

NEWSLETTER



St Andrew's Church, Marks Tey



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Ian Scott-Thompson writes...

Dear Friends,

This is my final letter, as I'm retiring at the end of October and moving to Portsmouth. I'd like to thank all friends and villagers for your support and encouragement over the past 14 years or so. Jane and I have greatly enjoyed our time here in Aldham and Marks Tey and more recently also in Great Tey, Little Tey, Wakes Colne and Chappel. We shall miss the lovely country of North Essex and all the good people here – this has been the longest time we've lived anywhere. I'm told I'm also the longest serving Vicar here, since Canon Steele (1915-1945), which may explain why everyone is asking when I'm going!

Please continue to support your church of St Andrew's in Marks Tey, especially in the vacancy when I am no longer here. Andrew Waters and the people of the church will continue to organise worship and other activities, including refurbishing the Tower of the church over the coming winter and spring.

For all of you, whatever your beliefs, may I encourage you to look after your spiritual well-being? Modern life in 21st-century Britain is stressful, especially with recent pressure on the cost of living. Please make sure you care for yourself and pay attention to how your life fits into a bigger picture, even if you don't believe in God.

For Christians, this means your central relationship with God in Christ Jesus. Do not neglect to read your Bible, to pray, to talk with others about faith and to teach your children and grandchildren. We need to pass on the wisdom we have gleaned and believe to be true.

With best wishes,

Ian

Note from the Editor

Wishing Ian and Jane Scott Thompson all the very best in their retirement. All our best wishes Graham and Anni.

Worship at St Andrew's Church, Church Lane, Marks Tey

You are very welcome to join us on a Sunday morning and afterwards to stay for a drink and refreshments.

Services

29th September, 11am combined service at St Andrews

6th October, 11am Morning Worship

13th October, 11am Morning Worship

20th October, 11am Communion (Ians last service)

27th October, 11am Morning Worship

3rd November, 11am Morning Worship

The Church is always open so if you would like a time of quiet reflection or just to look around, do drop in.

Next Steps

As you have read Rector Ian is retiring after more than 40 years in the Ministry. Ian has also been the Priest-in-Charge for the last few years of the Benefice of Great and Little Tey, Wakes Colne and Chappel.

Ian's final service at Marks Tey is on October 20th.

We are having a farewell tea in the Church Hall on Saturday 26th October 2-4pm and everyone is welcome to attend. Ian's very final service is on October 27th at Wakes Colne.

The procedure for the appointment of a new Rector is slow, commencing with a series of meetings between the churches and with either the Archdeacon and/or Bishop.

The reality is that vacancies of a year are common.

Ian - we wish you and Jane a happy, healthy and rewarding retirement. Thank you for your service to us.

In the meantime services will continue as normal. Ordained clergy have already been booked for the next few Communion services and clergy will be booked as required for Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals.

A Church is its members and we will endeavour to serve the community wherever we can.

Andrew Waters

Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals

Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals for your family can take place in St Andrew's Church. You don't need to be a regular Sunday worshipper. We are your church, Please ask and we'll do our best for you!

Community Library and Café

**Next one is Saturday 5th October which will also be our
MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING**

Last year we raised nearly £250 so we would like to raise more than that
and we can with your help.

In the large hall at the Parish Hall Marks Tey **10am to 12:30pm.**



Dates for the rest of 2024 are 2nd November, 7th December.

Come and have a look at the wonderful selection of books we have for you to borrow. We have over 2000 books, fiction and non-fiction across all genres, and a very big children's section for all ages, with a craft table for them too. If you have a favourite author then we may have more books of theirs in our stock cupboards as we can't put them all out on the bookcases at once, so please ask. There isn't any fee to join, and you can borrow up to 4 books per person for a month and renew them if you haven't quite finished reading them. Natalie Wardrop will be there with her Utility Warehouse stand. Have a word with her as she can possibly help you to save on your monthly bills for your Gas and Electricity, Broadband, Mobile and Boiler Insurance. Worth a chat. We're also having a visit from Anglian Water this month to give advice on how you can save water and if you have any queries with your water bills. Also, worth a chat Jo Golby will also have her craft table and she has been making a lot more crafts as Christmas is now on the horizon. Worth a look. We always have a lot of jigsaws to buy at £2 if you like doing them. Come down to the Parish Hall on October 5th and see what it is all about. Borrow a great book, have a coffee/tea, cake and chat. It is a good place to catch up with people you may not have seen for a while and have a chat over a drink and cake. It is our Macmillan Coffee Morning too and we would like to have as many cakes as possible to help us raise as much money as we can for this great cause. So, if you are baking cakes would you consider making one for us to please? Thank you.



