



Bedhampton Parish

St Thomas & St Nicholas

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

Sunday 30th May 2021

Trinity Sunday

Collect

Holy God,
faithful and unchanging:
enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth,
and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love,
that we may truly worship you,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.

Rector's Reflections

There is a tradition in Church circles that if you have a trainee vicar you get them to preach on Trinity Sunday. Well we don't have a curate in Bedhampton but we have had the delight of getting to know Emily Ashworth over the last few months. Emily does not have a simple job ahead of her, and it would be a little odd for us to believe she would uncover all the mysteries of the Trinity in a few minutes. Many great minds have gone before her and not done so. However there are things in our lives that we can not fully fathom and yet trust. I am no biologist, but if I follow the instructions on the packet, those sunflowers do insist on growing. I am not suggesting the Trinity is akin to such trivia, but I do find trusting God through Father, Son and Holy Spirit also brings what we need. Whether it is the Spirit's guidance, assurance from Jesus, He has my family's salvation in his hands, or the love of the Father, it is all available to those who call upon the Trinity. A little mystery surrounding our loving God is not a bad thing, and certainly is not a reason to walk away from Him. It definitely does not stop me knowing him to the extent I am able to, which seems to be plenty for me. So I shall continue to seek Him and encourage you to do so. Oh but I still can not give an adequate explanation of the Trinity, so I guess I shall be a little naughty and leave that to Emily.

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Sunday 30th May 2021

Trinity Sunday

St Nicholas'

9am Morning Worship

Reader 1: Fleur Bragaglia
Reading 1: Romans 8: 12-17
Reader 2: Tracey Smith
Reading 2: John 3: 1 - 17
Prayers: Nicky Quick

St Thomas'

11am Holy Communion

Reader 1: Suzy Cross
Reading 1: Romans 8: 12-17
Reader 2: Service Leader
Reading 2: John 3: 1-17
Prayers: Sandra Matthews

What's On This Week

Bitesize Bible Weekly Readings

Gospels: Matthew 21:1 - 22:33
New Testament: Acts 28:17 - Romans 3
Old Testament: Leviticus 24 - Numbers 8
Wisdom & Poetry: Psalms 46 - 51

Wednesday 2nd June

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

9.30am Holy Communion: Holy Communion at St Thomas'. Stay for a chat, drink and nibble afterwards.

Thursday 3rd June: 10am Online Holy Communion: Said Holy Communion streamed on www.Bedhampton.tv or Facebook and available afterwards.

Zoom Meetings - www.zoom.us

Meeting ID is 239 248 3013. This will place you in a waiting room and you will be let in by the leader of the meeting. Going to bton.uk/zoom will redirect you to the correct place.

Dates For Your Diary

3rd July Olive Sheasby's Memorial Service 2pm at St. Thomas'

Provisional date for Summer Fundraiser at St. Nicholas'.

4th July To mark the end of this phase of the Covid pandemic and to say thank you to everyone who has helped us through it, a national '**Thank You Day**' will take place. As part of this day and with our annual meeting we will be holding a joint thanksgiving service at 10am at St. Nicholas'.

11th July Hymns in the park - come along and sing your hearts out!

Al Fresco St. Nicholas'

If Sunday mornings look dry and not too blowy you may wish to bring a jumper or coat to the St. Nicholas' service. We may hold our service outside where we are allowed to **sing** our worship to our Lord.

Summer Show 2021

The lifting of lockdown will not allow enough time to make all the necessary arrangements and secure the resources needed to have a show this year. We do hope to host a Summer Fayre at St. Nicholas', so keep an eye out for publicity. The show is a key to our community engagement as well as funding and it would be great to have full representation on the committee. Anyone who could help by joining the committee should contact the parish office today.

Hymns in the park

If you have missed being with people, real people, not those on a screen then we have a date for you. If you have missed singing out loud then we have a date for you. Join us for Hymns in the Park. Bring your chairs and picnic and we will belt out the classics. Grab that phone or diary and mark out the afternoon of Sunday 11th July. More details including the actual start time coming soon.

Dial-A-Service & Online Services

You can call 023 9387 7789 to listen to our service or sermon. They are also available at www.Bedhampton.tv

Coffee Morning

Our Friday coffee morning will resume on 4th. June, 10-11am at St. Nicholas'

Jean will be making her usual cakes!

Prayer Line


Prayer is a key part of God's Kingdom coming in Bedhampton.

If you have a prayer request email Prayer@Bedhampton.church or leave a message on the office phone. These will be forwarded to our band of prayer warriors. If you would like to be part of our prayer line, please contact Linda Brown using one of the same methods.

Do you have questions?

Is there something you have always wondered? Are you curious about a bible passage? Max is planning a series of sermons about 'frequently asked questions'. Please contact him with any questions you may have.

Fat Rector Slim

Sponsor the Rector £ for lb or whatever you decide (max ) (max 35lb), as we raise funds for the St Nicholas refurb. Contact Max to commit. Week 14: +1lb (9lb/35lb)

Fake emails

There has been a spate of emails asking for money which look as though they have come from the local parish priest. We urge you to take great care when responding to emails or phone calls asking for money. ***Note: We will never ask in an email or phone call for money to be transferred to the parish.***

Next Week: Sunday 6th June

Trinity 2

**St Nicholas'
9am Morning Worship**

Reader 1: Alyson Johnstone
Reading 1: Exodus 32: 15-20
Reader 2: Suzy Cross
Reading 2: Matthew 13: 1-30
Prayers: Mike Tritton

**St Thomas'
11am Morning Prayer**

Reader 1: Ann Partridge
Reading 1: Exodus 32: 15-20
Reader 2: Janice Stott
Reading 2: Matthew 13: 1-30
Prayers: Linda Brown

Please Pray For

Street Prayer

Please pray for the residents of Bedhampton Hill this week.

Those requesting prayer:

Eric Armitage; 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; Wendy Wilbraham; Alex, Joe and Matthew; Eileen Newman;
Tony Tucker

We remember all those who have died whose anniversaries fall at this time.

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