

28th July-19th August 2025

Services across the benefice

Thursday 31st July

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

Sunday 3rd August

9am @ St Andrew's Church, Countesthorpe (Holy Communion)

11am @ St Mary's Church, Willoughby Waterleys (Morning Praise)

Thursday 7th August

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

Sunday 10th August

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

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

Thursday 14th August

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

Sunday 17th August

9am @ St Andrew's Church, Countesthorpe (Holy Communion)

11am @ St Mary's Church, Willoughby Waterleys (Morning Praise)

Collect's

Sunday 3rd August

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; 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.

Sunday 10th August

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Sunday 17th August

Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace; 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.

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 bank 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)

(Please note there will be no craft group on the 26th August)

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!

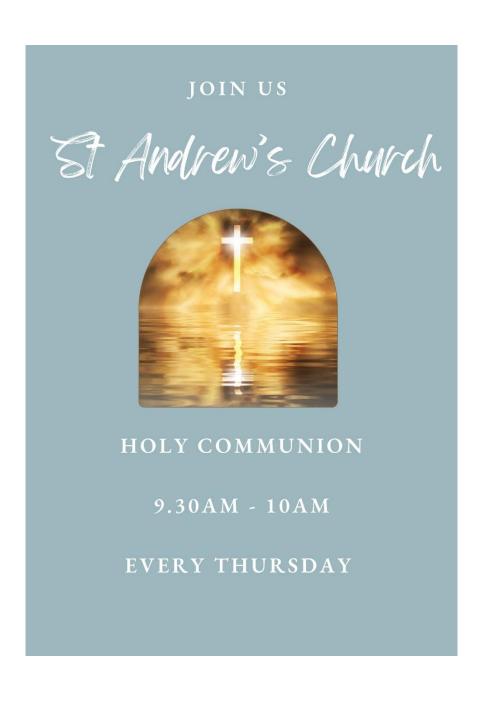
Morning Prayer



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

Church Garden Party Update

We're delighted to announce that the St Andrew's Garden Party raised an amazing £968.00 towards our Church Restoration Fund! We are so grateful to everyone who supported the event—whether by helping organise, donating, attending, and helping pack it all away. We truly couldn't have done it without the time, effort, and generosity of all those who got involved. Events like these are not only a wonderful way to bring our community together, but they are also vital in raising the funds needed to preserve and restore our beloved church for future generations. Thank you all so much!

St Andrew's Church Coffee Morning



St Andrew's Art Exhibition

In support of Alzheimer's society

On the weekend of 3rd - 5th October we will be holding an art exhibition in church! We want this to be special to our church and village community, so please start thinking of art you have created that you might share with us; and invite friends in the village or family members to bring their own work and join the exhibition. All donations made, and money taken for refreshments, will be donated to Alzheimer's society. The plan is:

- · A ticketed event on Friday 3rd for a Cheese, Wine and Art evening.
- Saturday and Sunday the exhibition will be open and refreshments on offer (*refreshments only at the Rainbow shop during their coffee morning)

There will shortly be a sign-up sheet for offers of art to display, as well as for help with setting up the exhibition and refreshments. We hope this will be an opportunity to come together and show our support for those in our community who are affected by Alzheimer's.

Thankyou,

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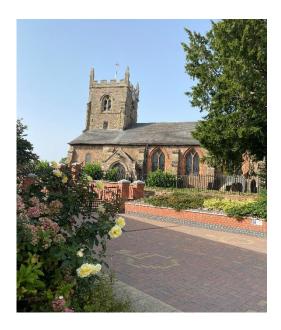
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St Andrew's Church Funds



🙏 Help Restore St. Andrew's Church 🙏





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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