**ELECTORAL ROLL** - if you haven't had a flyer (yellow) giving details of how to apply for the new roll, please pick up a copy from the back of church today.

**VISION DAY** on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> April, to be held at Harvest House, Mulbarton, when James will lead us in thinking and planning for the future. There are flyers on the table at the back of the church. Numbers are limited so book early! And if you're booked and could lend a hand with providing a lunch/teas/coffees, et. please have a word with Margaret Smith.

WANTED - A VOLUNTEER CHURCHYARD MANAGER! Not to do all the mowing and hedging yourself but to organise volunteers for the month tidy-up, and to keep an eye on the area, particularly when we have had a spell of bad weather. Speak to James if you are interested or know someone you could recommend for the job.

**LOVE YOUR CHURCH** - is the title of this year's Lent Course, on Wednesday mornings at 10.30 am in church and on Wednesday evenings at 7.30 pm in the Vicarage starting on 5<sup>th</sup> March. Pick up a flyer today and sign up by contacting James.

**BOOK GROUP** - will meet on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March, 2.30 pm at 20 Bluebell Road, to discuss "Everything is Everything: a memoir of love, hate and hope" by Clive Myrie. For more details contact Ann C.

JOB ADVERT - CLEANER WANTED FOR ST ANDREW'S CHURCH AND HALL - on a flexible, part-time basis (8 hours weekly, depending on church use). Hourly salary rate: £12.60. We are looking for a reliable and skilled cleaner and the successful candidate needs to be in sympathy with the ethos of St Andrew's and fully supportive of our vision and values. Application packs can be found on the church website: <a href="https://www.standrewseaton.org.uk">www.standrewseaton.org.uk</a>. Closing date: 12 noon on 12 March. For more information, please contact James Cook (contact details below)

"ACAPELLA" - is the title of Keswick Hall Choir Concert next Saturday, 7 pm at St Peter Mancroft, featuring music by Grieg, Elgar, Barber and many others. Tickets £16 on the door.

Please send notices for this sheet direct to Margaret Smith, tel. 01603 453010, or email; margarethjsmith@btinternet.com by 12 noon on Tuesdays.

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# News Sheet for 16 February 2025

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday before Lent



'a church for all - a place for you'

# Welcome, everyone!

A special welcome to visitors worshipping with us today! Whether you are worshipping in church or joining us via live-stream at home, may we know God's presence with us as we worship together.



Here are the details of our service today:

10.00 am Morning Worship led by James who is also preaching, continuing a series of sermons from the first four chapters of I Corinthians - "Life together. 6: Solid Foundations"

Readings: 1 Corinthians ch.3 (church Bibles p.163 NT)

Mark 4:26-32 (church Bibles p37 NT)

There is Sunday Club today for children and young people!

Afterwards refreshments are served in the hall - do come and join with other members of the congregation!

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## CHARITY OF THE MONTH - Emmaus Norfolk & Waveney

... supports people who have experienced homelessness by providing a home, training, support and meaningful work opportunities, giving the space and help for those stuck in a cycle of homelessness as they take stock of their lives and make positive changes for the future. Social enterprise is central to the Emmaus model, giving work opportunities while generating the necessary funding needed.

Do have a look at the display board in the Welcome Area for more information or visit their website <a href="mailto:emmaus.org.uk/norfolk-waveney">emmaus.org.uk/norfolk-waveney</a>. Please use the blue envelopes and put your donations in the wall safe or the collection plate in church. Many thanks

#### PRAYER THIS WEEK

'Trust in him at all times, O people: pour out your heart before him: God is a refuge for us' (Psalm 62 v.8)

**SUNDAY** Pray for those in need of God's healing, especially for Janet V, (recovering from surgery), Douglas D (now at home), Robin G, George I and Jennie W (all receiving regular cancer treatment). Pray for those recently bereaved and for local funeral companies as they support families in the planning of funerals for those they have just lost.

