Sunday

16 November 2025



Welcome to St Mark's. If you are new or visiting we hope you feel at home.

Please complete our 'Get Connected card' to stay in touch. For more events and news please read our monthly newsletter available on our website or at the back of the church. St Mark's has a hearing loop (best reception within the pillars) and is wheelchair accessible.

Through the week in the parish:

Mon 11am-2pm Crossbarr Café (Bishopdown)

2-4pm CommuniTea (St Andrew's) Tue **Wed** 9.30 Holy Communion (St Andrew)

11-noon MAN CHAT (St Andrew)

Fri 10am Magpies Toddler Group (St Mark)

Please pray for:

- Jo and Andy leading and preaching today
- Jane in the Parish Office
- Coffee & Catering
- Alabaré
- **Hope Home Trust** (Nov mission partner)
- Police and PCSO's
- For those who need our prayers

Veronica Burton recovering

Today @St Mark's Sunday@10 -

'Christ our Creed'

Colossians 1:1-14

Please be aware Sunday@10 is livestreamed via our website and YouTube and some central seating areas may be caught on camera.

Also Today

- **CHURCH ON THE GREEN** Hampton Park Pavilion @4pm
- StMARKS@SIX (SMS)

An hour of worship, prayer, and more...

Collect

Heavenly Lord, you long for the world's salvation: stir us from apathy, restrain us from excess and revive in us new hope that all creation will one day be healed in Jesus Christ our Lord.



Our Advent Devotional this year is inspired by Handel's Messiah. Available for £2. We also have some Christmas cards.

Date: Saturday 13th December

Time: 7pm for 7.30pm

Venue: Sarum College, The Close, Salisbury

WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS MEAL - A Sign-up sheet at back of St Marks with menu choices 2/3 Courses Traditional/ Other Options/ Special Food dietary

requirements to include

PARISH NEWS IN BRIEF

CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX APPEAL A huge thank you for all the shoeboxes and contributions for the shoeboxes. There is still time to contribute with a £5 donation or whatever you can afford to help send them to their destination. Please contact Joan Prior.

CHRISTMAS CAROL SINGING AT THE CARE HOMES - Wed 3rd Dec 6pm - if you would like to come along this year please let Yvonne Banton know, the more people we have to sing, the more care homes we can add to the list. Sign up in church or on ChurchSuite.

Scout Christmas Post: Scout Christmas Stamps are available from Jim Robertson, St Marks Church; 40p each. Post box will be in St Marks church until Sunday 30 November. Locations where cards can be delivered available from Jim.

St Andrew's Day Meal & Quiz- 6pm Saturday 29th November at Laverstock Village hall sign up in church or on ChurchSuite. There will be a service of celebration on Sunday morning. **Numbers will be needed by Sunday 23rd November please.** Cost £12, Children are free.

Decorating St Mark's for Christmas come and join us **Sat 6 Dec** at 9am.

Crossbarr Christmas Celebration with carols - Monday 15th December 11am please support this event if you can. Carols from around 11.30. Usual soups, tea/coffee and cake!

HELP! We're looking for someone to help out with cleaning the Curtis Room at St. Andrew's Church. This is done every four weeks and usually takes no more than an hour. If you think you can help please get in touch with Liz or Mike Bunting.

Mission Partner News:

Our November monthly Mission Focus is **Hope Home Orphanage, Tanzania.** Link to their Autumn Newsletter.

Community News and Dates:

Alabaré Jingle Bingo - 27th November 7-11pm see attached. Please support this if you can. (p4)

Care for the Family events - let the office know if you are interested in either event below as we have been offered two complimentary tickets. Tickets £6 on Early bird if you purchase see links. **An Evening with Rob Parsons** - Southampton - Testwood Baptist Church 19 November. Link **Tweens+Teens What every parent needs to know** -Andover Community Church 25 Nov Link

Create for Christmas—Fun ladies' Christmas crafting. 21 Nov 730pm St Francis Church (p5)

Christmas Tree Festival—St Thomas's Church 2-7 December.

Middle-East Peace Vigil—Every Saturday 5pm at the Cheesemarket outside the Library.

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(Office hours Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9am-12.30pm)

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Prayer Chain Please email any prayer requests to: prayer@stmarkstandrew.org

Pastoral Care Please email pastoral needs to: care@stmarkstandrew.org

PCC Secretary (Helen Pessell) pcc@stmarkstandrew.org

Deadline for items for Sunday notice sheet: *Thursday morning*.

Please email notices to news@stmarkstandrew.org

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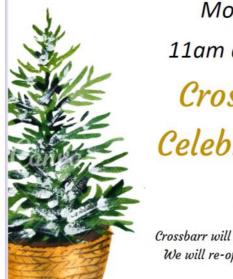
Hi everyone, here is an invitation from Alabaré to an event we are running in November to have some fun and raise a bit of money for Alabaré. Perhaps the housegroups might like to go as their Christmas celebration? Disco Dion is an amazing entertainer. I've asked about the price of the tickets and am reassured that the ticket price covers the cost of the event with a little going to Alabaré funds. This could be a St Mark's/St Andrew's take over!! See you there maybe?

Jo









Monday 15th December

11am at the Barrington Centre

Crossbarr Christmas
Celebration with carols
All Welcome!

Crossbarr will be closed on Monday 22nd and 29th December. We will re-open for the new year on Monday 5th January.

