

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

# Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> 2021 15th Sunday after Trinity

St Thomas'
9am Holy Communion

Jonah 2: 1-10 Matthew 6: 1-12

Service streamed at 4pm www.Bedhampton.tv

St Nicholas'
10.30am Morning Worship

Jonah 2: 1-10 Matthew 6: 1-12

Service streamed at 6pm www.Bedhampton.tv

#### Collect

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; 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.

#### Rector's Reflections

Have you considered how the smallest of criticisms can impact an individual's life? Jesus warns against allowing even the smallest negative attitude and false teaching into His Church. There are times where we need to speak straight with one another, but as the old wisdom suggests, that should be done directly and privately. What is an issue is the epidemic of low self-esteem we see in our world, and the results that come from that into people's lives. I love how many people in Bedhampton support and encourage one another, but I also realize I am in a privileged position to receive that support. I wonder who might be encouraged this week who perhaps does not get affirmed quite so often?

### **Prayer**

We pray for Joanne Davey and Jack Clark, as they begin their married life together, and for Sian and John Porter, as they renew their marriage vows.

### **Street Prayer**

Please pray for the residents of Portsdown Hill Road this week.

## Those requesting prayer:

Amelia Norman, Nicola Wakefield, Hannah, Rebecca Delmar-Morgan, Denise Milligan, Caleb, Eric Armitage, Margaret Walker, Mike, Mae Whitelock, Havant athletics club athletes

We remember the families of all those who have died and those whose anniversaries fall at this time. We especially remember Pam Facer and Pat Jay who have recently died and who have been valued members of our congregation for many years.

#### What's on this week

## Wednesday 15th September

**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 16th September

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

## Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September

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.

#### Life Events

## Friday 17th September

**3.15pm Funeral of Pat Jay:** The Oaks crematorium – followed by a reception in St. Thomas' vestry

### Saturday 18th September

12pm Wedding of Cherie Staff & Adam Osman: St Thomas'

## Thank you!

Anne & Geoff thank church family for the lovely orchid & card for their 65th Wedding Anniversary much appreciated

# 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.

#### Service times

Our new pattern of services has commenced.

St. Thomas' services will now be at **9am** and St. Nicholas' services will be at **10.30am**.

Please pray that our new timings will help us to reach more families.

### **World Mission Committee**

If you would like to nominate a charity to be considered by the World Mission Committee please speak to Roy.

#### St Nick's Flicks is back!

We're showing Downton Abbey on Tuesday 21st September, 2pm at St Nicholas'. Free entry and refreshments with retiring collection.

### 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

#### **Food Bank**

Can anybody help with food bank collections? If so please contact Belinda Moore 07709 449240 Belinda.ostler@virgin.net

At the moment the food bank are in particular need of tinned puddings and toilet roll. Items can be left in either church or by the Rectory door.

#### 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 £31,000. 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

Luke 5: 1 - Luke 6: 16

Philippians 1: 12 - Philippians 3: 9

2 Kings 4: 1 – 2 Kings 15: 38 Psalm 119: 113 - 160

## Next week: Sunday 19th September

16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity Invitation Sunday

St. Thomas' 9am Morning Prayer

Psalm 57 John 10: 1-13 St. Nicholas'
10.30am Holy Communion

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