



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

Sunday 10th November 2024
Remembrance Sunday

St Thomas'
10.50am Remembrance Service
Hebrews 9.24-28
Mark 1.14-20

St Nicholas'
Shared at St Thomas'

Collect

God, our refuge and strength, bring near the day when wars shall cease and poverty and pain shall end, that earth may know the peace of heaven through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Rector's Reflection

Jesus declared that there was no greater love than to lay down one's life for others. This weekend is the time when we remember those who have done just that. Thankfully most of us will not find ourselves in that position, but I wonder if there are opportunities for us to make our own small sacrifice. At the midweek service, we reflected on St Paul's call to us to live out the impact Jesus has on us. I shared an old preacher's trick of asking a simple question. "If we were up in front of a judge accused of being a Christian, would there be enough evidence of love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control, to convict us?" It is a challenge, and perhaps even a sacrifice. In a world that seems to want to tear people down, to separate and isolate them, do we who choose to follow Jesus lift them up? Let us be convicted to share a love of encouragement and inclusion, let us live out a greater freedom that so many paid the ultimate sacrifice for.

Prayer

Prayer Is Vital

Our Wednesday morning prayer is 8am most weeks. You can join online in your web browser at www.bton.uk/pray or Facebook at www.fb.me/BedhamptonNews Whatever you do, please pray for God's mission in Bedhampton.

Prayer Pointers

1. Children, young people, and families
2. Those who have and do serve
3. Edward Gardens
4. The local army cadets
5. Ukraine and the Middle East

Those Requesting Prayer

Chris, Ann, Linda, Joy, Eileen, Vanessa

What's on

Wednesday 13th November

8.00am Parish Prayer. www.bton.uk/pray or Facebook at www.fb.me/BedhamptonNews

9.30am Holy Communion. St Thomas' Church.

All are welcome. Tea, coffee and biscuits available after the service.

Thursday 14th November

9.00am Fun Club. St Nicholas' Church

10.00am Online Holy Communion. www.Bedhampton.church/tv or Facebook.

Friday 15th November

10.30am Coffee & Cake. St Nicholas' Church

Saturday 16th November

9.30am Women's Breakfast. St Nicholas' Church

News

Alpha or Confirmation?

In February we are hosting an open and informal dialogue about faith, the person of Jesus, and what it all means. Each talk looks at a different question around faith and is designed to create conversation.

Everyone is welcome.

Alpha is also a great preparation if you are looking to be confirmed as an adult.

Contact Max for more information

Safeguarding Training

Safeguarding training will be on Saturday 7th December, 10am at St Thomas'. This is available for everyone so please feel free to come along.

Children's Society Boxes

The Children's Society do valuable work but need our help in order to do it. We need someone to take on the role of Children's Society advocate. Could it be you? Speak to Deb for more information.

Christingle Service

This year our Christingle service will be during Messy Church on Sunday 1st December, 10.30am at St Nicholas'. Any collection from this service will be given to the Children's Society.

Thank you!

A big thank you to all those who have given so generously to church funds, helping us to continue with our mission and outreach.

The Foodbank Challenge!

This week's foodbank donation idea: Tinned vegetables.

Seasonal idea: A Christmas pudding (please make sure the use by date is after Christmas)

Christmas Fayre

Saturday 30th November, 2.30-4.30pm at St Nicholas'.

Do you have any items you can donate? We are in need of:

Items for secret Santa

Soft toys

Handbag, scarves and jewellery

Complete jigsaws

New or nearly new unwanted gifts

Clean, complete children's toys

We are in particular need of Bottles and chocolate for a tombola.

Items can be left in St Nicholas' foyer.

Next Week. Sunday 17th November 2024

2nd Sunday before Advent

St Thomas'

9.00am Holy Communion

Hebrews 10.11-14, 19-25

Mark 13.1-8

4.00pm Celtic Prayer

St Nicholas'

10.30 Morning Worship

Hebrews 10.11-14, 19-25

Mark 13.1-8

Our services are usually available online after 6pm

Vision - Identity - Purpose

In Bedhampton Parish we seek to be with Jesus, become more like Jesus and do what Jesus did. We are people whose identity is in:

Prayer

- We seek to have a daily rhythm of prayer.
- We seek to have a daily habit of spending time in The Bible.
- We seek to worship God in song, thought, word, and action.

Helping

- We seek to serve one another.
- We seek to serve within God's church.
- We seek to serve our neighbour.

Giving

- We seek to give of ourselves, going the extra mile.
- We seek to give of our time in our community and God's Church.
- We seek to be generous with our resources and finances.

Read more about our Vision, Identity and Purpose at: www.bton.uk/vip

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