

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

Sunday 17th October 2021 20th Sunday after Trinity

St Thomas'
9am Morning Prayer
Isaiah 53
Matthew 16: 21-28
6pm Celtic Prayer

Service streamed at 4pm www.Bedhampton.tv

St Nicholas'
10.30am Holy Communion
Isaiah 53
Matthew 16: 21-28

Service streamed at 6pm www.Bedhampton.tv

Collect

O God, forasmuch as without you we are not able to please you; mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts, 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 ever been told by someone that Christianity is just a crutch for the weak? Has that made you feel inadequate and rubbish? Then on the other hand you worship week in week out, month after month, year after year and listen to nice people like me tell you just how you should behave as a Christian. There are dangers of thinking that following Jesus is simply a self-improvement programme, when obviously it is so much more. It is love, it is relationship, it is the meaning of life. However it is also a challenge to live the way Jesus would have us live and Peter the apostle finds that out this weekend.

Prayer

Street Prayer

Please pray for the residents of Almond Close 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, Peter, Karen Godling, Bonnie

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

We especially remember Maggie Bishop and Bernard Stanley.

What's on this week

Wednesday 20th October

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

Thursday 21st October

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

Friday 22nd 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

Wednesday 27th October

2pm Service of Thanksgiving for Bernard Stanley: St Thomas' Church followed by afternoon tea in the Waterloo Room of the Elms. Please let Deb know if you are planning to attend. Donations can be made in memory of Bernard to either *The Manor Trust Bedhampton* or to *St Thomas' Church Bedhampton PCC*

News

St. Nick's Flicks

Come and join us to watch a film on Tuesday 19th October.

1.45pm at St Nicholas'.

Tea and cake will be available during the interval.

Spend a penny pot!

Will you 'spend a penny' to help us to raise money to refurbish our toilets? There is a jar in the foyer of St Nicholas' for any pennies you may have.

Green champion

As part of the commitment to a more environmentally friendly church we need a 'green champion'. No need to be a hulk of a person, just someone with a heart for God's world who can help us work towards being more environmentally friendly. If you feel called to take on this role please contact Max.

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

Treasurer emails

Please use our treasurer email address for any money matters treasurer@bedhampton.church

Messy Church

We would like small glass jars with lids (no bigger than a normal size jam jar) for Messy Church on 7th November. Thank you

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.

Food Bank

Can anybody help with food bank collections? If so please contact Belinda Moore 07709 449240

Bitesize Bible

Luke 11: 37 - Luke 12: 59

2 Thessalonians 1: 8 - 2 Thessalonians 3: 18 2 Chronicles 20: 1 - 2 Chronicles 36: 23

Psalm 145 - Psalm 150

Next week: Sunday 24th October

21st Sunday after Trinity School holiday gift day

St. Thomas'
9am Holy Communion

St. Nicholas'
10.30am Morning Worship

Contact us

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