

Readings and Collect for Sunday 21st November –Christ the King/Sunday next before Advent

Daniel 7: 9-10, 13-14

Psalm 93 *Refrain: The Lord shall reign for ever and ever*

Revelation 1: 4b-8 John 18: 33b-37

Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he may rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Readings for Thursday 25th November – Catherine, martyr, 4th century.

Daniel 6:12-end

Luke 21:20-28

Readings and Collect for Sunday 28th November – 1st Sunday of Advent

Jeremiah 33: 14-16

Psalm 25: 1-10 *Refrain: Remember, Lord, your compassion and love*

1 Thessalonians 3: 9-13

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever

Readings for Thursday 2nd December

Isiah 26:1-6

Psalm 118:18-27a *Refrain: I will give thanks to you, for you have become my salvation*

Matthew 7:21, 24-27

Please note: These readings and collects may be subject to change.



St Andrew's Rushmere
Focus for weeks
21st November - 4th December



Services at St Andrews

Every Sunday at 8.00am Holy Communion
(in the old end of church)

1st Sunday of the Month at 10.00am worship for All
Non-Eucharistic Service (in the new end of church)

2nd, 3rd and 4th Sundays at 10.00am Holy Communion
(in the new end of church)

(Any 5th Sundays of the month will be a Holy Communion)

Thursdays at 10.00am Holy Communion
(in the old end of church)

Focus is available on our website along with a link to our online services at: <https://rushmerestandrews.wordpress.com>

You can also find us on Facebook at:
www.facebook.com/standrew.rushmere

Please email your items to standrewr@gmail.com
or telephone Claire Driver on 623419, or 07971 334142,
or Gill Crisp on 253743, or 07776 467999
by 9pm Monday 29th November deadline
Next Focus is 5th December- 18th December

FIND Christmas Appeal 2021

It is time again when we support our local charity FIND at Christmas.

This year FIND request that we don't donate toys etc. as in previous years, but hopefully we can revert to gifts for Christmas 2022.

The only exception is lego sets available for all ages 3ys to late teens for Boys/Girls.

Acceptable gifts are tins, tubs and boxes of biscuits, sweets, chocolates placed in a festive bag.

Gift vouchers with an attached receipt, value on the cards, £10.00 upwards. These can be obtained from Sainsbury, Co-op, Aldi, Tesco, Smyths Toys, Primark, Argos, Marks and Spencer and Entainertainer (toys).

A Festive tree will be in church from **21/11/21** for you to collect a label for your gift.

Please bring your gifts to church by the last day of collecting **12th December 2021.**

Thank you very much
Gloria



Games Afternoon

Games afternoon will start on **Wednesday January 12th 2022.** This will be on the **second Wednesday of each month.** Games such as jigsaws, draughts and board games will be played 2.30 to 4 pm. All welcome to this popular event. Also **Knit and Natter** is on the first Wednesday of the month, so **5th of December.** We are making little angels, very easy and intended to decorate the church. If you want a pattern ask Sue 723957

QR (Quick Response) Code

Due to a severe loss of income to our church as a result of the Covid pandemic (£14,000 and counting) we are exploring additional ways of raising funds.

The QR code, seen below, and also displayed at the entrance to the church, is a more modern way to donate to the church and is an additional way to donate alongside the more traditional ways.

The code can be scanned by a mobile phone with a camera and will connect to the Give-a-Little page linked to the website:

<https://rushmerestandrews.wordpress.com>

If you have a query, please ask the Treasurer (724211) or a Warden.



Bible Study Group.

The next meeting is on:

Tuesday 7 December, 7.45 pm

Jesus, God in Human Form: 'Sealed in the stone-cold tomb'.
Study: John 19:38–42

All are welcome. For further information and to obtain joining details, please email David Gill david@davidgill.co.uk

Annual Bring and Buy Sale – RTU- In the church and church hall.

