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## St Thomas . Penny Street . Lancaster

Worshipping God together and at home, we serve and proclaim Jesus wherever we are.

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# St.tees bulletin

## 31<sup>st</sup> January 2010

**Safety Notice:** Would parents/adults in charge of children please take responsibility for and supervise your children /those in your care, both inside and outside of church from 11:30 am on Sunday mornings. Thank you.



## TODAY

### January 31<sup>st</sup>

- 10:30 am **Service of the Word** Jesus's encounter with women (1)  
6:15 pm **Holy Communion**  
8:15 pm **After Hours** - a chance to look at love, joy and peace. How can we live it? How are they God's character?

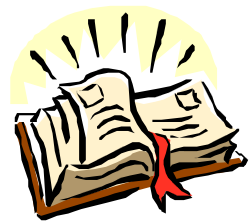
## Sermons for February

### February 7<sup>th</sup>

- 9:15 am **Holy Communion** (said) downstairs centre  
10:30 am **All-Age Service** Psalms - Praise  
6:15 pm **Service of the Word** Set Free from Slavery (3) Exodus 4:v1-end (v31). Moses not the ideal leader. No leader is ideal  
8:15 pm **After Hours** Patience, kindness, goodness. How can we live it? How are they God's character?

### February 14<sup>th</sup>

- 10:30 am **Holy Communion** Hearing the voice of Jesus speaking to his church (3). Revelation 2:v12-17. Pergamum  
6:15 pm **Service of the Word** Set Free from Slavery (4) Exodus 5:v1-6:v13. The Lord, the I AM has decided to free those in slavery - He will do it.  
8:15 pm **After Hours** Nooma DVD - Dust



### February 21<sup>st</sup>

- 10:30 am **Service of the Word** Hearing the voice of Jesus speaking to his church (4) Revelation 2:v18-19. Thyatira  
6:15 pm **Holy Communion** Set Free from Slavery (5). Exodus 6:v28-11:end (v 10) Moses may be an inadequate speaker, but God's acts of judgement on the oppressor are clear enough  
8:15 pm **After Hours** Faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. How can we live it? How are they God's character?

### February 28<sup>th</sup>

- 10:30 am **Holy Communion** Jesus's encounter with women (2)  
6:15 pm **Service of the Word**  
8:15 pm **After Hours** Nooma DVD - Breathe

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**After Hours** Aimed at students and young adults aged 16 - 30. We meet in the downstairs centre following the Evening Service. This term seeks to explore the theme of the fruits of the Spirit and will combine talks, discussion topics, Nooma videos and, after listening to feedback on 7<sup>th</sup> March, there is a chance for people to get a bit creative and organise, prepare and run a mini service!

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# THIS WEEK

**YOUTH ALPHA will be part of ROCK SOLID** this term.

7:03 - 8:32 pm in the downstairs centre. 50p subs plus money for tuck. For anyone in school years 7 - 9. Youth Alpha is also our preparation for Confirmation and / or Baptism course. For more information contact Ian on (01524) 590 416, email [ian@st.tees.org.uk](mailto:ian@st.tees.org.uk) or look at the church website. Also, anyone in year 10 or above interested in Youth Alpha do get in touch with Ian.

## STUDENT ALPHA



continues at **The Park pub** (on the corner of Prospect Street & Bowerham Road) on **Monday evenings** starting at 6:30 pm. This is an open invitation to all students (or people around that age) in the whole of Lancaster - and it's not too late to come along.

**Cooking for Student Alpha** There is a sign up sheet at the welcome desk if house groups, or people generally, would like to cook for Student Alpha. There are some ideas too!

## NISCU

Come along on **Tuesday morning 2<sup>nd</sup> February** to find out news and pray for the North Lancs team and others working in schools. 11:00 am for coffee, 11:30 am prayer. 12:00 noon light lunch. Venue: Inglewood, Aldcliffe, Lancaster.

## EXTRA TIME

meets Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 10:15 for 10:30 am in the downstairs centre. This week will focus on *An interesting life choice in retirement*, with Brian & Joan Robinson in the Philippines. Pick up the latest programme of events for Spring & Summer from the welcome desk.

**CHILDREN & YOUTH PRAYER MEETING Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> February** 7:30 pm in the upstairs centre.

## WOMEN'S GROUP

meets for coffee on **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> February** 11:00 am at The Sultan, Brock Street, Lancaster. All welcome.

# EVENTS COMING UP

## STUDENT LUNCH - Next Sunday

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> February** in the downstairs centre after the morning service. Free food and a great opportunity to meet people if you are new, or just want to get to know more people. Feel free to bring friends along.



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## NOTICE FOR HOUSE GROUPS

### HOUSE GROUP LEADERS' BREAKFAST Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> February

8:30 - 10:00 am in the upstairs centre. If house group leaders cannot attend personally, could you please ask one of your group to represent you. Please confirm your attendance by letting Anne in the office know.

**STUDIES FOR LENT** If any house group leader would like some information, please see Sally Pidd today.

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## PRAYING TOGETHER

Beginning this week - a series of prayer meetings to encourage us to join together as a church to pray and to focus on different aspects of the church - 7:30 pm in church - Future dates for your diary:

- **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> February**
- **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> March**
- **Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> May**

If a date falls on a house group evening, maybe you would consider meeting as a group with the church community. If you are unable to make any of those dates, do pray as triplets, or individuals in your own home. Watch the Bulletin for further details.



