



Christ-Centred – Welcoming – Inclusive – Outward -Looking



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Generous Giving Sunday

10am Parish Communion

Readings:

Jeremiah 20.7-13 *Jeremiah denounces his persecutors*

Romans 6.1b-11 *Dying and rising with Christ*

Matthew 10.24– 39 *Whom to fear*

Collect: Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts whereby we call you Father: give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God; 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. Amen

Zoom To join [Click here](#)

Meeting ID: 931 2877 4094

Passcode: 263739

Landline dial in contact: 0330 088 5830

Sunday School—all school-age children welcome

Coffee and fellowship in the Chapter House

12 noon Baptisms—Reggie, Romeo, Elias-Joe

5:30pm Taize Service, Cockayne Hatley

Monday 22 June

9:30am MU Wave of Prayer
(see notice for details)

7pm Buildings and Grounds, Ivel Room

Thursday 25 June

9:30am Holy Communion

Readings: II Kings 8-17

Matthew 7.21-29

Coffee and fellowship in the Chapter House

11am Mantles Court Home Communion

12-2pm MU Ploughman's Lunch

7:45pm Exploring Silence,
St Peter's (see notice in foyer)

Friday 26 June

1:45pm Beaumont Park Home Communion

Saturday 27 June

10am-12noon Coffee Shop, Chapter House

3pm Wedding—Michael and Kerry

7:30pm East Beds Chamber Choir Concert

Sunday 28 June

10am Parish Communion

Sunday School—all school-age children welcome

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Intercessions

Let us pray for: Churches Together in Biggleswade, Central Bedfordshire Council and Councillors, green spaces, recreation and leisure facilities

Requesting our Prayers: Percy Doughty, Thelma Holden, Margaret Hulley, Charles Rutt, Steve Waldron, Derek and Gill Whinnett.

We continue to pray for: Joan Betts, Cory Sherry

We pray for the souls of the recently departed: Derek Hughes, Philip Rutt. For families and friends preparing for services of thanksgiving and celebration of life. We remember with prayers and thankful, privileged, memories those whose Year's Mind fall at this time: William Thatcher (26th)

Mafambisa:

We remember the people of our partner community of Mafambisa, for the vulnerable and orphaned children, the care workers, the caregivers and all who support them. By name this week we pray for care-worker: Virginia and children: Christina, Thando, Blessing, Sneshopho, Jasper .

MU Wave of Prayer

Monday 22 June 9.30-10am. We will be holding a short service in the church for our 'slot' in this week of prayer world-wide. Do join us if you've seen the celebrations on Facebook etc. and are interested in MU. All welcome, as always. (We'll be going for coffee afterwards, cake optional!)

Maggie McLoughlin and Ros Drakes

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your people, and kindle in us the fire of your love

The next few months will continue to be a time of transition and, I pray, renewal at Church. Since the APCM, we are aware that we have a PCC Treasurer vacancy to fill. Whilst the PCC seek to recruit a new PCC Treasurer, Andrew Rutt has generously offered to continue to support the PCC as 'bookkeeper'. In the next few weeks I would encourage anyone who may be interested in taking up this role to speak with myself, a Churchwarden or Andrew Rutt directly to find out more. *Revd. Liz, Vicar*

Thank You!

I would like to thank every single person in our congregation for their amazing support and help during the last two years while I was Church warden here at St Andrew's. It has been a privilege to represent you all. Thank you for your care, your thoughts and prayers during that - sometimes difficult - time.

Nettie van de Weerd

Mafambisa Fundraising

Thank you to all those who have supported the School Assembly Songs, Car Wash and Quiz Evening.

You can also donate via our Go Fund Page <https://gofund.me/5f6329fea>

Mafambisa 2026 Team

MU @Jordan's Mill

The MU meeting on 1 July will leave St Andrew's car park at 2pm for a meet at Jordan's Mill. More information next week.

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Bishop of St Albans' Open Garden

Bishop Andrew has graciously agreed to the Bishop's Garden being open to the public for four Sundays over the summer prior to him and his family moving into Abbey Gate House later in the year.

