



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

Sunday 4th October 2020

The Seventeenth Sunday After Trinity – Vision Day / Harvest

Collect

Eternal God, you crown the year with your goodness and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season: grant that we may use them to your glory, for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever, Amen

Rector's Reflection

I distinctly remember a time when I was working on a difficult IT project for a major customer. My work life was at full capacity at the same time as my home life was also at full capacity. I was running a big event as a volunteer in my local church for the young people. As I ran from meeting to meeting in London worried about making it back in time, I sent up one of the desperate arrow prayers we sometimes pray – “Father, would you help me get this meeting done quickly and back home to the church event, because if I don't then how will those attending hear of your love?” I cringe now at my arrogance, but God's Spirit was quick to remind me who he is and who I am. The dawning came as I felt the words enter my mind, “Max although I would rather do this with you, I can do this without you”. The craziness of this relationship we have with our God is that the creator of the universe, the one who provides all our needs, chooses to use us to share his love in this place we call home. Nevertheless, it is within the Holy Spirit's power and his provision that we share that love. This weekend in our Harvest Vision Sunday we thank God for all he provides, and commit ourselves to his work in this place for the next year.

Services This Sunday

St Nicholas'
9am Morning Worship
Harvest Vision Day

St Thomas'
11am Morning Prayer
Harvest Vision Day

Reader 1: Sally Tritton
Reading 1: Psalm 65
Reader 2: Vicki Spencer
Reading 2: Luke 10:1-20
Prayers: Rosalynd Hall

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Reader 2: Sandra Matthews
Reading 2: Luke 10:1-20
Prayers: Linda Brown

Sunday Worship Online - www.Bedhampton.church

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

What's On This Week

Wednesday 7th October

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

9:30am Holy Communion MU at St. Nicholas' - Harvest Vision Day

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

Sunday 11th October

St Nicholas' - 10:00am Shared Parish Service.

St Nicholas' – 11:00am Annual Parochial Church Meeting.

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

News

Harvest Vision Day

We have been reminding ourselves of our Vision and Purpose as a church over the last few weeks. Join us this Sunday 4th and Wednesday 7th October for our four Harvest Vision services. A time when we thank God for his provision and commit to God's vision and purpose over the next year. Bring your food bank friendly gifts to any of the three physical services or drop them to The Rectory in Bidbury Lane. Please also be praying for your part in this commitment as we will take time to review and commit our corporate and personal time and money over the next year towards that vision and purpose in Bedhampton.

Heating

As we move into autumn we obviously cannot have all the windows and doors open during services. To allow for a change of air our buildings will be ventilated before our services. This will allow us to heat the buildings and still provide as safe a place as possible to worship in during the services.

Helping Set Up

Can you help set up on a Sunday morning at St Nicholas' once or twice a month? Please speak to Max today.

V.I.P

Every autumn we review our vision, identity and purpose. You can remind yourself of what our V.I.P is at Bedhampton.church/vip

Olive Sheasby

Olive has moved into her new home near her daughter. If you would like her address please contact the parish office.

Annual Meeting

Our Annual Church Parochial Meeting will take place on the 11th October at 11am following a joint 10am service at St Nicholas'. Please book into both the service and meeting separately at Bedhampton.church/book or by contacting the parish office. For those wishing to attend from home use <https://zoom.us/j/2392483013> or this meeting ID: 2392483013 in the Zoom software. This will place you in the waiting room. You will be let into the meeting at 10:55am.

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

Samaritans Purse Operation Christmas Child Shoe Box Appeal

If you would like to be part of this appeal and pack a shoe box ready to be delivered in time for Christmas to needy children around the world, leaflets on how and what to pack are now in church. Please can all completed boxes be delivered to church by Sunday 1st November. If you need further information please contact Kim 07906263895, Sally 02392475078, Cathy 07539237119.

Open Church

St Thomas' on Bidbury Lane is open for private prayer from 9am – 4pm every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Please follow the guidance indicated on the sheet available to you as you enter.

Services Next Week - Sunday 11th October

Matthew :

St Nicholas'

10 am Morning Worship

Reader 1: Pete Spencer

Reading 1: TBC

Reader 2: Alyson Johnstone

Reading 2: Matthew 7: 12

Prayers: Mike Tritton

The Golden Rule

St Thomas'

10 am Shared morning service at

St. Nicholas'

11 am Annual Parochial Church Meeting

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Please Pray For

Those requesting prayer:

Myra Beard; Cliff Blofield; Chris Deacon; Sarah Gazey; Charlie Harckham; Gisela; Jon & Naomi Gould; Margaret Gray; Margaret & Brian Medway; David Milligan; Marilyn & Bernard Mist; Amelia Norman; Barry Payne; Peter Slade; Wendy Wilbraham; Ann Williams; Joe; Kathy; Ken & Thelma; Shaun; Sheila.

The families of those who have recently died:

Denise Deacon; Debbie Shead.

Contact Us

Parish Office:

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