

29th September- 6th October 2025

Services Across The Benefice

Thursday 2nd October

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

Saturday 4th October

6.30pm @ St Mary's Church, Willoughby Waterleys (Harvest)

Sunday 5th October

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

Welcomer: Christine R

Reader: Ken J

Refreshments: TBC

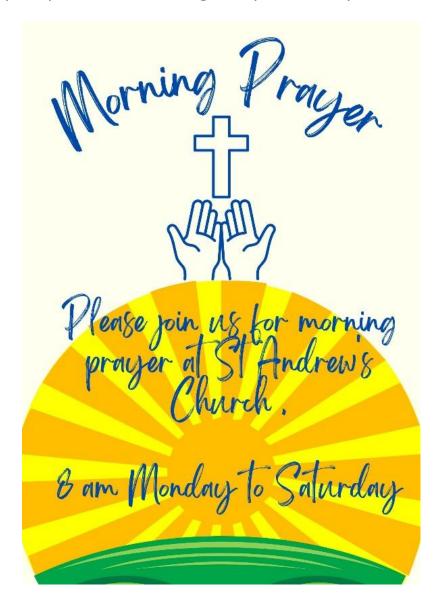
Collect

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; 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.

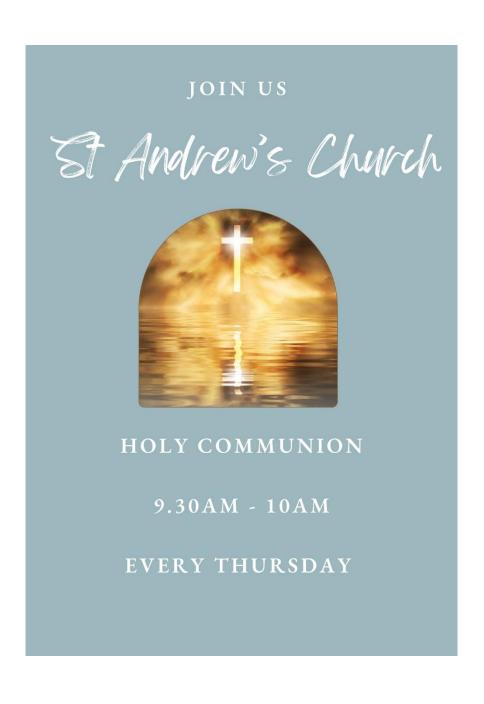
Morning Prayer

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

Help Needed – Church Decorating
We'll be decorating the church on Friday 3rd October, from 2pm
onwards.

If anyone is willing and able to come along and lend a hand, it would be greatly appreciated!

Harvest Service

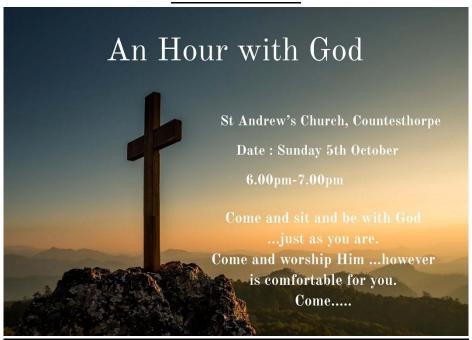
We will be celebrating Harvest on Sunday, October 5th, giving thanks to the Lord for His goodness and provision. Our Harvest offering will be collected at the 9am service, as we come together to praise Him and share His blessings. Please see below for the shopping list:

Psalm 67:6

"The land yields its harvest; God, our God, blesses us."



Hour with God



St Andrew's Art Exhibition

St Andrew's Art Exhibition 3rd- 5th October
In support of Alzheimer's society
Don't forget to consider 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.

To help us plan, forms to provide details of your art are at the back of church, or ask Michelle 07926706445 jmichellewatkiss@gmail.com
There is also a sign-up sheet at the back of church for offers to help with the exhibition including refreshments

Tickets for the Friday October 3rd Cheese, Wine and Art evening 7-9.30 pm (£10 each) available from Michelle and Emma

Jewellery Appeal - Alzheimer's Society

For quite a few years I have been sending jewellery in answer to the appeal by the Alzheimer's Society.

They will take any kind of jewellery, including watches, necklaces, rings, bracelets, earrings and men's cufflinks, watches etc. Costume jewellery, beads etc also welcome.

Anything broken or not working they will repair and sell on. Crafter's buy beads etc so nothing is wasted. All money raised goes to the Society and over the years, with the help of unwanted jewellery from The Rainbow Shop, we have been able to donate money for day centres, groups etc.

I will place a container at the back of church for you to leave any donations in. Please help to support this worthwhile project whose needs grow every year and tell friends and family too.

Any queries you have, please do speak to me or give me a call.

THANK YOU Gail Mackley

RAINBOW SHOP MINI FAYRE

In support of the Art Exhibition the Rainbow Shop is holding a Mini Fayre in the Bridge on Saturday 4th October from 10 am – 1 pm. There will be books, jigsaws and games and jewellery stalls. We will also be serving tea, coffee and cake. There will be no drinks served in the shop.

All money taken in the shop will go to Christian Aid but the takings in the Bridge will go to support the Alzheimer's Society.

CALLING ALL CRAFTERS

I realise this request is early but November will come around very quickly and on Saturday 22nd November at 3pm we will be holding the Service of Light for all those who have lost loved ones.

I will be requiring Crosses......these can be crocheted, knitted or made out of material and it would be helpful if they had a ribbon loop enabling them to be hung up. I'm hoping to put some in the church but also to give everyone attending either a cross or bookmark. This brings me to my second request which is for..

bookmarks with either a cross on, a short scripture verse or something connected to loss......someone has already begun and she has put Forget Me Not on hers.

If you know anyone else who likes crafting, please do mention this request to them and if they want any further information, please do speak to me or give me a call.

Last year the hearts made were amazing and we were able to decorate the church, the Tree of Light and give people one as they left.

Working together we can achieve so much but working alone I cannot so a massive THANK YOU for your help.

Gail

Volunteer Kitchen Manager Needed

With June's retirement, we would like to begin by expressing our heartfelt thanks to June for all she has done over the years. Her hard work, dedication, and care have blessed so many, and we are deeply grateful.

As June steps down, we are now looking for a volunteer to take on the role of Kitchen Manager.

- Training will be provided (around an hour or so each week).
- Voluntary position your time and support will make a real difference.

For more information, please speak to the Churchwardens.
 Thank you for considering serving in this way.
 Anne Jelves

Mothers Union

The Mothers Union are still collecting Ink Cartridges, used postage stamps, coins, old notes and mobile phones. These all raise funds for the work of the Mothers Union at home and overseas. Please contact Diana Lee on 0116 2779142 for more information.

Foston Quiz



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