

## Prayer and Thankgiving this week

### World

- We pray for the persecuted church remembering Christians especially in the Sudan, Mali, Kenya, across North Africa, Nigeria, Northern India, Pakistan and the Philippines
- To pray for all Christian people as we share in Christ's ministry
- For peace and tolerance in the world
- For Holy land and Syria pray for wisdom for all the leaders

### Church

- We pray for strengthening relationships between all the Beaconsfield churches as we seek to serve our community together in the coming year
- For the Beaconsfield Team Ministry for unity and fellowship
- For the Growing Leader's Course participants and leaders

### Community

- We pray for all who live and work in Holtspur and Beaconsfield
- We thank God for our witness and opportunities in this community
- For Holtspur Park Friends, Hope Community Drop-in and One Can Trust, and Kiln Court

### People

- We pray for healing and wholeness for all who suffer in body, mind or spirit. We continue to hold in prayer Gareth Buchanan, John Lewis, Wendy, Sheila Newland, Nancy Hagger, Kieran Maguire and Peter Sanders
- For our church family members: Kitty Greenwood; Tony and Margaret Griffiths; Eleanor Hagger; Philip and Alison Hart

### Mission – Toybox

Over the past 18 months, Toybox has been campaigning to register street children and give them their birth certificates. Our partners in Guatemala met an extended family of 16 people across three generations who were all unregistered. Thanks to Toybox's work with local authorities, we are now trying to register the whole family from the youngest child of 9 years old, right up to the grandfather who is 79! How wonderful it must be for him to finally officially exist at almost 80 years old. This really is exciting and goes to show that it is never too late to enjoy having an official identity. Let's use this week to give thanks for this family and the Toybox partners involved in changing their lives.



Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2015



## St. Thomas' Church, Holtspur

*To transform lives through faith in Jesus*

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



### **Presentation of Christ in the Temple**

**9.45am Church Prayer**  
**10am Holy Communion**  
**Celebrant and Preacher:**  
**Revd Dr Jeremy Brooks**

#### **Readings**

- **Malachi 3: 1-5 (p. 961)**
- **Luke 2: 22-40 (p. 1028)**

**Collect for: Presentation of Christ in the Temple**

**Lord Jesus Christ,  
light of the nations and glory of Israel:  
make your home among us,  
and present us pure and holy  
to your heavenly Father,  
your God, and our God. Amen.**

### Contacts at St Thomas'

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## Services and Events Next Week

### Monday 2<sup>nd</sup>

2pm Young at Heart -Holtspur URC 'My reflections in the Holy Land'  
7pm Growing Leader's Course meets at St Michael's Church  
8pm Social Group meets at Chris Jones home

### Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup>

8.30am Morning Prayer at St Thomas (During the winter months)  
9.30-11.30am Toms Tots in St Thomas Hall  
6.30-9pm Rock Solid and Synergy youth group meets at St Michael's

### Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup>

8.30-3.30pm Narinder at St Mary's  
8pm Messy Church Craft Planning meeting

### Thursday 5<sup>th</sup>

9am Morning Prayer  
9.30am Holtspur School

### Friday 6<sup>th</sup>

8.45am-12pm Hope Community Drop-in and One Can Food Bank Project  
9am Morning Prayer  
7pm Holtspur Youth Club

### Saturday 7<sup>th</sup>

### Sunday 8<sup>th</sup>

9.45am Church Prayer  
10am Morning Prayer  
Lead and Preacher: Revd Narinder Tegally

Readings: Colossians 1: 15-20  
John 1: 1-14

**PLEASE NOTE: There will be a team service at St Mary's on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> February at 10:00am.**

**"Do your best Quiz night"** - Paul is trying to get together a St Thomas' team to enter the Scouts fundraising Quiz night. It's to be held at 7pm on February 7th at the Scout Hut on Reynolds Road Tickets £10 each to include a Buffet Supper. Speak to Paul if you would like to join the Team. (lifts available)

**Men's Breakfast** - The next Men's Breakfast will be on Saturday February 14th at 8.30 when Chris Daubney will give a talk entitled "One day it will be all digital" Let Paul know if you would like to come for catering purposes.



**Day Away – Inspiring Women Summer Day: Making a Fresh Start.** Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2015 10am-3.30pm at Waverley Abbey House. Early bird price £29.25 up to 28 April including lunch (normally £32.50). Speaker Fiona Castle will look into Colossians 3 to see how we can all start afresh in God. This day will be a mix of teaching, worship, fellowship and a delicious lunch, all in tranquil and elegant surroundings. Please let Chris Jones know if you are interested in attending.



**Tom's Tots** on Tuesday mornings is proving to be very popular with about 30 children and their carers, but more help is needed. There is a sign up list at the back of the church for the next 9 sessions. Could you do 1 or 2? Setting up starts at 9am and the toys etc are put away at 11am, when the children and their carers go into the Lounge for story time, singing and prayers. In between help is needed with refreshments and just to generally chat with the people who are there. Can you offer part of a morning? Please sign up to help if you can - even if it is for only 1 or 2 sessions. Contact - Ruth Moores.

**Holtspur Park** has recently had a new **Outdoor Gym** installed and we would love to encourage people from all sections of our community to use the facilities. With this in mind we have arranged for a **demonstration of the gym equipment** at a future date. If you would be interested in finding out how the equipment works and how it can help in your everyday fitness please contact Helen for more details - [helenpoyser@yahoo.com](mailto:helenpoyser@yahoo.com).



**Barn Dance 2015** - We will once again be holding a Barn Dance at Hall Barn in aid of Newham Renewal. Date is Saturday 18th April. More details to follow. Hope you are able to join us for what is guaranteed to be a great and full of fun evening.

**Bradbury House** has a **mobility scooter** which is taking up valuable space, and they would like to find a good home for it. Perhaps the person who receives it would make a donation to Bradbury House. If you know anyone who would like to have it, please contact Andrew direct on 01494 671780. It is one of the bigger ones, not a fold up version.

**Christian Aid Film Evening** – Thurs 19th March, 7pm for 7.45pm start at the National Film and Television School. Showing The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel with Judi Dench, Maggie Smith, Bill Nighy, Dev Patel, Penelope Wilton & Richard Gere. Due for general release on 27th February but please wait until March and help us to raise funds to fight poverty in the world's poorest communities. Tickets £15 (by seat number), including refreshments, available on first come basis. Contact Margaret Mardall 01494 672120 or [margaret.mardall@ampersat.co.uk](mailto:margaret.mardall@ampersat.co.uk).



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.

We wish a Happy Birthday to...

**Janet Chambers & Oosman Tegally**



**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.**