

A reflection by Hilary Lidstone—Remain in me

It's good to see the beginning of new life as plants start to bloom in the Spring. However to maintain our plants at their best, we need to water, feed and prune them, so that they grow into strong and healthy plants. We know that any branches that have been lopped off a plant will die because they are separated from the parent plant.

Today we look at the story of Jesus about the true vine.

We also celebrate today the baptism of Francesca, whose parents and God parents will promise to care for her and bring her up as part of the wider Christian family.

So what do we learn from this passage today ?

If we remain connected to God, we will produce much good fruit; in other words, the fruit of the Holy Spirit, as we learn to become more like Jesus in our behaviour.

Just as Jesus loves us, he therefore wants us to love one another, known in Greek as 'agape love'. Jesus is our friend and offers to guide us in our journey of faith through all the circumstances of life. However rugged the road, may we learn to TRUST AND OBEY.

Lifts to 11.15 service. Please let Barry know if you would like a lift to the 11.15 service. His number is below.

Sunday rota summary. Forgotten when you are on welcome duty or reading? The rota summary is held on the website.

Here for the first time? *Welcome to St Andrew's. It is great to have you with us! We pray that you will meet with God while you are here.*

We'd love to tell you more about St Andrew's and to welcome you in person – so please do fill in a **Welcome Card in the seat back**, pens are at the doors, or speak to a member of the team.

Children are very welcome in our church. There are groups for children aged 0-15 at the 9.45 service. A staffed **Creche for under 3s** is available in the Chapel downstairs. You are welcome to stay and listen to the service there, or to leave your child in supervised care.

Children aged 3-15 leave part way through the 9.45am service for their own SKIDS groups. Please bring your child down to introduce them to the leaders in the Coffee Lounge directly underneath the worship area (follow the crowd or ask the welcome team to show you). The leaders will tell you where to collect your children from at the end of the service.

If you would like someone to pray for you at the end of the service, the **prayer ministry team** is available in the Prayer Corner after the 9.45am service. Please speak to one of the leadership team for prayer at the 11.15 service.

Toilets (incl. disabled) are downstairs – along the corridor from the kitchen.

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Please see our website or church directory for full list of contact details.

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Keep in touch There is a lot going on at St Andrew's! Keep in touch by liking us on Facebook and Twitter, and let Helen in the office have your email for regular bulletins.



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St Andrew's Church, Goldsworth Park



Weekly Notices

Sunday 22 April 2018

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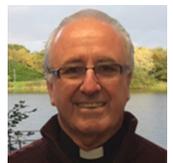
Revd Chris Harrison
Retired Clergy



Ed Stokes
Youth Pastor



Revd Janice Vickers
Self Supporting Min.



Revd Malcolm Herbert
Retired clergy

Welcome to St Andrew's. We are delighted that you are here this morning. Our Goals as a church are to know Jesus better and so to make him better known, by growing; deeper in faith; out towards our community and broader in age and background. Our **Vision Goals** this year are to put prayer first in all that we do, and help people to know Jesus.

It is great to be back after our Easter break, and to begin this term with Francesca's baptism – a special welcome to all her family and friends. We have had a wonderful family holiday and are now refreshed, raring to go and looking forward to all that God is leading us into. Please remember that we have one service next Sunday at 10am followed by our Annual Church Meeting (APCM) which is a great opportunity to give thanks for 2017 and hear more about plans for 2018 – do come along if you can. The Start Course is an opportunity to explore the Christian faith in an informal and relaxed way – it starts from scratch and is ideal if want to know more about Christianity. We'll be running the course on 6 Sunday afternoons and/or on 6 Monday evenings. Let me know if you, or a friend would like to take part.
Have a great week everyone.

Kate

ANNUAL MEETING The APCM is on April 29 - following one service at 10am.
All are welcome to come to give thanks for 2017 and to hear what God is calling us into in 2018. Please pick up an Annual Report at the Church Doors if you would like one.

TODAY Sunday, 22 April – 4th Sunday of Easter

9.45 a.m. **Worship** led by Revd Kate Wyles

We welcome the family and friends of Francesca Jane Jones for her baptism

10.45 a.m. *Coffee & Cake all together in the Coffee Lounge*

11.15 a.m. **Worship with Holy Communion** led by Revd Kate Wyles

Michael McMurtary preaches on John 15.1-15

Here for the first time? See the back page for some helpful information.