Friday 26 November 10am-5pm

Saturday 27th November 10-12noon

A big thank you to all those who have already donated goods and/or offered to help on either day or with preparing. We are very grateful and are hoping to continue the success of previous years – so please make a note of the dates and come and support us!

We have received a lot of donations for all the stalls for which we are very grateful. The only things we still require are cakes to be brought in on the day.

Please could we request that people **consider wearing masks** while in the building to protect everyone around them particularly if it is busy –which we hope it will be!

For any queries please contact Gloria Woolner 01473 725470, Ruth Silburn 01473 711872 or Jenny Coe 01473 610292.

Thank you from Paul and Sue Lines

We were delighted to receive a photograph of "StAR House 16" and to read about Selvi and her family who are now happily living there. Mo said that she has also sent you a photograph and information about this family, so if you haven't seen this, then please look at the notice board.

We very much appreciated this gift, so once again, we would like to thank you all for your kindness and generosity. We are really happy living in our new house in Willingham and feel very much "at home" now, so it is wonderful to know that another family are also happy living in their new home too.

Thank you all.

With Love Paul and Sue.

Sunday School and RTU



The Sunday School have been learning how important it is to help our neighbours and as part of this we are raising money for RTU.

We are aiming to raise £1000, enough to fund a house. If you would like to help us we are asking people to collect 5p's in mini jam jars (a full one holds £2 worth).

I hope to have some empty ones in the church lobby to hand out soon.

We are also collecting used stamps. They need to be carefully cut off the envelope without damaging the edges. They can be dropped off to the church lobby too- there is a small decoupage church model that you can post them into!

We have other ideas that we will follow up in due course. Some include baking cakes!!! And, we would always welcome your fund raising ideas if you have any.

Lastly, we will be running a children's stall (toys/books etc) at the RTU sale on 26th/27th November. All donations (clean and good condition) would be very welcome. Marion has kindly offered to look after donations.

Thank you.

Please let me know if you need anything further.

Sally Swann and all of us in the Sunday School.

Reminder: T@4 is on 21st November.

Everyone is welcome to come. A gathering for worship and tea in church. This is especially suitable for families and children. Refreshments provided.

Diary of Dates

As things have started to open up the following may be useful to check activities at a glance as they currently stand:

DAY	ACTIVITY	VENUE	TIME
Mon	*Open Door-weekly	Church	10am-2pm
Tues	Bible Study- 2 nd Tuesday of month	Zoom	7.45pm
Wed	*Open Door-weekly	Church	10am-12noon
Wed	Lunch Club-weekly	Church Hall	12.30pm
Wed	Knit and Natter -1 st Wednesday of month	Church Hall	2.30pm-4pm
Wed	Games Afternoon-2 nd Wednesday of month from 12/1/22	Church Hall	2.30-4pm
Wed	Mothers Union-3 rd Wednesday of month	Church Hall	2.30pm
Thurs	Toddler Group	Church Hall	9.45 -11.30am
Fri	*Open Door-weekly	Church	10-12noon
Fri	Friends Round Friday-weekly	Dumbarton Road Scout Hall	2-3.30pm
Sun	T@4	Church Hall	4pm

**These times may be changed in the New Year.*

Prayers

For those in our Parish who have asked for prayers to be said for them and for those who have recently died. Please may permission be sought from the person for whom prayers are said before they are added to the list. Thank you.

Janet; Ellen; Janet; Mary; Betty; Nephath; Ann ; Mark; Fiona; Renee; Margaret; Brad, and Abbie.

Died

Catherine Day; Barbara Miller;
Chisel Davies; Arthur Nicholls; Roger Barnes;
David Gillard; Diane Golding; John Stroud;
Peggy Kenworthy.



Beacon of Love

**Sponsor the Floodlight on the church at St Andrew's
in memory of Loved Ones.**

Dates available from 1st November to Valentine's Day.

Names will be written in a special leather bound book.
Just £10 donation. Gift Aiding adds £2 more at no extra cost to you.

Please see the sign-up sheet in church. Place your gift in a
white envelope provided.

Names will be entered in the memorial book each week.