

## Prayer and Thanksgiving this week

### World

- We pray for the crisis situation in the Gaza strip and pray for peaceful resolution and wisdom for the leaders
- For the situation in South Sudan where the civil war is now leading to one of the worst cases of famine on record

### Church

- We pray for strengthening relationships between all the Beaconsfield churches as we seek to serve our community together
- For the Growing Leader's Course; for all the preparation, for the leaders and all those who have signed up

### Community

- We pray for all who live and work in Holtspur
- We thank God for our witness and opportunities in this community
- For Holtspur Park Friends: Hope Community Drop-in and One Can Trust
- We give thanks for all the volunteers and for the children who attended Lighthouse Beaconsfield last week

### People

- We pray for healing and wholeness for all who suffer in body, mind or spirit. We continue to hold in prayer John Lewis, Muriel Hargreaves, Chris Burley and Joanna Olienak, and for all who care and support those who are in need. We give thanks that Baby Amelie is doing well following surgery and we continue to hold Jenny and John in prayer
- For Craig Ashley, Stuart Buchan's best friend serving in Afghanistan
- For Ben and Lucy, and all couples as they prepare for marriage this summer and the commitments they will make to one another
- For those discerning whether to enrol on the Alpha Course
- For our church family members: Ben, Alison, Anna and Lucy Peters; Ron and Jan Petts; Al Ramsay; Mike and Ilse Rankin; Peter Read

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> August 2014**



## **St. Thomas' Church, Holtspur**

*To transform lives through faith in Jesus*

**We give you a warm welcome  
as you join us**



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### **Eighth Sunday after Trinity**

**9.15am Church Prayer**

**10.00am Morning Praise  
Lead: Graham Marris  
Preacher: Andrew Snelling**

### **Readings**

- **Romans 10. 5 - 15 (p. 1137)**
- **Matthew 14. 22 – 33 (p. 981)**

**Collect for: Eighth Sunday after Trinity**

**Lord God,  
your Son left the riches of heaven  
and became poor for our sake:  
when we prosper save us from pride,  
when we are needy save us from despair,  
that we may trust in you alone;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

**6.30pm A Service of Compline at  
St Mary's led by Narinder**

## Services and Events Next Week

### Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup>

9am Morning Prayer  
9.30-11am Growing Leader's Course Preparation  
7-8pm Final opportunity for Growing Leaders' 'Taster Evening' at St Thomas House

### Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>

8.30-3.30pm Narinder at St Mary's  
10.30am Service at Kiln Court

### Thursday 14<sup>th</sup>

9am Morning Prayer  
6-7pm Wedding Rehearsal at St Mary's

### Friday 15<sup>th</sup>

8.45-12noon Hope Community Drop-in and One Can Food Bank project  
3pm Internment of ashes

### Saturday 16<sup>th</sup>

1pm Wedding of Paul and Katalin at St Mary's  
3-5pm Annual Tea Party for Senior Citizens

### Sunday 17<sup>th</sup>

#### Ninth Sunday after Trinity

9.15am Church Prayer  
  
10am Joint Service of Holy Communion with St Mary's and St Michaels' at St Thomas' Church  
Celebrant: The Revd Alison Caw  
Preacher: The Revd Narinder Tegally  
  
Readings: Romans 11. 1 - 2, 29 - 32  
Matthew 15. 10 - 28



Please e-mail your notices to [debra@stmarysbeaconsfield.org.uk](mailto:debra@stmarysbeaconsfield.org.uk) or post to St Thomas' House, Mayflower Way HP9 1UF by Thursday evening each week. Many thanks.

**Prayer Ministry** - If you would like prayer for yourself or for someone you are concerned for there will be someone from the prayer ministry group. **They will be available to pray with you at the back of the church during a Communion or after the intercessions in a Morning Praise service.**



**Say Farewell to Bishop John** at the Diocese of Oxford's Grand Day Out! Saturday 20 September, 2014: 10.00 - 17.00, Oxford City Centre. Everyone is invited to give thanks for Bishop John's ministry among us, for prayer and worship, a feast of different activities, a massive picnic on Christ Church Meadow and a huge open-air farewell Eucharist. There will be a programme of workshops, speakers and activities. The sessions are free but **you need to book tickets** for individual events. More information at [www.oxford.anglican.org/granddayout](http://www.oxford.anglican.org/granddayout).



