

# Welcome

Welcome to St Andrew's, especially if you are visiting for the first time. Refreshments are served after the service - it would be lovely to meet you.

**No one belongs here more than you**

## Children and Families

*All children are welcome at St Andrew's, do not worry if yours make a bit of noise.*

**Junior Church** meets every Sunday in term time except during the All-Age Service.

### Toastie Tuesday

### After-School Club

For Secondary School Years. In St Andrew's Church, Tues in term time from 3.30-5.00pm.

### TMM Youth Group

For School Years 7+. Twice a month on Sundays, 4.30-6.00pm. *Next on 9 March.*

**Please see our website for more details.**

## Supporting St Andrew's

If you would like to support the work of our church, there is a **contactless card reader** by the church entrance or you can donate to our Barclays account:

**Hertford St Andrew PCC**

**A/C No: 50715050**

**Sort Code: 20-20-37**

Alternatively, you can speak to our Treasurer, Nick Sharman, or our Chair of Finance Committee, Chris Seward.



## 2 March 2025

### Sunday before Lent

### 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

Rev. Alan Stewart

### 10.30am Holy Communion

Celebrant: Rev. Alan Stewart

Preacher: Melanie Seward, Lay Reader

First Reading: Exodus 34. 29-end (Jane Eldred)

Gospel: Luke 9. 28-36

Intercessions: Charles Ledsam

Chalice: Richard Taylor

Debbie Ledsam, Frances Wilby

### Hymns

**550** Praise, my soul, the King of heaven!

**93** Christ, whose glory fills the skies

**60** Be still, for the presence of the Lord

**404** Lord, I come to you

**683** To God be the glory!

**Antem:** O nata lux – Tallis. Translation:

*O Light born of Light, Jesus, redeemer of the world, with loving-kindness deign to receive suppliant praise and prayer. You who once deigned to be clothed in flesh for the sake of the lost, grant us to be members of your blessed body.*

**7.00pm Soul Food** in the St Andrew's Centre,

Led by Forbes Mutch

**'What does Lent mean to you?'**

## Online via Zoom today

### 10.30am Sunday Morning Worship

Leader: Kath Oates, Lay Leader of Worship

Preacher: Melanie Seward (recorded)

**[Compline returns next Sunday]**

**Zoom links are emailed and on our website**

# Collect and Readings

**Collect:** Holy God, you know the disorder of our sinful lives; set straight our crooked hearts, and bend our wills to love your goodness and your glory in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## **First Reading:**

### **Exodus 34. 29-end**

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterwards all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

*For the Word of the Lord,*

**Thanks be to God**

## **Gospel: Luke 9. 28-36**

Now about eight days after these sayings, Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah'—not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, 'This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!' When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

*This is the Gospel of the Lord,*

**Praise to you, O Christ**

## **No chocolate. Is that what Lent means to you?**

**Next Tuesday is Pancake Day, which starts 40 days of fasting during Lent.**

**Or does it?** Whether you observe Lent or believe in God or not, you are invited to join us at **Soul Food this evening in the St Andrew's Centre at 6.45pm (for a 7.00pm start)** to discuss what Lent means in the modern world. There will be a warm welcome, friendly people, free hot drinks and cake, a few songs, a prayer or two, and the opportunity to chat. We would love to see you there.

# News and Notices



## HERTFORDSHIRE FESTIVAL OF MUSIC

### 2025 HERTFORDSHIRE FESTIVAL OF MUSIC INAUGURAL CONCERT & RECEPTION

**Thursday 6th March**

Doors open 6.45pm. Performance & introductions 7.00pm



SARAH JANE BRADLEY  
viola



JAMES FRANCIS BROWN  
piano

### FREE EVENT

**Hertford St Andrew Church  
St Andrew Street, Hertford SG14 1HZ**

Scan to book online



Please RSVP by reserving your FREE ticket via TicketSource:

[www.ticketsource.co.uk/hertfordshire-festival-of-music](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/hertfordshire-festival-of-music)

## Quiz Night with Friends of Hertford Museum

**Friday 7 March** at Sele Farm Community Centre,  
Perrett Gardens, Hertford.

**Tickets £12.50 each** – include Ploughman's Supper. Bring your own drink & glasses. Call in at the museum to book your place or email [friendsofhertfordmuseum@outlook.com](mailto:friendsofhertfordmuseum@outlook.com).

