

CHURCH ROTAS

Sunday Services:

8th September 2019

15th September 2019

8.00am	Administrant:	P Bradfield	John Dilley
	Sidespeople:	I & R Drakes	John Dilley
10.00am	Intercessor:	N/A	C Dixon
	Administrants:	R Blackford, W Smith	M Dominey, N Woodward, N van de Weerd
	Readers:	N/A	A Dilley, W Smith
	Welcomers:	N/A	W Smith, P Williams
	Sidespeople:	Family Communion at St. Andrew's Lower School East - site	Rosemary Jopson, B Arnold, R Newman (Red)
	PA:	N/A	C Parker
	Crucifer and Servers:	N Woodward	R Blackford, M Smith, R Smith, A Dilley
6.00pm	Readers:	J Walters, P Rutt	Robin Jopson, R Drakes
	Sidespeople:	G Hibbert, T Haygreen (Red)	Rosemary Jopson, R Newman (Red)

Thursday Service

9.30am	PA:	A Maynard	A Maynard
	Intercessor:	R Butcher	B Dixon
Flowers:		15th September TBA	22nd September 2019 J Parker
Brass:		14th September M McLoughlin	21st September 2019 N Staples, R Jones

If you are a UK taxpayer and would like to increase the value of your offering, please complete a Gift-Aid envelope inside the wallet on the pew shelves, or at the entrances, and place it in the collection plate during the service.

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St. Andrew's Church, Biggleswade;
Worshipping God with joy, growing in faith,
serving with love, welcoming all.



TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY 8TH SEPTEMBER 2019

Children are welcome to stay throughout the service. **Toys are available in front of the Trinity Altar** (for under 5's), where parents may sit with their children while continuing to take part in the service. Please ask about our **Sunday School** which operate during term times



If you use a **HEARING AID**, please tune into the Church's **LOOP SYSTEM** by switching your hearing aid to "T".



LARGE PRINT service sheets are available on request.

TRANSPORT is available. Please contact Paul Canty on 640100



Please join us for refreshments in the Chapter House after our 9:30 service on Thursdays & our 10.00am service on Sundays.

Vicar: Rev'd Guy Scott (Tel: 01767 312243)
Readers: Rosemary Bentley (Tel 01767 313517)
Colin Dixon (Tel: 01767 317245) Tony & Christine Elcombe (Tel 01767 682274)

THIS SUNDAY'S SERVICES

Sun 8th	8.00am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Family Communion at St. Andrew's Lower School East - site with the Archdeacon of Bedford (There will be no service in the Parish Church at this time)
	6.00pm	Evensong

THIS WEEK'S SERVICES AND EVENTS

Tues 10th	7.15pm	No Service today
	8.00pm	PCC Meeting
Thurs 12th	9.30am	Holy Communion
	12.30pm	Food for Thought
Sat 14th	10.00am-12 Noon	Chapter House Coffee Shop
Sun 15th	8.00am	Holy Communion
*THIRTEENTH	9.00am	Worship in the Community at
SUNDAY AFTER		St. Andrew's Lower School - East site
TRINITY	10.00am	Parish Communion
	6.00pm	Evensong
	8.00pm	Sunday @ 8

OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

As we come to the end of the summer holidays, we pray for all the young people and families in our town as they prepare for the new academic year. We pray for all our schools, especially St. Andrew's Lower Schools and Edward Peake Middle School, praying for all students, staff and governors. We hold in our prayers especially all who are beginning new periods of their life, for all who are starting new schools, for all going away from home for the first time and for all going in to training or employment. We also hold before God those unable to find work and those fearful of what the future may hold. We give thanks for the sunshine and the warmth, for the rain which has refreshed us and the earth and for the fruits of the earth we are harvesting and enjoying. We pray that as Christian's we may remember to be thankful for all God's blessings, that we may seek and heed our calling to serve God and that we may always be open to see the needs of others within our community and wider afield. We hold before you all who are suffering in body, mind or spirit, and all who grieve, and we bring before you too all who care for them. We pray for justice, mercy and peace throughout God's world, committing ourselves to living in peace with our families, our friends our communities and all with whom we share our lives and God's world. We pray for your protection on all who work for peace.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for The Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for all who lead and attend Youth Clubs. Living Gods Love - Making New Disciples.

Our Partner Community of Mafambisa: We pray for the people of Mafambisa, for the vulnerable and orphaned children, for the care workers, for the care givers and all who support them. www.standrewslink.blogspot.co.uk

Needing Our Prayers: Louise Joy, Yvonne Gray, John Bentley, Bernie Marron, Joy Botterell, Sylvia Rutt, Thomas Morris, baby George Pickles, Javier, Patience from Mafambisa, Laura and Audrey from Mozambique

Continue to Pray For: Ian Pearson, Wendy Walters and Ricardo Landsman

The Departed: Michelle (Chell) Gauge

Year's Mind: 10th George Gray, 11th Harry Harwood, Mary Macdonald

Please see the Vicar to have names added or removed from the prayer list

NOTICES

COUNTRY FAYRE - This year's Country Fayre is just around the corner (Saturday 21st September) to make this successful we have a few pleas to ask of as many people as possible. You may know that this year we are raising money for Magpas Air Ambulance and TLG (a Christian charity that help bring hope and a future to struggling children). The following are some requests from the committee:

- We will not be having a 'White Elephant' stall this year; we would though, like some good quality, suitable items that you would be happy to win in a tombola or raffle.
- Donations of toiletries for the choir's tombola would also be appreciated and they can be given to a choir member or put in the choir vestry.
- Donations of crockery for the crockery smash are also needed, although we are requesting especially for plates as these are the best for smashing. Unfortunately we cannot accept any glass items.

