

## Diary for the Week

SUN 15	6.30pm	Carols by Candle Light at St Thomas'
MON 16	2.15pm	Young at Heart at URC Crabtree Close
TUE 17	9.15am	Tom's Tots
WED 18	6pm	Blue Christmas at St Thomas'
THU 19	9am	Morning Prayer at St Thomas'
	1.30pm	Holtspur School Service at St Thomas'
	3.30pm	Stage Fright After School Theatre Club
SAT 21	9-9.30am	Praying Together at St Thomas'
SUN 22	10am	<b>The Fourth Sunday of Advent</b> <b>Morning Praise</b>

## Save the Date

December	24	Christingle Crib Service at 4pm
	25	Christmas Day Communion Service at 10am



### Crib Services Christmas Eve

**St Thomas' Church**  
Holtspur  
4pm

**St Mary's & All Saints Church**  
Old Town  
2.30pm & 4.30pm

**St Michael's & All Angels Church**  
New Town  
4pm

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DEADLINE FOR NOTICES:

**Thursday 1pm.**

For entries or to sign up to notice sheet:

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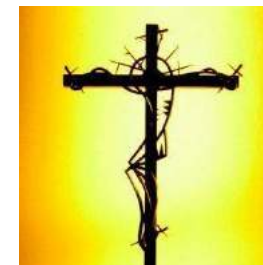
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# St Thomas' Church

Holtspur, Beaconsfield



**Sunday 15th December  
2019**

**10am**

**Holy Communion**

**Revd Michael Johnson**

## The 3rd Sunday of Advent

God for whom we watch and  
wait,  
you sent John the Baptist to  
prepare the way of your Son:  
give us courage to speak the  
truth,  
to hunger for justice,  
and to suffer for the cause of  
right,  
with Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Readings for the week

- Isaiah 35: 1-10
- Matthew 11: 2-11
- James 5: 7-10



# Blue Christmas

A quiet service of  
carols and readings  
for memory and  
reflection.

For those who may find Christmas  
difficult for whatever reason.

Wednesday  
18<sup>th</sup> December

6pm

St. Thomas Church  
Mayflower Way

Beaconsfield HP9 1UF

Led by The Revd Sharon Roberts  
of St Michael's and  
Catherine Davidson of St Thomas'



Thank you so much to everyone who was involved in our **Christmas Tree Fayre** held on Saturday 7 December - both in the build up to the event and on the day. Thank you also for your generous donations. The atmosphere was terrific and we are grateful to all who came to see the wonderfully decorated Christmas trees in the Church and also spend money at the stalls in the Hall run by local community groups and charities; we raised **over £1,200** which will go to the Cafe Project.



## FOR OUR PRAYERS:

### Prayer Requests

For Richard Davidson, Anne Smith, Brian Collins, Keith Smith, Joe Flynn and Charlie Cameron – we remember all those who care for them.

For our church family members: Enid Cornelius and Adele Rawlinson, Frank, Kian, Aoife, Ailbe & Ruairi Dardis

### Great Lakes Outreach



Please pray for:

- Staff at Heritage TV that with our help they can continue to deliver quality Christian teaching to the poorest Burundians.
- Children and their families we helped to stay at school with our support.
- For the women in the Kick Off Hope! sewing classes that they can start building a better life.
- For wisdom and a breakthrough for Federico as he is trying to set up a pharmacy.

### USED POSTAGE STAMPS:

Christmas is approaching, so, once again, we would be very grateful if you could save your used postage stamps for us to send to REACH, a small charity, which supports children, like our grand daughter Jessica, who were born with upper limb differences. Many thanks. Margaret and Mike



## the blind see

the lame walk  
lepers are cured  
the deaf hear  
the dead are raised

**AND THE GOOD NEWS?**  
It is being preached  
to the poor!

Mt. 11:2-11



## OPPORTUNITIES TO HELP :

- If you would like to represent St Thomas' and help plan (with other reps) for the ecumenical **Women's World Day of Prayer 2020**, please let Michael know.
- **Toms Tots** on a Tuesday morning is booming and needs one or two more helpers to join a rota. Speak to Ruth or Mary.
- **Fusion Youth** meet in our church & hall on Sunday evenings and need one more person to help in the kitchen for an hour (6-7pm). Contact Michelle F or Michael.

## Raffle Hamper Winners:

Nancy , Peter Sanders, Ulrika Hayworth, Paul Cornelius, Eleanor Wilson and Jill Jurdon

**Guess Weight of the Cake:**

Tom Holyer

**Guess Number of Sweets in Jar:**

Andrew Snelling

Jeremy Brooks very accurately guessed the **weight of the Cancer Research UK Christmas pudding.**



Be patient,  
stand firm,  
because the  
coming of the  
Lord is near

James 5:8

## Carols by Candle Light

Followed by Mulled Wine & Festive Nibbles

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December  
6.30pm

St Thomas Church

Mayflower Way, Holtspur - Tel: 01494 675705

