



**We are a community of faith
that SEEKS God in worship
SERVES one another
and SHARES the love of Jesus**

Sunday 4th March

9am Holy Communion

Theme: Christian Motivation

**Readings: 1 Corinthians 1:18-25
and John 2:13-22**

**10.30am Active All Age Worship with Baptism
and Prayer Ministry**

Children join us in church

Theme: Jesus Promises The Holy Spirit

Reading: John 14:15-17

Wednesday 7th March

**Holy Communion Service at 10.30am
in St. Mary's Church led by Canon John**

Mothering Sunday 11th March

Canon John and Sue's Farewell Service

Theme: For Such A Time As This

**Readings: Esther 4:10-17, 1 John 4:7-12
and John 13:34-35**

9.50am Children's Church (3 - 13+)

meet in the Church Centre for their activities,

before joining their families in church for Communion and Final Blessing

10am United Parish Communion Service with Prayer Ministry

*There is an unsupervised crèche available for 0-3 year olds,
through the doors at the back of church.*

*This area contains toys, books, colouring and comfortable seating,
in addition to sound and vision, so you can see and hear the service.*

Andover Young Musician Of The Year

We give thanks to Chris Lynn, his committee and the team for another very successful and enjoyable evening, which raised over £1,500 for St. Mary's Church. Chris writes, "The committee and everyone did a great job and without such a lovely church it would not be the same; many thanks for allowing us to use your church." Our sincere appreciation goes to all involved.

St. Mary's Walkers

Please note the Walk scheduled for **Sunday 4th March**, and due to leave the church at 12.15pm, has had to be postponed due to the weather. The Walk has been rescheduled for Sunday 8th April, so do put this date in your diary.

'Death Or Life'

The Unity Christian Theatre present 'Death or Life' with music by Roger Jones (Christian Music Ministries). The production follows the life of Christ from His baptism to His resurrection, showing both the humanity and divinity of Jesus. A read through and initial casting is at **5pm**, following the Passion Play Rehearsal on **Sunday 4th March** at St. John the Baptist Church Hall, Alexandra Road. 'Death or Life' will be performed at The Lights on Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th June. All are very welcome, you do not need to be a singer to be involved. Come and join us!



Could You Be A Street Pastor - Is God Calling You?

Do you want to reach out to the people of Andover? Do you want to make a difference for God? Can you spare one late night per month? Then please consider joining Andover Street Pastors! We are recruiting **NOW** and training began on the 23rd February. We need more Street Pastors and prayer teams to help us continue to make a positive difference in our town. If you are interested to find out more or to volunteer with us, please contact Barry Wadhams on 07527296513 or email Andover@streetpastors.org.uk or come out with us as an observer, to see first-hand what the front line looks like. The training dates are on the **9th, 10th, 11th, 23rd, 24th and 25th March**.



Easter Lilies

If you would like to pay for an Easter Lily in remembrance of a loved one, the cost will be £4 per Lily. Kindly place your order by **Friday 9th March**. Fill in the name/names of your loved ones on the list at the back of church or email them to the office. Please bring payments to the office or bank transfer to sort code 40-52-40, account number 00025634, reference Lilies and your name.

Thanksgiving Meal To Say Goodbye To Canon John And Sue

This event will be held on **Saturday 10th March, 6.30pm for 7pm** in the Harris Hall. Please sign the list at the back of church if you are going to attend. There is a list of food required, so please add your name to this if you are able to bring something; if you have a speciality you would like to prepare please add it under 'other.'

Canon John And Sue

As John and Sue retire from full time ministry, for John to be licensed as an Associate Minister on a House For Duty basis in the Guildford Diocese, they would be delighted if you were able to join them for their **Farewell United Parish Communion Mothering Sunday Service on the 11th March at 10am**. "So we keep on praying for you, asking our God to enable you to live a life worthy of His call. May He give you the power to accomplish all the good things your faith prompts you to do." 2 Thessalonians 1:11

Growing A Healing Ministry Course

This term our focus is on **Healing and Wholeness** with the final session on **Tuesday 13th March** in the Church Centre **from 7.30pm to 9.30pm**, and the theme is 'Growing a Healing Church.' Please bring a Bible and pen. Contact Derrick and Heather Norton if you have any questions. There will also be a Healing Service on Sunday 29th April at 10am.

Social Evening

Do join us for a fun evening of food and skittles at the Crook and Shears, Upper Clatford, on **Friday 16th March** to start at **6.30pm**. If you would like to come,

but do not like spicy food, please let Guy Medley know. We will arrange this early to secure the booking, so do sign the list at the back of church to avoid disappointment. Parking by the pub is limited, so try and share a lift.



Andover Foodbank Easter Eggs

Last year more than 1,000 chocolate eggs were distributed to local children and vulnerable adults via agencies such as Andover Young Carers, Children's Services, Mencap and Mind. You can help us once again please by donating medium sized chocolate eggs which are needed by **Friday 16th March**.

A Date For Your Diary!

The Friends of St. Mary's Lent Devotional Talk will be on **Saturday 24th March at 2pm** in the Church Centre, followed by Afternoon Tea. All are very welcome.

Maundy Thursday Agape Supper

Many thanks to Rosalyn Peszkowski for organising this event to be held in the Harris Hall on **Thursday 29th March, 7pm for 7.30pm**. There are two lists at the back of church to sign, one if you are coming and the other to indicate which food selection you will be bringing. Fruit juice, water and white wine will be provided, if you wish to bring any other drink please do so.

Easter Day Breakfast

Please sign the list at the back of church if you will be attending this year's Breakfast, which follows the Sunrise Service outside church on **Sunday 1st April at 6.30am**.

Electoral Roll Revision

It is time for the annual revision of the Electoral Roll. Please would you check if your name is on the list on the noticeboard at the back of church. If so, there is nothing more you need to do. If not, you are warmly invited to consider filling in an application form (available near the South Door) **by Easter Day (1st April)**. If you live outside the parish (see www.achurchnearyou.com), you will note the need to have attended public worship at St. Mary's for 6 months. Please return the completed form to either Diane in the office, or Martin Bazire, Electoral Roll Officer. Please note that your name needs to be on the Roll in order to participate in the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) to be held on **Tuesday 17th April at 7.30pm** in the Church Centre.