



**ANGLICAN CHAPLAINCY OF SAINT ANDREW,
COSTA DEL SOL EAST, SPAIN**



Sunday 30th March 2025

Mothering Sunday

Collect

God of love, passionate and strong, tender and careful: watch over us and hold us all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Old Testament Reading—Exodus 2:1-10

¹Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. ²The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him for three months. ³When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. ⁴His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him. ⁵The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. ⁶When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him. ‘This must be one of the Hebrews’ children,’ she said. ⁷Then his sister said to Pharaoh’s daughter, ‘Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?’ ⁸Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, ‘Yes.’ So the girl went and called the child’s mother. ⁹Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, ‘Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.’ So the woman took the child and nursed it. ¹⁰When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh’s daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, ‘because’, she said, ‘I drew him out of the water.’

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 127:1–4

¹Unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labour in vain.

²Unless the Lord keeps the city, the guard keeps watch in vain.

³It is in vain that you hasten to rise up early and go so late to rest, eating the bread of toil, for he gives his beloved sleep.

⁴Children are a heritage from the Lord and the fruit of the womb is his gift.

New Testament Reading

Colossians 3:12-17

¹²As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. ¹³Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ¹⁴Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. ¹⁵And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. ¹⁶Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. ¹⁷And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading—Luke 2:33-35

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory. Blessed are those who have endured temptation; they have stood the test and will receive the crown of life.

All: Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

³³And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him.
³⁴Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed ³⁵so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Post Communion Prayer

Loving God, as a mother feeds her children at the breast you feed us in this sacrament with the food and drink of eternal life: help us who have tasted your goodness to grow in grace within the household of faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Scriptures for Sunday 6th April 2025

5th Sunday of Lent

Isaiah 43:16–21

Psalm 126

Philippians 3:4b –14

John 12:1–8

Lent Course

The Lent Course started on Wednesday 12th March and will run on Zoom at 18:00 for the following four weeks until Wednesday 9th April. The course is based on the Nicene Creed, as 2025 is the 1700th anniversary of the Council of Nicaea when the first version of the Creed was formulated.

Anglican Chaplaincy of Saint Andrew—Charity of the Month for February and March 2025

Saint Andrew Aid Fund (SAAF)

This fund was initiated towards the end of 2024 for the purpose of offering financial assistance to those in our community who find themselves in financial difficulties.

We have successfully provided assistance to people who have been in dire need of basic necessities, and would like to replenish the fund in order to continue to provide much needed and appreciated assistance.

Suggestions for those whom you think may benefit from the SAAF may be brought to the attention of any of the members of the Chaplaincy Council, and each case is carefully and prayerfully considered before any assistance is provided.