



# St. Andrew's Reading Street

One family, with Christ at the centre,  
welcoming all!

*Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2018*  
*The Presentation of Christ in*  
*the Temple - Candlemas*

**Verse of the week: "Peace to the brothers and sisters, and love with faith from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ" Ephesians 6:23 Page 1177.**

**Welcome:** A warm welcome to all our worshippers today, especially any who are new to the church. We welcome as well the members, leaders, parents and friends of our uniformed organisations. **We hope you will all enjoy the worship, and come through to the community hall at the end of the service to have some refreshments.**

**Traidcraft:** There will be a Traidcraft stall in the hall on the **4<sup>th</sup> February** after the 10:00am service. Food, jewellery and stationery will be on sale.

**Marmalade for MAF:** Wilma's homemade marmalade will be on sale on the **11<sup>th</sup> February** in the hall after the 10:00am service. Only £1:90 a 1 lb jar. All proceeds to Mission Aviation Fellowship.

**Parish drop – in surgery: Philip will be here every Thursday morning between 11:00 and 12 noon in the upper room. He will be available to discuss any personal or spiritual problem you may have, so if you'd like to see him, please could you let the office know though a definite appointment will not be necessary.**

**Susan Honor:** Our organist and choirmaster is recovering well from her car crash last week and we give thanks for this.

**Processional Hymn:**                **NHWS 238** "O for a thousand tongues to sing"

**Collect:**

Almighty and ever-living God, clothed in majesty,  
whose beloved Son was this day presented in the Temple,  
in substance of our flesh:  
grant that we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts,  
by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Readings**                                **Malachi 3: 1-5** p961  
   **Hebrews 2:14 – end** p1202

**Gradual Hymn**                        **NHWS 190** "Kum ba yah"

**Gospel**                                    **Luke 2: 22-40** p1085

**Intercessions**                        led by the Brownies

**Offertory Hymn**                      **NHWS 255** "One more step along the world I go"

**Communion Hymn**                  **NHWS 13** "A new commandment"

**Post Communion:**

Lord, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and Anna,  
who lived to welcome the Messiah:  
may we, who have received these gifts beyond words,  
prepare to meet Christ Jesus when he comes to bring us to eternal life;  
for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

**Recessional Hymn**                  **NHWS 344** "We are marching in the light of God"

**Prayer after the service:** A member of the Pastoral Team will be available in the Lady Chapel after the service should you wish to speak to or pray with them.

**Refreshments:** Everyone is welcome to come through to the community hall for a chat and a cup of tea or coffee after the service.

**Please pray for:** Charles Saunders, Wynne Thomas, Geoffrey Wheeler, Liz Stokes, Susan and Tom Hindmarsh, Paul Buckley, Sheila Watson, Sheila Hook, Evelyn Smart, Kenneth Benjamin, Betty and Malcolm Bruce, Josephine Barber, Jean Mason, Andrew Grossart and David Williams.

**The Deceased:** Henrik Romain. Please pray for Henrik and those who mourn him.

**This Week: Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January to Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> February**

<b><u>Monday</u></b>	<b>6:15 pm Men's Yoga with Abbey</b>
<b><u>Tuesday</u></b>	<b>10:00 am Bible Study:</b> Philip's group meet at St Andrew's House Michael's group will meet again when the Lent course starts <b>1:00 pm Funeral of Iris Mitchell in church.</b>
<b><u>Wednesday</u></b>	<b>9:30 am</b> Little Ted's parent and toddler group in the hall. <b>1:45 pm</b> Women's Group in the hall "Use your head, and save the body" a talk by Meg Bowyer <b>1:45 pm Funeral of Anne Miles at Margate Crematorium.</b>
<b><u>Thursday</u></b>	<b>10:00 am Said Communion in the Lady Chapel Pilates in the hall</b>
<b><u>Friday</u></b>	<b>10:30 am</b> Drop in Coffee morning. All welcome!
<b><u>Sunday</u></b>	<b>8:00 am</b> Said Communion <b>10:00 am</b> Family Communion and Junior Church

**Dates for your diary:**

**Friendship Lunch: Our next lunch is at 12:00 on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February** at Queens Road Baptist church. Names to Janet Porter on 865178.

**Voyagers' AGM: The AGM will be held at 3:00pm on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> January in the church.** It would be nice to see as many people as possible attend. Various reports and the annual accounts will be presented. Refreshments will be available after the meeting

**Speakers for Lent Services:**

Philip has arranged a programme of exciting speakers for the 10:00am service during Lent. Details thus:

18 <sup>th</sup> February:	Rev Aptin Samedi (St Philips, Palm Bay)
25 <sup>th</sup> February:	Mrs Suzie Howe (Director, The Bethany Children's Trust)
4 <sup>th</sup> March:	Rev Sue Woan (Holy Trinity, Margate)
11 <sup>th</sup> March:	The Venerable Jo Kelly-Moore (Archdeacon of Canterbury)
18 <sup>th</sup> March:	Simon Hawthorne

**St Andrew's Quiz:** The February quiz is available. Just one 12 sided golden pound to enter! Have a try this month and raise some funds for the church ... **and** have the chance to win a **£25** M and S gift card. The questions this month are about events in 2017.

**Pancake Party:** The social committee is holding a pancake party in the community hall on **Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> February from 6:00pm to 8:30pm**. The supper will be soup and a roll for the adults and a hotdog for the children. Pancakes for all will follow! Tickets, priced at £2 per adult and £1 for children, are available from the office or Pauline Jackson. There is a list at the back of the church for you to complete if you intend to come.

**Alpha Course:** we will be running an Alpha course for all, starting on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> April, at 7:30pm in the community hall and running for 10 weeks. Each session will be introduced by Dr Richard Scott. There will then be food, followed by worship, a live talk and then group discussions to finish. Each session should conclude by 9:15pm. More details from Dr Scott when he preaches at the 10:00am service on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> February.

**Did you know?** On this day in 1547, King Henry VIII died at the age of 55. He said "Two beheadings out of six wives is too many" Of course, hindsight is such a wonderful thing ...

**Food Bank:** We are continuing to support the food bank and your donations of non perishable items are particularly welcome at this time of year. Goods can be put in the box at the back of the church. They are taken to the food bank every Monday.

**Parish Office:** The office is open as usual this week. Apposite contributions for the news sheet would be welcomed by Thursday.

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