



Parish of Greenstead with St Anne
(Registered Charity Number: 1206571)

Easter 5

28th April 2024

“Christ, Community, Church: serving our communities and bringing people closer to God”

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PLEASE NOTE:

Monday is the Ministry Team’s day off – please respect this as they need time to recharge!

PLEASE NOTE:

St. Andrew’s Church will be closed for worship from Sunday 21st April until Sunday 12th May inclusive and therefore, we will worship at 11:00am at St. Matthew’s Church, Harwich Road, CO4

Our Sunday Services...

Sunday readings

28th April
(Easter 5)

St Annes | 10.00am
Church@10

St Matthew’s | 11.00am
Weekly Sunday
Holy Communion

Genesis 22:1-18
Acts 8:26-end
John 15:1-8

5th May
(Easter 6)

St Annes | 10.00am
Church@10
Holy Communion

St Matthew’s | 11.00am
Praise today with
Holy Communion

Isaiah 55:1-11
Acts 10:44-end
John 15:9-17

Thursday
9th May
(Ascension Day)

Details of Service to follow

Daniel 7:9-14
Acts 1:1-11
Luke 24:44-end

The Prayer (Collect) for this week

Almighty God,
Who through Your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ
have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life:
grant that, as by Your grace going before us you put into our minds
good desires,
so by Your continual help we may bring them to good effect;
through Jesus Christ our risen Lord
who is alive and reigns with You,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

You can also join us for,
Morning Prayer
(Thursday 9.00am on Facebook),
and Early Night Prayer
(Friday 6.00pm on Facebook).



What's on...

Stay and Play



St Andrew's Stay and Play
Is every Wednesday in term time
9.15am - 11.15am at
Unity Primary Academy.
All pre-school children and their
carers welcome.

Open Church

Please note that there will not be any
Open Church this week and for the
following few weeks whilst
refurbishment work is carried out in
the vestry area of St. Andrew's
Church. Open Church will recommence
on Wednesday 15th May.



Eco Church

Grown Your Own!

Spring is now in full swing and April is a great time to sow seeds directly into the garden such as carrots, peas, beetroot, winter cabbages, broccoli, and salad crops, as well as things like onions and shallots. If, like me, you are not very 'green-fingered,' then you might find that a lot of these things are easier to grow than you might think and do not take up a great deal of space, so would be suitable for small gardens. Why not give it a go – you can find lots of helpful advice on the Royal Horticultural Society website here:

<https://www.rhs.org.uk/advice/in-month/april>



Annual Parochial Church meeting

After the Holy Communion service on **Sunday 5th May** will be this year's **Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)**. Please put this date in your diaries, and if you are on the Electoral Roll then you are welcome to attend the meeting.

If you are intending to come, please could you let Rev. Philip know (by email) whether you would prefer to receive the agenda and related papers in advance (by email) or paper copies on the day.

There will also be a 'bring and share' lunch. If anyone is able to bring something to share then please add this to the list at the back of the church, or speak to Marie Paget about this. Also, if anyone staying for the lunch has dietary need, then please let us know beforehand so that we can cater for that.

Foodbank

We continue to have a box for donations to the **Foodbank** in our churches. We know that times are difficult, but perhaps you could buy an item (or more) and leave it in the boxes when you attend church?

On the **Colchester Foodbank Facebook** page, there is usually a long list of items that they are desperately short of. Any donations of these items would be particularly welcome. As always, if you need help from the Foodbank, Revd. Sue is happy to give you a voucher. The **Greenstead Foodbank** is open on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays, 10.00am until 12.00.

