

Welcome

Welcome to St Andrew's, especially if you are visiting for the first time. Refreshments are served after the service - it would be lovely to meet you.

No one belongs here more than you

Prayer Ministry

Prayer Ministry is offered during the 10.30am service – please see the small booklet in church for details.

Children and Families

All children are welcome at St Andrew's, do not worry if yours make a bit of noise.

Junior Church usually meets every Sunday in term time except during the All-Age Service.

Please see our website for more details.

Supporting St Andrew's

If you would like to support the work of our church, there is a **contactless card reader** by the church entrance or you can donate to our Barclays account: **Hertford St Andrew PCC**
A/C No: 50715050
Sort Code: 20-20-37



** Please consider regular giving and using Gift Aid*
Speak to our Joint Treasurers, Judy & Nick Sharman



Hertford St Andrew

Here with you, Here for you

14 December 2025

Third Sunday of Advent



8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

Rev. Bill Church

10.30am ALL-AGE Holy Communion with Hertford Children's Choir

Celebrant & Preacher: Rev. Alan Stewart

Reading: Genesis 15. 5-6

Chalice: Sue Little, Nick Sharman, Laura Ramsay

Hymns (on screen)

Light of the world

400 Long ago, prophets knew

60 Be still, for the presence of the Lord

401 Longing for light (Christ, be our light!)

416 Lord the light of your love (Shine Jesus Shine)

Fundraising Bake Sale by Hertford St Andrew School PTA after the 10.30am service!

1.30pm Choir18 rehearsal

3.00pm Choir18 Christmas Concert

Great choral classics celebrating Christmas.

In aid of Isabel Hospice. More details overleaf...

Online via Zoom today

10.30am Sunday Morning Worship

Leader: Kath Oates, Lay Leader of Worship

Sermon: Courtesy of HeartEdge

7.00pm Compline

 Rev. Alan Stewart

Zoom links are emailed and on our website

Responses and Reading

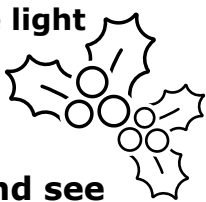
Prayer for lighting of the Advent candle

A candle burns,
the sign of our faith.
God of the Baptising One,
come to us again this Advent.



**May we have a faith
that renews our lives.**

**May we live in the light
of your promises.**



Will you come and see the light *words by Brian Wren*

Will you tell about the light
in the prison cell?
Though it's shackled out of sight,
it is shining well.
When the truth is cut and bruised,
and the innocent abused,
will you hide, or decide
to meet the light?

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A Mindful Christmas

Monday 15 December

7.30pm in St Andrew's Church

In the rush leading up to Christmas,
a space to **reflect, recharge** and **find
comfort** in this short candlelit
service with readings, poems,
prayers and music.

www.hertfordstandrews.co.uk/christmas

Reading: Genesis 15. 5-6

The Lord took Abram outside and
said, "Look at the sky and try to
count the stars; your family will
outnumber them".

Abram put his trust in the Lord,
and because of this the Lord was
very pleased with him.

*For the Word of the Lord,
Thanks be to God*



RICHARD DURRANT



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Fantastic festive folk music

Doors open 6.30pm - licensed bar available

THURSDAY 18 DECEMBER 2025
7.30pm at St Andrew's Church,
Hertford SG14 1HZ

Tickets from
www.ticketsource.co.uk/st-andrews-church



Please note, there's no 10.30am
Wednesday Holy Communion Service
at St Andrew's on Christmas Eve

News and Notices

HERTFORD PANTRY

Christmas Gift & Toy Appeal

Help our community to give their kids and teens something this festive season

Suggested Donations

Family Board Games
Toiletry Gift Sets (Boys & Girls)
Arts & Crafts Sets
Stationary Sets
Children's Books
LEGO
Preserves
Squishmellows
Gift Cards (max £25)
Chocolate Selection Boxes

