

## Prayer and Thanksgiving this week

### People

- We pray for healing and wholeness for all who suffer in body, mind or spirit. We hold in prayer Sammy Smith, Hayley, John Cornelius, Ron Petts, Daniel Smout and family; we remember all those who care for them
- For our church family members: Andrew, Julie, Lois and Joanna Snelling; Pam Southgate

### 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 the Senior Citizens Group and Kiln Court

### Church

- 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

### World

- Unity of all Christian people as we share in Christ's ministry
- For the Holy Land, Libya and Syria pray wisdom for all the leaders; for peace and tolerance in the world
- All migrants and refugees; for the many crossing the Mediterranean Sea fleeing violence and war in hopes to find a better life
- For Burundi – peace and safety

### Mission – Toybox

#### Sunday 9th August

As the summer holidays begin, getting away from daily life for a couple of weeks is an exciting prospect. However for street children, Western holidays lead to the proliferation of the new phenomenon of "sex tourism" into which they are easily drawn. Many are led to believe they are joining a modelling agency and don't realise the truth until it is too late. We pray these children will be able to find other ways to survive, that those travelling to exploit this form of "tourism" will reconsider the impact of their actions and that governments will work to find effective ways to prevent this situation from continuing.



#### Sunday 16th August

This week, we respond directly to a prayer request from a Toybox-supported project in Guatemala. They are working tirelessly with children living on the streets of Guatemala City and ask for prayer for these children with whom they come into daily contact. A lot of them are either addicted to or recovering from, severe drug use which they use to dim the hunger, tiredness and boredom that living on the streets can bring. We pray for wisdom for the project workers who are trying to support the street children and for the children themselves, that they might make the decision to change their lives and take steps towards leaving the streets.

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> August 2015**



## **St. Thomas' Church, Holtspur**

*To transform lives through faith in Jesus*

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

### **Tenth Sunday after Trinity**

**9.45am Church Prayer**  
**10.00am Morning Praise**

**Lead: Gill Pearce**  
**Preacher: Paul Cornelius**

#### **Readings**

- **2 Samuel 18. 5-9, 15, 31-33 (p. 323)**
- **John 6. 35 - 51 (p. 1070)**

*If you would like prayer for yourself or for someone you are concerned for there will be someone from the prayer ministry group at the back of the church during a Communion or after the intercessions in a Morning Praise Service.*

#### **Collect for Tenth Sunday after Trinity:**

**Lord of heaven and earth,  
as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer,  
give us patience and courage never to lose hope,  
but always to bring our prayers before you;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**\*\*\* PLEASE NOTE \*\*\***

**There is NO SERVICE at St Thomas' on 16 August.  
Holy Communion Service will take place at  
St Mary's at 10.00am.**

## Services and Events Next (Two) Weeks

### Tues 11<sup>th</sup>

2.30-4.30pm Senior Citizens' group meets at Kiln Court

### Wed 12<sup>th</sup>

10.30am Monthly Service at Kiln Court

### Friday 14<sup>th</sup>

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

### Sunday 16<sup>th</sup>

#### **THERE IS NO SERVICE AT ST THOMAS'**

10.00am Holy Communion Service at **St Mary's**  
(There will be **NO** Notice Sheet for this week)

### Friday 21<sup>st</sup>

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

### Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

9.45am Church Prayer  
10.00am Morning Praise  
Lead: Trevor Sharkey  
Preacher: Hazel Chow

**Beaconsfield Country Fayre** – Monday Bank Holiday 31<sup>st</sup> Aug in Old Town featuring a Dog Show. More details at [www.beaconsfieldcountryfayre.org](http://www.beaconsfieldcountryfayre.org).

**Walk the MS Mile** – Support the Chilterns MS Centre on Wed 2 Sept 11am in Old Town Beaconsfield where the Beaconsfield MS mile will take place from Universal Care offices on Windsor End towards the Nat'l Film School. Join by registering free at [www.chilternsmcentre.org](http://www.chilternsmcentre.org).

**Prayers for Peace** – Following recent week of prayer for the Middle East, we hope to continue by starting on Mon 7 Sept 12.30-1.30pm at URC Church Aylesbury. Each week there will be a particular country or area as the focus on prayer. For more information contact Cathy Smith at [catherinesmith52@btinternet.com](mailto:catherinesmith52@btinternet.com).

**Beaconsfield Parish Retreat** – Fri 11<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> Sept 2015 at Ladywell Retreat and Spirituality Centre, Godalming, to be led by Alison Caw titled 'O for a closer walk with God'. Cost is £130. For more information or to reserve a place, contact Daphne Scott on 01494 676938 or email [scottdaphne@gmail.com](mailto:scottdaphne@gmail.com).

**Pelagos Course** – 'Advanced Skills in Spiritual Direction' running for 8 sessions Sept – Nov 2015 at St Thomas' Church Holtspur. For spiritual directors and those in a listening or pastoral ministry who wish to deepen their understanding of accompanying others, develop their skills, and grow their confidence in working with both individuals and groups. Cost is £350. More information at [www.pelagos.co.uk](http://www.pelagos.co.uk).

**The 15 Concert** – Sat 17 Oct 7.30pm at St Mary's Church featuring St Mary's Choir with music through the ages, ranging from plain song through to the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Tickets £12 from the Parish Office.

**Beaconsfield Advisory Centre** – Thank you to all those who drive for the transport scheme of the BAC. We need another transport organiser to help on a rota basis. Please contact the Centre at 672987 if you are able to help. Thank you.

Please e-mail your notices to [debra@stmarysbeaconsfield.org.uk](mailto:debra@stmarysbeaconsfield.org.uk) by **Thursday 12 noon** each week. Many thanks.



We wish a Happy Birthday to . . .  
**Anna Peters**

### Prayer Times in Church –

There will be NO Morning Prayer or Wednesday Prayers during the months of August, September and October. If you would like to use the church for private prayers during this time please contact the Churchwardens.

Second Sunday Prayer Hour at 6pm will be on September 13th and October 11th at St Thomas' Church.

**Majestic Film Night dates** – At St Michael's – *Doctor Zhivago* on 20<sup>th</sup> Aug. Arrive at 6.30pm. Includes refreshments. All are welcome.

**Pilates Taster Session - FREE!** - Zoya Beale is offering a free Pilates class to members of St Thomas' which will be held in the Church Hall on Thursday 27 August at 7.00 pm. Please let me know if you'd like to come along - wear comfortable clothing for exercise and either socks or bare feet; all equipment will be provided. All levels welcome. Chris Jones tel: 676975.

### Contacts at St Thomas'

Vicar: Revd Narinder Tegally  
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(Please contact Churchwardens during this time)

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