



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

Sunday 2nd February 2025
Candlemas

St Thomas'
9.00am Holy Communion
Malachi 3.1-5
Luke 2.22-40
4.00pm Compline

St Nicholas'
10.30am Messy Church

Collect

Lord Jesus Christ, light of the nations and glory of Israel: make your home among us, and present us pure and holy to your heavenly Father, your God, and our God.

Rector's Reflection

My daily lunchtime Psalm appears in my email inbox every day just after 11am. Last Tuesday it was Psalm 24 and oh how it lifted me up. At a time when we see the world going to pot, and may not know where to start in our prayerful or practical response the Psalmist delivers a timely reminder. "The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it". The Psalmist then takes us on a journey of God's loving attributes which are freely available for those who are willing to devote themselves. He ends by reminding us to lift our heads to greet the King of Glory and let him in. It left me reminded that God is good all the time and his Glory will fill the Earth. It left my spirits lifted up high. Perhaps there is something in this reading the Bible malarkey after all!

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. St Thomas Moore's Roman Catholic primary school
3. Hooks Farm Way
4. Single parents
5. Ukraine and the Middle East

Those requesting prayer

Janice, Ted

What's on

Wednesday 5th February

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 6th February

9.00am Fun Club. St Nicholas' Church

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

Friday 7th February

10.30am Coffee & Cake. St Nicholas' Church

Who Let The Dads Out?

On 22nd February, 9.30am at St Nicholas, we start our new group for fathers, grandfathers, father figures and their children. It is a place to find fun, friendships and support. We have toys, games, crafts, and breakfast, including bacon sandwiches. It is aimed at children from birth to school year 3 but all ages are welcome. Pick up a card or go to www.bton.uk/dads

Ladies Night Celebration

You are invited to a celebration for all our amazing ladies.

Friday 7th February, 7.30pm, at St Nicholas'

Put those glad rags on and join us for a night out!

To book your ticket, please fill in a form and give it to Deb.

New Wine Celebration

Sunday 2nd February, 6.30pm.
Church of the Good Shepherd,
Crookhorn

Deb Smart, Sports chaplain and experienced Camino pilgrim joins us. Feel free to come along from 6.15 pm to catch up with others.

Bedhampton Summer Show

The summer show is a key part of our connection with our community. This year's show, on Saturday 5th July, will be even better than before and it would be great to have an even bigger presence from Bedhampton church helping. If you could manage a stall, or help set up and/or pack down, please let Deb in the parish office know.

High Tide

This month's High Tide youth get together will be on Friday 14th February, 7-9pm, at St George's, Waterlooville.

Alpha Course

Our Alpha course begins on Wednesday 5th February, 6.45pm in the parish room. If you would like to join this please let Jo, Linda or Deb know.

Mothers' Union AGM and Tea

The Mothers' Union AGM and tea will be on Tuesday 28th January, 2pm at St Nicholas'.
All are welcome.

APCM

On Sunday 27th April we will have a joint service at St Nicholas' at 10.30am. This will be followed by our APCM and celebration lunch.

Next Week. Sunday 9th February 2024

4th Sunday before Lent

St Thomas'
9.00am Holy Communion

Romans 2.1-16
John 8.31-47

St Nicholas'
10.30am Morning Worship

Romans 2.1-16
John 8.31-47

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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