

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

Sunday 3rd October 2021 18th Sunday after Trinity

St Thomas' 9am Morning Prayer Romans 12: 1-8 Matthew 16: 13-20 St Nicholas' 10.30am Messy Church

6pm Compline

Service streamed at 4pm www.Bedhampton.tv Service streamed at 6pm www.Bedhampton.tv

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us your gift of faith that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to that which is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; 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

I relate very much to Peter, the friend of Jesus. At times he seems like he wants to dedicate his entire life to God. Jesus asks "who do you say I am". Peter replied, "you are God". Peter knows God is with him. Very soon however he will deny he even knows Jesus, as he runs away from the hard times of life. That can be very much the yoyo experience we have as we journey through life with its ups and downs. The good news is that God never gives up on us and eagerly awaits our return to Him, just as we read with Peter and his later experience with the risen Jesus. Who do you say He is?

Prayer

Street Prayer

Please pray for the residents of Fraser Road this week.

Those requesting prayer:

Amelia Norman, Nicola Wakefield, Hannah, Denise Milligan, Caleb, Eric Armitage, Margaret Walker, Mike, Colin, Mae Whitelock, Emma Whitelock, Eileen Newman, Cliff Blofield

> We remember the families of all those who have died and those whose anniversaries fall at this time. We especially remember Maggie Bishop, Jose Brashier.

What's on this week

Wednesday 6th October

8am Parish Prayer: www.Bedhampton.tv, Facebook or zoom9.30am Holy Communion (Mothers' Union): St. Thomas' Church - All welcome. Stay for a chat, a drink and a biscuit afterwards.

Thursday 7th October

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

Friday 8th October

10am Coffee & Cake: St Nicholas' Church, 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 15th October 11.30am Funeral of Maggie Bishop: St Thomas' Church

News

We're getting a curate!

Jill Kingston will join us in July 2022 for her curacy. Jill served for 22 years with Hampshire Constabulary, mostly on the frontline police work. She was an Inspector in Portsmouth, before ending her service as **Inspector of Hampshire Police** Marine Unit and the Specialist Search Unit. She worked for the Diocese as a Safeguarding trainer but left to concentrate on her ordination training. Jill was sadly widowed in the last couple of years, but has a busy home life with Esther who is 12 and Hope who is 15.

A message of thanks

The Kay family would like to say thank you for your love and support and for helping to make the service a true celebration of Brian's life.

Operation Christmas Child

Leaflets are now in church if you would like to pack a shoe box and support Operation Christmas Child all details are on the leaflet but if you want more or you need a box to be collected contact Kim 07906263895

Service times

Our new pattern of services has commenced.

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

Food Bank

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

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.

Wednesday parish prayer

Join us in praying for God's Kingdom to come in Bedhampton every Wednesday morning. Pray with us, pray on your own, but whatever you do just pray. Our fundraising is going well but we still need to raise £31,000.

Can you spare a little something each week to help us? Any donation, however small, is welcome and can be put into the wall safe in St Nicholas' foyer.

To donate online please visit www.bedhampton.church/flushed

Bitesize Bible

Luke 9:1 - Luke 10: 16 Colossians 4: 1 - 1 Thessalonians 3: 6 1 Chronicles 17: 1 - 2 Chronicles 2: 55 Psalm 132 - Psalm 138

Next week: Sunday 10th October

19th Sunday after Trinity Harvest

St. Thomas' 10am Harvest Thanksgiving 2 Corinthians 9: 6-15 Luke 12: 16-30 St. Nicholas' 10am Service at St Thomas'

Contact us

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