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ST ANDREW, PATRON SAINT of STANTON CHURCH

November is the month of St Andrew, Patron saint of Stanton parish church.

Andrew must have been what people sometimes refer to as "a lovely man". He seems to have been one of those people who quietly seek to live for God, and for help he turned initially to the prophet John the Baptist, but John pointed to Jesus and Andrew and another man followed Jesus and became his followers. Andrew had a brother Peter, and they with James and John became the first four disciples or 'learners' of Jesus. Nathaniel (Bartholomew) followed soon after, and eventually there were Twelve specially close followers of Jesus. In the gospel according to John we read of two particular moments when we see that there was something special about Andrew.

In the first, Jesus wishes to feed the crowd gathered to hear him speak and teach. Where is the food to come from? It is Andrew who spots the boy with five loaves of bread and two fish and brings the lad to Jesus. This story is the subject of the Comper window in St Andrew's church, Stanton.

The second episode concerns some Greek visitors to Jerusalem. They are not Jews but Gentiles, and so they are a bit unsure of themselves. Will the Teacher be willing to see them? They have heard about Jesus and they would very much like to see him. They go up to the disciple Philip and ask him, and he is not sure, so he goes to see what Andrew thinks, and immediately the whole party goes to Jesus. Andrew, the good man, the encourager, the decisive man, the sensitive man - yes, he seems to have been a lovely man, a good guy.

Where does Scotland come into all of this? In the days when no records of ordinary people were kept, what happened to them in later life was lost. So people invented things and legends grew. Why should that happen to Andrew? Perhaps because he was a good man, and later Christian people wanted to think that

he had visited their community and left his influence among them. It was a good motive, even if an invention. The legend grew over the succeeding centuries that Andrew was crucified in a Greek city called Patras on an X-shaped cross. Another legend states that a citizen of Patras took some relics of Andrew and ended up in Fife in Scotland at a place later called St Andrew's – of the University, and the golf course!

Thus, St Andrew became the Patron Saint of Scotland, and the cross saltire (in heraldry an X-shaped cross) adorns the national flag. His feast day is 30 November, when the Church prays for God's blessing on its mission – and that all may desire to be sensitive, encouraging people who know the love of Christ.



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CHRISTMAS THEMED FAMILY QUIZ NIGHT

Saturday 28th November

Quiz Entry plus Fish and Chip supper £6.50. Entry only £3 (children under 16 free entry). Licensed bar. Doors will open at 6 pm for a 6.30 pm start. Teams of 6 maximum (Optional silly hat competition!!!)

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NEWS FROM ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

SERVICES

There is a service at Stanton church every Sunday at 9.30 am. All welcome. Please check the notice board at the church to see when communion services will be held.

Advent Sunday and Eve of St Andrew's Day

29 Nov - one United Service at 10.00 am.

FLOWER ROTA

15 November-Jo Humphreys. Volunteers needed for all other dates.

Harvest Supper - Thank you to all who helped with and attended the harvest Supper on 12 October. The evening made a profit of £298 which has been split between the church and the village hall. Particular thanks to Mary Page who again put on a splendid meal.

Shropshire Historic Church's Trust Ride and Stride Annual Sponsored Cycle Ride and Walk—Ralph Prince would like to thank all who sponsored him on September 12th. He raised £650 from 119 sponsors and walked 5 miles.

Local Church Information: St Mary the Virgin, Shawbury; St Andrew, Stanton and St Bartholomew, Moreton Corbet

Rev Edith Quirey, e.quirey@btinternet.com or mobile 07578 603919. Rev Richard Hayes, i.r.hayes@btinternet.com or 01743 244668. Readers; Mrs B Holt, holtbarbara1831@gmail.com or 252114. Mr C. Corbet, 220312.

Moreton Mill—Methodist Church Rev Sarah Wood, 01743 260939.

For Baptism, weddings and other matters please ring one of the clergy to make an appointment to meet in the Church office in the Old Dairy behind 119 Church Street, Shawbury.

NEWS FROM THE VILLAGE HALL

VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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Beverley Orme 01939 250878 Barbara Fisher 01939 251075

Jane Fildes 01939 251187 Mary Page 01939 251166

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FUTURE VILLAGE HALL EVENTS/DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 5th November — **NEIGHBOURHOOD NATTER MORNING** - 1030—12 noon—Please come and join us at this informal coffee morning in a relaxed atmosphere and catch up with friends and neighbours and meet new ones. All are welcome.

Saturday 28th Nov - CHRISTMAS THEMED FAMILY QUIZ NIGHT

See front page !!!

VILLAGE HALL HIRE

Sue Young

Don't forget if you have any family get -togethers, parties or special interest activities coming up, the village hall is a great place to hold it.

For availability and further details please contact the booking officer.

NEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS / HELPERS

If you have some time to spare and would like to become involved in organising village activities, events etc then your help would be gratefully appreciated. New faces on the committee would be a great asset but if you only wish to spend a limited amount of time helping out it would still be enormously helpful. Please contact any of the existing committee members for more information.

NEWS FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

Please refer to the Parish Council website for details

www.stantonparishcouncil.org.uk

SUSPICIOUS VEHICLES

Pc Matt Picken has informed the Parish Council that they are now issuing letters to the registered keepers of suspicious vehicles seen in our rural area. The aim is to build up a list of repeat vehicles on a database. Any vehicle seen in suspicious circumstances but not committing any offence will be sent a letter seeking an explanation for their presence in the area. If there is an innocent explanation then the vehicle will be deleted from the records. Please continue to report registration numbers, car make, colour and details of the occupants to the police.

MISSING CATS

Over the past month, four cats have gone missing in and around the Stanton, A53/Stanton crossroad and Booley areas. If any-

one has any information please contact Chas Warren on 07734 878777.

STANTON WAI KING GROUP

With the darker evenings approaching the Stanton Walking Group run by Chris Floyd now takes place fortnightly on Tuesday afternoons at 2.00 pm from the Stanton Arms. 10 November is the date of the next walk. Please contact Chris for further details at floydies@talktalk.net.

THE BIG PATHWATCH

The Ramblers organisation would like you to join them in an ambitious campaign to protect and improve our paths in England and Wales. They have a new app, the big Pathwatch which can be found on — http://www.ramblers.org.uk/get-involved/join-the-big-pathwatch.aspx. The idea is for you to share your walking experiences, take photos of your walk, highlighting for example, great vantage points, beautiful scenery or alternatively highlight areas of difficulty such as access over rights of way.

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Winter closure from:

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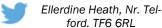
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