

Prayer and Thanksgiving this week

People

- Pray for Catherine Collins, Sammy Smith, Gareth, Hayley, Sheena Young, Ron Petts, Wendy, Ruth, Brian, Rudi, Surinder and Jennifer; we remember all those who care for them
- For our church family members: Huw, Chris, Nicholas, Jess and William Jones; Tim, Gill, Rebecca and Katy Jurdon; Monica Leeder

Community

- Pray that we may build together God's living Community, bound together by love, hope and joy
- All who live and work in Holtspur and Beaconsfield
- Thank God for our witness and opportunities in this Community
- For Holtspur Youth Club, Tom's Tots and Senior Citizens Group

Church

- For strengthening relationships between all the Beaconsfield Churches as we seek to serve our community together in the coming year
- For Kevin Beer on his Licensing as Team Vicar this Wednesday St Mary-le-More in the middle of Wallingford

World

"A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another as I have loved you" *John 13. 34*

Mission – Barnabas Fund

Pray for the older generation of Christians in contexts where they live in poverty and suffer persecution because of their faith.

Ask God to uphold them in their sufferings, to meet their needs and make His power perfect in their weakness (2 Cor 12. 9).

Pray that they may know His peace and joy in their remaining years and that their wisdom and experience will strengthen younger Christians.

Pray too that the elderly care homes provided by Barnabas Fund will provide a loving, caring, Christian environment for those who have no relatives able to look after them.

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Sunday 24th April 2016



St. Thomas' Church, Holtspur

To transform lives through faith in Jesus

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

Fifth Sunday of Easter

**Alleluia, Christ is Risen
Love One Another**

9.45am Church Prayer
10.00am Morning Praise
Lead and Preacher:
Revd Narinder Tegally

Readings

- **Psalm 148 (p. 633)**
- **John 21. 15 - 19 (p. 1090)**

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 Fifth Sunday of Easter

**Almighty God,
send down upon your Church
the riches of your Spirit,
and kindle in all who minister the gospel
your countless gifts of grace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**6.30pm Evening Prayer followed by
refreshments and APCM at St
Thomas'**

Services and Events for Next Week

Tuesday 26th

8.30am Morning Prayer
9.30am Tom's Tots in St Thomas Hall
1.45pm Holtspur School Year 1 in Church

Wednesday 27th

8.30am Morning Prayer at St Mary's
9am Holy Communion in Fitzwilliam Centre
2pm Healing Group meets at St Thomas House
5pm Prayer hour in church (note change of time due to Kevin's Licensing)
7.30pm Licensing of Revd Kevin Beer as Team Vicar at St Mary-le-More in the middle of Wallingford

Thursday 28th

8.30am Morning Prayer
9.30am Holtspur School
6.30pm WYLDLIFE Youth Group meets at The Curzon Centre
7.45pm Bible Study Group meets at Snellings home

Friday 29th

8.30am Morning Prayer
8.45-10.45am Hope Café
7pm Holtspur Youth Club

Sun 1st May

9.45am Church Prayer
10am **Holy Communion**
Celebrant and Preacher:
Revd Dr Jeremy Brooks
Readings: Acts 16. 9 - 15
John 14. 23 - 29
6.30pm Service of Holy Communion with Prayer Ministry

More Music for Flying – Sat 7th May 7.30pm - Following last year's successful concert, the RAF Halton Area Band will be performing a new and eclectic mix of music styles here in St Thomas' Church. Interval refreshments will be available. Donations for Mission Aviation Fellowship will be welcomed. Tel: Ruth Moores 01494 673167 for tickets. If you are able to help on the day with any of the preparations in the Church and the Hall: organising the tea for the Band; can offer some "nice nibbles" for the interval; offer any raffle prizes; be welcoming stewardsmany hands are needed. If you can help please email Ruth - mooresfamily@btinternet.com Thank you!

The Summer Lecture Series 2016 begins 11th May with speaker Jayne Ozanne, Patron on *Accepting Evangelicals*. All lectures start at 8pm. Tickets £5 (includes complimentary refreshments) payable at the door. More details at www.stmarysbeaconsfield.org.uk

Wycombe Homeless Connection fund raiser – Sat 21st May – At Davenies School. Evening with a disco, auction, buffet and fancy dress. Ticket £25.

Contact morleyfamily1039@aol.com if you would like to attend.

Chiltern Concert Band – Sat 18th June – In aid of Wycombe Homeless Connection. More details to follow.

Dates for your diary –

24th Apr: TEAM APCM at 6.30pm at St Thomas' Church
5th May: Ascension Day 'Team Communion Service' at 7pm St Thomas Church
Beaconsfield Brexit Debate 8pm Beaconsfield School
7th May: RAF Halton Concert
11th May: Summer Lecture Series at 8pm in St Mary's
22nd May: Memorial Service followed by afternoon tea
25th May: Summer Lecture Series at 8pm in St Mary's
8th June: Summer Lecture Series at 8pm in St Mary's
18th June: Chiltern Concert Band in aid of Wycombe Homeless Connection at St Mary's Church
22nd June: Summer Lecture Series at 8pm in St Mary's
3rd July: St Thomas Day
6th July: Summer Lecture Series at 8pm in St Mary's

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



Wishing a very Happy Birthday to...

Julie Snelling

Next Phase for St Thomas' - Please join us for '**Prayer Hour**' 2nd Sun or 4th Wed of each month from 6-7pm at St Thomas Church. Join us if you are able for '**Morning Prayer**' on Tues, Thurs or Fri at 8.30am in Church.

Prayer and Support Evening for Young Life - Tues 26th April 7.45pm at Beaconsfield High School for Girls. For more information contact Rhiannon Scott from the Free Methodist who is the prayer secretary on the committee at 681321.

Beaconsfield Brexit Debate – Thurs 5th May 8pm - As we have done for General Elections, Churches Together in Beaconsfield has organised a debate on the Referendum. This will take place at the Beaconsfield School - so make sure you make your Ascension Day observances early! There will be speakers, including our MP Dominic Grieve, for and against remaining in Europe and the opportunity to ask questions. We would like you to register your intention to be there by going to <https://beaconsfieldbrexitdebate.wordpress.com>. You can also submit a question to be put on the evening at the website.