

# Grapevine

**Welcome to St. Mary's Andover**  
**We are a community of faith**  
**that SEEKS God in worship**  
**SERVES one another**  
**and SHARES the love of Jesus**

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March**

**9.00 am Holy Communion**

**Theme: Glimpses of Glory**

**Readings: 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2 & Luke 9:28-36**

**Led by Canon Martin Coppen**

**3.00 pm Installation & Induction**

**of Reverend Chris Bradish**

**as Vicar of St. Mary's Church**

**Led by Reverend Trevor Lewis, Area Dean,**

**Bishop David Williams preaching**

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March**

**10.30 am Holy Communion Service**

**Led by Reverend Chris Bradish**

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March**

**Theme: Prayer**

**9.00 am Holy Communion**

**10.30 am Morning Worship with Communion**

**Both services led by Reverend Chris Bradish**

**6.00 pm Taize Service led by Tom Etherton**

*There is an unsupervised play area available, through the doors at the back of church. This area contains toys, books, colouring and comfortable seating, in addition to sound and vision, to enable you to see and hear the service.*



## **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. Please place your order by Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March. Fill in the name(s) 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. Thank you.

## **Prayer Ministry Get Together**

There is a get together on Saturday March 30<sup>th</sup> from 9.30 am to 12 noon in the Church Centre. This meeting is open to all on the prayer ministry team and anyone interested in joining this important ministry. Contact Rosemary and Tim Townsend if you'd like more information.

## **Electoral Roll**

This year sees a complete renewal of the Electoral Roll. Everyone who wishes to be included in the Roll, in order to vote at the APCM on 30<sup>th</sup> April, will need to complete a simple form. This applies whether or not you have been on the current Electoral Roll. Forms are available by the south door and at the back of church, together with envelopes in which to place completed forms. Alternatively, you may give them to Diane in the office or direct to me. The renewal period will run from 17<sup>th</sup> February to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019, after which the Electoral Roll is frozen until after the APCM. Many thanks, Martin Bazire, Electoral Roll Officer.

## **Vocations Morning**

Which way now? Is God calling you to something new? Interested in finding out about Ordination or Lay Ministries? Come and explore at a Vocations Morning: **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March** St. Mary's Andover **9.30am to 12 noon**, Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> April St. Mary's Southampton 9.30am to 12 noon. For more information or to let us know you would like to come email [lynda.mumford@winchester.anglican.org](mailto:lynda.mumford@winchester.anglican.org).

## **St Mary's Walkers**

Our next walk is on **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March**. We will meet at church at **12.15 pm** and drive to Little London (near Smannell) for a circular walk to Wallop Hill Down, taking in some lovely views and including parts of the Test Way and Brenda Parker Way. Parts of the route are muddy, so please come prepared with suitable footwear and bring a packed lunch. Transport will be provided. Please speak with Simon Nash if you are interested in coming.

## **Taize Service**

Do you need more peace in your life? Come and join this quiet reflective service which is usually held on the first Sunday each month at **6 pm**. The next one will be a week later than usual on **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March**.

### Prayer meetings

The next meeting is on Thursday March 7th 8pm to 9pm. The focus for this meeting is "Listening to God, to Others and to ourselves".

### Eco-Church 4th Newsletter

We hope you are inspired by the latest Eco-Church Newsletter. Do consider what you might do to use less plastic over Lent. If you have any good ideas let the office know so we can share them with others.

### Lent Plastic Challenge Ideas

Buy your spices/herbs, pasta/rice and cleaning products with no packaging at Love-Joy-Home shop at Weyhill Fairground. Bottles/jars/containers can also be purchased for these products. Tom, Hannah and Alice now have a stainless steel bottle for their shampoo

### Andover Street Pastors

Do you want to reach out to the people of Andover? Want to make a difference for God? Can you spare one late night per month? Ever considered joining Street Pastors? The next training begins on the evening of **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March**. More Street Pastors and prayer team members are always needed to make a positive difference in our town. If you are interested to find out more or to volunteer contact Barry Wadhams on 07527 296513 or email [andover@streetpastors.co.uk](mailto:andover@streetpastors.co.uk). If you're not sure, you can come out with another team as an observer, to see first hand what the front line looks like.

### Andover Food Bank

Thank you so much for all your donations and continued support. They are, as always, greatly appreciated. **EASTER EGGS:** We are now taking donations of Easter Eggs for this year's Easter appeal. The eggs will be sorted and distributed to local children in time for the Easter holidays. With a late Easter and most schools breaking up two weeks ahead of the Easter weekend we need your eggs in plenty of time this year.

This week we are also in need of the following items:- Food: Tinned Rice pudding, URGENT; Tinned Fish, URGENT; Long life milk, 1 litre & 500ml Tinned Fruit, Washing-up liquid; Non-Food: Deodorant; Tea Towels; Razors; Small bottles of Shampoo/Conditioner.

The Andover foodbank is looking for new committee members to help with the management and running of the organization as it continues to develop to support our local community. If you are interested, please contact the foodbank at [office@andoverfoodbank.org.uk](mailto:office@andoverfoodbank.org.uk).

**FoodBank Annual Plant Sale:** This will be held on Friday May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10.30 at the foodbank as part of our monthly coffee morning. We will be needing some plants so if you are busy planting seeds in this lovely weather perhaps you could sow a few extra for us!! There won't be a coffee morning in April as it is Lent.

### Concert in St Mary's Church

The award winning Woodfalls Band team up with the nationally acclaimed Risca Male Voice Choir for an evening of music making at St Mary's Church, Andover on 23rd March, 7.30pm. Tickets £10 (Under 16's FREE!) are available online:

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/woodfallsband>

### Planned Giving

If you wish to start giving by standing order or Bank Transfer or by weekly offering envelopes, please contact the church office. Alternatively, you can use the Parish Giving Scheme - packs about this are available at the back of church. If you are a taxpayer we can claim an extra 25% of your donations with Gift Aid. You can request a Gift Aid form from the Church Office.

### Books

Do have a browse through the books in the library bookcase near the south door. These are available for anyone to borrow, just help yourself and put back after you've finished with them.

### Free Worship Session

Come and join Lucy for a fun session of singing in Church **10.30am to 12.30pm, Saturday 16 March** a great chance to get together and sing your favourite worship songs, all levels of singing ability welcome.

### Mustard Seed Toddler Group

This group for Parents, carers, babies and toddlers meet on Fridays in term time 10 am to 11.45 am in the Church Centre. It's free to join with a donation plate towards the refreshments.

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