

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

# Sunday 30th January 2022

Epiphany 4 - Awakening: Response

# St Thomas' 9.00am Holy Communion

1 Chronicles 16: 8-36 John 17: 6-19

Service streamed at 4pm www.Bedhampton.tv

# St Nicholas' 10.30am Morning Worship

1 Chronicles 16: 8-36 John 17: 6-19

Service streamed at 6pm www.Bedhampton.tv

### **Collect**

God our creator, who in the beginning commanded the light to shine out of darkness: we pray that the light of the glorious gospel of Christ may dispel the darkness of ignorance and unbelief, shine into the hearts of all your people, and reveal the knowledge of your glory in the face of 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 Reflection

How are your New Year's resolutions doing as we reach the end of January? There is no judgment from me if you have dropped them. There is a long trail of dropped good intentions on the road I have travelled. I try not to beat myself up too much as I look back and see them discarded. However, there are all sorts of calls to persistence in our scriptures. "Look to the Lord and his strength; seek his face always." "Let us not grow weary of doing good." "The righteous falls seven times and rises again," to name a few. What have you taken from our brief review of our worship up, in, and out over the last three weeks? This week take a moment to ponder our response as we, "press on towards the goal".

## **Prayer**

## **Street Prayer**

Please pray for the residents of St Theresa's Close this week.

# Those requesting prayer:

Peter, Bonnie, Pam Morgan, Eileen Newman, Janice Stott, Amelia, Michael

We remember David Hale and pray for the families and friends of those who have died and of those whose anniversaries fall at this time.

#### What's on

# Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> February

**8.00am Parish Prayer:** www.Bedhampton.tv, Facebook or zoom **9.30am Holy Communion (Mothers' Union):** St Thomas Church. Tea, coffee and biscuits available after the service.

# Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> February

**10.00am Online Holy Communion:** www.Bedhampton.tv or Facebook and available afterwards

# Friday 4th February

10.00am 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.

#### News

#### The Manor Trust

One of the many areas Mike
Case volunteered for was as
trustee With The Manor Trust.
Rev Max is keen to keep the link
between the trust and Parish and
would welcome a conversation
with anyone who may be able to
consider this position.

### **Covid precautions**

With the government decision to return to "Plan A" you are no longer required to wear a mask within Church buildings.
However, feel free to wear one if you want to and please remember to sanitize your hands. Let us also respect the fact that others may make different decisions to us. We are also pleased to invite you to join us for tea or coffee after the services.

## **Welcome Packs**

If you notice people moving into the parish please let Elaine know and she can deliver a welcome pack.

# **Amazon charity giving**

If you shop with Amazon you can help raise money for the Church. You can link your account at <a href="https://www.smile.amazon.co.uk">www.smile.amazon.co.uk</a> or use <a href="https://www.bton.uk/amazon">www.bton.uk/amazon</a> and we'll get 0.5% of the cost of your purchases (every little helps!)

#### **New Wine**

Join us on Sunday 6th February for our first New Wine Celebration of 2022. Our speaker Sarah Guinness joins us from St Paul's and St Faith's in Brentford. It all happens at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Crookhorn at 6.30pm.

### NO PRE-BOOKING REQUIRED

## **Holy Land Trip 2023**

(27th May to 2nd June 2023)
Peter Hall and Max Cross will be leading a pilgrimage to the Holy Land. An opportunity to reflect and holiday in the footsteps of Jesus. More details to follow. If you wish to be kept informed please let Deb know.

#### Men's Lake District Week

All men are invited for a week of chilling and walking in Keswick. Saturday 5th to Saturday 12th March. Walking options available for all abilities. Max will be there most of the week, contact him for more details asap.

# **Messy Church**

If you would like to attend Messy Church on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> February please book your place with Deb in the office

### The Queen's Jubilee

On Saturday 4th June we hope to host a big community event to celebrate The Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

This is going to take a team to deliver but it will be a great opportunity for us as God's people here in Bedhampton.

Contact Max asap if you feel you can be part of the organising team.

#### Bitesize Bible

John 8: 1 - John 9: 12 2 Peter 2: 1 - 1 John 1: 4 Ezekiel 9: 1 - Ezekiel 23: end Job 3: 1 - Job 8: end

Next week: Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> February 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday before Lent

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St Nicholas'
10.30am Messy Church

Genesis 25: 19-34 Matthew 18: 1-9

#### Contact us

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