Please see the poster in the foyer with more details and opening times. To date nearly £25,000 has been raised for the Beds and Herts Historic Churches and it would be great if the total could be nearer to £30,000 before Bishop Andrew arrives.

Coffee shop

There is a small group of parishioners who volunteer on a Saturday morning to run the coffee shop in the Chapter House. It is open each Saturday between 10am and 12 noon. It would be lovely to see some new faces amongst the regulars. There is always a jigsaw on the go, sometimes there is cake, sometimes a group of crafters, but all are welcome on any Saturday. No set price for refreshments but donations are requested towards the costs and all profits go into church funds.

Anna Rutt

Craft and Chat The next craft and chat session will be on 20 June in the Chapter House during coffee shop, between 10 and 12. It would be good to see you. We are a small group of people who enjoy crafting but we are also happy chatting!! Why not bring along your ongoing craft project and join us or just pop in for a drink and a chat. No extra charge...just a donation for your drink and biscuits .

Janet Castle, Gill Hibbert, Anna Rutt

Jigsaw puzzles

I will have several 1000 piece jigsaw puzzles for sale during Coffee Shop on 20 June. They were purchased brand new (between £10 & £18), have been done once and I am selling for £3.50 each with all monies going towards church funds.

Anna Rutt

Biggleswade in Bloom 2026 - St Andrew's Church has entered this event with judging expected the week of 6 July. Volunteers are invited to help with a wider Community Planting Day in June when seasonal bedding plants arrive, with the exact date still to be confirmed. Financial donations towards purchasing plants for display in the churchyard will also be warmly received. Please see Mark Simmons.

Eco Group

Design a logo for history in the making!

2027 marks 150 years of St Albans Cathedral, The Diocese of St Albans and St Albans city status. At the Cathedral, we're looking for a standout logo to bring our Alban150 campaign to life.

Whether you're a designer, artist, student, or simply full of ideas, this is your chance to create something seen across a landmark year - from events and exhibitions to digital and merchandise.

Win prizes including:

- £100 St Albans Gift Card courtesy of St Albans City Centre BID
- A bundle of Cathedral event tickets and gifts
- Your design used across the entire anniversary year

Deadline: Friday 17 July 2026

See full details here: <https://www.stalbanscathedral.org/alban150-competition>

Passionate about education? Have you ever considered becoming a school governor?

Would you like to serve in the wider community? St Andrew's Primary School in

Biggleswade is currently recruiting for a Foundation Governor. All interested candidates are asked to please contact Sarah Greene, Clerk to the Governors on clerk@standrews.beds.sch.uk for a full role description and application form. Revd Liz and Danielle Singh, both currently serving as Foundation Governors, would also be very happy to help with any questions you may have about what the role entails. As this is a PCC Foundation Governor vacancy your application will need the Vicar, the Head of St Andrew's Primary School and the PCC to endorse it. Please note therefore, that the closing date for applicants is **Tuesday 30 June**, prior to the next PCC meeting on Tuesday 14 July.

Revd. Liz, Vicar

Future Dates

30 June	7:30pm	Standing Committee
1 July	2pm	MU Meeting at Jordan's Mill (<i>leave St Andrew's 2pm</i>)
6 July		Biggleswade in Bloom Week
	7:30pm	Friends of St Andrew's Trustees Meeting
14 July	7:30pm	PCC Meeting, Ivel Room
26 July	10am	Parish Communion—Mafambisa Team 2026 Commissioning Service

A Prayer for our world

Eternal God, whose Spirit moved over the face of the deep bringing forth light and life; by that same Spirit, renew your creation, and restore your image in your people.

Turn us from careless tenants to faithful stewards, that your threefold blessing of clean air, pure water and rich earth may be the inheritance of everything that has the breath of life and one generation may proclaim to another the wonder of your works; through Jesus Christ, your living Word, in whom the fullness of your glory is revealed. Amen

Rt Revd Libby Lane, Bishop of Derby

Living God, draw us deeper into your love; Jesus our Lord, send us to care and serve, Holy Spirit make us heralds of good news. Stir us, strengthen us teach and inspire us to live your love with generosity and joy, imagination and courage, for the sake of your world and in the name of Jesus. Amen

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