



5 young people confirmed

The Future

On Palm Sunday this year, at morning worship, 5 young people were confirmed as members of the Church.

They had undertaken a six week course of study and preparation for confirmation using the book “Exploring Faith” as the basis for their study.

During the final session, a meditation based on “The Last Supper” was followed by the sharing of a meal together.

This was a wonderful occasion with the church overflowing because of all the relatives, friends and representatives from the embassies of the homelands of the young people who joined us for the celebration.

The service was followed by a party on the roof terrace of the church with an amazing variety of food and drinks supplied by the youngster’s families.

Some would suggest that young people are losing touch with the church and with faith.

We are hugely proud of our young people, and delighted that they are so thoughtful, and challenge both themselves and the rest of the congregation to think about what it means to be Christ’s disciples here in a modern city like Rome

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Young people celebrating the baptism of some friends

Baptisms

We have been blessed that in the past six months, we have had a number of baptisms in Rome.

We baptised two children, and one adult.

The adult was a 92 year old woman, who despite having been brought up in the church, attending church in the West of Scotland, and having moved to Rome and attended church here for more than 40 years, had never been baptised.

So, she was both baptised and confirmed at the same time, at Morning worship on 20th May 2018.

Filling our Vacancy

Work continues apace to get our vacancy notification out into the wide world.

A Nomination Committee of seven people, which reflects the age and cultural background of the congregation, has been appointed and all the bits of information for the applicants are at an advanced stage of preparation.

Trip Advisor Review - April 2018

"We were in Rome and the Lords Day happened to be our very last day. We (my husband, 2 sons, 2 daughter in-laws and one daughter) were looking very much to participate in worship. I have to say it was the highlight of our whole stay in Rome. As much as we enjoyed all the history and ancient buildings in Rome, to be in the house of God with fellow brothers and sisters made our trip."



A truly international congregation

The congregation at St Andrew's Rome is both international and multi cultural, and this means there is a richness and uniqueness to both worship and fellowship.

The church in Rome is always busy with its usual congregation as well as the many visitors to the city who are looking for a "Presbyterian" style of worship.

Local Church Review

In April, we were visited by the team from Presbytery who were charged with undertaking the Local Church Review.

The Kirk Session have produced an Action Plan for the future, and would

like to record their thanks to the team for the positive way in which they undertook the review.