

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

Sunday 22nd August 2021 12th Sunday after Trinity

St Nicholas'
9am God at the movies

Ephesians 4: 2-6 Mark 3: 31-35 St Thomas'
11am Holy Communion

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Service streamed at 4pm www.Bedhampton.tv

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask but through the merits and meditation of 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.

Rector's Reflections

This week we continue our "God at the Movies" summer series with the theme of 'Church as family', as we explore the Disney movie Brave for signs of God. Family is an idealistic approach to who we are as God's people and because we are all human we often fail to achieve it. That does not mean we should give up trying because scripture calls us to be family. As I am often reminded in my prayers, Jesus spoke of our behaviour towards one another being a reflection of our devotion to God. Recently I was reminded of those missing from our family and so Invitation Sunday is coming up on September 19th. Who are we going to invite to be with us as we walk with Jesus? This is what I am going to pray about, how about you?

Prayer

Isobel Jones and Sofia McBeth are being baptised this week. We pray for them and their families.

Street Prayer

Please pray for the residents of Auriol Drive this week.

Those requesting prayer:

Amelia Norman, Nicola Wakefield, Hannah, Rebecca Delmar-Morgan, Denise Milligan, Bernard Stanley, Cliff Blofield, Linda Brown, Eric Armitage, Anne Nellthorp, Pat Jay, Caleb, Margaret Walker, Mike, Emma Whitelock

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

St Thomas & St Nicholas prayer list

Names will be removed from the prayer list after one month and 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 25th August

8am Parish Prayer: www.Bedhampton.tv, Facebook or zoom **9.30am Holy Communion:** St. Thomas' - Stay for a chat, a drink and a biscuit afterwards.

Thursday 26th August

10am Online Holy Communion: www.Bedhampton.tv or Facebook and available afterwards

Friday 27th August

10am Coffee & Cake: St Nicholas' Gwatkin Hall

Zoom meetings - 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 will redirect you to the correct place.

News

Invitation Sunday 19th September

Is there someone who you've always wanted to invite to church? Perhaps they used to attend a church, or maybe they never have, but the pandemic has made them think. Don't decide for them, but please take five invitation cards and pass them on. You can take some to deliver in your street as well. Invitations are available in both Church buildings.

Childrens' group

We need a name for our new Sunday childrens' group. If you have any ideas please speak to our childrens' co-ordinator, Gill Matthews.

St Nicholas' Committee Room

In preparation for our childrens' work we will be clearing out the committee room. If you need to retrieve anything please do!

St Thomas' coffee rota

We are now able to have tea and coffee after our services but we need people to make it!
If you can help please contact
Sue Tate 023 92475375

Parish Magazines

Appeal for help! We need more people to be involved with the production and delivery of the magazine. Could you spare a little while each month to deliver to Park Lane? If you are able to be involved please contact Carol or Deb.

Pause & Pray

A time to pause and gather together to pray for 1 hour for our Borough. 2nd Monday of the month 6 - 7pm at St Thomas Church, Bedhampton.
All welcome!

Prayer Line

Prayer is a key part of God's
Kingdom coming in
Bedhampton. Please email
prayer requests to
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

Ride & Stride

Deb is taking part in Ride & Stride this year and is hoping to donate money to every parish in our deanery. If you wish you can sponsor her at: www.uk.virginmoneygiving.com

St Nicholas' Refurbishment

We need £116,000 to upgrade the toilets and repair the roof of the Gwatkin hall. Our fundraising is going well but we still need £32,000. Please can you help? www.bedhampton.church/flushed

Lifting of restrictions

You don't have to socially distance, but it is probably sensible to do so. You don't have to wear a mask, but it is probably sensible to do so. This we believe is an approach to the lifting of Covid restrictions in our Church services that is loving to all God's people. We continue to offer sanitizer as you enter our church buildings and we continue to be cautious and have other precautions in place, recognising some people have concerns of what the future might hold. We are now allowed to sing (yippee!) so come on down and join us this Sunday.

Bitesize Bible

Mark 15: 16 - Luke 1: 38
Galatians 4: 21 - Ephesians 1: 23
2 Samuel 18: 1 – 1 Kings 3: 28
Psalm 115 – Psalm 119: 16

Next week: Sunday 29th August 13th Sunday after Trinity

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Contact us

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The parish office will be closed on 24th, 25th and 26th August.