

CHURCH ROTAS

Sunday Services:

6th January 2019

13th January 2019

8.00am	Administrant:	P Rutt	John Dilley
	Sidespeople:	I & R Drakes	John Dilley
10.00am	Intercessor:	N/A	C Parker
	Administrants:	N Woodward, P Saunders, W Smith	B Dixon, R Newman, P Moore
	Readers:	N/A	C Parker, R Drakes
	Welcomers:	N/A	R Drakes, L Dilley
	Sidespeople:	A & A Maynard, J Blackford, T Albert (Family Service)	R & T Loin, M Dominey (Red)
	PA:	N/A	D Whinnett
	Crucifer and Servers:	A Dilley	N Woodward, M Smith, R Smith, Nick Gurney
6.00pm	Readers:	Robin Jopson, R Drakes	R Butcher, Y Gray
	Sidespeople:	G Hibbert, T Haygreen (Green)	J & W Walters, M Williams (Green)

Thursday Service

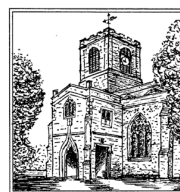
9.30am	PA:	D Whinnett	A Maynard
	Intercessor:	C Elcombe	R Butcher

WEEKLY ROTAS

Flowers:	13th January J Wakeling, R Jopson	20th January A Dilley
Brass:	12th January M McLoughlin	19th January N Staples, R Jones

If you are a UK taxpayer and would like to increase the value of your offering, please complete a Gift-Aid envelope inside the wallet on the pew shelves, or at the entrances, and place it in the collection plate during the service.

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St. Andrew's Church, Biggleswade;
Worshipping God with joy, growing in faith,
serving with love, welcoming all.



EPIPHANY

6TH JANUARY 2019

Children are welcome to stay throughout the service. **Toys are available in front of the Trinity Altar** (for under 5's), where parents may sit with their children while continuing to take part in the service. Please ask about our **Sunday School and Crèche facilities** which operate during term times



If you use a **HEARING AID**, please tune into the Church's **LOOP SYSTEM** by switching your hearing aid to "T".



LARGE PRINT service sheets are available on request.

TRANSPORT is available. Please contact Paul Canty on 640100



Please join us for refreshments in the Chapter House after our 9:30 service on Thursdays & our 10.00am service on Sundays.

Vicar: Rev'd Guy Scott (Tel: 01767 312243)

Readers: Rosemary Bentley (Tel 01767 313517)

Colin Dixon (Tel: 01767 317245) Tony & Christine Elcombe (Tel 01767 682274)

THIS SUNDAY'S SERVICES

Sun 6th	8.00am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Family Communion at St. Andrew's Lower School - East site (No 10.00am Service in Parish Church today)
	6.00pm	Evensong with Incense

THIS WEEK'S SERVICES AND EVENTS

Tues 8th	11.00am	Funeral: Martin Gray R.I.P.
	7.15pm	Holy Communion
Thurs 10th	9.30am	Holy Communion
	12.30pm	Food for Thought
Fri 11th	7.30pm	Choir Practice
Sat 12th	10.00am-12.00 Noon	Chapter House Coffee Shop
	4.00pm	Bell Ringers Service
Sun 13th	8.00am	Holy Communion
*BAPTISM OF CHRIST	9.00am	Worship in the Community at St. Andrew's Lower School - East site
	10.00am	Parish Communion
	6.00pm	Evensong

OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

On this Feast of the Epiphany, we come to find Christ and to bring him our gifts. As we continue to celebrate with joy the wonder of the Incarnation and explore what it means for us, as individuals and as God's people in his world, we hold before God all those things that keep us from a closer relationship with God, and we pledge ourselves at this time of New Year's resolutions to a new and vibrant relationship with Christ. We pray that as individuals and as a community of faith we may always worship God with joy, grow in faith, serve with love and welcome all. We pray for all in need in our community, pledging ourselves to relieve need wherever we can by generosity and action, as we seek to serve with love. We hold before you all who are suffering in body, mind or spirit, and we bring before you too all who care for them. We pray for justice and peace throughout God's world, committing ourselves to living in peace with our families, our friends, our communities and all with whom we share our lives and God's world. We pray for your protection on all who work for peace.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for Street Angels and Street Pastors. Living God's Love - Transforming Communities.

