

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

# Sunday 31st October 2021 All Saints' Day

St Thomas'
9am Holy Communion

Matthew 6: 5-15 Matthew 17: 1-13

Service streamed at 4pm www.Bedhampton.tv

St Nicholas'
10.30am Morning Worship

Matthew 6: 5-15 Matthew 17: 1-13

Service streamed at 6pm www.Bedhampton.tv

#### Collect

God of holiness, your glory is proclaimed in every age: as we rejoice in the faith of your saints, inspire us to follow their example with boldness and joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### Rector's Reflections

This week there is a wedding in the Cross household and it is a momentous occasion for Suzy and I as we become empty nesters. This life changing event for us will quite rightly have barely any impact on you. This week we also said goodbye to Bernard, yet another Bedhampton Parish family member. I see the life changing impact that the death of a loved one has on those that remain. Yet as those in that, or other pain walk amongst us we can go about our lives in ignorance of their suffering. We do not know what we do not know, of each other's lives, but Jesus taught us that by the way we love one-another people will see him amongst us. As we journey together let us choose encouragement, grace and love whatever our circumstances, for we know not the joys and the burdens of those who walk with us.

## **Prayer**

We pray for Becky and Paul Merriman as they begin their married life together.

## **Street Prayer**

Please pray for the residents of Pinewood Avenue this week.

# Those requesting prayer:

Cliff Blofield, Peter, Karen Godling, Bonnie, Pam Morgan, Caleb, Eileen Newman, Denise Milligan

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

#### What's on this week

# Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November

**9.30am Holy Communion:** St. Thomas' Church (Mothers' Union) All welcome.

Stay for a chat, a drink and a biscuit afterwards.

# Friday 5th November

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

#### Next week

# 'Sunday 7th November'

**6.00pm New Wine Celebration:** Church of the Good Shepherd Tom Allsop of Catch the Fire, Three Rivers Church will be joining us to share a time of worship, teaching and ministry.

Book in at https://bton.uk/nw2111

#### News

## **Covid precautions**

As the virus cases are rising please remember to sanitize your hands and feel free to wear a mask if you would like to.

#### Spend a penny pot!

Will you 'spend a penny' to help us to raise money to refurbish our toilets? There is a jar in each church for any loose change 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

## Food Bank

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

#### **Messy Church**

For our 'Remembrance heroes' messy church on 7<sup>th</sup> November we'd like to create a display of photos of family members who have served (care will be taken of them). If you have one to include please speak to Gill Matthews.

We would also like small glass jars with lids (no bigger than a normal size jam jar) for Messy Church on 7<sup>th</sup> November.

#### **Stamps**

Deb collects stamps for the RNIB. If you would like to help her please take any stamps you have into the parish office or leave them at either church for her to collect. Thanks

# Donations in memory of Bernard Stanley

Donations can be made to either The Manor Trust Bedhampton or St Thomas Bedhampton PCC

#### Florence and the mermaid's tears

#### A mini musical about environmental issues

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November 6.30pm St Nicholas' church

Tickets can be booked through Eventbrite (or just turn up!)

#### Bitesize Bible

Luke 13: 1 - Luke 14: 35

1 Timothy 1: 1 – 1 Timothy 4: 16

Ezra 1: 1 - Ezra 8: 36

Proverbs 1: 1 - Proverbs 6: 35

Next week: Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday before Advent

St. Thomas'
9am Morning Prayer

Exodus 3: 1-15 Matthew 17: 14-20 St. Nicholas'
10.30am Messy Church

#### Contact us

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