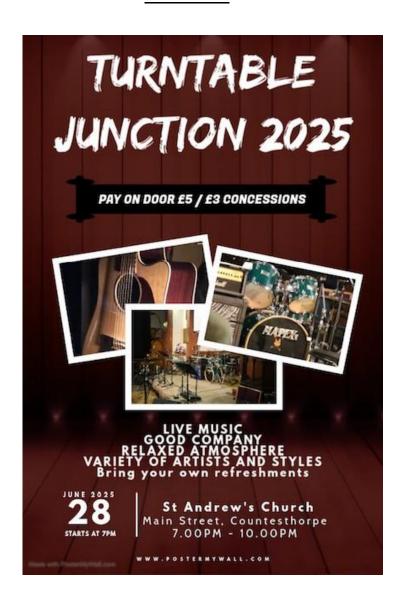
Choice of main and dessert

Tickets £25 each

Menu choices and cash for tickets, to Anne Jelves 07970681199

Proceeds to St Andrew's Church Restoration Fund

Turntable



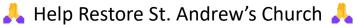
✓ Save the Date! ✓

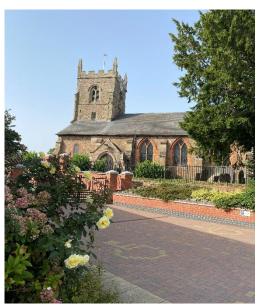
St Andrew's Church Garden Party Saturday 27th July at 2:30pm

Join us for a fun and friendly afternoon in the church garden! More details coming soon — but for now, mark your calendar!



St Andrew's Restoration Fund





St. Andrew's has been a place of worship, prayer, and community for generations, but our beautiful church is in urgent need of repair. The roof has suffered damage, and one of the windows is at risk of falling out.

As a church family, we have the opportunity to come together and protect this special place, ensuring it remains a house of God for years to come. Any support, whether through donations, fundraising, or prayer, will make a real difference.

If you feel able to give, please scan the QR code to donate. Thank you for your kindness and for being part of this journey with us.



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