

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 the Holy Land, Libya, Syria and Ukraine; wisdom for all the leaders; peace and tolerance in the world
- For Nepal: Compassion Services Teams as they minister to the earthquake victims; energy and endurance for rescue workers as they search for more survivors; for those grieving over the loss of loved ones; for those who have lost loved ones or homes or who have suffered injuries in the devastation; for God's protection, strength and grace on all volunteers, pastors and missionaries as they minister to so many

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 new PCC and 3 DCCs as we discern the way forward as a team;
- For our new Church Wardens, Andrew and Peter and DCC - Ruth, Anne, Oosman, Jenny, Caroline, Helen, Catherine and Chris
- Confirmation 2015; for Stephen Haynes, Lois Simpson, Adele Rawlinson, Imogen Koufou, Sarah Loveday-Smith, Esther Pedler, Richard, Harriet and Isabel Davidson, and all young people exploring their faith

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 Youth Club and Tom's Tots
- For all the preparations for Lighthouse on 27th-31st July 2015

People

- We pray for healing and wholeness for all who suffer in body, mind or spirit. We hold in prayer Sammy Smith, Gareth Buchanan, Jenny Shiell, Wendy, John Lewis, Kieran Maguire, John Cornelius, Susan Clark, Chris Burley and Ron Petts; we remember all those who care for them
- For our church family members: Peter, Michelle, Max and Millie Honiball; Tina Hulston; Huw, Chris, Nicholas, Jess and William Jones

Mission – Food for the Hungry

As Burundi moves ever closer to civil war coming up to their elections at the end of June please pray that the:

- demonstrations will remain peaceful
- current government will respond with restraint and wisdom to the demonstrations
- Food for the Hungry Staff will be used to spread peace and reconciliation
- Communities where Food for the Hungry work will be a Godly example of how to respond to civil unrest and unjust political processes.



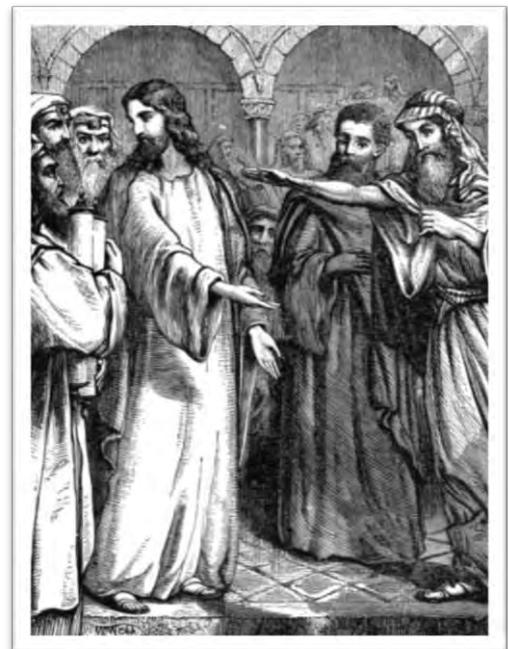
Sunday 7th June 2015



St. Thomas' Church, Holtspur

To transform lives through faith in Jesus

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



First Sunday after Trinity

**9.45am
10.00am**

**Church Prayer
Holy Communion
Celebrant and Preacher:
Revd Kevin Beer**

Readings:

- **1 Samuel 8. 4 - 20 (p. 278)**
- **Mark 3. 20 - end (p. 1005)**

Collect for: First Sunday after Trinity

**God of truth,
help us to keep your law of love
and to walk in ways of wisdom,
that we may find true life
in Jesus Christ your Son. Amen.**

Services and Events Next Week

Monday 8th

Tuesday 9th

8.30am Morning Prayer
9.30am Toms Tots meets in St Thomas Hall
2.30-4.30pm Senior Citizens group meets at Kiln Court
6.30-9pm Rock Solid and Synergy meet at St Michael's

Wednesday 10th

8.30-3.30pm Narinder at St Mary's
10.30am Kiln Court Service
7.30pm Confirmation Group meets at St Thomas'
8pm Summer Lecture at St Mary's on 'Assisted Dying' with Lord Harries of Pentregarth

Thursday 11th

9am Morning Prayer
9.30am Holtspur School
7.45pm Bible Study at the 'Snellings home – you are most welcome

