



THE SAINT ANDREW MESSENGER

That in all things God may be glorified! (1. Peter 4.11)

A New Year begins....

Do you make New Years Resolutions? I hate to be pessimistic but, by the time you are reading this, you will more than likely have broken them. Research suggests that the 2nd Friday in January, which this year was 11th, is what is known as 'quitters' day, the day when your resolve is most likely to falter.

I am not one for making New Year's resolutions as such. What we do often do, is on the 1st January write a whole list of things we would like to achieve in that year, I put the list away then on 31st December we look back to see how successful we have been. For us these can be as simple as taking the local bus into Malaga instead of the car (something we are still yet to achieve) or losing weight visibly (something we did manage last year, now to keep it that way). I find this takes away the pressure of trying to keep to what are sometimes unsustainable goals that we set our selves. It is fun to look back and if we haven't succeeded in something on the list we role it over to the next year.

At our Joint Chaplaincy Service in Calahonda on 30th December, our Locum Canon Keith Hugo talked about focussing on God's bigger plan for the world, rather than our own personal concerns.

The reading we had from Paul's letter to the Colossians (3:12-17) at that Service, sets out for us in broad terms what we could use as our new years resolutions, encompassing the bigger picture whilst covering all the personal issues we tend to resolve to achieve.

Using words from The Living Bible I have drawn up a list:

Practice tender-hearted mercy and kindness to others.

Don't worry about making a good impression.

Be ready to suffer quietly and patiently.

Be gentle and ready to forgive.

Let love guide your life.

Let the peace of heart that comes from Christ be always present in your hearts and lives.

Always be thankful.

Remember what Christ taught, and let his words enrich your lives.

Whatever you do or say, let it be as a representative of the Lord Jesus.

I challenge us all to follow these as our guidelines for 2019 so that we might live together in harmony as a community and in the wider world.

Caroline MacFarlane

Licensed Reader

Carol Singing and Bag Packing at Iceland Store

raised 266 Euros for Chaplaincy funds.



We met some wonderful people and were able to share details of our Christmas Services and have a fun morning!

Festive Lunch in Alhaurin

On 9th December a group of us celebrated Christmas lunch at La Risa, Lauro Golf in Alhaurin.



Thanks to Jan and her team we had a delicious meal and enjoyed the opportunity to welcome Father Keith Hugo our Locum.

Chaplaincy Children get Crafty at Christmas

We had fun travelling around the Chapel following the Christmas story. Thanks to John and Sue Brown we had lots of Christmas crafts to get involved with and we finished singing some Christmas songs and sharing tea together.



the Mustard Seed Gang

Christmas Services

celebrated throughout the Chaplaincy with Carols and Christingle, mulled wine and mince pies



Joint Holy Communion Service & Fellowship at Calahonda

What a blessing this Service was, the light of the Lord shone out like a beacon. Calahonderites had the privilege of hosting the Joint Holy Communion Service and fellowship time that followed. It was great to see so many familiar faces in the congregation, it felt like one big family, plus the visiting folk who I'm sure felt the warmth and friendly atmosphere despite it being only 9.30am.



We wish to say a big thank you for all who travelled the distance to share our Communion Service. Our ever friendly and supportive cafe next to Church, provided good, hot tasty, yet inexpensive breakfast food. This followed on from the spiritual food we had received during our Service. We at Calahonda look forward to the next.



Pauline Hulme
Verger – Calahonda

Benalmadena Greetings

Happy New Year, everyone. I know many of you went to the U.K. to be with your families but I think we are mostly together now within the Chaplaincy and looking forward to what 2019 has to bring us.

Here at Benalmadena we are already well into our fundraising ideas. Gwendolyn is organising her yearly 'Dinner at Giorgio's' on February 22nd at 7.30 pm for 8.00 pm, price to be announced soon. Valerie Bales and Isa Cornell are doing a Beetle Drive, with refreshments at 5 euros, on March 29th.

However, the highlight of the year is surely the knowledge we will have a new Chaplain after this period of Interregnum. As we wait in anticipation I leave you with these words from Corinthians, ch.1 v10:

“Now I beseech you by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same and there be no divisions among you but that you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgement.”