*Unfortunately we cannot accept second hand goods for this appeal

www.hertfordpantry.org
CHARITY NUMBER: 1208168



Please support the Christmas Gift & Toy Appeal:

Email: hertfordpantry@gmail.com Telephone: 07826 816974

HOW TO DONATE: Donations can be handed in at Manic Ceramics (22 Port Vale, Hertford SG14 3AB)

Manic Ceramics Opening Hours: Tuesday 10am-6pm, Wednesday 10am-6pm, Thursday 10am-6pm, Friday 10am-1pm, Saturday 9:30am-4pm www.manicceramics.co.uk

Appeal flyers are available in church

Choir18 Christmas Concert

**This afternoon-Sunday 14 December
3.00pm at St Andrew's Church**

Great choral classics celebrating Christmas, performed by the Hertford-based Choir18.

No admission charge – a collection will be taken for Isabel Hospice. The programme lasts about an hour:

Boris Ord ~ *Adam lay ybounden*

Warlock ~ *Benedicamus Domino*

Rachmaninov ~ *Bogoroditsye (Ave Maria)*

Miller ~ *Let there be peace on earth*

Scriven ~ *Christ the Appletree*

Basil Smallman ~ *The birds*

Britten ~ *Hymn to the Virgin*

Christmas at St Andrew's

Mon 15 Dec

A Mindful Christmas 7.30pm

Short candlelit service to reflect, recharge and find comfort

Sat 20 Dec

Beer & Carols 3.30-5.30pm

Family-friendly drop-in with carols, beer and mulled wine

Sun 21 Dec

Lessons & Carols (on Zoom) 10.30am

Mon 22 Dec

Lessons & Carols 7.30pm

Candlelit service followed by mulled wine

Christmas Eve

Crib and Christingle 11am

Crib and Christingle 4pm

Midnight Mass 11.15pm

Christmas Day

Holy Communion 8am

Christmas Communion for all ages 10.30am

Plans are subject to change so please check our website for the latest information

www.hertfordstandrews.co.uk

Beer & Carols

**SATURDAY
20 DECEMBER
3.30-5.30PM** | **FREE
ADMISSION
ALL AGES
WELCOME**

**ST ANDREW'S CHURCH
HERTFORD SG14 1HZ**

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FOR HERTFORD
PANTRY**

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FESTIVE FUN FOR ALL AGES!**

✕ Here with You. Here For You.

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Please pray for:

Maureen Kelly, Pauline Rhodes, Valerie Morey,
Daniel Williams, Robert Ramsay, Georgina Laval, Joy,
Denise, Lucy, Phoebe, Carol Moules, Hazel Taylor,
Alexander, Paul Roe, Dino, Chris Haws

In Year's Mind:

Mavis Curnock, Win Acheson, Grace Maud Wrangles,
Florence Alderton, John Robertson, Cyril Sadler,
Eva Lamb, Graham Rowley

St Andrew's Diary - the week ahead

Monday 15

8.00am **Morning Prayer** in the Chapel

7.30pm **A Mindful Christmas**

Wednesday 17

10.30am **Holy Communion** *Rev. Scott Martin*

Thursday 18

8.00am **Morning Prayer** in the Chapel

9.30am **Toddler Group** in the Centre

Afternoon **Preparations for evening event**

7.30pm **Richard Durrant** – fantastic festive folk!

Saturday 20

3.30-5.30pm **Beer & Carols**

Sunday 21

8.00am **Holy Communion (BCP)** *Rev. Scott Martin*

10.30am **Holy Communion**

Celebrant: Rev. Alan Stewart

Reflection: Maria Henriksson-Bell,

Lay Leader of Worship

Celebrate this special season
wherever you are...

Lessons & Carols on Zoom

Sunday 21 December, 10.30am

*Lessons, readings, images and music
inspired by the Christmas story, plus many
of our favourite carols.*

www.hertfordstandrews.co.uk/Christmas

7.00pm **Compline** on ZOOM

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