

Please pray for:

- **St Thomas' health and growth**
- **Town, District and County Councils**
- **The Medical Services**
- **Those in financial need**
- **Churches Together** – St. Theresa's RC and Society of Friends, Jordans
- **Ruby Cane** and her family
- **Kenya** – Ruth, Derek and the MAF Kenya staff
- **Holtspur School**
- **The Alpha course**
- **Those that are unwell**
- **Preparations for 'On Earth as in Heaven 2010'**

Sunday 15th August 2010



St. Thomas' Church, Holtspur

To transform lives through faith in Jesus.

We give you a warm welcome as you join
us



Our Church Family

Peter and Polly Read
Bill and Barbara Robinson
Joyce Salmon
Trevor, Ros, Michael and Anna Sharkey
Peter, Kyla, Oscar and Tabitha Smaje

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In Saudi Arabia all forms of non-Muslim public worship are forbidden, and even meeting for prayer in private can result in arrest and perhaps torture. For Saudi Muslims who have become Christians, the situation is even more dangerous. Pray that our brothers and sisters will find comfort in the Lord Jesus and in the fact that He too experienced persecution, even death.

Today at St. Thomas's

The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

9.30 am Prayer and Preparation

10.00 am Holy Communion

Readings:

- Jer 23:23-29 (Page 783)
- Luke 12 :49-56 (Page 1046)

7.00 pm Church Prayer

Collect for The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity:

God of glory, the end of our searching, help us to lay aside all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom, and to give all that we have to gain the pearl beyond all price, through our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen

Contacts at St Thomas'

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Notice Sheet

Please e-mail your notices to phoniball@gmail.com or post to 2 Holtspur Top Lane by Thursday evening each week.

www.stthomasbeaconsfield.org.uk

Next Week at St Thomas'

Sunday, 22nd August

9.30am **Prayer and Preparation**
(with Holy Communion)

10.00am **Morning Worship - Baptism**

Readings:

- **Isaiah 58:9b - 14 (Page 745)**
- **Luke 13:10-17 (Page 1046)**

7.00 pm **Church Prayer**

Confirmation

The next Confirmation service in the Deanery is at Penn on 24th October. If anyone would like to be confirmed at this time please e-mail me at stthomas.holtspur@gmail.com or see me next Sunday. Preparation sessions for Beaconsfield Team candidates will be held early this autumn.

Sunday 29th August - Songs of Praise

As this is a fifth Sunday, we will again have a Songs of Praise Service. This gives everyone the opportunity to choose the worship music for the service. If you do choose a song or hymn, you do not have to say anything about it - it is fine just to choose the song. However, if you would like to give an explanation for your choice, you can do so during the service or alternatively write something down to be read out. Please let me have your choices as soon as possible - first come, first served.

Rock Solid



* Suspended for the Summer Holidays *

Sponsored "Ride and Stride"

Saturday 11th September 10 a.m. – 6 pm bicycle ride, horse ride and walk in aid of Buckinghamshire Historic Churches Trust. Further details from the Parish Office.

Senior Citizens' Tea Party

There will be a Tea Party for Senior Citizens on **Wednesday, 18th August**, 3.00 - 5.00 pm in the Church Hall. There is a sign-up list at the back of the church for those who would like to provide cakes. Offers of help on the day would be welcome.

Afternoon Walk – this afternoon!!

A walk has been arranged for this afternoon, meeting at the car park at 2.00 pm. Afterwards everyone is welcome to come and join the walkers for Tea and Cakes in the hall at 4.30 pm. If you are able to provide cakes for this event, please would you add your name to the list at the back of the church.

St. Michael's Holiday Club

For 4-11 year olds is on **Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 24th-26th August** from 10.15 a.m. – 12.15 p.m. To register contact Margaret on 01494 689986 or www.stmichaelsbeaconsfield.org.uk.

Beaconsfield Country Fayre

Monday August 30th 11-4 p.m. Please help us make this Fayre an even bigger success. A third of the profits goes to the Friends of St. Mary's which helps to maintain this beautiful church. Any questions contact Sylvia Jones 01753 889384 or srljones@aol.com

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"**Silver Celebrations in the Park**", a music and fireworks extravaganza, will take place on **Saturday 4th September** at West Wycombe Park to celebrate the **Iain Rennie Hospice at Home's 25th Anniversary**. The use of this amazing venue has been given to us free of charge by the Dashwood family. The gates will open at 4 p.m. with the concert starting at 7 p.m. featuring BRIT award winner Beverley Craven, Abba Forever (a fantastic tribute band) and rock classics from the Pepper Show. The evening will end with a spectacular fireworks display. For more information and to book tickets online please visit www.irhh.org/silver.

On Earth As In Heaven 2010

Put It In Your Diary!

The Family Fun Day on **Saturday 11th September** launches On Earth As In Heaven 2010. This takes place the week before the main event, so that families can enjoy an afternoon at Restore Hope Latimer. The day starts at 12noon until 4pm.

On Saturday 18th September from 3pm to 4:30pm there will be "Messy Church" for families to enjoy time together. On Sunday the 19th there will be "Songs of Praise" from 2pm to 3:30pm, starting with tea and biscuits.

Celebrations of worship and praise every evening from Sunday 19th through to Sunday 26th at 7.30pm. Monday to Friday from 9:30am to 11:30am is dedicated to times of refreshing for women, and 2pm to 4pm the tent is open to all those who want to enjoy being in the presence of Jesus. Further information www.restorehopelatimer.org

Help Required at Latimer

Would you like to help set up and set down the site at Latimer? They are asking for specific help at the following times as well as help each evening, if you are interested in joining a team of us from St Thomas to go along and do our bit please speak to Paul or Steve.

Sat 4th Sept 10am onwards

Any time in the week Mon 6th - Fri 10th Sept

Main Set Up Week: Monday 13th - Friday 17th Sept, EXCLUDING the morning of Tues 14th.

Marquee turn around after Ladies Breakfast/Messy church, 5pm Sat 18th Sept.

Set down- starts 10:30pm on Sun 26th for a few hours, after the evening meeting.

Main Set Down Day: Mon 27th Sept (9:30am onwards)

Celebrations at St. Marys

On the weekend of **25/26 September** we will be celebrating 800 years since the first vicar, William de Windsor, was appointed in Beaconsfield. Do join us for a festival weekend. On the Saturday evening there will be a concert in church of 800 years of church music from the choir of St. Bride's, Fleet Street. On Sunday morning our former curate, Robert Tobin, will be preaching and the preacher at our Festal Choral Evensong in the evening will be the Bishop of Oxford, the Right Revd. John Pritchard. A special commemorative booklet is being published for the weekend and there will be an exhibition of historical artefacts throughout the weekend in the Fitzwilliams Centre.

Concert by Serenata on September 12th, 3.00 pm at the Woodland Hall, Woodland Burial Park.

Performing works by Bach, Handel and Hahn, Serenata perform beautiful music written for Soprano, Oboe, Cello and harpsichord, most of which is rarely heard. Refreshments will be available in the hall. More information can be found at www.serenata-ensemble.org.uk

Ticket price £5.00 All proceeds towards the resource centre and any ticket money raised will be generously matched by the Park so bring your friends!