FAREWELL TO OUR RECTOR IAN SCOTT-THOMPSON

Ian and Jane are retiring to Hampshire at the end of October after being at Marks Tey and Aldham for over 14 years. Ian and Jane have been a big part of the communities of Marks Tey and Aldham whilst

they have been with us so we thought it would be nice to have an afternoon tea to give people a chance to say 'Goodbye' and wish them well in their retirement. **Saturday October 26th 2pm - 4pm** in the church hall at St Andrew's Church Marks Tey. If you would like to come please would you let either Yvonne Norman know on 07709064599 or Andrew Waters on 07774709989 so that we have an idea of how many to cater for.

Thank you!



Do you play Rummikub or would you like to learn?

Join us on Wednesday 2nd and 30th October from 2pm until 4pm at the Parish Hall to try a new game or challenge other players.

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All welcome.



St Andrew's Church of England Primary School

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Staff have thoroughly enjoyed welcoming the children back into school over the last few weeks, hearing about their summers and supporting them to settle into new classrooms and routines. Our new starters in Oak class have proven to be happy, resilient and engaged learners already and are of course, a wonderful addition to our school. In Maple class, they have been using actions to retell and then write 'One Snowy Night' by Nick Butterworth (who visited the school last year) and the children were all proud of the writing they had produced. In Chestnut class, they have also focused their writing around a book 'The Tunnel' by Anthony Browne. They have been learning to expand their descriptive vocabulary and to use similes. In Juniper and Sycamore classes, so many of the children have been eager to share their learning on the Tudor's, which is a new topic for the school and one which I know the teachers are very much enjoying too! Over the coming weeks we are looking forward to our whole school art project and to making a difference by collecting and donating to Colchester Food bank as part of our Harvest celebrations.

We will also be hosting a Macmillan coffee morning, Quiz night and we will keep topping up our bookshelves in the entrance for members of the community to enjoy.

Best wishes

Head of School Mr. Keith Birbeck

St. Andrew's C of E Primary School



The Young at Heart group for the over 50's living in the Marks Tey area meets on the second Wednesday of the month from 2pm to 4pm. Andrew Waters gave a very interesting 'walk through Stanway' talk at our September meeting relating historical facts and stories about the area together with a collection of old photographs. Our next meeting is 2pm on 9th October when Allan Walker and John Wood will give a presentation on potential changes in Marks Tey with the Neighbourhood Plan and the Local Plan. Then Ian and Jane Scott-Thompson will talk about their move and what's happening with the Church. Come and join us at the Parish Hall, Old London Road for tea, coffee, home made cake and a chat.

All welcome.



For more information contact
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North Norfolk Railway Lights Express

Thursday, 28th November 12:00 noon to 9:30pm.

Pick up from the Parish Hall. £55 per person

What started as a plan to take a small group on a Kings Coaches day excursion proved so popular we've hired our own coach! On Thursday, 28 November we'll travel to Sherringham to catch the 5pm steam train to Holt and back. There will be lights, music and festive scenes. This trip is almost sold out so text Trish on 07815 125261 if you'd like to snap up the last few tickets. If you miss out there will be a wait list should any become available.



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Please bring your own tools & labels.

Jane Scott-Thompson, 01206 215772

Church Tower Repair

There is a meeting on October 2nd with our Architect and Aiden Fothergill the Contract Manager of Punch Construction of Kelvedon Road, Inworth. Hopefully we will get a clearer indication of a start date. In the meantime progress is being made in the planning of other matters.



Thanks again Andrew



Rainbows - Brownies Guides and Rangers

If you think your daughter or granddaughter, would like to be a Rainbow, Brownie, Guide or Ranger please register your interest as early as possible at:

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