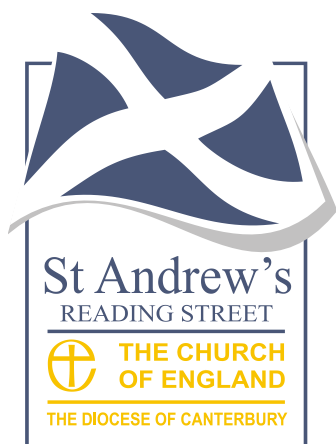




St Andrew's, Reading Street

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

*18th October 2026
Twentieth Sunday
after Trinity.
St Luke*

Verse of the Week:

"The Lord is near to all who call on Him." — Psalm 145:18

Friendship lunch

There is a Friendship lunch on Tuesday 20th October at the Queens Road Baptist Church hall at 12.00 for 12.30 pm start. All welcome; if interested, please call Janet Porter on 865178, or notify the office.

Alternative Halloween

There will be an Alternative Halloween event at St Andrew's on Sat. 31st October from 5.00 pm to 7.00 pm, and all are welcome to attend. For more details, please see poster in church or the October bulletin.

Christmas Fayre

It's on!! We will be holding our traditional Christmas Fayre on Saturday 28th November 2026 from 11.00 am to 2.00 pm in the church and hall. To assist with the raising of funds for the church, we will be asking if you can contribute any of the following:

Jigsaw puzzles, unwanted gifts, bottles of alcohol, good Christmas decorations, working toys, cakes on the day, and also good quality bric-a-brac. These can be brought to the office between 10.00 am and 12.00 pm on Monday to Friday. We are also looking for helpers who are prepared to man a stall on the day, and to help set up on the Friday and clear away after the event. Thank you.

Processional CP 212 *"Captains of the saintly band..."*

Collect Almighty God, you called Luke the physician,
whose praise is in the gospel,
to be an evangelist and physician of the soul:
by the grace of the Spirit
and through the wholesome medicine of the gospel,
give your Church the same love and power to heal;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings Isaiah 35: 3 -6 p. 720 read by Birgit Wilson.
2 Timothy 4: 5-17 p. 1197

Gradual CP 393 *"Brother, sister, let me serve you..."*

Gospel Luke 10: 1- 9 p. 1041

Intercessions led by Richard Collins

Offertory CP 347 *"Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old..."*

Anthem *"Teach me thy way, O Lord..."* William Fox

Post Communion Prayer

Lord God, the source of truth and love,
keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship,
united in prayer and the breaking of bread,
and one in joy and simplicity of heart,
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Recessional CP 227 *"Rejoice in God's saints ..."*

Please remember in your prayers

Kate Barrett, Simon Kemp, Penny Turp.

From the Book of Remembrance

Jean Davis, Joyce Roach, Margaret Sage.

This Week: Monday 19th October to Sunday 25th October.

Tuesday	10.30 am	Philip's Bible Study.
	7.30 pm	Michael's Bible Study via Zoom.
Wednesday	9.30 am	Toddlers group.
	1.45 pm	Women's Group.
Friday	10.30 am	Coffee morning.

Dates for your Diary:

Tue	20 th Oct	Friendship Lunch at Queens Road Baptist Hall – 12.00 pm.
Sat	31 st Oct	Alternative Halloween evening: 5.00-7.00 pm.
Mon	9 th Nov	Christmas Cr'Afternoon workshop: 2.00 – 3.30 pm.
Sat	28 th Nov	Christmas Fayre – 11.00 am to 2.00 pm.
Fri	4 th Dec	Mission Action Christmas lunch – Racing Greyhound.
Wed	9 th Dec	Advent Celebration event in church – 2.30 pm.
Mon	14 th Dec	Holly Wreath workshop with Pam. Details to follow.

Christmas Lunch - Mission Action

Booking Forms and Menus for this event are available at the back of the church. Forms should be completed and returned to the church office in due course [if you are bringing guests could you please all use the same form]. As usual there is a wide choice of food and you are able to select 1, 2 or 3 courses. No deposit is needed and payment is made direct to the Racing Greyhound on the day. There will also be a raffle to raise funds for Mission Action. Any queries please contact Pauline on 07903 817185. *Pauline*

Advent Celebration

This year's Advent Celebration will be held in church at 2.30 pm on Weds 9th December, and will be a selection of Christmas poems, sketches, and readings by members of the congregation, interspersed by Christmas carols and songs by the Serenaders Choir.

It will be in aid of St Andrew's and there will be a retiring collection.

All Souls

There will be an All Souls service on Sunday 1st November at 6.30 pm, at which the names of departed loved ones will be read out. If you wish for someone to be remembered at this service, please add their name(s) to the list at the back of the church.

Murder Mystery

Many thanks to those who supported the Murder-Mystery play yesterday, and special thanks to the producers and cast who created it. The result of this fund-raising event will be published in next week's newsletter.

"Operation Christmas Child"

It's that time of year again!

Last year we delivered another large donation of filled shoe boxes for this wonderful cause, it would be fantastic if we could do even more this year. If you would like to donate a filled shoebox (or contribute some of the contents), please pick up a leaflet at the back of the church or speak to myself. We also have some empty shoe boxes for those who require them. All filled shoeboxes and any donations need to be into church no later than the 8th November, please. Thank you,

Sharon Gough

Thanet Food Link

Currently the warehouse is really short of tinned fish, tinned desserts like fruit, rice pudding or custard, jars of paste, breakfast cereal and packet meals. Tins with ring-pull opening would be very welcome as some clients may not have access to an opener, especially if sleeping rough or recently housed.

Jenny Matterface

Prayer Diary

The October Prayer Diary is available from the back of the church.

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