

Prayer and Thanksgiving this week

People

- Pray for Adrienne & Rod Welling, Brian & Ruth Collins and Charlie Cameron – we remember all those who care for them.
- Give thanks for the safe arrival of Eva and pray for her parents, Nick and Jess Jones, and new grandparents, Chris and Huw at this exciting time.
- For our church family members: Barbara Ferris, Sybil Fry, Michael & Margaret Grace and Tony & Margaret Griffiths

Community

- Pray that we may build together God's living Community, bound together by love, hope and joy.
- For everyone at St Thomas', as they face change and open themselves to God's will and direction.
- Paul Cornelius as he leads us to the Next Phase at St Thomas' with the Steering Group – Andrew, Chris, Trevor, Tony and Ruth
- For our DCC and Church Wardens – Peter Honiball, Paul Cornelius, Chris Jones, Frank Dardis, Trevor Sharkey, Fiona Collins, Ruth Moores, Catherine Davidson, Helen Buchanan, Keith Smith, Jennifer Lewis and Alison Hart
- Friends of Holtspur Park and local businesses
- Thank God for our witness and opportunities in this Community.

Church

- For strengthening relationships between all the Beaconsfield Churches as we seek to serve our community together.
- For Peace and Justice

World

ALMIGHTY and merciful God, whose Son became a refugee and had no place to call his own; look with mercy on those who today are fleeing from danger, homeless and hungry. Bless those who work to bring them relief; inspire generosity and compassion in all our hearts; and guide the nations of the world towards that day when all will rejoice in your Kingdom of justice and of peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mission – Food for the Hungry

Please pray for:

- the many millions of people in Bangladesh that are still struggling to recover from the recent floods
- More than half a million Rohingya refugees who are now camped in Bangladesh with no food water or shelter
- For the FH team who are trying to get a permit from the government to support the Rohingya people
- To God to thank him for the amazing response from the FH supporters in the UK toward the Bangladesh work



ST THOMAS CHURCH
HOLTSPUR BEACONSFIELD



To transform lives through faith in Jesus

29th October 2017

The Last Sunday after Trinity

10am

Songs of Praise

Lead: Fiona Collins

Preach: Catherine Davidson

- **1 Thessalonians 2: 1-8 (Page 1186)**
- **Matthew 22: 34-end (Page 991)**

The Last Sunday after Trinity

Merciful God,
teach us to be faithful in change and uncertainty,
that trusting in your word
and obeying your will
we may enter the unfailing joy of Jesus Christ our Lord.

We loved you so much,
that we delighted
to share with you not
only the gospel of
God but our lives
as well
because you had become so dear to us.

1 Thessalonians 2:8

Services and Events for Next Week

TUE 31st	9.15am	Tom's Tots
	4-5.30pm	Light Party at FWC
WED 1st	8.30am	Morning Prayer at St Mary's
	9am	Holy Communion at FWC
	9.30am	PCC SC Meeting at FWC
FRI 3rd	7-9pm	Holtspur Youth Club
SAT 4th	8.30-9.30am	We will meet every Saturday in church to pray and discern the way forward for St Thomas'
		Please join us
	9.30am	Filling Shoeboxes for Christmas Child appeal
SUN 5th		All Saints' Day (The Forth Sunday before Advent)
	10am	Holy Communion
		Celebrant & Preacher: Revd Cathy Smith
		1 John 3: 1-3
		Matthew 5: 1-12

Save the date:

November	Sat 11 th	Film Show in Church Hall - 2.30pm
December	Sun 3 rd	Making Christmas Wreaths & Table Decorations
	Sat 9 th	Christmas Tree Festival with crafts & festive stalls
	Sun 10 th	Carols by Candlelight followed by mulled wine and festive nibbles

Fantastic Family Fireworks at Holtspur School on **Sunday 29th October**

Tickets will be available at the gate: Adult - £5, Children - £4 (2 years and under go free). Gates open at 5pm for food & drink - Mulled wine, hot dogs, bar & snacks
Fireworks start at 6pm.

Are you under 8? Come to the **Light Party**, 4pm – 5:30pm on **Tuesday 31st October**, Fitzwilliam Centre. Fun, food and games. Just turn up or contact Michelle michelle@stmarysbeaconsfield.org.uk

Harvest Supper proceeds - £548.39 has been given to Food for the Hungry. Thank you to all those who contributed to such an enjoyable evening and for all of your donations in whatever form.

Church Keys - We have changed the arrangements for Church keys and the Key holders' list needs to be updated. Please speak to Ruth Moores (01494 673167), preferably with your keys available, as you may not need to carry so many.



On **Friday 3rd November** we will be setting up in our church ready to fill the Christmas shoeboxes the next day with Hope Church. Please come and help if you can. Thanks. Helen

On **Saturday 4th November** from 9.30am in our church we will be making up the shoeboxes for Samaritan's Purse. Please bring items for the boxes to church before this date. This year the first 8,000 boxes are going to Syria so they have asked that we don't include sweets or toothpaste. Any that have already been donated will be put in boxes going elsewhere. There will be a donation box to collect money to help with transportation. Everyone is welcome to come and help fill the boxes. There will be tea, coffee and cake! Thanks. Helen

CHURCH "SPRING" CLEAN: We have a small team of volunteers who clean the church when they can but it needs a really good deep clean. It will take no time at all if we have enough volunteers so please join us on **Friday 10th November** from 10am to 12noon to make our church beautiful once more for the Christmas season. I will borrow a very high dusting brush to reach those elusive cobwebs but please bring your own favourite cleaning utensils. We will provide vacuum cleaners and Janet has very kindly offered to clean the carpet by the coffee table. Any questions, please call me or speak to me in church. Alison (07879 622085).

Sunday 3rd December 2.00-5.00 pm: We will be making **Christmas wreaths and table decorations** to sell at the Christmas Tree Fayre, everyone is welcome to come along to help with this fun activity. More details to follow ...

Christmas Tree Fayre and Carols by Candlelight: We need your help over the weekend of 9th & 10th December, please!

We are planning to hold a **Christmas Tree Fayre** in the church hall between 10..30am - 4.30pm on **Saturday 9th December** where charities will be selling goods with a Christmas theme and decorated Christmas trees will be on display in the church. We will need lots of people to assist with running stalls, serving refreshments and greeting people in the church so please keep this day free! Our annual **Carols by Candlelight service** will be held on the evening of **Sunday 10th December** and we will need people to be involved in the service and also to help with refreshments. Further details will follow next month but we would like to encourage you to keep this weekend free as we would value your contribution.

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

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