## WENDY'S CRAFT WORKSHOP

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> February** 9:30 am - 3:30 pm in the downstairs centre. Brighten up the Winter Blues with a fun day of jewellery making. Use Fimo, Friendly Plastic and recycled beads to make earrings, necklaces, bracelets, hair slides and brooches. Cost £25.00. For further details contact Wendy on (01524) 61586 or 07817 754 095.

## PRAYING FOR THE CHURCH IN OUR CITY

The next Accord Prayer Concert will be on **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February** 7:30 pm at Lancaster Free Methodist Church.



## FEEL GOOD IN FEBRUARY!

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February** 7:00 - 11:00 pm in church - keep it free for the **Bollywood Night**.

Children's Dancing Competition, Demonstrations and a gorgeous Indian meal. Free soft drinks bar, henna painting and Bindis. Tickets available today in church, or from the office during the week. £10.00 adults. £5.00 children under 12.

On the previous Saturday (20<sup>th</sup>) we will be running an Indian clothing library for women. If you have clothes to lend, come along between 11:00 am - 12:00 noon to the downstairs centre. If you would like to borrow clothes and learn how to wear a sari, come between 12:30 and 2:30 pm.

## CONFIRMATION 6:15 pm Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> June

in St Thomas's with Bishop Geoff Pearson, Bishop of Lancaster. Being Confirmed is an opportunity to affirm your baptismal vows and commit yourself to Christian ministry in the wider church and world and would be for those from 12 years old, including adults. Have a word with Saju or one of our Youth Pastors if you are interested.

# NOTICE BOARD

## CALLING ALL STUDENTS AND STUDENTY AGED PEOPLE...

There is a shiny new leaflet on the welcome desk with lots of info about various things. (Naomi)

## LICENSING SERVICE

If anyone from St Thomas's would like to attend the Licensing Service of Peter Guinness as Priest-in-Charge of St Mark's Gillingham on **Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> February** please let the Church Office know by the end of January. There is the offer of a meal at 6:00 pm and overnight hospitality.

## HOLIDAY CLUB

for children in Reception to School Year 6 **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> to Friday 9<sup>th</sup> April**  
It's going to be amazing ... don't miss it!! More details for the children coming soon.

### We need a team to make Holiday Club happen

Sign up on the welcome desk or contact Sarah Evans (01524) 590 418  
[sarah@st.tees.org.uk](mailto:sarah@st.tees.org.uk)  
to find out more about what's involved.

## ST THOMAS'S PRE-SCHOOL

Require an Assistant Supervisor to cover maternity leave during the summer and autumn term 2010 with a potential for job share afterwards.

The applicant will be employed during term-time for 22.5 hours a week over 5 days (with additional hours for paperwork).

Applicants should have a minimum NVQ Level 3 (Childcare, Learning and Development) or equivalent qualification, one year experience in a teaching or childcare setting and be sympathetic to the Christian ethos.

For further information and an application pack please contact St Thomas's Church Office. Tel (01524) 590 410 or e-mail:

[admin@preschool.tees.org.uk](mailto:admin@preschool.tees.org.uk).

*Closing date for applications Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February. Interviews week commencing 22<sup>nd</sup> February.*

**THE INTERNATIONAL CAFÉ** - for overseas students and families. Pick up information from the welcome desk of events happening this term.

### CHURCHES TOGETHER IN LANCASTER - celebrations in 2010 - A Milestone Year!

Here in Lancashire there are opportunities to Run, Sing and Be Inspired for local Mission as we celebrate 2010 together. Dates for your diary:

- **Sat 8<sup>th</sup> May** - Run for the World - along Morecambe Promenade
- **Wed 12<sup>th</sup> May** "Better Together" - an evening of inspiration at CTL's new style Annual Meeting & Forum
- **Sat 22<sup>nd</sup> May** Celebration Praise! Ecumenical Choirs from across the county.

See notice board for details - further information following.

**NEWS FROM N. IRELAND** El Gruer - a member of St Thomas's is currently working in Northern Ireland with the Pais Project. For more information, pick up a copy of her latest newsletter from the welcome desk.

**WEEKLY FOOTBALL Sundays** 9:00 - 10:00 pm at the University of Cumbria Sports Centre on the astroturf. All Welcome. For more information contact Phil on 07900 037 590.

#### REFRESHMENTS TEAM

Today	31 Jan	10:30am	Nick & Alison Johnstone's house group
		6:15pm	
Sunday	7 Feb	10:30am	Richard & Doreen Silman's house group
		6:15pm	After Hours

For general information & further details about St Thomas's activities, do visit our website  
[www.st.tees.org.uk](http://www.st.tees.org.uk)

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#### WELCOME.

If you have recently come to St Thomas's, or even if you've been coming for a while, we would like to welcome you and get to know you better. Please fill in this tear-off slip and hand it in at the Welcome Desk or put it in the church letter box in the St Thomas Centre behind the church (The letterbox is at the top of the concrete external stairs).

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		e-mail			
I would like more information about....			I am interested in house groups <input type="checkbox"/>		

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