God bless us all,

Sheila Allison

Verger – Benalmadena

HAPPY *New Year*

**BLESSINGS
TO YOU
& YOURS**

“FOR I KNOW THE PLANS I HAVE FOR YOU,” DECLARES THE LORD’

Chalking the Door

At the All Age Service on Epiphany Sunday we talked about the Custom of Chalking the door. This is a part of church history which involves the blessing of homes at the New Year. A family would hold a short service of prayer to ask God's blessing on their dwellings and on all who live, work with and visit them.

If we choose to adopt this custom we invite Jesus to be a "guest" in our home, a listener to each conversation, a guide for troubled times, and a blessing in times of thanksgiving.

This year the home would be marked on the lintel above the door with 20 + C + M + B + 19.



The numbers refer "to the calendar year 20 19, the crosses stand for Christ; and the letters have two meanings: C, M and B are the initials for the traditional names of the Magi (Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar), but they are also an abbreviation of the Latin blessing ***Christus mansionem benedicat***, which means, May Christ bless this house.



Revd John Ball blessed the chalk then, as they left church, everyone was given a bag containing a piece of chalk and a short prayer to use at home.

Caroline MacFarlane
Licensed Reader



News from The Council.....

"You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father." John 15:14-15

Update on New Chaplain

The Council would like to thank everyone for their prayers in the process of recruiting a new Chaplain. Interviews have been held and a candidate has now been selected. We hope to make an announcement shortly as soon as the final stages have been completed.

Safeguarding

There has been a change in the Chaplaincy Safeguarding Officer. Odd Harklau has stepped down from the role and we are pleased to announce the appointment of John Brown. John has previous experience in this area so we are fortunate to have the benefit of his expertise. This has helped to ensure the transition and handover has been seamless. John's telephone number is 655 342 874. The email for all safeguarding issues remains the same: safeguardingcosta@gmail.com

Fund-raising

A reminder that Saint Andrew's is entirely self-supporting, therefore fund-raising is an important activity within the Chaplaincy.

As usual, a variety of activities are scheduled throughout the year and you can see the programme (until May) under Future Events on page 10. We invite you to support and enjoy as many events as possible and to use these occasions to bring along friends and family to share in the fun.

We are always open to new ideas and offers of help. If you would like to host/organise a Chaplaincy fundraising event, please contact the Fundraising Chairman Billy Dawson at billy@cancuca.com

Electoral Roll

In accordance with Church Representation Rules, 2019 is the year in which a new Electoral Roll shall be prepared. A fresh application shall be required from each person who wishes to be included on the Electoral Roll. Details of how and when to register your application will be communicated in due course.

Annual General Meeting – Date change

Please note the date for the Annual General Meeting (AGM) has changed and will now take place on Thursday 25th April 2019. It will start at 11.00 am with a short Eucharist, followed by the AGM which will be followed with a "Bring & Share" Lunch.



