

September 2025



Welcome to our September newsletter.

Fete & Ride + Stride 2025 Saturday September 13th

Come and join us for our summer fete, there will be games, tombola, refreshments and much more... The same day is the annual national sponsored Ride and Stride event, organised locally by County Historic Churches Trusts. Visit as many churches as you like on foot, bike or horse! Please see [link](#) for details and sponsor form if you wish to take part or assist at either church on the day.



GENT'S CURRY:
Friday 12 September 7pm
At Everest Brasserie. Please sign up in ChurchSuite or contact the office.



11 am - 1 pm

St Mark's Church
Fete and Ride & Stride
Saturday 13 September 2025

Lots of games, stalls, inflatable ...

Come and join us



Free
Entry

Contact: Office - 07933 952171 / www.stmarkstandrew.org

WHAT'S ON YOUR

MIND?

Join a conversation on life, faith & purpose

YOUTH ALPHA Brought to you by Salisbury Baptist Church and St Francis Church

Who: School years 6 to 13

Where: Salisbury Baptist Church

When: Sunday evenings (Term Time only)

Starts Sept 21- Dec 7 (page 7 for details)



What's on:

Wed 3 Sept	Parish Share 7.30pm St Mark's Church
Sat 6 Sept	Curtis Room Crafting 10.30-12.15 Curtis Room St Andrew's
Thur 11 Sept	Mothers' Union Meeting 2.30pm Curtis room
	SALT meeting 7.30pm Curtis Room
Fri 12 Sept	Magpies toddlers re-starts 10am St Marks
Fri 12 Sept	Gent's Curry night - at Everest Brasserie 7pm
Sat 13 Sept	Church Fete/Ride + Stride 11am-1pm St Mark's
Sun 14 Sept	Church on the Green 4pm @Pavilion - 'Joseph the dreamer'
Tue 16 Sept	Communita re-starts 2-4pm at St Andrew's
Sun 21 Sept	Youth Alpha course starts (see page 7 for full details)

Sundays @ St Andrew's

Breakfast@9 on Sunday

Informal family service
with breakfast

Sunday 10.30am



St Andrew's

Every Sunday:

Breakfast@9 A simple breakfast followed by a simple service.

Communion at 10.30 Holy Communion service including refreshments.

Programme for September:

Sept 7 **The cost of following Jesus** - Philemon 1-21;

Sept 14 **Worth finding** - Timothy 1:12-17

Sept 21 **Get real** - 1 Timothy 2:1-7

Sept 28 **Treasuring generosity** - 1 Timothy 6:6-19

Sundays @ St Mark's

We get together at 10 with refreshments and the service starts at 10.15.

On the second Sunday of the month we have Communion within the service, on the fourth Sunday there is a short Communion afterwards in the Chancel or Prayer Chapel.

Children's Club runs every week unless it's an All Age Service and we have a self-service crèche with audio link.

We offer an opportunity to pray with people after each service.

Programme for September:

Series: "Called—A Simple rule of Life"
Transform your life

Sept 7 **by Prayer**

Sept 14 **by Reading**

Sept 21 **by Participating**

Sept 28 **by Enjoying it**

Coming soonSMS (St Mark's @ Six)

An evening of worship, possibly prayer, possibly testimonies, possibly teaching, wherever God leads.... **starting on Sunday 5 October**

CHURCH ON THE GREEN

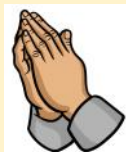
Every Third Sunday at 4pm [webpage](#)
at Hampton Park Pavilion, Bishopdown Farm.

Family-friendly Sunday afternoon service with songs, crafts, bible story, talk followed by Tea.

Sunday September 14th - 'Joseph the dreamer'

Prayer@6

6pm in [Zoom](#) every Sunday.
All welcome! - We look back;
give thanks; look forward;
pray



HARVEST Services

Sunday 5th October 10am St Mark's
9am & 10.30am St Andrew's

A food collection will be gathered for
Salisbury Food Bank

For a current list of items they are short of please see the [link](#).

Church Family HARVEST LUNCH

Sunday 5th October 12.30pm
Laverstock Village Hall

in the community in the week

In Salisbury & Bishopdown

CrossBarr + Community Café

At the Barrington Centre, Bishopdown.
Mondays 11am – 2pm.
Serving homemade cake, and soup with a roll. All Welcome!



MAGPIES



Toddler Group

Friday mornings during term time
10am -11.30 @St Mark's

Homegroups



Meet weekly in homes for friendship, support and Bible study. Please check the display boards at the back of church for details or get in touch with the office.

Parish *Share*

PRAYERS FOR OUR WORLD:

Parish Share will take place on Wednesday 3rd September St Marks at 7.30pm. We will be praying for Salisbury Foodbank. Please see page 4 for more information and latest updates.

