

Weekly benefice diary 12th July 2026

Date	Church	Time	Service/event
Sun 12th	St A's	8am	Early Eucharist
	St M's	10am	Holy Communion
	St A's	10.30am	Family Eucharist
	St Bart's	11am	Parish Eucharist
Mon 13th	St A's	9am	Church counters
	St A's	11am	Balance Class
	St A's	noon	Counselling Vestry
	St A's	6pm	Centre Stage
	St Marys	7.30pm	Community Choir
Tue 14th	St A's	10.30am	Open Door
	Trinity	6pm	Say Yes
Wed 15th	St A's	9.45am	Little Fishes
	St A's	10am	Counselling Vestry
	St A's	10.30am	Warm Welcome
	St A's	12.30pm	Chair Yoga
	Trinity	5.30pm	Youth Alpha
	St A's	7.30pm	AA Meeting
	Sheriff	7.30pm	Joint PCC
	St A's	8-10pm	Counselling Vestry
	St A's	8-10pm	Counselling Vestry
Thur 16th	St A's	10am	Eucharist
	St A's	10.30am	Warm Welcome
	St A's	11am	Balance Class
	St A's	2pm	Forget me not
	St A's	6pm	Breath of life
	St A's	6-8pm	Counselling Vestry
	St A's	7.30pm	Bell Ringing
Fri 17th	St Marys	9am	Playgroup
	St A's	10.30am	Warm Welcome
	St A's	noon	What's for lunch
	St A's	6.30pm	Choir Practice
Sat 18th	St A's	9.30am	Eucharist
	St A's		Veterans Breakfast
Sun 19th	St A's	8am	Early Eucharist
	St Marys	10am	Parish Eucharist
	St A's	10.30am	Family Eucharist
	St Bart's	11am	Parish Eucharist

Post Communion

God of our pilgrimage,
 you have led us to the living water:
 refresh and sustain us
 as we go forward on our journey,
 in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

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Trinity 6

Reaching out together to
 share God's amazing faith,
 hope and love!



St Andrew's Young Church - Sundays 10.30am Come and enjoy stories, crafts & games.

St Andrew's hymns: My Lighthouse, 17, What gift of grace, 405, B3, 295, Jesus strong & kind, O Christ the same.

St Mary's hymns:

St Bart's hymns:

Prayers for healing and wholeness: Diana Watson, Harvey Allen, Paul Joseland, Jim Young, Tara Davies, Doreen Griffiths, Doris Gadd, Paul Grinnell, John & Christine Deane, Mike Shinn, Kate Hume, Margaret Lewis, Lisa-Jane Rawling, Derek Davies, Margaret Higgs, Barry Norwood, Neil Robinson, Nicky Eames, Frances Norwood, Doug Hughes, Ann Garbett, Gordon Tonkinson, Kathy James, Charles Dakin, Tony Bothwell.

Recently departed: Kenneth Trumper, Joan Bellamy, Archdeacon George Frost.

First Years Mind: Nigel Williamson

Birthdays: Margaret Blakstad, Phillip Leigh and Trevor Crowther.

Baptism: None

Notices

Chris Thorpe's Leaving Services - At St Andrew's it is today, Sunday July 12th at 10.30am. It will be followed by a picnic lunch, so do bring a picnic! There will be strawberries and cream to follow, and a bar for those who would like a drink!

Joint PCC Meeting WEDNESDAY 15th July at Sherifffhales Village Hall. Please make this a priority!

St Andrew's with Trinity - Contacts in the Vacancy

During the vacancy, if you have an issue that you would have spoken to Rev Chris about, these are the people to go to.

Jean Odum (Churchwarden)
 Janet Lander (Senior Steward)
 Catherine Rogers (Outreach Enabler)
 Phil Freeth (Treasurer)

The Collect

Creator God,
you made us all in your image:
may we discern you in all that we see,
and serve you in all that we do;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

First reading Romans 8.1–11

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

1 There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death.

3 For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, 4 so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

5 For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit.

6 To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace.

7 For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law – indeed it cannot, 8 and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. 9 But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him.

10 But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. 11 If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Psalms Psalm 145:8-15

Psalm 65.8–13

8 Those who dwell at the ends of the earth
will tremble at your marvellous signs;
you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy.

**9 You visit the earth and water it abundantly;
you make it very plenteous;
the river of God is full of water.**

10 You prepare the grain,
for so you provide for the earth.

**11 You drench the furrows and smooth out the
ridges; with heavy rain you soften the ground
and bless its increase.**

12 You crown the year with your goodness,
and your paths overflow with plenty.

**13 May the fields of the wilderness be rich for
grazing, and the hills be clothed with joy.**

**Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the
Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and
shall be for ever. Amen.**

Gospel reading

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according
to **Matthew 13.1–9, 18–23**

Glory to you O Lord

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according
to Matthew.

Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the lake. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: 'Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil.

But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen! Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing.

But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you O Christ