We are also looking for donations of chocolate, teddies, bottles of wine, cakes, homemade jams and preserves and any other tombola items. *There will be a box in the church foyer which items can be placed into or otherwise please speak to a member of the committee.*

Our exhibition this year is based on children's activities that can get them away from screens and out of the house (entitled "Not on an Xbox"). We would like some giant garden games that can be in church to be played throughout the day, if these could be borrowed for the day then we would be hugely appreciative. Please speak to a committee member if you can help.

Many people request a gazebo for their stall on the day and with only a limited amount of our own, if anyone has a gazebo which they could bring, or we could borrow, then please inform a member of the committee who would be very appreciative.

Our biggest plea this year is for help in the setting up and taking down of the event. The day takes a lot of preparation, especially in the few days leading up to it therefore we are in desperate need for help on **Thursday 19th from 7pm**; we need to get boards out for the exhibition which could be an easier job if there are many hands as well there being some items to get down from the loft. **Friday 20th**; we will be setting up gazebos and preparing the churchyard from 4:30pm, there are however many other jobs inside that will need doing. Putting up gazebos is not a heavy job and people will be there to show you the ropes if you are unsure. After the Fayre on Saturday the whole site needs packing up so help then would also be appreciated and hopefully it will be a great end to an amazing day. Many thanks in advance, *The Country Fayre Committee* (Chris, Lucy, Carolyn, Jane, Janet, Nick, Sue and Oliver)

COUNTRY FAYRE HAMPER - There is now a box in the foyer for contributions for the hamper, or they can still be given to me directly. It would be much appreciated to have items beforehand so that I can work out the value for the guesses on the day. *Anna Rutt (24 Fairfield Road)*

HOUSE GROUPS - We begin again on Monday 9th September at 7.45pm at 33 Beech Avenue. This week we will be studying the life and times of King David. Everyone will be welcome. *George and Angela*

CONCERT - On the evening of Saturday 23rd November 2019 there will be a concert at St. Andrew's Church by the East Beds Chamber Choir with whom we sing. There will be a mixture of sacred, secular, traditional and modern music, something for everyone! The choir under their new director will be joined by the senior choir of Mark Rutherford School Bedford. It promises to be an enjoyable evening. Please keep the date in your diaries; further details will follow nearer the time. *Rob Butcher and Colin Dixon*

ORGAN UPDATE - You may have noticed increasing activity on the organ restoration in recent weeks. There have been several deliveries of cleaned and restored pipes. There has been cleaning of the larger wooden pipes and rearrangement of the organ within the loft to improve access. The restored console is now ready to be delivered. Then the re-wiring and re-tuning can be finished. There have been unavoidable delays but completion is now really in sight, probably by the end of October.

Simultaneously the organist, who is making a good recovery from his first hip replacement, will complete his restoration with the other hip being replaced in October ready to get his feet dancing across the pedals! *Rob Butcher*

CHURCH DIARIES - The new and most attractive church diaries for 2020 are now on sale, price £1, at the back of the church and in the Chapter House. They are in a revised format with a colour photograph of our church on the cover. As stocks are limited you are advised to buy early to avoid disappointment. Please place payment in the TINS provided - NOT in the foyer wall safe. *Philip Rutt*

BIGGLESWADE DEANERY CHARITY 2020 - Each year our Deanery adopts a charity to support; alternately a project in our local region and a global charity. This year we have contributed to CHUMS, a Luton and Bedfordshire based organisation, with a mission to improve the mental health and emotional wellbeing of local children and young people. If you have a suggestion for an overseas charity which our Deanery may support in 2020, please speak to a member of the PCC before 10th September. Monies raised do not need to be for a specific project, but we should hope that a short presentation would be offered at Deanery Synod on Tuesday 15th October at 7.30pm, St Swithun's Sandy, before a 2020 charity is chosen. *Guy*

NOTICES - Don't forget that copies of our notices and details of services and events are available on the church website at www.biggleswadeparishchurch.co.uk

VISITORS who usually receive communion in their own church are welcome to receive Communion here. If you do not yet receive Communion, please come to the altar rail for a Blessing, and carry the service book with you as an indication.

PRIVACY POLICY St. Andrew's Privacy Policy can be found at:- <http://biggleswadeparishchurch.co.uk/about/about-contact.htm>

NOTICES - Please no later than Wednesday 11.00am. Hand written items to the Secretary or Email: notices@biggleswadeparishchurch.co.uk. Thank you.