



ST THOMAS CHURCH LANCASTER

SHARING GOD'S LOVE FROM THE HEART OF THE CITY

21ST APRIL

EASTER SUNDAY



Charity No 113 0550

A WARM WELCOME to any visitors. Please fill in a contact form on the back of this bulletin, so that we can get to know you, and leave it in the grey box on the Welcome

9AM HOLY COMMUNION

11AM ALL-AGE HOLY COMMUNION

He is risen! *Matthew 28. 1-10*

7PM HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE

The Journey continues;

The tomb wasn't his final destination

John 20. 1-18

OUR MISSION PARTNER PRAYERS for April is Ambassadors Football. And Martin Bateman

BAPTISM There will be a service of baptism by immersion on **Sunday May 5th**. If anyone would be interested in being baptised please contact Jon, Helen or Claire.

APCM The Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be at 7.45pm on **Monday 29th April**. It is an opportunity for electoral roll members to choose PCC members and churchwardens; and to hear the Annual Reports. This year there are 4 vacancies on the PCC for a term of 3 years, 3 vacancies for 2 years, 1 Deanery Synod post which are up for renewal this year. (our Deanery Synod representatives also sit on our PCC). The revised plans for the Heart of the City building project will be shared at the APCM

ELECTORAL ROLL If you wish to check your details the Wardens have a hard copy of the Roll with them, so just ask them to see it.

APCM REPORTS To save paper and resources the two APCM reports have been emailed, as two attachments, to all members of the Electoral Roll who have given an email address. If you have not received them please check your Spam box.

Anyone else whether on the Electoral Roll or not, who would like to receive the reports by email please sign up on the sheet on the Welcome Desk.

There will be a small number of paper copies of the reports on the Welcome desk for collection (one copy of each report per family please) only for those who cannot access the reports online or from an email.

ST. THOMAS' BULLETIN

RENEWAL PRAYER MEETING Please join us on **Thursday 25th April** at 7pm, and every term time Thursday afterwards, in the upstairs church centre when we pray for Renewal of our church, city and country.

MAD DASH (formally R4TW): Join in and Make A Difference at MAD Dash 2019 (formally R4TW). **11th May** at 10.30 on Morecambe Prom, by the Battery. Run or Walk, 2km/5km/10km, £5 U16, £10 adults, £25 family. Register at www.maddash.org.uk. Supporting our local CAP debt centre and Ambassadors Football to Make A Difference!

FURTHER AHEAD

CAKES NEEDED for the Police Family Fun Day at Capernwray **11th May** Any cakes should be at the Church Office by 1pm on **Friday 10th May** in non-returnable packaging and nothing that needs refrigeration please.

MORECAMBE BAY CHRISTIAN MEDICAL FELLOWSHIP All health professionals are invited to the event "Breakfast & Lakeland Walk" 9:00 am **Saturday 11th May** 2019 at Wilf's Cafe, Stavely Mill Yard, Back Lane, Stavely LA8 9LR. We will meet for breakfast and park in the car park. Afterwards we will do an approx 4 mile walk. For more information please email morecambebaycmf@gmail.com

WALK TO RAISE FUNDS FOR THE HOTC PROJECT. Please join us on a great family day out on **Saturday 18th May**, walking beside Lancaster canal, either to St John's Ellel (5 miles) or St Thomas' Garstang (13 miles). Registration is £12 for adults and £6 for under-18s including a baseball cap. Please seek sponsors too if you wish. Information leaflets and sponsorship forms are now on the Welcome Desk and also online. Please register as soon as possible, at Churchsuite or at the church website or using the information leaflet. Contact taylorallya@gmail.com for more info.

NOTICES

ST TEES MUSIC VIDEOS We're so excited to have recorded two of our own songs to share with you all! Both 'Christ the Rock' and 'Our God Can Make A Way' are available on youtube, searchable by the song title or by finding our channel called St Thomas' Lancaster. Happy viewing!

MISSION PARTNER NEWS Our Mission Partner family in Pakistan are very thankful to the St T's church family for their loving concern, prayers and financial support. This has enabled them now to buy a car to help in their ministry. They pray for us and send warmest greetings. We pray for their safety on the roads.

SPARKLERS Are you able to help with Sparklers next term? Sparklers is a group for 1-4 year olds which runs during the 9am service. We are looking for someone to help on the 2nd and 4th Sunday each month and possibly take a lead on those weeks. Please speak to Nic Barry or Emma Dixon - @n.barry@st.tees.org.uk

THANKS FROM ANDY AND JENNY BAINS Jenny and Andy would like to express their grateful thanks to all those on the prayer team and others in the wider church family for their prayers over the past several months, especially leading up to Andy's operation. Recovery is slow but steady. Leading up to the op they were led to Deut 31.6 which they felt stood them in good stead.

