



St Andrew's Church Taunton

Reaching lives for change and hope

Registered Charity no: 1196804

22nd February 2026

The First Sunday of Lent

10.00am Parish Eucharist

Welcome to St Andrew's; we hope you enjoy the service.

Pre-school children are welcome to use the Children's Area in the South Aisle during the service but must be looked after by their parents or carers.

School age children will have their own activities led by today's helpers.

Tea and coffee will be available from the servery after the service. If you need help with anything, do ask one of the welcomers.

Collect (Prayer):

Heavenly Father,
your Son battled with the powers of darkness,
and grew closer to you in the desert:
help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer
that we may witness to your saving love
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Bible Readings:

Genesis 2.15-17, 3.1-7, Romans 5.12-19, Matthew 4.1-11

Prayer After Communion:

Lord God,
you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven;
by it you nourish our faith,
increase our hope,
and strengthen our love:
teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread,
and enable us to live by every word
that proceeds from out of your mouth;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Zoom Morning Prayer - Tuesdays at 9am

All are welcome at Morning Prayer online - 30 minutes of calm in the busy week. Come when you can, it doesn't have to be every week. The joining details are:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/5262118289?pwd=bkJtYzhPK0JEcnhJWVZMN0g2SXZsZz09>

Meeting ID: 526 211 8289

Passcode: rrCZ1p

Church Flower Team

We are looking for new members of our Church Flower Team! You do not need to be trained for this; anyone who would just like to have a go! If you are interested, please speak to Judy Blew, who will be able to give you more details. Thank you.

Donations for Easter Flowers

The Flower Team would be grateful to receive donations towards Easter flowers. These can be given to Judy Blew or left in the Parish Office. Thank you.

Church Spring Cleaning

We will be spring cleaning in church on **Saturday 28th February**, starting at **9am**. Extra helpers welcome - you can stay as long or a short as you wish, all tools and materials provided.

Before that, the curtains need to be washed. They will be taken down after the 10am service on 22nd February. Please take one or two if you can (bring a large bag) - they wash easily in a domestic machine, and dry quite quickly - and do not need ironing! Then return them the on the 1st March. Martyn will re-hang them. Many thanks! Sue G.

World Day of Prayer - Friday 6th March 2026

This year the service has been prepared by the Christian women of Nigeria and the theme is "I will give you rest".

Our local services will be at St George's Catholic Church at 10.30am and a shorter service at 1.15pm.

All are welcome to join us and to be part of this global wave of prayer.
Ruth Cook - St Andrew's rep

Children's Society Blue Box Appeal

I am collecting the annual Children's Society Blue Boxes....needed by end of February please. You can bring them to church for me c/o choir or church office, or contact me to arrange collection:

email....edpuss@icloud.com, Text...07951 792917

Thank you, Joycey



February Light up the Spire



In memory of my dear Mum, Marjorie Hearne.
Always loved and missed.

Church Diary		
The Church will be open during office hours Tuesdays to Fridays 8.30-11.30am		
Tuesday	February 24	9.00am Zoom Morning Prayer
Wednesday	February 25	10.00am Parish Eucharist, <i>followed by coffee</i> 7.30pm Lent course, <i>Lady Chapel</i>
Thursday	February 26	1.30pm Talk and Tea, <i>Church</i>

For Your Prayers...

Those who are unwell: Joanna, Neil, Paul, Julia, Catherine, Gilly, Les, Sheila, Dave, Frida, Chidimma

Those who have died recently: Linda Drage

Years Mind: **26/02** Robert Chalmers
28/02 Jeanette Braund

- For peace with justice for the people of Ukraine, Sudan, Gaza and the West Bank
- For stability across the international community
- For world leaders that they may act with wisdom and integrity

1st March 2026

The Second Sunday of Lent

10.00am Parish Eucharist

Readings: Genesis 12.1-4a
Romans 4.1-5, 13-17
John 3.1-17

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