Our Partner Community of Mafambisa: We pray for the people of Mafambisa, for the vulnerable and orphaned children, for the care workers, for the care givers and all who support them. www.standrewslink.blogspot.co.uk

Needing Our Prayers: Louise Joy, Yvonne Gray, John Bentley, Nigel Blake, Ricardo Landsman, Bernie Marron, Susan King, Joy Botterell, Terry Warren and Patience (name changed) from Mafambisa.

Continue to Pray For: Ian Pearson, Wendy Walters and Margaret MacInnes

The Departed: Martin Gray, Keith Martin, Colin Bean and Eric Redman

Year's Mind: 6th David Huckle, 8th Rose Ayres, 10th Ivy Dilley, Ellen Lawson, 12th Stanley Smith

Please see the Vicar to have names added or removed from the prayer list

NOTICES

HOUSE GROUP - House Group will NOT meet again until Monday 14th January as we adjourn for the Christmas and the New Year. *George & Angela*

DROP IN COFFEE SHOP - During term time only, we will be running a Drop in Coffee Shop at the Orchard Centre, Kings Reach. This will be open from 9.00am till 10.00 am on Tuesday. *Maggie*

MAGAZINE - Copy date for the February magazine is Friday 11th January 2019.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE FRIENDS OF ST ANDREW'S - The meeting will be held in the Chapter House on Friday 1st February at 7.30pm. There are places for three new Trustees to be elected so it is hoped that members will make every effort to attend. Anyone considering joining the Friends is cordially invited. *Philip Rutt*

BURNS NIGHT CEILIDH - Join us for a fun evening for all the family on Saturday 26th January at 6.30pm. The evening will include a visit to the Highland Games, a Haggis supper, Scottish dancing and more. Adults are £6 and concessions are £4. The proceeds will be going to support our team visiting Mafambisa later this year. Please sign the list. *Chris Parker*

PRAYERS - This year, the UK will be making one of the most momentous and important decisions for decades which will affect the course of this country for generations to come. Politicians will begin to debate the EU Withdrawal Agreement with a view to voting on it the week beginning 14th January. So a 24/7 day of prayer in Church seems an essential thing to do! Please come to join us any time between 8am Saturday 12th January and 8am 13th January, as we pray (and fast, for those who feel called to!) for the future direction of this nation and to seek God's will. As with the Watch of the Passion, there's a sign up sheet in the lobby - please put your name down so that we can ensure prayer round the clock... Whether you voted Leave or Remain, it doesn't matter - now is the time to come together to cover this nation with prayer! *Julia Black*

MISSION PAYMENTS 2019 - Early in January the Growth and Mission Team will be meeting to consider the beneficiaries of our "Mission Payments" during 2019. The team would be happy to hear of any nominations for these payments. Each year the church distributes 10% of its income to the wider Mission of the Church. 8% is via direct payments and 2% is added to an "emergency fund" which is distributed to emergency situations as they are needed! For the past 3 years, part of these payments has gone to support 15 vulnerable children in our partner community of Mafambisa. Please email Chris Parker on chris2parker@btinternet.com with your thoughts and suggestions

NOTICES - Don't forget that copies of our notices and details of services and events are available on the church website at www.biggleswadeparishchurch.co.uk

VISITORS who usually receive communion in their own church are welcome to receive Communion here. If you do not yet receive Communion, please come to the altar rail for a Blessing, and carry the service book with you as an indication.

PRIVACY POLICY St. Andrew's Privacy Policy can be found at:- <http://biggleswadeparishchurch.co.uk/about/about-contact.htm>

NOTICES - Please no later than Wednesday 11.00am. Hand written items to the Secretary or Email: notices@biggleswadeparishchurch.co.uk. Thank you.