



Bedhampton Parish

St Thomas & St Nicholas

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

Sunday 4th April 2021

Easter Sunday

Collect

Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him, grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity.

Rector's Comments

It is here, the most important day in the world's calendar. The day we remember that God himself not only came to this world, not only died for us, but rose again to full life so that we may also have life to the full. This Sunday we celebrate what God did for every male, female, child, adult, for the people of the whole world. For those who believe, don't believe, those who would call themselves Christian or those who doubt. For those who go to church or would never step foot into a church building. Those who think themselves good, or those who believe God would not want to know them. For me and for you. Perhaps a friend of Jesus put it best.

"It's God's own truth, nothing could be plainer: God plays no favourites! It makes no difference who you are or where you're from—if you want God and are ready to do as he says, the door is open." (The Message).

This Easter Sunday is the time to open the door again or even for the first time. Let me know if you choose to because I would love to help you do just that. Hallelujah He is risen!

Happy Easter, Max & Suzy.

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**10am Sunday Worship Online
Easter Sunday**

Reading 1: Acts 10:34-43 read by Emily Ashworth

Reading 2: John 20:1-18 read by Ann Partridge

Streamed at 10am on www.Bedhampton.tv and available afterwards at www.Bedhampton.tv or by phone on 023 9387 7789.

10:45am Post Service Chat - Zoom: 239 248 3013 or [bton.uk/zoom](https://www.bton.uk/zoom)

What's On This Week

Bitesize Bible Weekly Readings

The Gospels: Matthew 1:1-3:17.

New Testament: Acts 1:1-4:22.

Old Testament: Genesis 1-17.

Wisdom & Poetry: Psalms 1-6.

All week until Easter Monday

The Easter Journey, see the news section for details.

Wednesday 7th April

8am Parish Prayer: www.Bedhampton.tv, Facebook or Zoom.

10am Holy Communion online: Streamed on www.Bedhampton.tv or Facebook and available afterwards or by phone on 023 9387 7789.

11am & 7:30pm Lent Course: No meetings this week.

Zoom Meetings - www.zoom.us

Zoom meeting software is available for Microsoft, Apple or Android. You can also call 020 3481 5240 and enter the meeting ID when asked. Putting [bton.uk/zoom](https://www.bton.uk/zoom) into your web browser will also take you to the correct place.

Dates For Your Diary

5th April – Bitesize Bible reading plan begins.

18th April - Return to 'live' services at St. Nicholas' and St. Thomas' (see note under 'News')

News

Sunday & Wednesday Services

We return to our church buildings Sunday 18th April. Starting with Holy Communion services at 9am for St Nicholas' and 11am for St Thomas'. All 9.30am Wednesday Holy Communion services will be held at St Thomas'. There is no need to book for any services, but face coverings must be worn and we will record contact details for those who attend in line with Covid regulations. Online services will also continue.

APCM, PCC & Electoral Roll

The annual meeting will take place 11am on April 25th following a joint 10am service at St Nicholas'. You may attend in person or via Zoom. A revised electoral roll is being prepared for the annual meeting. If you wish to be removed or added to the roll, please contact the office. There is no need to inform us if you wish to remain on the roll. Anyone wishing to stand for the Parochial Church Council should also contact the office a.s.a.p.

Administrator Vacancy

The role of Parish Administrator is a vital part of our mission and it is a role that we expect to develop and grow as we move forward as a parish. If you or someone you know would like to join the team, find more details at www.bton.uk/roles.

'Bitesize' Bible Reading Plan

Join us as we start a new daily 'bitesize' Bible reading plan this week. Read just what you feel you can bite off. Let the office know you wish to join the journey and you will receive daily readings by email. You can also pick up a booklet from St Thomas', download to follow along from bton.uk/bible or see this week's readings in the "What's on" section on this sheet.

Easter Journey

Journey to the Cross around the outside of St Thomas'. An exploration of the Easter story for all the family. At both St Nicholas' and St Thomas's there is also an Easter Garden and Cross to bring our prayers and sorrows from the last year and place before our God.

Passiontide Reflection

Our own Carol Frogley appears in an amazing video of music and readings for a virtual Passiontide reflection by Chantry Quire. Go to www.chantryquire.org to view.

Fat Rector Slim

Sponsor the Rector £ for 1lb or whatever you decide (max 35lb), as we raise funds for the St Nicholas refurb. Contact Max to commit.

Week 6: - 1lb (8lb/35lb)
Back on track.



Next Week: Sunday 11th April

10am Sunday Worship Online

Easter 1

Discipleship Explored – Rejoicing in Christ

Reading 1: Philippians 4:1-9 read by Rosalynd Hall

Reading 2: Matthew 6:5-13 read by Catherine Langhorn

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10:45am Post Service Chat - Zoom: 239 248 3013 or [bton.uk/zoom](https://www.bton.uk/zoom)

Please Pray For

Those requesting prayer:

Ann Williams; Amelia Norman; Chris Deacon; Cliff Blofield; Gisela; Joe; Jon & Naomi Gould; Pat Jay; Ken & Thelma; Laura; Maggie Bishop; Margaret Gray; Margaret & Brian Medway; Myra Beard; Marilyn & Bernard Mist; Pam Facer; Sarah Gazey; Shaun; Wendy Wilbraham; Alex, Joe and Matthew.

The families of those who have recently died:

Ron Knight, Olive Sheasby, Diane McKay.

Church Building Information

Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Sunday 18th April, we return to our Church buildings for services. There will be no need to book, and online services will also continue.

Open Church

St Thomas' is open for private prayer from 9am – 4pm every weekday. Please follow the instructions available as you enter

Contact Us

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The office is currently closed.
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