



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

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup>. June 2021**

*3rd. Sunday after Trinity: Matthew – Treasure Hunt  
Fathers' Day*

**St. Nicholas'**

**9am Holy Communion**

Luke 15: 11-31

Matthew 13: 44-58

**St. Thomas'**

**11am Morning Prayer**

Luke 15: 11-31

Matthew 13: 44-58

**6.00pm Celtic Prayer**

### ***Collect***

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; grant this, heavenly Father, for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

### ***Rector's Reflections***

"Children are the Church of tomorrow." This statement is probably the one that makes my hackles rise the fastest. Jesus was very clear that children are God's Kingdom today and an example to those of us who think we know better. Anyone who wants to see God's Kingdom come needs to overly invest time, energy and money in serving and discipling children. It is an area in which many churches including Bedhampton have done well in the past, but struggle today. My friends this week we hear a story from Matthew's Gospel of a man who finds treasure in a field. He sells all he has to purchase that field because that is where the treasure is. There is a field of treasure around us, do we have hearts so big that we cannot help ourselves but sell all we have to purchase that field? Join me in praying, stepping up and investing our time, money and energy into reaching that treasure. Join me in reaching out to the Church of today.

## ***Prayer requests***

### **Street Prayer**

Please pray for the residents of Penk Ridge 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: Nicola Wakefield

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

#### **St. Thomas & St. Nicholas prayer list**

After discussions with the Churchwardens, it has been decided to revert to the past system of removing names from the prayer list after one month from where they will be transferred to the Mothers Union prayer list for a further three months.

If you would like someone added to/kept on the prayer list please speak to our pastoral co-ordinators, Sally or Sandra.

### ***What's on this week***

#### **Wednesday 23rd June**

**8am Parish Prayer:** [www.Bedhampton.tv](http://www.Bedhampton.tv), Facebook or Zoom

**9.30am Holy Communion:** St. Thomas'. Stay for a chat and drink afterward.

#### **Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> June**

**10am Online Holy Communion:** [www.Bedhampton.tv](http://www.Bedhampton.tv) or Facebook and available afterwards.

**Zoom meetings - [www.zoom.us](http://www.zoom.us)** Meeting ID is 239 248 3013. You will be placed in a waiting room and let in by the leader of the meeting. Going to [Bton.uk/zoom](http://Bton.uk/zoom) will redirect you to the correct place.

## **News**

### **Parish Magazine Distributors**

Your packs of the July magazine for distribution can be found in St. Thomas' Church from Saturday, 26<sup>th</sup> June. Those distributors who have requested delivery to their homes will receive theirs as usual.

### **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 your questions.

### **Food Bank**

Donations for the Foodbank can be brought to the services and placed in the boxes available or you can continue to use the black box by the front door at The Rectory, Bidbury Lane.

### **Bedhampton Cub Scouts need you!**

Our cubs need more leaders. Could you be one of them? Phone 07960 479886 or email judycolwell@sky.com

### **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. If you would like to be part of our prayer line, please contact Linda Brown using one of the same methods.

### **Messy church co-ordinator**

Could you be the next co-ordinator for Messy Church? If so please contact Max

### **Fun club in the park**

The fun club team will be on Bidbury Mead for the next few Thursdays, 10-11am. We can't provide toys but there will be fun things to do.

### **'Bitesize' Bible Reading Plan**

Join our daily 'bitesize' Bible reading plan. 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 ask for a booklet, download it to follow along from [bton.uk/bible](http://bton.uk/bible).

## ***Dates for your diary***

**3<sup>rd</sup>. July** Memorial service for Olive Sheasby at 2pm in St. Thomas'  
*If you plan to attend please contact Deb in the parish office*

**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 we will be holding a joint thanksgiving service at 10am at St. Nicholas', followed by our Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) at 11am.

**31<sup>st</sup>. July** St. Nicholas' summer fundraiser (postponed from 3<sup>rd</sup>. July)

### **Hymns in the park**

'Postponed'

After Boris' announcement we have had to postpone this event.  
A new date will be announced soon.

### ***Bitesize Bible***

Matthew 26: 36 - 27: 56

Romans 11: 1 – Romans 14: end

Deuteronomy 6 - 28

Psalm 64:1 – 69: 18

### **NEXT WEEK : *Sunday 27<sup>th</sup>. June***

*4<sup>th</sup>. Sunday after Trinity: Matthew – False Kings*

**St Nicholas'**  
**9am Morning Worship**  
Preacher's Choice  
Matthew 14: 1-12

**St Thomas'**  
**11am Holy Communion**  
Preacher's Choice  
Matthew 14: 1-12

### ***Contact us***

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