

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

We wish you all a happy, peaceful and joyful Christmas and blessings for the New Year

Sunday 25th December 2022

Christmas Day

St Thomas'

St Nicholas'

8.00am Holy Communion 10.00am Family Celebration

Shared at St Thomas'

Isaiah 52: 7-10 John 1: 1-14

Collect

Lord Jesus Christ, your birth at Bethlehem draws us to kneel in wonder at heaven touching earth: accept our heartfelt praise as we worship you, our Saviour and our eternal God.

Rector's Reflection

I write to you this Christmas time knowing that there will be a range of emotions about 2022. For some there will have been celebrations and joy, whilst for others there will have been sadness and concern. For most of us there will have been the mixture of the two; but for all of us there is the availability of the one hope that manifested in the babe in the manger. Wherever you find yourself, know that God is with you and loves you beyond measure.

Merry Christmas, Max & Suzy.

Prayer

Street Prayer

Please pray for the residents of Lodge Road and Lower Road.

Those requesting prayer:

Peter, Michael, Marjorie, Anne, Valerie and Eric, Malcolm, Mick, Kerry, Kirsty, Donna, Andy, Joyce and family, Marilyn Browne, Bonnie, Jacqui & Chris

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

What's on

Zoom Meetings

For Zoom meetings go to **bton.uk/zoom** to be redirect to our Zoom room or simply enter this meeting ID: 239 248 3013 into the Zoom software. This will place you in a waiting room and you will be let in.

Wednesday 4th January

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

Thursday 5th January

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

Friday 7th January

10.30am Coffee & Cake: St Nicholas' Church Gwatkin Hall.

Life Events

The funeral of John Honeychurch will take place on **Tuesday 3rd January, 4.00pm** at The Oaks crematorium, Havant

The funeral of Cecilia 'Celia' Smees will take place on **Tuesday 10th January, 1.00pm** at St Thomas' followed by 2.30pm Committal at The Oaks crematorium, Havant.

Reveal

If you have completed or are considering Alpha, or simply have questions about God and life, Reveal may be the place for you. From February we will meet fortnightly for soup, pastries, chat, music and time for reflection. We don't have all the answers, what we have is a friendly place in which to ask the questions and explore the answers together. Whatever your experience is of life, God or church, we welcome you to join us for a chat. Speak to Max or Suzy to find out more.

Celia Smees

Max & Suzy wish to thank everyone for all their prayers and concern as they adjust to life without Suzy's Mother Celia, who died on 16th December. If you knew Celia and wish to attend her funeral it will be on the 10th January, 1pm At St Thomas', 2:30pm at The Oaks.

Holy Communion Washing

We need somebody to wash and iron the table and cloths which are used during Holy Communion at St Nicholas' once a month. If you can help please let Max know.



Amazon charity giving

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

Beacon Food Bank

The food bank are in need of: Tinned meals, tinned fruit & veg, tinned puddings, pot noodles, packet noodles, rice, jams, spreads, coffee, suga, shower gel & shampoo.

Call To Prayer

Every Wednesday at 8am, some of us meet online via Zoom or Facebook to pray for God's Kingdom to come here in Bedhampton. With the New Year why not make a new habit of joining us in this crucial part of our ministry here? Zoom details on previous page.

Next Week: Sunday 1st January 2023

New Year's Day

St Thomas'
10.00am Holy Communion

St Nicholas'
Shared at St Thomas'

Hebrews 2: 10-18 Matthew 2: 13-23

(No Compline this week)

Sunday 8th January 2023

Epiphany
Theme: Fruitfulness on the Frontline:
Mouthpiece for Truth and Justice

St Thomas' 9.00am Holy Communion

2 Samuel 12: 1-13 Luke 11: 37-54 St Nicholas'
10.30am Morning Worship

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Deb will be back in the office on Friday 6th January

