



Saint Andrew's Report for the Presbytery meeting in March 2020.

The congregation of Saint Andrew's would like to send their greetings to the congregations of the Presbytery.

News

Saint Andrew's is delighted to welcome Rev. Betsi Thane as our new Minister for the coming 5 years.



- The purchase of a new Manse is in full swing. We hope to have a lovely place where a new Minister will feel at home.



- The church hall has been equipped with air-conditions and so will the church office. With temperatures over 40 degrees we enjoyed services held in the cool church hall.

Local Preacher

Saint Andrew's is supporting 2 students at Cliff College in Calver, UK. Both have started the online course for worship leading and decided to continue in order to become a local preachers. In August this year Diana and Christa have attended again the Summer Course at Cliff College.



Worship



The schedule for our services is meant to encourage people with different styles of worship.

Our services are followed by fellowship with refreshments in the hall. A good time to catch up, meet new people and talk about the service.

Activities

Bible Studies

Our Bible study and fellowship group continue to meet on a weekly basis. Members prepare and take turns to lead the meetings.

Fellowship (former Home Group)

On Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. in the church hall. The group will pray, have discussions, read the bible and enjoy fellowship. This is an open group where all are welcome.

Charities

Activities are planned throughout the year.

2018 the 2nd edition of our little Tugwashanye Cooking book was released to mark the 50th anniversary of our mission partner Sr. Catherine in Zambia.

See all missions of Saint Andrew's below:

- * Sister Catherine in Tugwashanye, Zambia since 2005
- * Dar Teresa Spinelli since 2005
- * Malta Microfinance since 2013
- * Blue Door English since 2013

The last two missions grew out from our "Out of Africa... Into Malta" project which had started in 2011

- * "The Foodbank" since 2015

The last project has been registered as a foundation as Foodbank Lifeline Foundation since October 2018

- * International Presbytery Mission

Elders Retreat

Since a few years we do meet for a retreat which strengthens us as KS and is highly valued by all. It gives the Kirk Session a sense of closeness, unity and strengthens us in our roots.

It has become a time we look forward to even though the agenda is usually pretty full. It gives us time to look at the past year and make plans for the future.

This year we have planned the retreat in Manresa Retreat House where our Gozo services take place too.