

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, Ron Petts and Pat Butler; we remember all those who care for them
- For our church family members: Michael and Margaret Grace; Sonia Gray; Kitty Greenwood; Tony & Margaret Griffiths

Community

- We pray for all who live and work in Holtspur and Beaconsfield
- We pray that we will be able to take opportunities to invite people to events and to learn more about us and our faith
- For Holtspur School and Holtspur Pre-School

Church

- Pray for strengthening relationships between all the Beaconsfield Churches as we seek to serve our community together in the coming year
- For the Beaconsfield Team Ministry for unity and fellowship

World

- For compassion for all the migrants and refugees without anywhere to live
- For wisdom for all government leaders deciding how to respond to the current situation
- For peace and stability in Syria, Libya and all areas suffering fighting and intolerance

Mission – Tansen Hospital

Please pray for the following:

This is the busy season when patient numbers are high, pray for any critically ill patients and the staff, as wards are full to overflowing.

The New Life Psychiatric Rehab Home needs funding for the daily running of the home – food, utilities, staff, etc.

Long-term medical personnel is an ongoing need. **We are especially in need of long term general surgeons and General Practitioners / adult internal medicine specialists by the end of 2015.**

From Rachel Karrach, Hospital Director

Sunday 25th October 2015



St. Thomas' Church, Holtspur

To transform lives through faith in Jesus

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

Twenty First Sunday after Trinity

9.45am Church Prayer
10.00am Morning Praise
Lead: Paul Cornelius
Preacher: Hazel Chow

Readings

- **Job 42. 1 – 17 (p. 542)**
- **Mark 10. 46 - end (p. 1015)**

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 Twenty First Sunday after Trinity:

**Almighty God,
in whose service lies perfect freedom:
teach us to obey you
with loving hearts and steadfast wills;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Services and Events for Next Week

Tuesday 27th

2.30-4.30pm Holtspur Senior Citizens club meets at Kiln Court

Friday 30th

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

Sunday 1st Nov Twenty First Sunday after Trinity

9.45am Church Prayer
10.00am Holy Communion
Celebrant and Preacher:
Revd Narinder Tegally

Welcome back Narinder!

A Thank You from Ilse Rankin – 'For all the love and support shown to us by the lovely people of St. Thomas' and St. Mary's following Michael's recent death, we wish to express our sincere gratitude. Ilse Rankin and family.'

Use of the Church - It is good that the Church building is being used more, but it does mean that if you are photocopying, cleaning, flower arrangingyou may need to check that you won't interrupt something.

- **Chloe Mutton** is the new youth worker with Young Life and will be using the office as her base as she lives in Reading.
- **Pelagos** start an 8 week course on Monday 28 Sept through to 30 Nov (not 26 Oct and 2 Nov) 9.30 to 4pm.

Prayer Times in Church – There will be NO Morning Prayer or Wednesday Prayers during October. If you would like to use the church for private prayers during this time please contact the Churchwardens.

BAC - We need more volunteer drivers to take clients to medical appointment. Please contact the Centre if you can offer some of your time at 01494 672987. Many thanks.

HELP NEEDED with delivery of the Parish Magazine at the end of each month. This is a small round in the centre of Beaconsfield Old Town; if you can help in this way please contact Lesley Allen-Terry on 01494 678577

Winter coats for Newham - If you are planning to change your winter coat or that of your spouse or children can we please have the old ones? Men's coats really welcome. Please contact the parish office for more details at 676690.

The Real Advent Calendar - with Fairtrade chocolate and a Christmas story activity book. Order by signing the order form by Tuesday 27 October, £4 per calendar. More details from Ruth Moores.

Training Event – 'Discipleship & Young People' for anyone involved with Youth Ministry on Thurs 26th Nov 9.30-3pm in Wycombe. More details will be available soon at: www.wycombeyfc.org.uk


Concert - Faure's Requiem Mass 7pm on Sun 1st Nov at All Saints' Church, Oval Way, Gerrards Cross. Service of music and singing with the All Saints' Festival Choir and Orchestra. No tickets necessary, but there will be a retiring collection followed by refreshments in the church hall.

Christian Aid Charity Bridge Drive – Fri 6th Nov 2pm in the Fitzwilliams Centre (doors open at 1.30pm). Tables provided but please bring your own cards. £32 per table includes delicious afternoon tea, raffle and prizes. To book a table contact Margaret Mardall at 672120.

Iain Rennie Christmas Fair – Sat 14th Nov 10am-3pm at the Beaconsfield School. New this year will be 'Kids' Zone' with prizes, fun activities, Christmas Grotto and more. There will be over 30 stalls, many new, and the Café' will be serving delicious drinks and snacks. Come along for some family fun, to find the perfect Christmas gift and to support this marvellous, local charity.

Inter-Church Quiz Night – With Beaconsfield Churches Together on 14th Nov 7.30pm in the Fitzwilliams Centre. All proceeds to Embrace the Middle East to support their 'Mattress Appeal' for Syrian refugees in Lebanon. More at www.embraceme.org/mattress. Tickets £12 (includes supper). Teams of 8 welcome. Sign up sheet at back of the church to join the St Thomas' team.



It is time to start preparing for our **Christmas Shoebox appeal**. The leaflets explaining what to put in our shoeboxes and the flat pack boxes, are now ready for collection at the back of the church. A donation of £3 is needed to accompany each box, to help pay for transportation. If you can't fill a shoebox but would like to help, donations towards the boxes made up by Kiln Court residents, would be much appreciated. All the filled boxes, will be blessed in  church on **Sunday 15th November**.

Majestic Film Nights at St Michael's in the CCRC. Thurs 19th Nov – *The Imitation Game*; and Thurs 17th Dec – *Christmas Celebrations*. Arrive 6.45pm for 7pm start. Light refreshments served during intervals. All are welcome.

Wycombe Homeless Connection Big Sleep Out from 20th – 21st November. Swap your bed for a sleeping bag for a night and raise sponsorship to help homeless people rebuild their lives. To find out more go to www.wyhoc.org.uk

Christmas Altar Frontal Family Craft Day – Sat 28th Nov at 10am in the Fitzwilliams Centre. Come and make a Christmas Altar Frontal. A workshop for all families and all ages. Just turn up on the day.

Beauty and the Beast - Sunday 29 November 4 - 6pm at the Beaconsfield School. After the success last year of the Snow Queen, the Saltmine Theatre Company have been booked again. Tickets available from Hope Church.

Book - Jeremy Brooks' new book 'Whispers of Love' has now been published and is available from him for a price of £10 (rrp £13.99). It offers a collection of readings, hymns, and prayers for funerals and memorial services.

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