In Laverstock

Communi-Tea

Welcomes all ages from the community. 2-4pm Tuesday afternoons at St Andrew's during termtime. Come and enjoy a cup of tea with a biscuit. **Re-starts 16 Sept.**



Communion Wednesday@930

A midweek communion service at St Andrew's

MAN-CHAT

Wednesdays 11am-noon



St. Andrew's Curtis Room.
A Tea and Coffee Break for Men
A time to relax and chat.

Mothers' UNION

Christian care for families

Meet 2nd Thursday of the month
2.30pm - Curtis Room @St A's.

CURTIS ROOM

Crafting

Everyone welcome

Bring along and work on your own your craft project

(or Join in with a group craft)

1st Saturday of every month
10.30 - 12.15
St Andrews Church, Laverstock



Our September Mission Focus

How you can support **Salisbury Foodbank**? Here are 3 simple suggestions on how you can take action.



In **5 minutes**, you could share our most needed items list, this could be with a friend, on a community notice board or on social media, click link below: <https://salisbury.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>

In **10 minutes** you could read our latest statistics to learn more about who we support, click link below: <https://salisbury.foodbank.org.uk/>

In **15 minutes** you could spread the word... Did you know? **Salisbury Foodbank** is a charity in it's own rights. When you are supporting **Salisbury Foodbank** you are supporting people in crisis in your local community. We are under the umbrella of Trussell Trust and work in partnership, and fundraising or donations that are gifted to Trussell Trust are used nationally. If you're looking to support people in your local community, please consider that any collections or donations be for **Salisbury Foodbank**.

September Eco-Tips

Green your home this Autumn. Tackle climate change and reduce your heating bill by testing how draughty or leaky your home is. Find the gaps that let the cold air in and warm air out (think keyholes, letterboxes, gaps around the edges or bottoms of windows and doors, loft hatches, floorboards etc.) and fix these gaps using the correct materials: (there are lots of handy tutorials on how to do this online). Now is also a very good time to prepare for winter by sticking tinfoil or radiator panels between the wall and radiator, as these will help reflect heat back into your room during the colder months. arochoa.org.uk/wild-christian

Useful Links

linktr.ee/stmarkstandrew
Website and social media

Zoom (click link)
Meeting ID 251 131 0154
Passcode zoom2020

CURRENT ROTA (click link)
Contact the office for any queries or to join! Available on MyChurchSuite and at the website.

D O N A T E



Or [click here](#) for more info.

Subscribe to receive digital newsletter or email the office

PRAYER
CHAIN

If you would value prayer please send an email to our prayer chain.
prayer@stmarkstandrew.org

Get Connected

Welcome! If you are new or visiting we hope you feel at home. If you would like to stay in touch please fill in our card or click [here](#).

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Hall Bookings - please see our website page or call the office.			

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Pastoral Skills Course Autumn 2025

The Pastoral Skills Course was updated in 2023 to equip all those wishing to follow the call to service through lay pastoral ministry – as chaplains, LPAs, church officers, or as general church members.

The course consists of ten sessions (each 90 minutes – 2 hours):

- Who are we?
- Who am I?
- Journey of life
- Healthy boundaries in pastoral ministry
- Leading to listen
- Engaging with families
- Coming alongside those with illness or disabilities
- Valuing later life
- Our role at a time of loss
- Ministry matters

(In addition those who are hoping to be commissioned as LPAs will need to do the Basic and Foundation courses in Safeguarding, as well as Awareness of Domestic Abuse.)

The plan is to offer this at St Michael's Community Centre, Bemerton Heath, on a mix of Saturday mornings and Tuesday evenings on the following dates:

Saturday 13th Sept 0900 - 1300

Wed 24th Sept 1900-2100

Saturday 4th October 0900-1300

Tuesday 21st Oct, 1900-2100

Tuesday 4th November 1900-2100

Saturday 15th November 0900-**1530**

A commissioning service for those becoming Lay Pastoral Assistants can be arranged once all participants have registered.

Contact revkarenhutchinson@gmail.com for more information or see [lpa-handbook-aug-2023-new-.pdf](#) for course content



Tim Farron MP

Come & hear a politician talk about Jesus

Talk and Q&A
Saturday 20 September
7-9pm at Lansdowne Church



Timothy Farron © House of Commons

WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND?

Join a conversation on life, faith & purpose
alpha.org/youth | @alphayth

Have questions about life, faith and purpose?

Save the date: Youth Alpha

young people
sharing their experiences

Games

dinner

WATCHING A VIDEO

Asking questions like:

What makes me happy?

What would I ask God if I met him today?

What does forgiveness mean?

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Co-hosted by leaders and youth

Who: Everyone within school years 6 to 13

Where: Salisbury Baptist Church

When: Sunday evenings 5pm - 8pm

Term Time only

September 21st - December 7th

To find out more or to sign up, get in touch!

Hannah @ SBC: 07786 000256

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COMING
SOON>>

Female
Volunteer
required

FIRST FRIDAY FOOD CLUB

6.00-8.00pm
the first Friday of
the month
(starts 3rd October)

@St Mark's
annexe kitchen

**Age range
13-19**



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