

Prayer and Thanksgiving this week

World

- We pray for the persecuted church remembering Christians especially in the Sudan, Mali, Kenya, across North Africa, Nigeria, Northern India, Pakistan, Jordan, Mosul and the Philippines
- For the unity of all Christian people as we share in Christ's ministry
- For all those who were killed in the Alps air crash for their families and friends
- For the Holy Land, Libya, Syria and Ukraine; wisdom for all the leaders; peace and tolerance in the world

Church

- We pray for strengthening relationships between all the Beaconsfield Churches as we seek to serve our community together in the coming year
- The Beaconsfield Team Ministry for unity and fellowship; for our PCC and 3 DCCs as we discern the way forward as a team
- Confirmation 2015; please pray for Stephen Haynes, Richard Davidson, Lois Simpson, Adele Rawlinson, Imogen Koufou, Paul and Sarah Loveday – Smith as they explore their faith and walk with Christ
- For Growing Leader's Course participants and leaders
- St Thomas Annual Church Meeting on the 19th April - please pray to discern if God is calling you to be Church Warden, Deanery Synod Representative or DCC member

Community

- We pray for all who live and work in Holtspur and Beaconsfield; we thank God for our witness and opportunities in this community
- For Holtspur School, Holtspur Pre-School, Holtspur Park Friends, Holtspur Youth Club and Tom's Tots
- For local medical, ambulance, police and fire services

People

- We pray for healing and wholeness for all who suffer in body, mind or spirit. We continue to hold in prayer Wendy, Tony Chambers, Patricia Reed, John Lewis, Gareth Buchanan, Kieran Maguire and John Cornelius. We remember all those who care for them
- We pray for Dorin Skinner who died in the fire at Kiln Court and all the residents at Kiln Court as they come together on Wednesday to share memories and bid their farewell
- For our church family members: Kevin Beer; Peter and Pat Binns; Jeremy Brooks; Gareth and Helen Buchanan

Mission – Mission Aviation Fellowship

We thank God for the provision of 130 MAF aircraft bringing help, hope and healing to people living in remote places in 25 countries worldwide. Pray for the safety of the flights and for protection on all the MAF staff, particularly those serving overseas away from their families. Pray that someone with the right skills and qualifications will come forward to serve as a pilot and Director of Operations for the MAF Kenya programme. Due to the establishing of a separate MAF programme in South Sudan, some staff in Nairobi have been made redundant and will be leaving this month. Pray that they will have new opportunities and that the remaining team will work together well. Pray for good relationships with the governmental authorities in all the countries. In Kenya the engineers are waiting for permission to upgrade the avionics systems in the Cessna 208 Caravans, which will enhance safety. Pray that this will be granted soon.



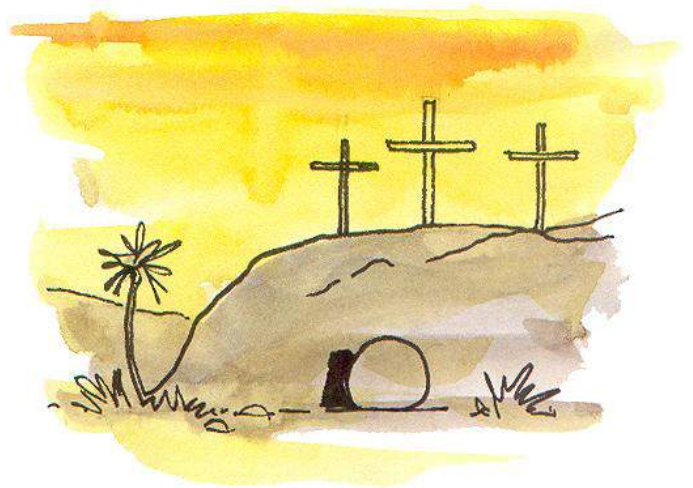
Sunday 12th April 2015



St. Thomas' Church, Holtspur

To transform lives through faith in Jesus

**We give you a warm welcome
as you join us**



Second Sunday of Easter

9.45am Church Prayer
10.00am Morning Praise
Lead: The Revd Narinder Tegally
Preacher: Paul Cornelius

Readings:

- **Acts 4. 32 - 35 (p. 1096)**
- **John 20. 19 - end (p. 1089)**

Collect for: Second Sunday of Easter

Risen Christ,
for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred:
open the doors of our hearts,
that we may seek the good of others
and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace,
to the praise of God the Father. Amen.

