'APCM' - 23rd April'

Our Annual Church Meeting takes place on Sunday 23rd April following our joint service at St Andrew's. As usual we will have a coffee break after the service, then re-gather for the APCM and then enjoy lunch together. All are invited. If anyone would like to submit an article for the Annual Report magazine, please let Linda or Teresa know by 14th March, articles are needed by end of March. Following the meeting there will be a 'bring & share' lunch with

soup in aid of Christian Aid. We are suggesting St Johns folk bring savoury dishes and St Andrews folk desserts. Thank you ---000---

'Alpha Course'

We hope to offer an Alpha course after Easter, if you are interested in coming on this course please could you sign up at the back and indicate which days/times of the week would work best for you. Thank you. ---000---

'Voice Workshop'

Tuesday 16th of May 10am - 2pm. Sign-up sheets are at the back of church for those who would like to attend.

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PLEASE TAKE THIS SHEET HOME WITH YOU

Sun 26th Mar – *Mothering Sunday* Merciful Lord, you know our struggle to serve you: when sin spoils our lives and overshadows our hearts, come to our aid and turn us back to you again; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

- 10am Holy Communion @ St John's led by Linda10am Morning Worship @ St Andrew's led
 - by Teresa & Angela
- **12.15 Baptism** @ St John's

Today's Bible Readings 1 Sam 16:1-13 & Jn 9– SJ Exodus 2.1-10 & John 19.25-27– SA ---000---

If you'd like someone to pray with you after the service, please find a member of our prayer team. --000---

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Prayer chains - if you'd like a group of church members to pray confidentially or immediately about something, please phone & speak to one of our 'prayer chain' coordinators: for St John's – Brenda Allen 🕿 642352 for St Andrew's – Margaret Golledge 🕿 526760 ---000---

<u>Prayer crosses</u> – if you'd like a prayer request included in the public prayers at church, please use the 'prayer cross' at the back of church.

This Week

Every Mon, Tue, Thu & Fri during school terms: 'Tea & Toast', 9-9.30am @ St John's - all are welcome

Tues 28th

2pm

Lent Group @ St Andrew's

Wed 29th

10am Holy Communion @ St John's Lent Lunch @ St John's 12 noon

Thurs 30th

10am Cuppa & Chat @ St Andrew's

Sun 2nd

Holy Communion @ St Andrew's 10am Morning Worship @ St John's 10am ---000----

'Baptism' – Today

We will be baptising Ellen today at 12:15. She has requested to be baptised ahead of hospital treatment. Please keep her in your prayers. ---000----

'Electoral Roll revision'

As the APCM approaches, it's time for the revision of our Church Electoral Roll. The current roll is on the table at the back. Please can all those on the roll check their details are up-to-date. If you have been baptised and would like to be on the roll please complete an application form which is at the back. We do encourage everyone who is part of our church family to be on the roll, we are happy to help you complete the form - just ask! Please make sure any amendments are made and any new forms handed in by Wednesday 5th April. The new roll will be published from Friday 7th April ahead of the APCM on the 23rd April.

'Lent group'

Lent Group next Tuesday at St Andrews 2-3.30pm is on the theme of 'Receiving Christ through fellowship and prayer'. If possible please read 1 Peter 5:1-11. All welcome

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'Lent Lunches'

Every Wednesday leading up to Easter. Soup, bread/cheese & drink will be served between 12 noon – 1:30pm. Donations of £2. All proceeds will be donated to Christian Aid. Everyone is welcome. Please invite your family and friends. ---000----

'Cuppa n chat'

On Thursday 30 March 10-12 we are holding an eggciting Easter sale and raffle. All are welcome to come to make friends and have a chat whilst enjoying delicious homemade cakes. All proceeds go to the Children's Society.

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'Messy Easter'

Please note that this will take place at St Andrews on Saturday 8 April at 3pm and Sunday 9 April at 3.30pm at St John's. (Palm Sunday). We would love to have as many people helping with this as possible so please let Teresa know if you can come. We also need lots of party food such as crisps, fairy cakes and biscuits.

Thank you. ---000----

'Changes to services after Easter'

Please note that on Sunday 30th April there will now be a *joint* service of Holy Communion at St John's and the following Sunday 7th May there will be a joint service of Holy Communion at St Andrew's. Please note that there will be no midweek service on Wednesday 19th April.

Unfortunately due to unavailability of most team members, we have also had to cancel Messy Church which was due to take place on Sunday 30th April at St John's.