

Welcome to St Andrew's Church

Today we arrive at the last Sunday before Easter. Today we remember Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. Worshipping like many other Christians, we will be giving and receiving Palm Crosses representing the palm branches the crowd scattered in front of Jesus as he rode into Jerusalem on a donkey. This begins the first day of Holy Week.

Please do join us as we journey through Holy Week by joining us on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. Details of events are listed on the back of the Grapevine. Everyone is welcome to join us on this journey...

If it is your first time with us, we pray that you will meet with God during the service. Please do stay for tea and coffee afterwards, as we would love to welcome you and give you more information about our St Andrew's family.

Who is here this week

Sunday 25th March *Palm Sunday*

9:00am Holy Communion

Welcome:

Leading: Jo McKee

Preaching: Dave Roberts

Readings: *Psalm 118: 1-2, 19-end*
John 12: 12-16

Prayers:

10:30am Palm Sunday Holy Communion

Welcome: Sheila Roberts and Elizabeth Guite

Leading: Jo McKee & Andy Pell

Preaching: Bob May

Readings: Sandra Rowbottom
Dorothy Lord

Prayers: Sandra Smith

This week please pray for:

God's healing and restoration:

Irene Clegg, Cecelia Holden, Joyce Herdson, Rowena Cleary, Michelle Davis, Irene Westhead, Mia Lindsley, Judith Brett, Bill Dudley, Pam Nicholson, Margaret Ellison and Archie Smithies.

Bereaved Families:

Carole Thompson; Barrie Nadin; Peter Vaughan

Church Family

The children & youth ministries:

Sunday's Children's Groups

Tuesday's See & Know

Who let the Dad's Out!

Footsteps Nursery

Mission Partners:

Local Mission - *CAP*

Overseas Mission - *Mission Direct,*

Open Doors

Church Groups:

Oasis, Homegroups, SALT.

Organisation we support:

ROC, Food & friendship

Prayer request:

Please pray for all the children, teachers and adults that will come into church this week for the School's Prayer Trail, the Passover Meals, the Good Friday service and after event.

New Church Members

We realise that there are a number of new people in church. If you've joined us over the past few months and you would like to support the ministry that goes on here, then here's some helpful steps: Only give out of what you have; only give after prayerful thought; only use tithing (giving 10% of income) as a guide, not a law. Below offers 5 simple steps we can take to grow in our giving:

*Don't give → Give whatever is in my pocket →
Come prepared with a gift →
Plan giving each week/month →
Give regularly by standing order
(as this helps us budget our activities & resources)*

Knowing and making known the God who is love

Reaching people for Christ Jesus

Equipping the believers · Growing leaders

News - what's new

Hope at Easter

We have nearly 500 magazines to give away and distribute in the locality before Easter and we are looking to all of you to help distribute these to your neighbours and friends who don't know Jesus as Lord, and to cover all the dwellings in the vicinity of St Andrew's Church. Please take some from the back of church and indicate where they will be distributed so that we don't overlap our efforts. The articles in the magazine may give you a starting point for a conversation about your faith. Perhaps the home-groups might like to distribute some as a group exercise?

Holy Week Events

Prayer Trail: *Monday-Wednesday, 9.15-2.30pm*

St Andrew's School and Wesley are visiting on Monday and Tuesday. On Wednesday Gorsefield are coming into church. If you'd like to help please do just come to church. They'll be plenty to do and take part in.

Footsteps Easter Experience: *Thursday, 9-10am*

This is open to all Footsteps children and families. They will be able to experience the different stations around the church.

St Andrew's School Service: *Thursday, 1-2pm*

St Andrew's School will be leading their Easter Service in church. Family & friends are welcome.

Maundy All Age Passover Tea: *Thursday, 4-5pm*

We'll be exploring the meaning of the Passover Meal in an interactive way and in between we'll have tea together. Please do bring picnic type food with you to share. Ideal for young families.

Maundy Thursday Meal: *Thursday, 7.30pm*

As the Passover is traditionally a huge celebration of God saving the Israelite people, we're going to celebrate by having a hot meal followed by puddings. Everyone is welcome, including Searchers & Youth Group members. Sign up sheets are on the back table in church. Please sign up with what food you are able to contribute. It's going to be a lovely/fun evening together as a church family.

[For the evening Passover meal please bring your own drink, drinks glass, crockery and cutlery.]

Good Friday: *Friday, 10am*

An hour around the cross. A service for all ages remembering Jesus' sacrifice for us (1hr).

Messy Easter: *Friday 2-3pm*

An activity based hour exploring the Easter story from Palm Sunday to Easter Day.

Lego Club: *Saturday, 2-4pm.*

£1 entry per child (includes juice & biscuits). Adult/Carer: Free (Small fee for hot drinks and cake)

Easter Sunday Holy Communions: *Sunday, 9am & 10:30am*

Come and celebrate Jesus' resurrection. An Easter egg hunt after the 1030 service!

Diary

This week:

Monday – Wednesday: School Prayer Trail

Monday 26 th March	9.15am	Weekly Lent Prayer
	10.00am	Manchester Diocese Service of Oils and Vows
Tuesday 27 th March	1:00pm	Oasis Craft Group
	6:00pm	ROC Yr1-4 Drop In Session
	7:00pm	CAP Easter Service
Wednesday 28 th March	7:00pm	Youth Group in the Vicarage (Age 14+)
Thursday 29 th March	9.00am	Footsteps Prayer Trail
	1:00pm	St Andrew's School Easter Service
	4:00pm	Maundy Thursday All Age Event
	6:30pm	ROC Yr5-6 Drop In Session
	7:30pm	Maundy Thursday Meal
Friday 30 th March	10:00am	Good Friday Service
	2:00pm	Messy Easter
Saturday 31 st March	2:00pm	Lego Club
Sunday 1 st April	9:00am	Holy Communion
	10:30am	Easter Family Holy Communion & Easter Egg

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