

## Prayer and Thanksgiving this week

### People

- Pray for Joanna Marris, Saheena, Joe Flynn and Charlie Cameron – we remember all those who care for them.
- Brian Collins, Sarah and Pete
- For our church family members: Gareth & Helen Buchanan, Frances Butler and Tony Chambers

### Community

- Pray that we may build together God's living Community, bound together by love, hope and joy.
- For everyone at St Thomas'
- For our DCC and Churchwardens - Peter Honiball, Paul Cornelius, Chris Jones, Trevor Sharkey, Fiona Collins, Ruth Moores, Richard Davidson, Keith Smith, Alison Hart and Julie Snelling.
- Friends of Holtspur Park and Tom's Tots
- 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

God of compassion, your love for humanity was revealed in Jesus, whose earthly life began in the poverty of a stable and ended in the pain and isolation of the cross: we hold before you those who are homeless and cold especially in this bitter weather.

Draw near and comfort them in spirit and bless those who work to provide them with shelter, food and friendship. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

### Mission – Toybox

This week, we give thanks that Toybox has started its first project dedicated to working with children involved in child labour in Kathmandu, Nepal. When children have to work all day (often to support their family income), they are unable to attend school or access other basic Child Rights that enable them to have the best start in life. This project aims to equip children, communities and local government with an understanding of the impacts of child labour. Let us pray for its success and growth over these initial months of the work.



*To transform lives through faith in Jesus*

**3<sup>rd</sup> February 2019**

**The Fifth Sunday before Lent**

**From 8.45am Church Breakfast in the Hall**

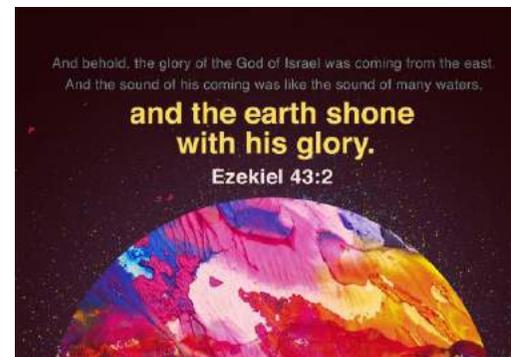
**10am Holy Communion  
Revd Michael Johnson,**

- **Ezekiel 43:27 – 44:4 (Page 876)**
- **1 Corinthians 13: 1-end (Page 1153)**
- **Luke 2: 22-40 (Page 1028)**

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God of our salvation,  
help us to turn away from those habits which harm  
our bodies  
and poison our minds  
and to choose again your gift of life,  
revealed to us in Jesus Christ our Lord.



## Services and Events for Next Week

<b>MON 4<sup>th</sup></b>	2.15pm	Young at Heart at URC Crabtree Close – <i>Rosalie 'Three's Company Singers'</i>
	7.30pm	Mission Shaped Grace meeting at Paul & Janis' House
<b>TUE 5<sup>th</sup></b>	9am	Morning Prayer at St Thomas
	9.15am	Tom's Tots
<b>WED 6<sup>th</sup></b>	8.30am	Morning Prayer at St Mary's
	9am	Holy Communion at FWC
	9pm	Men's Social / Pub Night at the White Horse
<b>THU 7<sup>th</sup></b>	9am	Morning Prayer at St Thomas
<b>SAT 9<sup>th</sup></b>	9-9.30am	Praying Together at St Thomas Church
<b>SUN 10<sup>th</sup></b>		<b>The Fourth Sunday before Lent</b>
	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Holy Baptism</b> Welcoming Ruairi Dardis into our Church family <b>Revd Michael Johnson &amp; Helen Buchanan</b>
	6.15pm	Youth Meeting at Paul & Janis' House

### Save the Date:

<b>March</b>	16 <sup>th</sup>	2.30pm – Film Show
<b>April</b>	6 <sup>th</sup>	2.30pm – Film Show

**FACEBOOK** - St Thomas' now has its own facebook page. If you're on facebook, search for 'St Thomas Church' and you'll find one in Beaconsfield! Please like the page to see updates about our events and other news and please share them.

A new **Christian youth meeting** has started in Beaconsfield for those aged 10-14 years to explore Christian faith, with lots of fun and also some food!

**Sundays 6.15 – 7.45pm** in St Michael's church hall. Michael, Paul and Julie from St Thomas' are involved. Ask one of us if you want to know more.

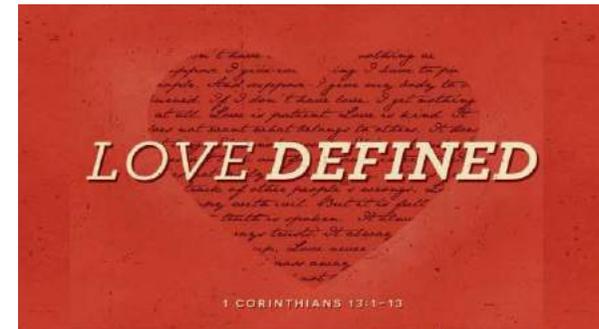
**Holtspur School & Pre-School** has a **vacancy for a community governor** to join the Pay Review & Personnel committee. Being a governor is rewarding and does not need to be demanding on your time. You are expected to attend two meetings a term, i.e. 6 a year and training is provided. If you are interested or have any questions please contact Christine: [cadali.stthomas@gmail.com](mailto:cadali.stthomas@gmail.com) or 07957 634181

**Mission Shaped Grace meeting.** All are invited to attend the next meeting whether you have read the book or not, anyone interested in Mission are welcome. **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February** at 19.30pm at Paul and Janis' House.

The **Friends of Holtspur Park** are inviting to a fun night of Bingo to fundraise for more paths in the park. **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> February** in St Thomas Hall at 7 for 7.30pm. Tickets are £10 and include Bingo & food (Jacket Potato Buffet). For tickets please contact Helen Poyser: [helenpoyser1@gmail.com](mailto:helenpoyser1@gmail.com)

**New Electoral Roll:** This year we need to compile a new Church Electoral Roll, which means that everyone who would like to have their name on the new Roll will need to fill out an application form **during the period 10-21 March**. Copies of the form will be available from the Welcome Desk early in March. If you are likely to be away during this period, please contact me to make arrangements to complete a form before you go as we are not permitted to add your name to the list after 21 March. Chris Jones tel: 01494 676975

Our **Annual Church Meeting** will be held on **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April** after the morning service. This year there are several vacancies to be filled including: Church Wardens, Deanery Synod representative, PCC representative, DCC members and Safeguarding Officer. **Please consider prayerfully whether you could take on any of these roles.** To find out more information or have an informal discussion about what is required, please contact Revd Michael Johnson or any current DCC member.



Please e-mail your notices to [cadali.stthomas@gmail.com](mailto:cadali.stthomas@gmail.com) by **Thursday 1pm**

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