



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

Sunday 16th March 2025
Second Sunday in Lent

St Thomas'
9.00am Holy Communion
Romans 5.1-11
John 14.15-31
4.00pm Celtic Prayer

St Nicholas'
9.15am Bubble Church
10.30am Morning Worship
Romans 5.1-11
John 14.15-31

Collect

Almighty God,
by the prayer and discipline of Lent
may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings,
and by following in his way come to share in his glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Rector's Reflection

I awoke the other day with the chorus of a late nineties worship song circulating in my mind. The opening words of that song are; "We're looking to your promise of old that if we pray and humble ourselves, you will come and heal our land." Who doesn't want healing for their life and the land they live in? However, it is the title and chorus of that song that reveals the road to the promised healing. "Send revival start with me." As we continue to seek to share God's love and friendship with others, the bedrock of that must be prayer and humility. We pray for our five to come to know Jesus for themselves out of the overflow of our own desire to pray and humble ourselves to our Lord. To seek a fresh new desire to serve and worship the King. Today we pray, Lord send revival, start with me!

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. Your neighbours
3. Jessie Road
4. Bedhampton Court care home
5. Ukraine and the Middle East

Those requesting prayer

Janice, Ted, Paddy, Alan.

What's on

Tuesday 18th March

2.00pm St Nick's Flicks. St Nicholas' Church. All are welcome.

Wednesday 19th March

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 20th March

9.00am Fun Club. St Nicholas' Church

10.00am Online Holy Communion. www.bton.uk/tv or Facebook.

Friday 21st March

10.30am Coffee & Cake. St Nicholas' Church

New Wine Festival

Max & Suzy will be at the New Wine Festival this summer. Six days of gathering to encounter the Holy Spirit across all ages. 30 July - 4 August 2025. It's not too late to book in with our partner church St Jude's, Southsea. Book at festival.new-wine.org

Electoral Roll

We have to renew our Electoral Roll this year. If you would like to remain on the roll please complete the form online at www.bton.uk/roll or collect a paper copy from either church venue and give it to Deb, in the office.

Annual Meeting (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, bring and share, lunch.

PCC

We will shortly have two vacancies on our Parochial Church Council. For more information speak to Max.

Romans Sermon Series

Our current sermon series has a accompanying book by Andrew Ollerton from The Bible Society. "Romans: A Letter That Makes Sense of Life", is available from all the usual places.

Nominate Us For A Grant

Our insurance is having their annual giveaway. You can nominate us to receive a £1000 grant at zero cost to you by going to www.bton.uk/nominate

Lego

We would like to occasionally offer a lego table at some of our family services. If you have any lego that is not in use and you would like to donate it to this cause, please contact Deb in the office.

Singles Afternoon Tea

For whatever reason, you are a single person attending our Church you are invited to an afternoon tea. 3pm, Sunday 6th April at The Rectory. Max would like your input on how we can better include those who find themselves alone. We want to be a Church that includes everyone and your input can help with that. Please let Deb in the Parish Office know if you are able to attend.

Next Week. Sunday 23rd March 2025

Third Sunday in Lent

St Thomas'
9.00am Morning Praise

Romans 6.1-14
John 8.21-32

St Nicholas'
10.30 Holy Communion

Romans 6.1-14
John 8.21-32

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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