Services and Events Next Week

Monday 13th

7.45-10pm Growing Leaders group meets at St Michael's

Tuesday 14th

8.30am Morning Prayer

9.30am Toms Tots

2.30-4.30pm Senior Citizens group meets

6.30-9pm Rock Solid and Synergy Youth meet at St Michael's

7.45pm Confirmation group meets at St Thomas House

Wednesday 15th

8.30-3.30pm Narinder at St Mary's

10.30am Kiln Court Service

3.30-4.30pm Growing Leaders Prep at Chesham

8pm PCC meet as at FWC

Thursday 16th

9am Burnham Abbey

1pm Holtspur School

Friday 17th

8.45-12pm Hope Community Drop-in and One Can Food Bank Project

7pm Holtspur Youth Club

Saturday 18th

8.30-10am URC Men's breakfast with Revd Jeremy Brooks talking about his work to encourage churches to build up "death confident congregations"

7-10pm Hall Barn Dance – Let Ruth Moores know if you want to come and join the fun

Sunday 19th – Third Sunday of Easter


9.45am Church Prayer

10am Holy Communion

Readings: Acts 3. 12 - 19
Luke 24. 36b – 48

11.30am St Thomas' Annual Church Meeting with coffee in church (please make every effort to attend - your voice is important!)

6pm: Prayer Hour

 Please e-mail your notices to debra@stmarysbeaconsfield.org.uk by Thursday evening each week. Many thanks.

Barn Dance – Sat 18th April 7pm – 10pm. Tickets £12.50 adults and £6 under 16 years, available from the Parish Office. All funds raised for Newham Renewal Programme. Includes cheese ploughmans supper. Cash bar with beer, wine, soft drinks. Last date to sign up is 12th April.



The Renewal Programme

Prayer Ministry - If you would like prayer for yourself or for someone you are concerned for there will be someone from the prayer ministry group. ***They will be available to pray with you at the back of the church during a Communion or after the intercessions in a Morning Praise service.***



Annual Church Meeting is on 19th April. We shall be seeking volunteers for a Churchwarden, Deanery Synod Reps and DCC members. Forms for proposing and seconding candidates are



located on the display board next to the sound desk. Please pray for a good response for these important roles. Graham

Tom's Tots Summer Term - Please sign up to help at Tom's Tots - 9am for setting up, 11am for clearing away and chatting in between. Perhaps you can only sign up for 1 or 2 sessions, but they will be appreciated. Speak to Ruth Moores for more details.



A Pilgrimage to the Holy Land 2016 – 10-19 May 2016 with Narinder Tegally. A comprehensive 10-day pilgrimage based in Jerusalem and the Galilee. Cost is £1,745. If interested, speak to Narinder for more details.

Electoral Roll - The new Roll for 2015 is on display in the church porch. Please would you check your entry and let me know of any errors which need to be corrected by Sunday 12 April. Thank you - Chris Jones (tel: 676975)



Save the Date – Saturday 6 June for an evening concert in St Thomas' Church by RAF Halton Area Concert Band in aid of Mission Aviation Fellowship. More details later. Ruth

URC Mens' breakfast will be on April 18th. Revd Jeremy Brooks will be talking about his work as part of the Church of England's Archbishops' Council Working Group which wants to encourage churches to build up "death confident congregations". Let Paul know ASAP if you would like to come, for catering purposes.

Thursday Luncheon Club - Open to senior citizens. A three course home cooked meal for just £4. Come along to the Curzon Centre, Maxwell Road, and every Thursday at 12noon and enjoy a meal and friendly conversation. Transport can be arranged. For more information contact the Parish Office at 01494 676690.



2015 Summer Lecture Series – 'Living by the Book: Christian Ethics and Modern Dilemmas' at St Mary's Church. 22 April, 13 May, 27 May, 10 June and 24 June. All lectures start at 8pm. £5/lecture. Includes complimentary refreshments.



Ikebana: Traditional Japanese Floral Art demonstration Sat 18th April 10am-12.30pm by Grandmaster Mrs. Kuriyama Professional and teacher of Japanese arts followed by practical session in St. Michael's Church & Community Resource Centre, Grenfell Road. £10 per person. Further information from Sooja Bennett 07525 017585 or sooja.benn@yahoo.co.uk

Bucks CC Workshop – No Hiding Place: Combatting Doorstep Crime in Beaconsfield. Mon 20th April 6.30-8.30pm at St Michael's. Open to everyone. No need to register in advance but it would be helpful if you could confirm attending by sending email to locality-services@buckscc.gov.uk for idea of numbers.

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