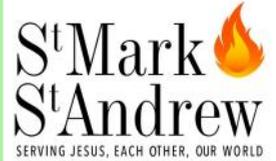


February 2026



Welcome to our February newsletter.

Our monthly mission partner is **The Bridge Project**. We will be joined by Director, Alex Ewing when he visits St Mark's on 4 February at our **Parish Share** meeting.

The monthly club for young people '**First Friday Food**' is back on Friday 6 Feb at 6-8pm for 13-19yr olds.

An evening of **Quiet Prayer** will be held at St Andrew's on Sunday 8 February at 6pm followed by Slowcooker supper at 7pm.

Ash Wednesday service is at St Andrews on 18 February and on 25th February we begin our 6 week **Parish Lent Course**.

On Sat 14th February we have a working party at St Andrew's Churchyard—all welcome for a bit of weather dependent pre - spring tidying. Coffee/Tea and biscuits provided for all volunteers. From 9.30am.



Jesus:
Understanding
His Death and
Resurrection

A Study of Mark 14-16



PARISH LENT

COURSE
2026

Wednesday
Evenings

at St Mark's
7.30-9.00pm
with Nigel Watts

Refreshments from 7.15pm
From 25 February for six sessions.

What's on:

- Sun 1 Feb Youth Worship night - for yr6-13 St Paul's Church 6-7.30pm.
- Tues 3 Feb Together on the Green - 3.15-5pm Bishopdown Farm Pavilion
- Wed 4 Feb Parish Share prayer meeting with Alex from The Bridge 7.30pm at St Mark's Church
- Thur 5 Feb Mothers' Union meeting 2pm Curtis room St Andrew's
SALT meeting 7.30pm Curtis Room
- Fri 6 Feb First Friday Food Club 6-8pm in St Mark's Church Annexe
- Sat 7 Feb Men's walk meet 10am at the Cathedral. See weekly sheet for details.
Curtis Room Crafting 10.30-12.15 Curtis Room St Andrew's
- Sun 8 Feb Quiet Prayer & Slow Cooker Supper 6pm/7pm St Andrews.
- Sat 14 Feb St Andrew's Pre-Spring tidy up in the churchyard from 9.30am.
- Sun 15 Feb Church on the Green 4pm @Pavilion Theme: Elijah 'A Jar and a Jug'
- Wed 18 Feb ASH Wednesday Holy Communion 6pm St Andrew's
- Thur 19 Feb Standing Committee meeting 7.30pm Vicarage.
- Sat 21 Feb TNT Children's Ministry training part 4. 10-4pm See page 4
- Wed 25 Feb LENT COURSE 7.30-9pm at St Mark's (Refreshments from 7.15pm)

Sundays @ St Andrew's

Sundays @ St Mark's

Breakfast@9 on Sunday

Informal family service
with breakfast

Sunday 10.30am



Breakfast@9 A simple breakfast followed by an interactive service.

Communion at 10.30 Holy Communion service followed by refreshments.

Programme for February:

Feb 1 **What does God require?** - Micah 6:1-8; Matthew 5:1-12

Feb 8 **Standing up for justice** - Isaiah 58:1-9a; Matthew 5:13-20

Feb 15 **I was there** - 2 Peter 1:16-21; Matthew 17:1-9

Feb 22 **Testing times** - Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7; Matthew 4:1-11

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 Clubs run 2nd and 4th Sundays and we have an activity table at the back other Sundays. Our self-service creche has an audio link.

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

StMarks@6 (SMS) is an evening service every week for more informal worship+prayer

Programme for February:

Feb 1 **The Kings Gift** - Mark 10:35-52

Feb 8 **The King detests** - Mark 11:1-25

Feb 15 **The King will judge** - Mark 12:1-12

Feb 22 TBA



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.

Next one: Sunday February 15th 'Elijah: A Jar and a Jug'

An opportunity for mission in our parish

Would you like to be part of our monthly outreach in Bishopdown Farm on third Sundays 4-6pm? Please see Charles and Wendy if you are feeling the Lord calling you to join the team.



Together on the Green

For all children, parents and carers on the 1st Tuesday of the month at Hampton Park Pavilion. 3.15-5pm. Fun, Songs, bible stories, crafts and food...

in the community in the week

In Salisbury & Bishopdown

In Laverstock

CrossBarr Community Café

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



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. (Not 17 Feb)



Communion Wednesday@930

A midweek communion service at St Andrew's

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.

FIRST FRIDAY FOOD CLUB

6.00-8.00pm

Next one FEB 6th

@St Mark's annexe kitchen

Age range 13-19



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)

Next one 7th Feb

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



Our February Mission Focus

The Bridge "A vision to see every school community in Wiltshire and beyond thrive through innovative chaplaincy"

The Bridge Youth Project enriches school communities in the areas of spirituality (faith), wellbeing (hope) and advocacy (love).

Our spirituality is centred on the way of Jesus which offers us a unique and rich resource for making sense of, and living in the world today.

More info [Who are we? - THE BRIDGE YOUTH PROJECT](#)



TNT CHILDREN'S MINISTRY Hear to Eternity Training Day – 21 Feb 10-4pm @ Trinity Church Centre. Training for children's ministry 'How to teach narrative' [Book here](#). £20.

Useful Links

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Website and social media

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Meeting ID 251 131 0154
Passcode zoom2020

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February Eco-Tips

Go Green(er) for Lent. The weeks leading up to Easter are a great time to start or give something up that benefits nature and helps address climate change. Is there a change you can make to better care for creation and improve our lives and the lives of others through healthy, eco-friendly and sustainable living?

For more eco-tips, sign up to A Rocha UK's Wild Christian email at: arochoa.org.uk/wild-Christian

DO YOUR OWN LIFESTYLE AUDIT - join Creation Care at www.creationcare.org.uk

PRAYER

CHAIN

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

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