

St Andrew's Kirk Ella

Church Family News

Sunday 6th July 2025

If you are new today, or a visitor, we are very glad to see you. If you would like to know more about our church family please visit the welcome desk.

Sunday	All-age Service, 10.45 am Evening Service, 6.30 pm
Tuesday	Warm Spaces, 11.30 am, St Luke's Church Hall Little Stars, 1.30-3 pm, Memorial Hall
Wednesday	Holy Communion, 10.30 am
Friday	Prayers, 9 am, Zoom Launchpad, 3.45 pm, Memorial Hall Rockets, 6 pm, St Luke's Church Hall Impact, 7.30 pm, Memorial Hall
Sunday	Morning Prayer, 10.45 am Evening Service, 6.30 pm

This is a **Growth Groups** week.

The Bible reading for the coming week is Philemon 1:1-25. Recordings of previous sermons can be found at

<https://www.kirkellachurch.com/pjp/mediaevent/search>

For recent news and what's coming up in the next few weeks and months, visit www.kirkellachurch.com. This news sheet can also be found on the website and will stay there for one month.



Friday 11th July – Prayers. If you'd like to join the Zoom Prayer meeting at 9am, here are the details:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83421130887?pwd=N9oa9v9FawoYMU9OyTpziM5N7fNsof.1>

Meeting ID: 834 2113 0887

Passcode: 885143

This is the new link until 22nd August

Upright chair with arms needed – Can you loan or give an upright chair with arms for a disabled man to use at Warm Spaces at St Luke's? If so, please let John know as soon as possible so that we can provide for him.

Men's Coffee Morning Jolly – We meet again at Drewton's Farm Shop Café on Tuesday 15th July at 10am. All men at St Andrew's and St Luke's are warmly invited to attend. If you would like to bring a friend, he would be most welcome. It would be helpful if you could let Andrew Peach know if you expect to be present - Tel: 01482 659150. If you need a lift, please mention it to Andrew when you speak to him.

Archdeacon's commendation – In April, the Archdeacon visited St Andrew's and met with the wardens to chat about the life and ministry of the church. Following the visit he sent a letter which said 'St Andrew's appears to be an extremely well run and well cared for building. There is nothing at all that I need to highlight as requiring action following my visit. It is rare for this to be the case and reflects great credit on ... your church.' Thank you to everyone for the contribution you make to the smooth running of the church. A copy of the letter is pinned up on the pillar by the entrance should you wish to read it.

Summer Stars - We are very aware of the fact that nearly all activities seem to stop over the school summer holidays, despite many people, including those with under 5s, not being tied to school term dates. This can often be quite an isolating time. With this in mind we wanted to offer some summer holiday provision, particularly with our Little Stars families in mind, but for everyone whose regular activities have stopped.

We would like to run an informal cafe style afternoon, where we provide tea, coffee, cakes and snacks as well as having some of the Little Stars toys out for the children to play.

This has been very successful in the past and we hope that it is as successful this year, but for this to happen we need some help!

If you are around between 1.30 and 3pm on Tuesday 22nd July, Tuesday 12th and/or Tuesday 26th August we would love you to join us for tea, coffee, cake and a chat at Summer Stars. Alternatively if you would like to help make the drinks or cake that would also be very appreciated.

Please could you speak to Sally, Liz or John as soon as possible.

Baptism and Confirmation service Sunday evening 21st September - If you are a regular church member who is trusting in Jesus and have been baptized but haven't been confirmed (had your faith in Jesus recognised by the church in a special service, usually alongside others) then please talk to John as this is a great step for your discipleship. Equally, if you haven't been baptised please speak to John.

Toby Hopkinson, Pete and Sally's son, in year 8 at Wolfreton, has the opportunity to go on a once in a lifetime trip to Peru in July 2026 with Camps International. He will be there for 4 weeks working on projects to help the local community and/ or the environment. In order to be able to go, and as part of the experience, he needs to raise £5000. Can you help with this? Please do talk to him about sponsorship or think about hiring him for those odd jobs that need doing over the summer holidays.

You can go to www.campsinternational.com for more information on the type of projects he might be involved in.

East Window flowers – The Flower Guild aims to have flowers on the East Window every week for the church family to enjoy. If your garden is producing an abundance of flowers at a particular time of the year and you would like to donate some to the church to help reduce the costs we are very willing to arrange them for you or for you to arrange them. We have vases and other floral equipment readily available. If so, please contact Maggie Sharrock 658091 or Pam Lawford 653073 so your date /flower donation can be included on our East Window rota which is displayed in the porch. Likewise if you are interested in joining the Flower Guild to enjoy working with flowers and help decorate the church for the festivals please have a chat with Maggie or Pam or any member of the Flower Guild. Beginners are most welcome.

Church Office Opening Hours

The Church Office is open to visitors this week as follows:

Tuesday 10 am - 12 noon

Thursday 10 am - 12 noon

At other times please leave Liz a message on the answerphone (01482 654713) or send her an email and she will respond to you as soon as possible. –

admin@kirkellachurch.com

Staff day off is Saturday.

Emergency contacts for the coming week

If you need to contact someone in the church urgently please contact as follows: (the person listed first is the first port of call)

Buildings: Peter Roberts 01482 656515, John Telford 01482 575232

Safeguarding: Rachel Fulford 07375 829707, John Telford 01482 575232

Pastoral Care: John Telford 01482 575232

Other: John Telford 01482 575232

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