Burns Night

Friday 25th January 2019

7.00 for 7.30 pm

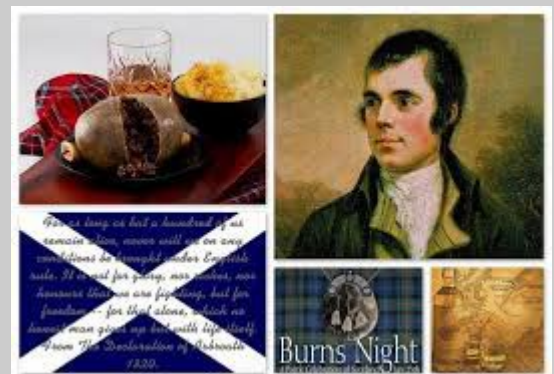
Saint Andrew Community Centre

Los Boliches

Tickets €35.00

To reserve: Billy Dawson on 952 375 708 or

email billy@cancuca.com



FUTURE EVENTS

Sun 20 January 1.30pm Restaurant La Esquinita, Los Boliches: **SUNDAY LUNCH CLUB**
 Fri 25 January 7-7.30 pm at Saint Andrew Community Centre, Los Boliches: **BURNS NIGHT**
 Sat 9 February 2.30 pm at Saint Andrew Community Centre, Los Boliches: **CINEMA & TEA**
 Sun 17 February 1.30pm Restaurant La Esquinita, Los Boliches: **SUNDAY LUNCH CLUB**
 Fri 22 February 7.30 pm at Giorgio's Restaurant, Benalmadena: **CHAPLAINCY SUPPER**
 Fri 1 March 4.30 pm at Saint Andrew Church, Los Boliches: **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**
 Tues 5 March 7.00 pm at Saint Andrew Community Centre, Los Boliches: **PANCAKE SUPPER**
 Fri 8 March TBA at Saint Andrew Community Centre, Los Boliches: **AN EVENING WITH COLIN POLLARD**
 Wed 13 March 1.30 pm at Saint Andrew Community Centre, Los Boliches: **LENTEN LUNCH**
 Sat 16 March 2.30 pm at Saint Andrew Community Centre, Los Boliches: **CINEMA & TEA**
 Sun 17 March 1.30pm Restaurant La Esquinita, Los Boliches: **SUNDAY LUNCH CLUB**
 Wed 20 March 1.30 pm at Saint Andrew Community Centre, Los Boliches: **LENTEN LUNCH**
 Sat 23 March 3 -4.30 pm at Cemetery Chapel, Alhaurin el Grande: **MUSTARD SEED GANG**
 Wed 27 March 1.30 pm at Saint Andrew Community Centre, Los Boliches: **LENTEN LUNCH**
 Fri 29 March TBA at Saint Andrew Community Centre, Los Boliches: **BEETLE DRIVE**
 Wed 3 April 1.30 pm at Saint Andrew Community Centre, Los Boliches: **LENTEN LUNCH**
 Wed 10 April 1.30 pm at Saint Andrew Community Centre, Los Boliches: **LENTEN LUNCH**
 Sat 13 April 2.30 pm at Saint Andrew Community Centre, Los Boliches: **CINEMA & TEA**
 Sun 21 April 1.30pm Restaurant La Esquinita, Los Boliches: **SUNDAY LUNCH CLUB**
 Thurs 25 April 11.00 am at Saint Andrew Church, Los Boliches: **SHORT EUCHARIST FOLLOWED BY THE AGM**
 Sat 4 May 11.00 - 2.00 pm at Saint Andrew Community Centre, Los Boliches: **SPRING FAYRE**
 Sat 18 May 2.30 pm at Saint Andrew Community Centre, Los Boliches: **CINEMA & TEA**
 Sun 19 May 1.30pm Restaurant La Esquinita, Los Boliches: **SUNDAY LUNCH CLUB**
 Sun 19 May 6.00pm Cemetery Chapel, Alhaurin el Grande: **PRAISE SERVICE**
 Sat 1 June 3 -4.30 pm at Cemetery Chapel, Alhaurin el Grande: **MUSTARD SEED GANG**

Lenten Lunches

Yet again we shall be having soup and bread lunches at Los Boliches on Wednesdays during Lent. It has become customary on these days for someone to give a short 10 minute talk about part of their life journey. We have enjoyed some fascinating and sometimes very moving talks and we hope that this year will be the same.

You do not have to be an expert in public speaking, these are very relaxed occasions and we all have a story to share so why not think about it? If you would be willing to give a short talk and make soup (or persuade a friend to make the soup for you) please speak to Caroline Macfarlane.

The dates of the lunches are :-

13th March
20th March
27th March
3rd April
10th April





Chaplaincy

JANUARY 2019

Tuesday 15/1 10:30 am Calahonda Coffee Morning, Los Olivos Cafe, Calahonda

Wednesday 16/1 10:30 am Chaplaincy Coffee Morning and Bazaar, Saint Andrew Community Centre, Los Boliches

Friday 18/1 11:00 am Benalmadena Coffee Morning, Shannon's Bar, Benalmadena

Sunday 20/1 1:30 pm Sunday Lunch Club, Restaurant La Esquinita, Los Boliches

Monday 21/1 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm Chaplaincy Craft Group, Saint Andrew Community Centre, Los Boliches

Tuesday 22/1 10:30 am Calahonda Coffee Morning, Los Olivos Cafe, Calahonda

Wednesday 23/1 10:30 am Chaplaincy Coffee Morning and Bazaar, Saint Andrew Community Centre, Los Boliches

Friday 25/1 11:00 am Benalmadena Coffee Morning, Shannon's Bar, Benalmadena

Friday 25/1 7:00 pm Burns Night, Saint Andrew Community Centre, Los Boliches

Tuesday 29/1 10:00 am Calahonda Breakfast Morning, Los Olivos Café, Calahonda

Wednesday 30/1 10:30 am Chaplaincy Coffee Morning and Bazaar, Saint Andrew Community Centre, Los Boliches

