

Readings and Collect for Sunday 10th April – Palm Sunday

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29, *Refrain: I will give thanks to you.*

or Psalm 118:19-24, or Psalm 31:9-18 *Refrain: Into your hands I commend my spirit.* Luke 19:28-40

Almighty and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross: grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Readings and Collect for Thursday 14th – Maundy Thursday

Exodus 12:1-4, (5-10), 11-14

Psalm 116:1, 10-17, or 116:9-17 *Refrain: Gracious is the Lord and righteous.* 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Readings and Collect for 15th April – Good Friday

Isaiah 52:13-53.12

Psalm 22, or Psalm 22:1-11, or Psalm 22:1-21 *refrain: Be not far from me, O Lord.* Hebrews 10:16-25, or Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9 John 18:1-19.42

Almighty Father, look with mercy on this your family for which our Lord Jesus Christ was content to be betrayed and given up into the hands of sinners and to suffer death upon the cross; who is alive and glorified with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Readings and Collect for Sunday 17th April – Easter Day

Acts 10:34-43

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24, or 118:14-24 *Refrain: I will give thanks to you.* 1 Corinthians 15:19-26 John 20:1-18, or Luke 24:1-12

Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity.

Readings for Thursday 21st April – Thursday of Easter Week

Acts 3:11-end

Psalm 8

Luke 24:35-48



St Andrew's Rushmere

Focus for weeks

10th - 23rd April



Services at St Andrew's

Sundays 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)

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

Thursdays at 10.00am Holy Communion

(in the old end of church)

Focus is available on our new website along with a link to online services via YouTube at:

<http://standrewschurchrushmere.onesuffolk.net/>

Find us on Facebook at:

<http://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 18th April deadline
Next Focus is 24th April - 7th May

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 ,
Betty, Ann, Mark ,
Fiona, Renee, Margaret,
Abbie, Jane ,
Mary, William.

For those recently died:
Martin Anthony, Glynne Whitehead,
John Gostling.



QR (Quick Response) Code

Due to the loss of revenue to the church due to Covid-19 the QR code below will continue to be printed in Focus on a regular basis.

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

standrewschurchrushmere.onesuffolk.net/

Any queries, please ask our
Treasurer (724211)
or a Warden.



Coffee morning Saturday April 23rd 10am in the church hall.



Refreshments, homemade scones,
bring and buy, raffle, companionship.
All welcome



Services for Holy Week and Easter

Palm Sunday 10th April 10am

Meet in the Meadow car park for the
Procession of the Crosses.

Monday 11th April 6.30pm

Evening Prayer with space for quiet reflection.

Tuesday 12th April 7.45pm

Bible Study Group meet online, via Zoom.

“Teaching from the Road to Jerusalem”.

The Coming of the Kingdom: Luke 17:20-37.

How do we prepare for the return of Jesus
and the coming of His Kingdom?

For further details please contact David Gill: david@davidgill.co.uk

Wednesday 13th April 6.30pm

Evening Prayer with space for quiet reflection.

Maundy Thursday 14th April 6pm

(no charge – donation welcome for the meal).

A meal, Foot, (or hand) Washing, The Eucharist,
Stripping the Altar, Vigil, finish with Compline at 9.45pm,
(stay for all or just part of the evening).

Good Friday 15th April 10am

Communion (from the Reserved Sacrament).

2pm Meditation on the Cross

Easter Day 17th April 6.30am

At the Tomb followed by Cooked Breakfast.

8am Eucharist.

10am Parish Eucharist.

4pm [T@4](#) – with Easter Egg Hunt.



Activities at St Andrew's Church.

These are the current activities listed and more may be added, or changed at a later date.

Day	Activity	Venue	Time
2 nd & 4 th Sunday of the month	StAR Sunday School	Church Hall	10am during term time
3 rd Sunday of the month	T@4 Informal worship with food		4pm
Monday to Friday	Open Door for free refreshments	Church	10am - 12noon
Wednesday	Lunch Club	Church Hall	12.30pm
Wednesday	StAR Youth Club	Church Hall	6.30pm -8pm during term time
1 st Wednesday of the month	Knit and Natter	Church Hall	2.00pm - 4pm
2 nd Wednesday of the month	Games Afternoon	Church Hall	2.00pm – 4pm
3 rd Wednesday of the month	Mothers Union	Church Hall	2.30pm
Thursday	StAR Toddlers	Church Hall	9.45 – 11.30am during term time
2 nd Thursday of the month	StAR Toddler Service		11am during term time
Friday	Friends Round Friday	Dumbarton Rd Scout Hall	10.30am - 12pm

Contact for Sunday School: Ali at: rushmeresundayschool@gmail.com

Contact for Youth Club and [T@4](#): yfworkerstar@gmail.com

Contact for StAR Toddler Group: Ros: 01473 723381

If there are any activities you would like to be included in this list please email: standrewr@gmail.com

Annual Meetings: The following were elected at the annual meetings held on March 24th:

Churchwardens: Tim Oxbrow, Teresa Rose.

Deputy Warden: David Chaplin.

PCC: Gill Ainslie, Bob Batchelor and Chris Gibson. David Gill was made a member in his capacity as Licensed Reader.

Deanery Synod: Hilary Platts.

We are grateful to them for taking on these responsibilities. Our thanks to retiring PCC members Mary Odam and Bob Mellor.

QUIZ EVENING, 30th April, 7.30pm in the church hall.

Cheese ploughman's supper, homemade cake, tea/coffee, raffle.
Tickets £7.50.

Numbers limited to 45, so book early to avoid disappointment!
For a table of up to 6 ring Sue S. on 723957.

Are You Able and Willing to Volunteer?

'**Church Opener and Locker**' - the person who for many years has faithfully unlocked and locked the church on Tuesdays is retiring from this important role of ensuring the church is open for all who wish to use it during daylight hours. We say a big thank you to Jack for all your, often, unseen work over the years. If you feel you can help fill this vacancy please contact one of the churchwardens, it may be possible to swop the day with another member of the team who keep our church available to all during the week.

After sterling work over the last few years, Gloria, our '**Church Booking Secretary**' is standing down and we are looking for someone to take on this role, if you are keen to help the church in this role please chat to Gloria and the churchwardens to find out what it entails, it can all be done from the warmth of your home! Thank you Gloria for all that you've done and continue to do in other roles.

Thank you for considering if you can help out in one of the above roles. Churchwardens - Gill, Tim & Teresa.