**Beaconsfield Team Parish Retreat** 29<sup>th</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup> August at Ladywell Retreat and Spirituality Centre, Godalming led by the Rev'd Jan Brookshaw (former Beaconsfield Team curate) - "The Harvest of our faith". See fliers at the back of church.



We wish a Happy Birthday to...  
Liberty Always



**Alpha Course:** The Pre-Alpha evening will be held at St. James GX on Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> Sept at 7.30pm with an amazing Gospel Choir and there will be food and drinks...more information to follow. Contacts are Kevin 01494 673021 & Flora Pedler 01494 674146.

**Church Walk** - The church walk will be on Sunday August 31<sup>st</sup>, Ros and Chris are hopefully planning an interesting walk for us which will end with a picnic. Please come and join us. There will be a sign up sheet at the back of the church.

**Brooks in Burundi** - Jeremy Brooks will be speaking about his recent trip to Burundi on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September at 7.30 at St Mary's. All welcome to hear more about his work. Admission free - donations to support the work of the Anglican Diocese of Buye, where he was based and who welcomed him so warmly.

**Harvest Event** - We are hoping to have a Murder Mystery evening September 17<sup>th</sup>. To do this we need the talents of all you budding actors. Please talk to Chris Jones if you can help us. Just come and join in for the fun of it.

**Concert in aid of One Can Trust** - Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> August at Wesley Methodist Church, Priory Road, High Wyc HP13 6SE. Trio Rigoletto from Spain will be performing a programme of flute and piano with support by guest artist, Alastair Penman on saxophone. Free entry with all donations to One Can Trust. More information can be found at [www.onecantrust.org.uk](http://www.onecantrust.org.uk); [www.facebook.com/triorigoletto](https://www.facebook.com/triorigoletto); [www.alastairpenman.co.uk](http://www.alastairpenman.co.uk)

**Charity Ploughman's lunch in the garden** - Please come and enjoy lunch at the home of Tom Holyer 7 Caledon Close, Beaconsfield New Town on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> August from 12.30 to 3.00pm. Tickets £8, includes a glass of wine, lager or juice, from Margaret Mardall (01494 672120) or Tom Holyer (01494 676373). Funds raised will be shared between Christian Aid and SIM, a local charity supporting The Holyer School in Rural India.



**Newham Event:** Bill Edwards and John Brown are going to walk from Beaconsfield to Newham via The Thames Path to raise funds via sponsorship starting on 16<sup>th</sup> September 2014. On 20<sup>th</sup> September, there will be a picnic in Barrier Park, Greenwich to welcome the walkers at the finish. More details at St Mary's Parish Office at 676690.

**Embrace** has launched an emergency appeal for our Christian partners in Gaza. To donate, please visit [www.embraceme.org/gaza](http://www.embraceme.org/gaza) and for up-to-date prayer requests, please visit [www.embraceme.org/pray](http://www.embraceme.org/pray).

Gaza appeal 'Picking up the pieces': Amid the conflict and oppression, a tiny Christian community stands ready to pick up the pieces. There are only 1,300 Palestinian Christians left in Gaza, but they are champions of social justice in this shattered environment. They provide an emergency medical response and humanitarian aid, counsel traumatized and bereaved people, and educate a generation that longs to see a future beyond the cycle of hatred and violence. Please help us to support our partners as they deal with the effects of the current conflict.

### **Mission: Toybox**

This week one of Toybox's partners in Oruro, Bolivia asks that we pray for 13 year old Christopher, a young boy they are currently supporting. In a bid to stay away from a physically and emotionally abusive home life, Christopher currently spends most of his time on the streets where he has recently met a group of boys who have been pushing him to sell drugs. He sells them to buy food.



**Please pray:** For wisdom for the project workers as they continue to support Christopher. For the safety of this young man and ultimately for an end to this situation.