

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

Sunday 21st November 2021 Christ the King

St Thomas' 9.00am Holy Communion Revelation 1: 4b-8 John 18: 33-37 4.00pm Memory Service **St Nicholas' 10.30am Morning Worship** Exodus 30: 1-15 Matthew 17: 22-27

Collect

God the Father,

help us to hear the call of Christ the King and to follow in his service, whose kingdom has no end; for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, one glory.

Rector's Reflection

The inevitable has happened and Covid has entered our lives at The Rectory. It's just Suzy and myself now and, other than heavy flu like symptoms, we are doing fine. We are finding we can read or work for a couple of hours before the brain fog sets in and we need to take some time out. It is an enforced slow down as we isolate, and probably one that is long overdue. We are fortunate to be surrounded by God's family so, for us, getting Covid is just a little annoying. I am not a single parent who is working and caring for children. Nor am I someone who pays a large rent for my family home, whilst not receiving sick pay during isolation. So in my isolation I shall be reflecting why Covid impacts those in greater need in our society, and what God is calling me to do about that. I shall also be thanking God for his provision. Go well.

Prayer

Street Prayer

Please pray for the residents of Ashley Close this week.

Those requesting prayer:

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

Please pray for all those in our community who currently have covid.

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

What's on this week

Wednesday 24th November

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

Friday 26th 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

Life Events

Sunday 21st November 11.30am Baptism of Archie Miller: St Thomas' Church

News

Christmas Fayre donations

This week, please could we have any chocolate, bags and costume jewellery. Items can be dropped into the parish office or given to Sandra.

Covid precautions

Please remember to sanitize your hands and please wear a mask while moving around the church.

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

Once again thank you to everyone who packed a shoe box they have now been delivered to the drop off point and are on their way ready for Christmas.

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

Messy church

At the moment we have a small team of people taking care of the refreshments to see how it all pans out. In the new year we will be looking to expand this group and Sally will be putting notices out so that people can sign up if they would like to help. Sally will then be able to contact you if this is a part of messy in which you would like to be involved.

Children's Society

Thank you to everyone who continues to have a Children's Society house box. We collected £1,854.54 in total.

Food Bank

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

Online rotas

Please remember to check the online rota regularly, in case there are last minute changes. www.bedhampton.church/rota

Christmas Fayre

Saturday 27th November St Nicholas' Church,

From 2 'til 4

Cakes Toys Books Raffle Christmas Cards Bottles Gifts Jewellery Tin Mine Grand raffle

Santa and his elves will also be in attendance!!

Bitesize Bible

Luke 20: 20 - Luke 21: 38 Philemon 1: 1 - Hebrews 3: end Esther 9: 1 - Isaiah 13: end Proverbs 21: 1- Proverbs 20: end

Next week: Sunday 28th November Advent Sunday

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Contact us

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