

# St Andrew's Church Bedford

## 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2025

All Saints Day

## Welcome to St Andrew's Church

#### **New to St Andrews?**

Please introduce yourself to one of our Welcomers, or to Lucy the Vicar. You might also like to fill in one of our contact cards, found by the main door, so that we can stay in touch.

You are welcome to share Communion do share with us today. If you would rather have a blessing, come forward holding an order of service so we know your preference. Gluten free wafers are available; please ask a welcomer to help.

# **Accessibility**

There is a loop system in Church if you are a hearing aid user. An accessible toilet (with changing table) can be found by going down the left-hand aisle and through the door. The Quiet Room is available if you need a break-out space - you can still hear the service there.

### **Children in Church**

We love having children join us in worship! Feel free to feed your baby in Church. Our children's group meet in the hall during the 10 am service (except for the first Sunday of the month)
'Whispering Booklets' are available to help children follow the service.

Please join us for coffee in the Main Hall after the 10.00am service

Large print copies are available.

## Readings

 1st Reading:
 Daniel 7.1 - 3, 15 - 18
 (OT page 642)

 2nd Reading:
 Ephesians 1.11 - end
 (NT page 148)

 Gospel:
 Luke 6.20 - 31
 (NT page 49)



The readings are available to view on our website - the QR code above right will take you directly to the webpage. Page references refer to the pew Bibles, should you wish to follow the readings.

#### Music

For all the saints who from their labours rest
Seek ye first the Kingdom of God
SASP 166
The trumpet sounds
Take my life and let it be
Oh when the saints
SASP 175

# **In Our Prayers**

For our charity partners - WorldVision link with Pajule, Uganda

- Home for Good

- Emmaus

For all those impacted by Hurricane Melissa and the aid agencies which seek to help and for all who work to alleviate climate change.

The Vicar: The Reverend Canon Lucy Davis

Tel: 01234 354234 Email: vicar@standrewsbedford.org

Day off: Friday

**Church Centre Office:** Monday to Friday, 9.00am - 5.00pm

Tel: 01234 216881 Email: operationsmanager@standrewsbedford.org

**Safeguarding:** If you have any safeguarding concerns, please contact the Vicar or the Safeguarding Team: safeguarding@standrewsbedford.org

#### **Notices**

**International Mission Partner:** Thank you to everyone who took part in the vote for our new mission partner. We are delighted that the choice of the Church Family is 'Hands at Work,' a Christian charity dedicated to caring for vulnerable children and families across Africa, focusing on providing essential services like food, education, and healthcare. We will be partnering with them for the next three years from January.

**Remembrance Sunday Services:** Please note the following services for Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November:

8.00am Holy Eucharist

9.30am Parish Eucharist (no children's groups on this day.)

10.45am Act of Remembrance.

**Church Workday**: Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> November, 10am - 12noon. If you can help with gardening and clearing leaves around the Church and Centre, please join us as we work together to care for our Church grounds. Coffee and biscuits are amply provided.

CASA 20th Anniversary Concert Carolyn Sampson and Joseph

**Middleton**: Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> November, 7.30pm with a pre-concert Q&A at 6.45pm. In the Church. The concert will include a varied programme with works by Purcell, Bach and Poulenc and a world premiere of music by Deborah Pritchard. Tickets are £14 for adults and free for under 18s (accompanied by an adult) and can be purchased from the Church office or via the ticket source website. See out website for more details.

**Crib Festival**: Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November, 10am - 4pm and Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November 1pm - 4pm. St Andrew's Church will be filled with nativity scenes of all shapes and sizes, contributed by individuals and community groups. Live music and seasonal refreshments. A wonderful start to Christmas! Entry by donation. All proceeds will go to our supported charities; World Vision, Home for Good and Emmaus Village Carlton.

**Advent Carol Service:** Join us on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November, 6pm in Church for a wonderful service of music and reflection as we begin Advent.

**Advent Course**: 'Names of the Messiah.' Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> December at 7.45pm. In the Holt Room and on Zoom. This will be an opportunity to pause and reflect together as we prepare to welcome Emmanuel.

#### The Week Ahead

### **Monday to Saturday**

8.30am Morning Prayer. In the Chapel and on Zoom.

5.00pm Evening Prayer (except Saturdays.) On Zoom.

# **Sunday 2nd November - All Saints Sunday**

8.00am Holy Communion. In Church.

(Followed by Breakfast in the Holt Room)

10.00am All-Age Eucharist. In Church.

6.00pm Choral Evensong. In Church.

# Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November

7.30pm Book Circle. Contact Office for location.

## **Tuesday 4th November**

11.15am Friends of St Andrew's Outing to Peacocks.

## Wednesday 5th November

10.30am Holy Eucharist. In Church.

7.45pm Questions and Conversations - Pilgrim Group.

Contact office for location.

# Thursday 6th November

12noon Talking Elephants. In the Hulbert Room.

### Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November

10.00am Coffee and Company. In the Centre Foyer.

8.00pm Compline. On Zoom.

# Saturday 8th November

10.00am Church Workday.

6.00pm Quaver's Reception. In the Holt Room.

7.30pm Concerts at St Andrew's presents: Alleluia - A 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Concert. In the Church.

# Sunday 9th November - Remembrance Sunday

8.00am Holy Communion. In Church.

9.30am Said Parish Eucharist. In Church and on Zoom.

10.45am Act of Remembrance. In Church and on Zoom.

2.00pm Tea Dance Lesson. In the Main Hall.

5.30pm Toastie Club. In the Main Hall.

Key dates for the month ahead are listed on the sheet available at the back of Church. A full listing of what's on at St Andrew's can be found on the website standrewsbedford.org under 'Calendar'.

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