You can leave cash or cheques at the Museum.

We look forward to seeing you there!  
(Bring some cash as there will be a raffle.)

**LENT EVENT:** Enjoy a Piano Recital at 3.00pm this afternoon at Hertford Methodist Church, Ware Road. Free admission with a retiring collection in support of Christian Aid.

## Joint Parish Away Day 2025

**Sunday 4 May, 9.30am – 4.00pm**  
at All Nations College, Ware  
*This year's theme: 'Peace'*

- Worship, workshops, free time
- Activities for young people
- Beautiful surroundings
- Two-course lunch
- Newcomers especially welcome

Details went out by email last week. There's also information in the March parish magazine, on letters at the back of the church and online:

[www.hertfordstandrews.co.uk/awayday](http://www.hertfordstandrews.co.uk/awayday)

**On Ash Wednesday, 5 March**, our traditional services mark the beginning of Lent: 10.30am and 8.00pm Holy Communion at St Andrew's Church, with the imposition of ashes.

## MIRANDA SYKES & JIM CAUSLEY



Licensed bar available

**WEDNESDAY 19 MARCH 2025**

7.30pm at St Andrew's Church,  
Hertford SG14 1HZ

**Tickets from**

[www.ticketsource.co.uk/st-andrews-church](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/st-andrews-church)

[www.hertfordstandrews.co.uk](http://www.hertfordstandrews.co.uk)

## WORLD DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE

*'Cook Islands: I made you wonderful'*

**Friday 7 March, 2.00pm at All Saints' Church**

Everyone welcome. Service followed by refreshments.

**Please pray for:** Pauline Rhodes, Mike Watson, Phoebe, Lucy, Robert Ramsay, Georgina Laval, Julie, Alexander, Paul Roe, Graham Mitchell, Dino, Judy

**Rest in Peace:** Jeremy Bartlett

**Years' Mind:** Audrey Mann, Eva Woollard, Harold Ranolph Howard, Mabel Lilian Burrridge, Dennis Cheesman, Bert Wilbourn, Dorothy Austin

## St Andrew's Diary – the week ahead

### Monday 3

8.00am **Morning Prayer** in the Chapel

### Tuesday 4

3.30pm **Toastie Tuesday**

10.00am **Piano Tuning**

7.30pm **Exploring Faith** at St Mary's Hertingfordbury

### Ash Wednesday

10.30am **Holy Communion with Ashing** *Rev. Bill Church*

8.00pm **Holy Communion with Ashing**

*Rev. Alan Stewart & Rev. Bill Church*

### Thursday 6

8.00am **Morning Prayer** in the Chapel

9.30am **Toddler Group**

9.30am **Men in the Morning** meet in the Vestry

10.00am **Delta Dames Home** Group in the Chapel

10.30am **Holy Communion** at Calton Court

12noon **Funeral of Jeremy Bartlett** at Woollensbrook

7.00pm **Hertfordshire Festival of Music** event

### Friday 7

2.00pm **World Day of Prayer Service** at All Saints'

5.30pm **Children's Choir**

### Sunday 9

8.00am **Holy Communion (BCP)** *Rev. Bill Church*

10.30am **All-Age Holy Communion**

*Celebrant: Rev. Alan Stewart*

*Preacher: Geoff Oates, Lay Reader*

10.30am **Sunday Morning Eucharist on Zoom**

*Celebrant & Preacher: Rev. Bill Church*

4.30pm **TMM Youth Group**

7.00pm **Compline on ZOOM**

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