Prayer in the Morning 9.15-9.45am

We'll be using these Bible readings this week to lead us into prayer.

<i>Monday</i>	Psalm 5 Ephesians 6:10-20
<i>Tuesday</i>	Psalm 139 Luke 3:1-14
<i>Weds</i>	Psalm 37:23-end Mark:13:5-13
<i>Thursday</i>	Psalm 118 Luke 4:1-13
<i>Friday</i>	Psalm 33 Luke 4:14-30



Praying for Working & Beyond Supporting our Partners in Mission



The Besom's mission is to provide a bridge between those who want to give time, money, things or skills and those who are in need and, in the process, to demonstrate God's love. We join with them in thanking God for the continued provision of furniture, appliances and other materials to pass to those in need and for safety for their volunteers (some furniture is heavy/bulky and some access is difficult!) Whilst it is very early days, The Besom are exploring a possible new warehouse – pray for God's guidance in this process and wisdom for the trustees, as a new premises is key to a sustainable future. The Besom also ask prayer that more churches will provide groups to help with practical projects.

Praying for our Church Family

Jo and Mark Barnett
Micayla and Simon Barron,
Jack, Robert, Stephen, Thomas
Geoff and Jan Beale
Diana Bell
Gretel Benney
Ian and Jenny Beston, James, Jessica & Lois

This week at St Andrew's

Monday – Friday 9.15-9.45 a.m. Prayer in the Morning – Chapel

Monday	10.00 a.m.	Toddler Group	A2
	1.00 p.m.	Art Group	Lounge
Tuesday	7.30 p.m.	Sing Gold	Worship Area
Wednesday	10.00 a.m.	Toddler Group	A2
	11.15 a.m.	Holy Communion	Chapel
Thursday			
Friday	10.00 a.m.	Bump to Birthday	A2
Saturday	10.00 a.m.	Christian Aid Cake Sale	Lounge

Sunday, 29 April – 5th Sunday of Easter

10.00 a.m. Worship led by Revd Kate Wyles.
Kate preaches on Matthew 28:16-20 and Ephesians 3:20-21

We welcome the family and friends of Enzo Daniel Serea Cubeddu on his bapti

11.00 a.m. Coffee & Cake

11.15 a.m. Annual Parochial Church Meeting

Youth Activities:

Everything kicks off again this week, and Ed has term cards for all those with children in year 6 or above.

He's also got forms for Mid-Wessex Camp in the summer. It's a week away in Chichester from 28th July to 4th August and is for anyone age 9-16. For more info about any of our youth activities please get in touch with Ed. He's always happy to talk to you. 07854 234555 or youth@standrewsgwp.org



A great way to explore Christianity.

Running for 6 weekly sessions from May. DVD based, and interactive.

Please text Kate on 07411 507020 or email office@standrewsgwp.org to sign up.

Good News Food

In March PCC agreed unanimously that St Andrew's Coffee Shop move to a not-for-profit "Pay as you Feel" model using food going to waste. This will mean that we will be able to serve everyone no matter what their circumstances – truly a Good News food option for Goldsworth Park. The aim is to launch in September. The details such as menu, opening hours, staffing, volunteers, refurbishments, etc will be developed by the working group. If you would like to feedback your thoughts, comments or questions please pass them on to Helen Best who will collate them, and pass them on to the Coffee Shop working group.



Introducing - Living Church Magazine

Have you picked up a copy of Living Church Magazine? This new publication from the Diocese of Guildford comes out three times a year, telling stories of life, faith and church from around the diocese, through the eyes of some of the extraordinary people working and living out their faith in our area. There are enough copies in each church for every family to give a copy away - please take one!



COFFEE MORNING AND CAKE SALE



**Saturday 28th April
10 to 12:30**

**at St Andrew's Church
Goldsworth Park**

All welcome

Christian Aid Week 13-19th May.

Please pray for a successful week, and if you are able and willing, please join us in the door-to-door collection in Goldsworth Park. Contact Neil Cheetham (on 729341) if interested

Ramadan

This year, the month of fasting for Muslims worldwide, known as Ramadan starts on 15 May and lasts until 14 June. If you would like a copy of a free attractive booklet of daily prayers for various groups of peoples in the Islamic world, then please contact Mike or Hilary Lidstone.