EVENTS ELSEWHERE

DAUGHTER... WHOSE DAUGHTER ARE YOU? This is an opportunity for women to spend the weekend away being taken care of in the beautiful Lake District, and to receive teaching and ministry from Jenny Campbell of Eaglesinflight ministries (www.eaglesinflight.net) and her wonderful team. Friday **31st May 2019** (from 4 p.m.) to Sunday 2nd June 2019 (before or after lunch), at Rydal Hall, Ambleside, Cumbria, LA22 9LX £142.70 for the weekend (dinner, B &B). For more information and to book: Jaqui Woodcock on 07763475496 or email romadie13@gmail.com or visit <https://www.facebook.com/events/288295048531413/> for full weekend schedule and more.

PIANO CONCERT 'Far from the Home I Love'. **Thursday 16th June**, 7.30pm at the Priory. International pianist Margaret Fingerhut is performing across the UK to raise awareness of refugee needs as well as to collect funds for City of Sanctuary refugee groups. Her programme includes Chopin, Grieg, Handel, Haydn, Prokofiev and Rachmaninov, and a new piece by Arian, who wrote the Refugee National Anthem for the 2016 Olympics. Tickets: £10 advance, £12 on the door. Booking <https://cityofsanctuary.org/farfromhome/>. Leaflets on the Welcome Desk.

ORDINATION Michael Hutchinson is being ordained at Blackburn Cathedral on **Sat 29th June** at 10.30am. If you would like a ticket please contact Michael.

THE NEW WINE SUMMER CONFERENCE WEEK 1 (27 JULY – 2 AUG) in Peterborough has SOLD OUT apart from team places. If you have booked to come to Week 1 with the St T's group, please tell Katharine Shentall katharine@st.tees.org.uk. Spaces are still available for Week 2.

THE CORNERSTONE, 3 VACANCIES Café Manager and 2 deputies are needed by Lancaster Methodist Church. Closing date **29th April**. Details from simoncornerstonecafe@gmail.com

WEDNESDAY LUNCHTIME SERVICE The weekly service, at noon, is very quiet and peaceful and consists of a said communion with a short talk and time of prayer and in total it lasts about 40 minutes. We all need a bit of time out to find peace and reconnect with God during the week, so we offer you a warm welcome to our midweek spoken communion service.

ST THOMAS BADMINTON Fridays 7.30pm in Heysham High School gym, a small group meets to play badminton. The playing standard is mixed so that no-one would feel out of place. Contact Vivien on vivien.hawksby@btinternet.com for more information.

£130 TO YOUR CHURCH Ecclesiastical Insurance are offering to donate £130 to any C of E church (at St Thomas' this will go to BFM) for every new home insurance policy taken out before December 2019. See www.ecclesiastical.com/Trust130

THE SERMONS ARE ONLINE The majority of the sermons are available to download, or listen to as a podcast. Go to www.st.tees.org.uk/sermons.

PHOTOS IN CHURCH In line with our safeguarding policies, which are intended to keep children and vulnerable adults safe in church, please do not take photos or videos in church services without asking permission of the clergy first.



PASTORAL ISSUES Please inform the church office or one of the leadership of any pastoral needs that arise such as illness, accidents or bereavements.

PRAYER MINISTRY CORNER We offer prayer ministry after every main service, in the prayer ministry area at the back right corner of the main church. If you would like prayer for anything at all, please don't hesitate to go over to the prayer ministry corner, and ask a member of the prayer ministry team to pray with you.

PASTORAL PRAYER CHAIN Please send your prayer requests to Margaret Stocks on 01524 66257.

VALUABLES Keep your valuables with you all the time while in church, even when going to take Communion or for prayer.

We use church management software called ChurchSuite. This gives all the adults on our database the option to access their rotas, the church calendar, sign up for church events, and update their contact details. If you don't have access to My Churchsuite, contact the church office. All information is stored securely in line with the Data Protection Act. Unless you choose otherwise, your details can only be accessed by church staff and those writing any rotas you might be on. stthomaslancaster.churchsuite.co.uk/



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 If you have recently come to St Thomas's, we'd like to welcome you & get to know you. Please fill in this slip & hand it in at the Welcome desk.

Name (Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms Other)	
Address	
Postcode	
Telephone	
Email	
Children (include DOB)	
If you are interested in joining a Life Group tick here <input type="checkbox"/>	
If you are a student tick here <input type="checkbox"/>	
Is there anything particular you would like to get involved in?	

Please tick the box if we **may add** your information to our mailing list (Churchsuite). You can unsubscribe at any time by contacting admin@st.tees.org.uk

Please could you indicate your age group.
 Under 20
 20-30
 30-50
 Over 50

Which service have you come to?
 9am 11am 7pm