FEBRUARY

Friday 1/2 11:00 am Benalmadena Coffee Morning, Shannon's Bar, Benalmadena

Monday 4/2 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm Chaplaincy Craft Group, Saint Andrew Community Centre, Los Boliches

Tuesday 5/2 10:30 am Calahonda Coffee Morning, Los Olivos Cafe, Calahonda

Diary

FEBRUARY

Wednesday 6/2 10:30 am Chaplaincy Coffee Morning and Bazaar, Saint Andrew Community Centre, Los Boliches

Friday 8/2 11:00 am Benalmadena Coffee Morning, Shannon's Bar, Benalmadena

Saturday 9/2 2:30 pm Cinema & Tea, Saint Andrew Community Centre, Los Boliches

Tuesday 12/2 10:30 am Calahonda Coffee Morning, Los Olivos Cafe, Calahonda

Wednesday 13/2 10:30 am Chaplaincy Coffee Morning and Bazaar, Saint Andrew Community Centre, Los Boliches

Friday 15/2 11:00 am Benalmadena Coffee Morning, Shannon's Bar, Benalmadena

Sunday 17/2 1:30 pm Sunday Lunch Club, Restaurant La Esquinita, Los Boliches

Monday 18/2 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm Chaplaincy Craft Group, Saint Andrew Community Centre, Los Boliches

Tuesday 19/2 10:30 am Calahonda Coffee Morning, Los Olivos Cafe, Calahonda

Wednesday 20/2 10:30 am Chaplaincy Coffee Morning and Bazaar, Saint Andrew Community Centre, Los Boliches

Friday 22/2 11:00 am Benalmadena Coffee Morning, Shannon's Bar, Benalmadena

Friday 22/2 7.30 pm Chaplaincy Supper, Giorgio's Restaurant, Benalmadena

Tuesday 26/2 10:00 am Calahonda Breakfast Morning, Los Olivos Cafe, Calahonda

Wednesday 27/2 10:30 am Chaplaincy Coffee Morning and Bazaar, Saint Andrew Community Centre, Los Boliches

WEEKLY

Alhaurín el Grande

20/1/19
11:30 Morning Prayer

27/1
11:30 Holy Communion

3/2
11:30 All Age Service

10/2
11:30 Holy Communion

17/2
11:30 Holy Communion

Benalmádena

20/1
9:30 Holy Communion

27/1
9:30 Holy Communion

3/2
9:30 Holy Communion

10/2
9:30 Morning Prayer

17/2
9:30 Holy Communion

Calahonda

20/1
9:30 Morning Prayer

27/1
9:30 Holy Communion

SERVICES

Calahonda

3/2
9:30 Holy Communion

10/2
9:30 Holy Communion

17/2
9:30 Morning Prayer

Los Boliches

20/1
11:30 Holy Communion

23/1
9:30 Holy Communion

27/1
11:30 Morning Prayer

30/1
9:30 Holy Communion

3/2
11:30 Holy Communion

6/2
9:30 Holy Communion

10/2
11:30 Morning Prayer

13/2
9:30 Holy Communion

17/2
11:30 Holy Communion

***Matins every Monday,
Tuesday Thursday at
9:30 Los Boliches

SUNDAY READINGS

20/1/19

2nd Sunday after the Epiphany

Isaiah 62:1-5
Psalm 36:5-10
1 Corinthians 12:1-11
John 2:1-11

27/1/19

3rd Sunday after the Epiphany

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6,
8-10
Psalm 19
1 Corinthians 12:12-
31a
Luke 4:14-21

3/2/19

4th Sunday after the Epiphany

Jeremiah 1:4-10
Psalm 71:1-6
1 Corinthians 13:1-13
Luke 4:21-30

10/2/19

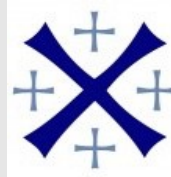
5th Sunday after the Epiphany

Isaiah 6:1-8, (9-13)
Psalm 138
1 Corinthians 15:1-11
Luke 5:1-11

17/2/19

6th Sunday after the Epiphany

Jeremiah 17:5-10
Psalm 1
1 Corinthians 15:12-20
Luke 6:17-26



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Prayer Chain

If you or anyone you know is in need of prayer, St Andrew's has a team of dedicated people who will pray for your needs. For information please contact Mike and Wendy Edwards at cdsolprayer@gmail.com