MONDAY Half-term week! A chance for headteachers and their staff to step away from the pressures of school life, and for children and students to enjoy a holiday. Pray for families for whom childcare is a problem and for those struggling to provide food and essentials for their families, remembering especially the work of foodbanks and community centres across the country.

**TUESDAY** The situation in Gaza remains critical with threats of further conflict and escalation of violence increasing. Pray for restraint on all sides, for humanitarian aid to continue to reach those most in need, and for a long-term solution to be sought.

**WEDNESDAY** "Last year was a difficult time for Kenya. There were widespread protests and demonstrations against a proposed finance bill, and later, a scare of an mpox outbreak. Pray for peace to prevail in the country and for prevention and healing from mpox." (Tearfund Prayer Diary).

**THURSDAY** Today we pray for people living in Eaton Hill, Ebbisham Drive and Ellcar Rise, praying especially for new residents as they make friends.

Pray for the Community Café today and all those enjoying the food and chat. Give thanks for the success of the Chinese New Year Celebration last Saturday; pray that friendships made there will deepen as we reach out to the local community.

**FRIDAY** Norwich Youth For Christ needs to find new premises within the city limits as their current site is proving unsuitable. Pray for Gwil Davey, the director, the staff and the trustees headed up by Margaret Smith, as they make enquiries and look at alternative venues, that God will make His way clear.

**SATURDAY** Three vacancies are currently advertised for St Andrw's - a part-time cleaner, a churchyard manager, and a designer for our publicity leaflets etc (see note opposite). Pray that the right people will be found to take on these important roles.

Archdeacon Keith James is leading and preaching at our 10 am service tomorrow - pray for him in his final preparations, and for all those who will be taking part.

#### WE PRAY FOR THOSE WITH LONG-TERM HEALTH CONDITIONS INCLUDING:

Those in residential homes: Alison H, Sonia T, Yolanda S, Margaret P and Neil R (see note on opposite page)

### .WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK and NOTICES

Mon. 17th - - Friday 21st Half Term Week

Tues, 18th

No Toddler Group today!

Thurs. 20th

10.00 am Midweek Morning Prayer (BCP) led by Rev. Derrick Hill (Mothers' Union attendance)

10.30 am Community Café, Church Hall - all welcome!

Fri. 21st

7.00 pm St Andrew's Singers rehearse

Sat. 22<sup>nd</sup>

7.00 pm Keswick Hall Choir Concert at St Peter Mancroft (see note)

Sun.23rd

10.00 am Holy Communion led by Archdeacon Keith James who is also preaching,

continuing the series of sermons on "Life Together" from 1 Corinthians

chs. 1-4. - 7. "Fools for Christ"

N.B. Foodbank Collection today - see note!

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**THANK YOU** - from Norwich Foodbank to all who have donated items over the last few months. They have distributed 499 kg of food, enough to provide supplies for 166 days. Just a reminder - the collection is always on the last Sunday of the month.

**WANTED** - a computer-literate person to help James with designing publicity leaflets, flyers, posters, etc. He has the ideas but not the time to put them into production! Interested? Or know of someone? Have a word with James.

**FOODBANK NEXT SUNDAY** - is in need of long-life milk, soups, tinned meat, shower gel and deodorants. Other items well stocked at present. Please put donations in the boxes provided in the Welcome Area - and many thanks for your continued help.

**GOOD NEWS** - Neil Rout has now moved into Hethersett Hall (Norwich Road, Hethersett, Norwich NR9 3AP). He would welcome post but needs a little time to settle in before receiving visitors!

**AND MORE GOOD NEWS!** - from Mirna Paulo, our local Mission Link in Argentina, who reports that nine indigenous leaders studying for the Ministry, graduated last month. She encouraged and supported them as they were studying a long way from their home area. There is more information in the CMS Winter 2025 magazine, page 4 - you'll find it on the Church Information Desk.