

Good news for Harvest!



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STILL SO MUCH TO CELEBRATE...!

After a long and very hot summer, autumn approaches with its beautiful colours, and we give thanks for God's gifts of food, and for the talents and labour of those who nurture the crops.

It's certainly a time to celebrate, and our weekend of harvest celebration begins on 15 September with a barn dance! Tickets are available for all – and those with two left feet (like me) are always welcome! The Harvest Thanksgiving service on 16 September at St Andrew's is a wonderful time of thanksgiving for all ages. Come and join the festival. As usual we'll be collecting gifts of food for local hostels for the homeless.

Later on, in November, we give thanks for those who lost their lives in conflict on the 100th anniversary of the Armistice that ended the Great War. There will be acts of remembrance in church and at the War Memorial on Newmarket Road. In the evening there's a service to remember and give thanks for those we have loved and lost, but not forgotten.

With my best wishes for this coming autumn – and I hope to see you soon.

Phil Rodd (Vicar)

DATES FOR AUTUMN...

8-9 September

Photography Exhibition
by local prize-winning
photographer Joe Lenton

Saturday 15 September, 10am
Decorating the Church for Harvest
(All gifts of non-perishable
produce gratefully received)

Saturday 15 September, 7pm
Harvest Barn Dance
For tickets contact:
Margaret Smith (01603 453010)

Sunday 16 September, 10am
HARVEST THANKSGIVING
FOR ALL AGES

Sunday 30 September, 10am
Holy Communion,
with prayer for healing
and wholeness

Sunday 14 October, 10am
Special Service with guest preacher
Canon Richard Hanmer,
former vicar of St Andrew's

Sunday 14 October, 3pm
Organ Recital by Neil Ricketts
(Eaton Concert Series)

18-21 October, 9am-3pm
'Truth and Beauty'
exhibition of flowers and paintings

Friday 19 October, 4pm
'Light Party'
fun & games for 5-11s
in the Church Hall
(see website for details)

FOR MORE DATES, SEE OVER...

For further information, visit St Andrew's website:

www.standrewseaton.org.uk

SAYING FAREWELL



... AND SAYING IT WELL!

The Vicar writes:

'Everyone loves a good wedding or christening, and we have many of these happy events here at St Andrew's. But the church also provides for other remembrances such as funerals, thanksgivings and memorial services. Unlike at a crematorium, there's far more space and time at a church funeral service.

'But did you know... that any resident of Eaton, whether a regular churchgoer or not, is entitled to a church funeral - and to a burial at our beautiful Burial Ground just up the road in Church Lane?

'Within the context of a Christian funeral, there's plenty of scope for a flexible and personalised commemoration and farewell. The nearby Church Hall also makes a handy venue for the wake - those all-important refreshments after the service.

'Understandably, some people do feel a little anxious talking about funerals and death. Funeral services at St Andrew's are sensitive to these concerns, and always bring in the positive aspect of the resurrection, which is such a central aspect of Christian faith. Death simply doesn't have the final word! So if you'd like to talk with someone about any of these things, do be in touch - I'd be very happy to hear from you.

'Finally, I'd also like to take this opportunity to thank those in Eaton who take a moment to stop - either in their cars, or standing on the pavement - to show respect as funeral corteges go by. I know it means so much to the bereaved. Thank you!'

More information about funerals and memorials can be found on St Andrew's website or by contacting the vicar (details below).

2018 Year of Celebration UPDATE

Dates for the Diary for Autumn and beyond...

Saturday 10 November, 10am-12 noon
'Autumn Fayre'
in St Andrew's Church Hall -
stalls, raffles, competitions...
time for some early Christmas shopping!

Sunday 11 November
**10am Remembrance Sunday
Service, followed by...**
10.45am Act of Remembrance
at the War Memorial
on Newmarket Road
6.30pm All Saints Memorial Service
giving thanks for those
we have loved but not forgotten

Sunday 18 November, 7pm
Eaton Parishes Choir in Concert
Featuring: Duruflé 'Requiem',
Haydn 'Te Deum', John Rutter 'Gloria'
Conductor: Neil Ricketts

Saturday 1 December, 7.30pm
'The Passing Year'
Keswick Hall Choir in concert
For tickets, contact:
Phil Rodd (01603 455778)

Sunday 9 December, 6pm
'The Business of Christmas'
The first carol service of the season -
and a new one for 2018,
specially for the Eaton business
community - but open to all

For information about harvest, funerals, the Year of Celebration -
or anything else at St Andrew's, please contact:

Church Office - 01603 473646, office@eatonparish.com

Or the Vicar, Phil Rodd - 01603 455778, phil@standrewseaton.org.uk



www.standrewseaton.org.uk

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