



Bedhampton Parish

St Thomas & St Nicholas

Serving the community of Bedhampton by sharing God's love and friendship

Sunday 30th August 2020

The Twelfth Sunday After Trinity - A Right Time

Collect

God of constant mercy, who sent your Son to save us: remind us of your goodness, increase your grace within us, that our thankfulness may grow, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Rector's Reflection

I shared a story this week with some friends. As I ponder on this weeks topic it seems all the more appropriate to share with you as well. Let me tell you about a lady who we shall call Mary. She was sat on my sofa the other day with her daughter. Her daughter has decided this is the time to be baptised. Mary who has only recently moved back into the area had engaged with us during the lock-down for some help with prescription delivery. As Mary sipped her tea, she told me of how when she was a young girl she became part of the young people's work here. She spoke of how she was inspired by the people she met here and was moved to be baptised and confirmed. As Mary and her daughter return to seek more of who Jesus is, it is here that she chooses to do that because of the welcome she has received before. Here in Bedhampton Parish where things may change, but a heart to serve the community and to share God's love and friendship remains. Mary did not speak of the previous Rectors or even of the Bishop who confirmed her. No, she did not. Mary spoke of the Church, that is she spoke of the people of God's family in Bedhampton. She spoke of you.

Services This Sunday

Sunday 30th August 2020
Theme: A Right Time

Reading 1: Ecclesiastes 3:1-14
Reading 2: Romans 12:1-8.

Sunday Worship Online - www.Bedhampton.church

Available from 8am on the internet or by phone on 023 9387 7789.

What's On This Week

Wednesday 3rd September

8am Parish Prayer, Zoom 997 4841 5600 & Bedhampton.church/prayer

9.30am Please note there is not a Mothers' Union Holy Communion.

11am - 3pm Private Prayer at St Thomas'.

7.30pm The Bible Course: Zoom 239 2483 3013.

Zoom Meetings - www.zoom.us

Zoom meeting software is available for Microsoft, Apple or Android. You can also call 0203 481 5240 and enter the meeting ID when asked

Dates For Your Diary

Wednesday 9th September

St Thomas' - 9:30am Holy Communion.

Sunday 13th September

St Nicholas' - 9am Morning Worship.

St Thomas' - 11am Holy Communion.

Wednesday 16th September

St Nicholas' - 9:30am Holy Communion.

Sunday 20th September

St Nicholas' - 9am Holy Communion

St Thomas' - 11am Morning Prayer.

Wednesday 23rd September

St Thomas' - 9:30am Holy Communion.

Book in at: www.Bedhampton.church/book & 023 9248 3013

News

Help Needed To Open Up

On the 6th of September, we open for services in our church buildings. We need help to enable that to happen. We are looking for heroes who once a month can smile, point people in the right direction and lift a chair. If you have never served in our church, now is the time to contact Max.

Midweek Holy Communion

On the 9th of September midweek, Holy Communion returns. The Mothers' Union Communion at St Nicholas' will return on the 7th of October. We believe these are a great accessible service for those who have drifted from the church family over the years. This is the time to invite someone you know to come with you.

Food Bank

Drop food in the Food Bank bins at Asda, Tesco, and Waitrose or in the black box by the front door at The Rectory, Bidbury Lane.

Parish Magazine

Available on our web site at Bedhampton.church/news and in our church buildings is your favourite read of the month. Next month we hope to be able to resume deliveries to those of you who have the magazine delivered.

Public Services

We ask that you inform us if you are going to attend one of the services. You can do this at Bedhampton.church/book or by phone on 023 9245 0955.

Giving

Thank you all those who continue to give to the work of God in Bedhampton. This is particularly important when income from hall rentals and other areas has ceased. If you normally give via envelopes or the plate please continue to do this at home and place them in the collection when you are able to join us.

Life Groups

Are you a member of a home or life group that meets regularly? One of the things we have learnt in lockdown is these are vital as part of our faith walk. Now is the time to join a group. Some of our groups continue to meet online whilst others have been supporting each other over the phone. Contact Max for more details.

Messy Church

Messy Church remains an online event for now. Many activities, videos, songs, and craft, fun are up at Bedhampton.church/messy Share these with those families you know who would enjoy them.

Services Next Sunday

Sunday 6th September 2020
Theme: We're Back! Now What?

St Nicholas'

9am Morning Worship

Reader 1: Sally Tritton.
Reader 2: Neville Quick.
Prayers: Nicky Quick.

Reading 1: Hebrews 10:19-25
Reading 2: John 15:5-17

St Thomas'

11am Morning Prayer

Reader 1: Ann Partridge.
Reader 2: Mike Case.
Prayers: Sandra Matthews.

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Please Pray For

Those requesting prayer:

Ray Beaney, Myra Beard; Cliff Blofield; Kathy; Chris Deacon; Rebecca Delmar-Morgan; Sarah Gazey; Canon Karina Green; Charlie Harckham; Jess; Joe; Gerri; Gisela; Jon & Naomi Gould; Pat Jay; John Martin; Margaret & Brian Medway; David Milligan; Marilyn and Bernard Mist; Amelia Norman; Peter Slade; Bernard Stanley; Wendy Wilbraham; Saskia; Shaun.

The families of those who have recently died:

Arthur 'John' Miles.

Those recently married:

Jordan and Freya Curtis.

Contact Us

Parish Office:

The office is currently closed.
Email and phone may still be used.
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