

## 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 Gareth Buchanan, Roy, Sammy Smith, Ron Petts, Pat Butler, Hayley and her family; we remember all those who care for them.
- For our church family members: Derek and Ruth Moores; Hayley, Simba, Olivia, Jayden, Janey and George Mugadzaweta

### Community

- We pray for all who live and work in Holtspur and Beaconsfield
- We thank God for our witness and opportunities in this community

### 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 - 'The LORD is close to the broken-hearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.'

**Psalm 34:18**

Lord of heaven and earth of all nations and peoples of all faiths and no faith

Reveal yourself to those who are suffering in the midst of their pain and grief

Reveal yourself to all who are refugees,

Reveal yourself to those who are powerful,

Reveal yourself to all who are powerless,

Reveal yourself to ordinary people in their everyday lives,

that this world might reflect your love, peace and your glory.

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### Mission – Barnabas Fund

Prayers for the persecuted:

Pakistan:	May Christians be safe from the Islamist terror plans
Syria:	Kidnapped Syrian Christians under death threats from ISIS
Nepal:	Nepalese churches attacked after assembly rejected Hindu nation proposal
Pakistan:	For the family of a Christian man shot dead after wife renounced Islam
Laos:	For two believers who have been arrested for spreading Christianity
Cambodia:	For Vietnamese Christian Montagnards forced to return home despite persecution

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## Sunday 22nd November 2015



## St. Thomas' Church, Holtspur

*To transform lives through faith in Jesus*

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

### Christ the King : Sunday before Advent

**9.45am Church Prayer**  
**10.00am Morning Praise**  
**Lead: Hannah Cartwright**  
**Preacher: Trevor Sharkey**

#### Readings

- **Daniel 7. 9 - 14 (p. 892)**
- **John 18. 33 - 37 (p. 1087)**

*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.*

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### Collect for Christ the King : Sunday before Advent

**God the Father,  
help us to hear the call of Christ the King  
and to follow in his service,  
whose kingdom has no end;  
for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, one glory. Amen**

## Services and Events for Next Week

### **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup>**

8.30am NO MORNING PRAYER  
9.15-11.15am Tom's Tots in St Thomas' Hall  
6.30-9pm Rock Solid Youth group meets at St Michael's

### **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup>**

8pm Deanery Synod meets at Christ Church Centre, Featherbed Lane, Hall, Holmer Green

### **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup>**

9am NO MORNING PRAYER

### **Friday 27<sup>th</sup>**

9am NO MORNING PRAYER  
8.45am-12noon Hope Community Drop-in Café  
10-11.30am Pastoral Care Team meets  
7pm Holtspur Youth Club

### **Saturday 28<sup>th</sup>**

10-12noon Family Craft Day in the Fitzwilliam Centre

### **Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> Advent Sunday**

9.45am Church Prayer  
10am Morning Praise  
Lead: Revd Narinder Tegally & Hannah Cartwright  
Preacher: Revd Narinder Tegally

Readings: 1 Thessalonians 3. 9 - 13  
Luke 21. 25 - 36

4-6pm Beauty and the Beast by the Saltmine Theatre – Beaconsfield School (tickets from Hope Church)

**The Real Advent Calendars** are now available from Ruth Moores (673167). They include a Christmas Story book and Fairtrade chocolate and cost £4 each. I have some extra ones to sell. Thank you, Ruth.



**A BIG Thank You** to everyone in Kiln Court and St. Thomas' Church who filled Christmas shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. We took 51 boxes to the collection point and there were 3 more boxes donated online. I know all these boxes will be greatly appreciated by the children who receive them.

**The St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP) is holding a Service for Refugees** on Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov in St Teresa's Church, Warwick Road, Beaconsfield from 8-9pm that will include hymns, readings, reflections and prayer. In the well-established tradition of Christian unity in Beaconsfield, the SVP group extend a warm welcome for all to attend.

**Christmas Altar Frontal Family Craft Day** – Sat 28<sup>th</sup> Nov at 10am in the Fitzwilliams Centre. Design is done and all resources provided. Table set up at 9am. Volunteers needed: leaders for 7 tables with helpers on each, welcomers, refreshments, clear up crew. If you can help, contact Deborah Sanders at [sandersdebs@gmail.com](mailto:sandersdebs@gmail.com).

**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.

**Restore Hope Latimer** are hosting a Ladies Day 'ADVENT AWAKENING' at Restore Hope Mon 30<sup>th</sup> Nov 9.30am - 3pm, £10 per head, lunch included. They would love as many ladies to come as possible. Ruth Yule from Soul Survivor will be speaking and there will be lots of amazing activities, and times of worship together. Please speak to Narinder if you would like to go or book directly: <http://www.restorehope.org.uk/>

**Christmas Concert** – Beaconsfield and High Wycombe Rock Choir Thurs 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec 7.30-9.30pm at St Mary's Church in support of Rennie Grove Hospice Care. Ticket £5 at 01442 890222. Go to [www.rockchoir](http://www.rockchoir) or [www.renniegrove.org](http://www.renniegrove.org) for more details.

**Great Missenden Choral Society** - "From Rutter with love" Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December 7.30 p.m. at St. Peter & St Paul Church, Gt Missenden. Tickets £14 from [www.gmcsonline.co.uk](http://www.gmcsonline.co.uk)

**Majestic Film Nights** at St Michael's in the CCRC. Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> Dec – *Christmas Celebrations*. Arrive 6.45pm for 7pm start. Light refreshments served during intervals. All are welcome.

### **Dates to note:**

20 Dec - 4.00 Carols by Candlelight  
24 Dec - 4.30 Christingle  
25 Dec - 10.00 Christmas Day Communion  
23 Jan - 2.30 Film Show  
6 Feb - Evening meal out together  
7 May - RAF Halton Band Concert

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



**Wishing a very Happy Birthday to...**

**Catherine Davidson**

### **Church Bookings:**

Pelagos will be continuing with their course using the church on Mondays from 9.30 to 4pm for the rest of November

**Photocopier** has moved to the Vestry as Chloe Mutton is now using the Office as her Beaconsfield base. All paper is being kept in the fan cupboard at the end of the Vestry corridor.

**Desk and Office Chair** - These are not needed in St Thomas' any more. Please speak to Andrew or Peter if you would like them. There are some old Epson cartridges too - if they fit your printer please take them.

**Well Done** - A BIG thank you to all who took part in the Inter-Church Quiz night last week. The evening raised a total of £1212 which amounts to 101 mattresses – a wonderful total!

**Volunteers needed** to help make christingles for the Messy Christingle service on Sun 13<sup>th</sup> Dec 3pm onwards. See Narinder Tegally for more details.

**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. Items can be dropped at St Mary's. Thank you.