



St Andrew's News



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HELLO AND WELCOME TO ST ANDREW'S NEWS



This is the first edition of St Andrew's News. It will help us to keep in regular contact with the parish and to keep you informed of events at St Andrew's. It is part of our mission at St Andrew's to reach out to our local community and is a departure from the traditional Parish Magazine. We will send out this shorter newsletter every two months and restrict the larger parish magazine to once or twice a year. We hope that you enjoy the newsletter and find it informative.

The aim of the newsletter is to concentrate on community issues and you will see on the back page the many activities which the church is running locally. We are now providing facilities for seniors, youth and scouts as well as messy mites and playgroup for younger children.

In addition, we hold our fetes and bazaars in June and November, the very successful Gardener's Open Day in May, social evenings and quiz nights and other events. We will keep you informed of these and many other events via this newsletter and also via our website www.standrewsleytonstone.org

We also have members who will help and visit people in the parish if they have particular needs. So please keep in touch with us – details on the back page

Father Duncan Dalais

Back to Church Sunday and Harvest Festival

On Sunday 28th September we are holding our Harvest Festival and Back to Church Sunday. This is an opportunity for those who have not been to church recently but would like to join us for our harvest celebration to come and join in the service followed by a meal afterwards in the hall. Bring your friends and enjoy the occasion

A summer musical evening

On 31st August an evening of live musical entertainment, refreshment and a grand auction will be held in the garden of Trish Jones from 4pm to midnight to help raise funds for the organ repair fund. Tickets are £10 each £8 concessions and £3.50 children. For more details and booking e-mail musicalevening@standrewsleytonstone.org

Help Save our Organ

St Andrew's has a very fine organ, which was built and installed in the church in 1914. It is a miniature cathedral organ and as well as being played on Sundays, weddings and funerals, it has been used for organ recitals and concerts at the church over the years but is now seriously in need of repair and in danger of completely breaking down.

The church needs to raise £30,000 to enable these urgent repairs to be carried out and we hope some residents might feel able to contribute to our appeal so that we can preserve this magnificent instrument for the benefit of the church and the local community. To support our fund please contact Peter Leighton on 020 8989 3582 or Thelma D'Oyley 020 8556 5709 or e-mail organfund@standrewsleytonstone.org



ENGLISH HERITAGE

English Heritage helps repair our roof!

St. Andrews has secured a grant of £110,000 from English Heritage to repair the roof, gutters and drains, which have become very leaky. We are currently raising an extra £30,000 from other trusts so we can start work next year. This is one of the few grants in East London this year, so we were very lucky!

PARISH VISION STATEMENT

'In the light of God's call, and our situation here, our vision is for St Andrew's to be an open, welcoming and thriving church serving our diverse community by caring for the spiritual, social and physical well being of all.'

ACTIVITIES AT ST ANDREW'S



Messy Mites

Every Monday at 10:30 am to 12:00 noon our mother and toddlers group Messy Mites meets at the church. It is lots of fun for the youngsters and a good opportunity to meet other mums. So why not come along? Phone Dean'na on 8524 3656 or e-mail messy.mites@standrewsleytonstone.org

Seniors Club

Mondays from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm a meeting place for seniors at the church. Have a cup of coffee, meet with friends, learn to use the computer. It's a great facility for our older citizens. Ring Thelma on 8556 5709 or e-mail seniors.club@standrewsleytonstone.org



Cubs and Scouts



Tuesday evenings is a great time for children interested in scouting. The cubs and beavers meet at 6:30 pm and the scouts at 8:00 pm. The group is run by Alan the local scout leader and they have great activities. Ring him on 8556 6023 for more details or e-mail alan@tolmers.org.uk

Playgroup

For children over 18 months up to nursery age why not join our playgroup. It meets on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays at 9:30 am to 12:00 noon and is great fun for the kids. For more details contact Rosemarie on 8534 8167 or e-mail playgroup@standrewsleytonstone.org



Youth Club - STAY (St Andrew's Youth)

A great new venture for youngsters from 11 to 14 meets on Thursdays at 6:30 pm to 7:45 pm and is becoming very popular with young people in the area. It gives them something worthwhile and fun to do on a Thursday evening and is supervised by Rosemarie and her team of helpers. Ring Rosemarie for more details on 8534 8167 or e-mail stay@standrewsleytonstone.org



Fair Trade

Our Fair trade stall is open every final Sunday in the month after Sunday service in the church hall at 11:15 am. The church is a strong supporter of fair trade in the borough. If you want any fair trade produce ring Lorraine on 8989 3582 or e-mail fair.trade@standrewsleytonstone.org

Hall Bookings

Why not use the church hall for that special occasion, meeting or other activity for some evenings and at weekends - very moderate charges. Ring Eileen on 8989 6467 or e-mail hall.bookings@standrewsleytonstone.org

An up-to-date listing of other events, activities or more information about the church, visit www.standrewsleytonstone.org

For any other requests, queries or any other events, please either contact our Priest-in-Charge Father Duncan Dalais at thevicarage@standrewsleytonstone.org or any of the Churchwardens at churchwardens@standrewsleytonstone.org