

Prayer and Thanksgiving this week

People

- Pray for Jay & Don Stanley (Jenny Shiell's parents), Camilla Walton, Sammy Smith and Brian Collins - we remember all those who care for them.
- For our church family members: Paul, Janis & Enid Cornelius and Adele Rawlinson, Frank, Kian & Aoife Dardis

Community

- Pray that we may build together God's living Community, bound together by love, hope and joy.
- All who live and work in Holtspur and Beaconsfield
- Thank God for our witness and opportunities in this Community
- Local Businesses
- Those who have been bereaved

Church

- For strengthening relationships between all the Beaconsfield Churches as we seek to serve our community together.
- For our Steering Group as they meet on Wednesday - Narinder, Fiona Collins, Tony Griffiths, Trevor Sharkey, Ruth Moores, Steve Snaith, Chris Jones, Chris Cook, Delia and Chris Burley
- For the Beaconsfield Team Ministry - Jeremy, Camilla, Narinder, Carolynn, Cathy and Hazel

World

God, our refuge and strength, bring near the day when wars shall cease and poverty and pain shall end, that earth may know the peace of heaven through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Mission – Barnabus Fund

Please pray for these situations

India: Christian woman murdered and believers beaten in three separate attacks

Central African Republic (CAR): Over 200 reported killed by Islamic militants

Morocco: Muslim people-smuggler on trial for murder of six Christians on sea crossing

Hungary: Government department created to aid persecuted Christians in Middle East

Iran: Converts sentenced to 80 lashes for taking communion

Algeria: Convert loses appeal against Facebook "blasphemy" conviction

Pakistan: One Christian killed as suicide bombers target Christian community

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ST THOMAS CHURCH
HOLTSPUR BEACONSFIELD



To transform lives through faith in Jesus

6th November 2016

The Third Sunday before Advent

9.30am

Morning Prayer

10.00am

Holy Communion

Celebrant & Preacher: Rev Cathy Smith

Blessing of Shoeboxes

- **2 Thessalonians 2: 1-5, 13-end (page 1189)**
- **Luke 20: 27-38 (page 1056)**

If you would like prayer for yourself or for someone you are concerned for, there will be someone from the prayer ministry group at the back of the church during a Communion or after intercessions in a Morning Praise Service.

Collect for Third Sunday before Advent

Heavenly Lord,
you long for the world's salvation:
stir us from apathy,
restrain us from excess
and revive in us new hope
that all creation will one day be healed
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

2.30pm

Film Show at St Thomas Hall - Hitchcock

6.30pm

**Holy Communion with Chilterns Hundreds
Bach Choir at St Mary's - All Welcome**

Services and Events for Next Week

PLEASE NOTE EARLIER TIME FOR REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY AT 9.30am
at ST THOMAS'

No Morning Prayer this week at St Thomas

Tuesday 8th	9.15-11.15	Tom's Tots in St Thomas Hall
Wednesday 9th	8.30am	Morning Prayer at St Mary's
	9am	Holy Communion in Fitzwilliam Centre
	8pm	PCC meets at FWC
Thursday 10th	2.30pm	Oasis Group meets in St Thomas Church
	8pm	Steering Group meets – venue tbc
Friday 11th	8.45-11am	Hope Café
	2pm	Remembrance Service at Holtspur School
	7-9pm	Holtspur Youth Club
	7.45pm	Standing Committee meets at St Thomas House
Saturday 12th	8.30am	Men's Breakfast at URC Old Town
Sunday 13th		The Second Sunday before Advent
	<u>9.30am</u>	Reflective Remembrance Service at St Thomas Led by Narinder and Trevor
	11am	Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial followed by Service of Remembrance at St Mary's

Please e-mail your notices to cadali.stthomas@gmail.com
by Thursday 1pm next week



Wishing a very Happy Birthday to...
Freddie Simpson, William Robson and Katy Jurdon

Who's Who: Christine has produced an updated version, but before it is circulated it would be good to check the accuracy of telephone numbers and email addresses. Please initial the copy at the back of the church. Thank You.

Saturday 12th November 8.30am - Men's Breakfast at URC Old Town:
Bob Mason will give a talk entitled "The Joys of Steam Trains". For catering purposes please let Paul know if you intend to go.



The local authority is consulting about the possibility of building up to another 1700 houses in Beaconsfield. If you would like to find out more, there are public consultations on:

Local Plan Public Consultation 9am-12pm on **Saturday 12th November** at The Town Hall Chambers. The next a public consultation session on the Beaconsfield Local Plan is going to outline some significant changes coming to the town. that are going to impact us all. <http://sbdc-spider2.southbucks.gov.uk/democracy/documents/s23738/Joint%20Overview%20and%20Scrutiny%20Presentation%20Report.pdf>

The Beaconsfield Society is also holding a public meeting at the Beaconsfield School Main Hall on **Thursday 24th November** at 8pm. All welcome!

Renowned Textile artist **Jenny Adin-Christie** will be hosting an **open studio** to showcase her work on St Mary's new altar frontal. Jenny provided the white-work embroidery for the Duchess of Cambridge's wedding dress. Children are also welcome and there will be a craft activity available.

Sessions are on **Wednesday 16th November** 1.45-5pm and 7.15-9pm and **Thursday 17th November** 1.45-4pm

St Michael's Christmas Fair is on **Saturday 19th November** from 11am to 1.30 pm in the church with stalls for all, especially the children..... Santa will be in his grotto.

Christmas Workshop on **Saturday 26th November** from 2pm to 5pm at St Thomas' Hall. We will be doing a Wreath for the door or table. Linda Parffitt is kindly coming to show us a couple of ideas for Christmas. **Names by 20th November** please. Numbers are limited to 20. Tea and homemade cake will be served. Further details from Janet Chambers Tel 673911.

Save the date:

December	3 rd	2.30 Film Show and Teas – Elf
	8 th /9 th /10 th	Advent Labyrinth
	18 th	Carols by Candlelight at 6.30pm
	21 st	Advent Guided Meditation at 7pm
	24 th	Christingle Service at 4.30pm
	24 th	Shared Midnight Communion at St Mary's at 11.30pm
	25 th	Christmas Day All-Age Communion