

St Andrew's Church

The Parish of Alexandra Park



Sunday 1 March 2026
2nd Sunday of Lent

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.



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1st Sunday of Lent, Preacher, Martin Linsey

HYMNS: Take up thy Cross
My song is love unknown
It is a thing most wonderful
Lord for the years

NEH 76

NEH 86

NEH 84

(See reverse of psalm sheet)

A WARM WELCOME: To Revd Canon Harriet Neale-Stevens, Canon Chancellor and Vice Dean of Portsmouth Cathedral, who is our guest preacher at this morning's mass. Our grateful thanks to her for making herself available.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH LENT SPECIAL: Takes place **today, 1 March, 4.00-5.30pm**, talk, crafts and pizza.

NIGHT PRAYER: A short service by candlelight takes place during Lent on **Sundays at 7pm (except for 22nd March)**.

GUEST PREACHERS IN LENT: We're delighted to be welcoming a number of preachers over Lent. Details at the back of church.

Please also help yourselves to the Lent booklets entitled *'The Christian Fast'* if you would like to learn more.

LENT REFLECTION SERIES - TREASURES IN DARKNESS: All are invited to join a diocese-wide online series exploring discipleship amid uncertainty and suffering. Five Tuesday sessions, 7:30pm (24 Feb-24 Mar) will include a guest speaker, reflection with a bishop or archdeacon, and contemplative prayer. Open to individuals and groups. Fully accessible with captions, BSL interpretation, and plain-text resources. Visit to register: <https://tinyurl.com/7x9xwru2>

UNPACKING THE THEOLOGY OF CHRISTIAN NATIONALISM: With Revd Dr Helen Paynter, Director of Theological Education at Bristol Baptist College, takes place on **Monday 16 March** online from **5-6.30pm**. The webinar aims to help churches respond with courage, clarity and compassion to Christian nationalist ideologies and the impact it may have in our communities.

Click here for more details and to register: <https://tinyurl.com/bdz4pnk2>

WEEKLY BULLETIN: If you are new to St Andrew's and would like to receive the regular weekly mailings, please email the Parish Office.

ELECTORAL ROLL: If you are relatively new to St Andrew's, over 16 years, baptised and a regular worshipper and not already on our Electoral Roll, please consider joining by completing a form and returning it to Linda Rose our Electoral Roll Officer.

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER: Will be hosted by St Andrew's this year and takes place at **10.30am** next **Friday 6 March**. The service which will last about an hour has been written by women from Nigeria. All welcome. If you are able to help with welcoming, baking cakes or serving refreshments, please speak to Caroline Fletcher or Sarah McGuire.

CHURCH CLEANING/CAKE SALE: Takes place next **Saturday 7 March** from **10.30am-12.00pm**. Speak to Caroline.

HOME GROUPS: Take place post mid-week Mass & Thursday evenings (7:30pm-9pm) at Dominic & Anna's. All welcome!

YOUR PRAYERS: *The sick, housebound & those in particular need:* Iain, Tina Linsey, Bridget Gall, Alan Phipps, Anne Reid, Dan Bree, Tim Fletcher, Arlen, Hubert Royet, Charlotte Whelham, John Higson, Pamela Smith, Richard Gerard McGuire, Richard Langham, Linda Coughlan, Eddie, Stephen, Ernest Kingaby, Sue O'Neill, John Wilson, Lucinda. *The departed:* Maureen Linsey, Crispina. *Year's mind:* Martin Blakelock, *priest*, John Dell [Sun]; Bertram Adams, Elizabeth Ekenobi, Harriet Gilbert-Sands [Mon]; Phyllis Crawford [Tue]; Winifred Askew, Eleanor Lennon, Claire Meekings [Wed]; Stephen Dudley [Thu] - RIP

WYGG (WHERE YOUR GIVING GOES): This week, the Church has spent over **£1995.00** on staffing, cleaning services, office supplies and routine maintenance. We're hugely dependent on donations to meet such costs. Flyers are available with details on how to set up monthly giving. One off donations can be made using the card machines. Thank you for your generosity.