



NEWSLETTER ❖ EASTER 3

Dear friends

Although we do not have a television, I was pleased to see some of the coverage of Prince Philip's funeral online yesterday afternoon. The scenery of Windsor Castle and St George's Chapel reminded me of singing Evensong there as a young treble with my local church choir, St John the Baptist, Barnet (amazingly, the same Organist and Assistant Organist are still there, nearly half a century later).

As for so many, what stood out for me was the simplicity of the service, and a choice of readings and music that fitted well with the Duke's life and interests, undergirded by a faith in God that was quiet but very firm. And Her Majesty the Queen, sitting alone, socially distanced from her family.

Those of you with internet access might like to look at the service order here:

https://www.documentcloud.org/documents/20617869-the-order-of-service-for-the-funeral-of-the-duke-of-edinburgh?fbclid=IwAR0ZQRj3TyM_lk90III6RHwD-bSwdIISYObT5L7EyNJTADCYhI2uT0CZilk

As with all the major service orders for St George's, the other Chapels Royal, Westminster Abbey and St Paul's Cathedral, this was produced by the Queen's Printer, Austen Kopley, and his dedicated team at Barnard & Westwood. Like the service itself, many find B&W's printing style simple but beautiful in its clarity.

For over a year, many of us have been participating in services in a similar way to our access to Prince Philip's funeral, through watching, listening, or reading service content, and saying our prayers while sitting at home. We may therefore now be more practised at engaging with worship in this way, even if we were not regular viewers of programmes like Songs of Praise before. But note, those three rather loaded words: participating and engaging with worship. If we are merely observers, or seeking entertainment, either when in church or at home, perhaps none of those terms may be relevant.

While various factors have prevented almost all of us from being physically present for services during the last year, there are other folk - very much members of our community - who have been kept at home by frailty or disability for a longer period of time. I know from them that they miss attending church very much, but still engage and participate with worship as best they can. It has been a great privilege to visit some of them with the reserved Sacrament, either inside or outside, when that has been feasible.

What unites all of us, in our different situations, is our longing to respond to the invitation to participate in the life of God. While we can in principle do this anywhere, there is particular depth to our encounter with God when we offer our praise, and ourselves, in the sacrifice of the Eucharist. Attending church involves joining a group of unique, complex and vulnerable people, in an enterprise of mutual regard, forbearance, and care, entering

the Paschal sacrifice and being renewed as members of the Body of Christ. Yes, we are diminished by being relatively scattered, but the eucharistic offering is made not just for those present, but for all of us - living and departed - and for the whole of creation.

– Fr Alasdair

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Sunday 18	0800 Mass 1000 Sung Mass 1800 Evening Prayer	Easter 3
Monday 19	0730 Morning Prayer 0800 Mass 1730 Evening Prayer	
Tuesday 20	1800 Mass	<i>St Maelrubha, Abbot</i>
Wednesday 21	0900 Morning Prayer 0930 Mass 1730 Evening Prayer 2100 Compline	<i>St Anselm of Canterbury</i>
Thursday 22	0900 Morning Prayer 1215 Mass 1730 Evening Prayer	
Friday 23	0730 Morning Prayer 0800 Mass 1730 Evening Prayer	<i>St George</i>
Saturday 24	1100 Morning Prayer 1130 Mass 1730 Evening Prayer	
Sunday 25	0800 Ante-Communion (from Reserved Sacrament) 1000 Sung Mass 1800 Evening Prayer	Easter 4

Audio recordings of selected services will continue to be placed on the website here:

<https://www.allsaints-standrews.org.uk/category/virtualseervices/>

Rector's Annual Leave

The Rector will be on annual leave from 20–29 April, so there will be no Wednesday Zoom coffee mornings on either the 20th or 28th.

Please contact one of the church wardens for any concerns arising during this time.

- Fiona Seenan: 01334 479941 or fiona.seenan@allsaints-standrews.org.uk
- Frances Spencer: 07931 722221 or frances.spencer@allsaints-standrews.org.uk

Reserving seats

Please email allsaints-seats@mail.com by Friday evening with your name and number of seats requested for the following Sunday's 10 am mass.

If access to the internet is an issue, one of the church wardens (Fiona: 01334 479941 or Frances: 07931 722221) can reserve a seat for you.

Produce Stall

If anyone is needing to stock up their larder, Jill has **Marmalade, Jams, and Chutneys** available to boost church funds. Jill can be contacted by email jillcameron38@yahoo.com or telephone 01334 474474 to arrange. Payments best made electronically with the details below. All proceeds in support of church funds.

A supply of **Malawian rice** is available from Lil at the Rectory, should you wish to purchase some. With thanks to Margaret Duffy who first made us aware of this source of excellent, ethically-sourced food.

Christian Aid 2021

Christian Aid Week is scheduled for week commencing May 10th to 16th and will go ahead this year but without the usual house to house collections.

For those who wish to donate this can be done by phone at 08080 006006, by texting GIVE to 70040, by sending a cheque to FREEPOST Christian Aid or online at caweek.org.

Help with a Community Project

Nathaniel Topping is working on a community project through his school and is hoping for our assistance in forming a rota to write to residents at St Andrews House Care Home. He explains, 'This is because during the lockdown the older generations have suffered from loneliness and depression and I believe that a genuine handwritten letter will make them feel safer and less lonely.' We are awaiting a response from the management but hope to have a rota put up soon.

Giving To All Saints'

Our bank details:

<i>Bank</i>	Royal Bank of Scotland
<i>Branch</i>	113 – 115 South Street, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9QB
<i>Sort code</i>	83-26-28
<i>Account name</i>	All Saints Episcopal Church – St Andrews
<i>Account number</i>	00104363

Treasurer's contact details:

Mr Ian Palfrey
8a Howard Place, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9HL
01334 472358
treasurer@allsaints-standrews.org.uk

INTERCESSIONS

In particular need

Debbie & Priscilla White, Robyn Seenan, Anne Clayton, Shelagh Brown, Jeremy & Elizabeth, Elma, Jenny Bisset, Alec, Steve Scott, Samantha Thomas, Millie Gall, Colette Mignal, Margaret Trimble, baby Sami, Malcolm Macgregor

Continuing need

Effie Keracher, Jonah & Chris Andrews, Gareth & Jenni Saunders, Judy, Ashley & Kathleen Cummins, Lawrence Reynolds, Edie, Alice Bullough, Joan Day, Catherine Rowe, Bill Hyland, Angela Allaway, Lori-Mark Quate, Rebecca, Beatrice, & Alexander, Dorothy Clark, Jay Sterling, David McLean. Regan, Florence & Harrison McMillan

Residential care

Catriona, Fiona Ingham, Marie-Louise Moffett, *Priest*, Janet Reid, Ann Noltie

Recently departed

Anne Brumfitt, Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, Heather le Dieu, *Deacon*

Year's mind

18/4 Eileen Tullet, 1940, Ann Zockowska, 2015
19 Denis Youles, 2013
20 John Speed, 2014
22 Anne Melville, 1983, David Drummond, 2003, Annie Mikulski, 2003
23 Margery Rutherford Warren, 1940
24 Jeannie Alexander Russell, 1937, Dennis McGraith, 1943, Jack Williams, 1946