Friday 12th

8.45-12pm Hope Community Drop-in and One Can Food Bank Project
7pm Holtspur Youth Club

Saturday 13th

8.30-10am Men's breakfast at URC Old Town Beaconsfield followed by a talk from Brian Orell, "A China Odyssey"

Sunday 14th

Second Sunday after Trinity

9.45am Church Prayer
10am Morning Praise
Leader: Gill Pearce
Preacher: Revd Narinder Tegally

Readings: 1 Samuel 15. 34 – 16. 13
Mark 4. 26 - 34

3pm Songs of Praise with tea & cake at URC Old Town

6pm Prayer Hour at St Thomas' Church



Wishing a Happy Birthday to . . .

Richard Davidson, Frances Butler and Rebecca Jurdon



Wycombe Homeless is looking for volunteers as **Church Communications Leads** to develop and provide leadership to key contacts in each local congregation. To suit someone with good communication and people skills, and is comfortable in a variety of denominational settings. Need to be over 18. Training provided. Can be done from home with access to a pc. Please visit www.wyhoc.org.uk for more information, or email at volunteer.enquiries@wyhoc.org.uk.



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.**

Alpha - We hope to be running an **Alpha Course** in September. Would you please think about family or friends you could invite and remember us in your prayers. Thank you Flora Pedler

* * * Mission for St Thomas * * *

Following our open meeting last Sunday, it was apparent that everyone felt we need to meet together to pray regularly to discern where God may be leading us as a church & community.

May I suggest that everyone is welcome to attend prayers at St Thomas' Church on Tuesdays 8.30am and Thursday and Friday at 9am for about 30mins. If there are 4-6 people or more, who could commit to meeting to pray weekly early evening (5.30pm /6pm) or late evening (after 8pm), please let me know. I am flexible with times/day when we can meet. The more we pray together and individually, the better. Thank you Narinder



Parish Confirmation on Sunday 21 June at 6.00pm

St Thomas' has been selected to host the Parish Confirmation this summer and we would like to provide hospitality to those who will be confirmed and also their guests. We are planning to serve savoury nibbles and a celebratory cake with wine and soft drinks after the service in the Church hall. We would be very grateful for offers of help at this event - if you are able to assist, please contact one of the Social Group members: Chris Jones, Jill Jurdon, Ros Sharkey or Ruth Moores.

Organ Recital - by Carl Bahoshy in aid of Christians in Erbil, Iraq at St Teresa's Church on Tuesday June 9th at 7.30 p.m. Entrance by free numbered ticket only from parishcentre@littleflower.co.uk or 01494 673018. Donations on the night to ICIN Iraqi Christians in Need.

Tom's Tots – On Tuesday there were 39 children at Tom's Tots which is great, but help is needed to set up at 9am and clear away at 11am. It is also good to have someone to talk to the parents, grandparents and carers. There is a list to sign up for the remaining part of the summer term. Please consider offering to help for a couple of sessions. Ruth

Lighthouse Craft items needed - There is a notice at the back of Church outlining the materials required for this year's Lighthouse craft sessions and a crate in the porch for the collected items. Any questions please contact Jill Jurdon.



Churches Together in Beaconsfield - Annual General Meeting is on Thursday, June 18th at 8pm. Please see Gill if you would like to go, or are interested in representing St Thomas' in the coming year.

Sunday 5th July - We will be celebrating St Thomas' Day by having an American-themed barbecue with skittles and games in the garden of St Thomas' between 4.30-6.30 pm. A sign-up sheet is at the back of the church. Many thanks - Social Group

Mens' Breakfast - June 13th at 8.30, URC when Brian Orell will give a talk entitled "A China Odyssey". Brian worked in China for 2 years and since retirement has returned every year. For catering purposes please let Paul know if you would like to go.

Tansen Hospital Donation - A donation of £1,200 will be made to Tansen Hospital to assist with their extra expenses following the earthquakes in Nepal and for their medical assistance fund. On hearing of the donation Roshan Kharel wrote... *"Many thanks for your prayer for our nation. It is always exciting to hear people praying for us and supporting the needy ones. Thank you! Please give our heartfelt thank gratitude to all those who have contributed."*

Reminder: Please e-mail your notices to debra@stmarysbeaconsfield.org.uk by **Wednesday 12 noon** each week. Many thanks.