



ST THOMAS CHURCH LANCASTER

SHARING GOD'S LOVE FROM THE HEART OF THE CITY

5TH MAY

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 desk. Do stay for a drink and chat.

9AM HOLY COMMUNION **Saying yes to God: Yes to following Jesus**
11AM MORNING SERVICE *Luke 5:1-11*

7PM EVENING SERVICE **The Lord's Prayer: Our father in heaven**
 hallowed be your name
 Romans 8:14-17

OUR MISSION PARTNER PRAYERS for May is Police Chaplaincy and Steve Cowles.

THIS WEEK

EXTRA TIME, Tuesday 7th May downstairs in the Church Centre (behind the Church) please come along for a 10.30 start or 10.15 for coffee and biscuits. This week we welcome Jamie Armstrong with a talk entitled 'Day in the Life of a National Trust Ranger'. Why not come and join with us, all are welcome.

MAD DASH (formally R4TW): Join in and Make A Difference at MAD Dash 2019 (formally R4TW) on **Saturday 11th May** at 10.30am 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!

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.

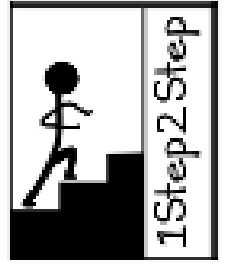
MORECAMBE BAY CHRISTIAN MEDICAL FELLOWSHIP All health professionals are invited to the event 'Breakfast & Lakeland Walk' 9:00am **Saturday 11th May** 2019 at Wilf's Cafe, Stavely Mill Yard, Back Lane, Stavely LA8 9LR. We will meet for breakfast and park in the car park. Afterwards we will do an approx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

FURTHER AHEAD

PUTTING THE HUMANITY BACK INTO DEATH Kate Brewer, Operations Manager and now Head of Projects and Governance at award winning Poppy's

ST. THOMAS' BULLETIN

Funeral <https://www.poppysfunerals.co.uk/> will be speaking at St Thomas Church, Lancaster on **Tuesday 14th May** at 12.30. This lunchtime talk will look at how Poppy's Funerals was founded in order to help people take creative control of their funerals, how we can meet the challenges of a good, fairly priced funeral and what a blueprint to the future of funerals might look like.



1STEP2STEP QUIZ NIGHT is on **Friday 17th May** at 7.30pm at the Trimpell Sports and Social Club, Out Moss Lane, Morecambe, LA4 4UP. £10 for a team of 4 or £15 for a team of 6. All profits to go to 1step2step. For more information speak to Emma Dixon.

TWO WEEKS TO GO! CANAL WALK on **Saturday 18th May**, either to St John's Ellel (5 miles) or St T's Garstang (13 miles). We hope many of you will join in this fun fundraiser for the HOTC project: walk, bake a cake, serve refreshments along the route or in Garstang, offer lifts; there are lots of ways to be involved. There are sign up sheets on the Welcome Desk and walkers can also register at the church website, soon please to help our planning. We have a few offers to pay the registration fee if this is a problem for anyone. Contact taylorsallya@gmail.com for more info.

STAG BREAKFAST The next STAG event is breakfast on **Saturday 18th May** from 9:00-10:30am downstairs in the church centre. This is on the same day as the 'Canamble' walk for the Heart of the City project so why not come for a hearty breakfast and then burn it off on the walk. You can sign-up and pay the £5 for the breakfast via church suite - it would be great to see you there.

NEW TO THE 11.00AM SERVICE? If you've started coming along to the 11am congregation in the past year or so, we'd love to get to know you over coffee after the 11am all-age service on **Sunday 19th May**. Juice, biscuits, and toys for children also provided. We'll be in the downstairs lounge across in the centre – do come and join us!

MICHAEL HUTCHINSON is being ordained at Blackburn Cathedral on **Saturday 29th June** at 10.30am. If you would like a ticket please contact him.

Michael's last service is the 7pm on 19 May. After that he is off to start his curacy. If anyone would like to contribute to a gift for Michael please could any contributions be sent to the Church Office. Thank you.

NOTICES

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

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.

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

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.

SUPPORT ASYLUM SEEKERS If you would like to stay informed about ways in which you can support asylum seekers and refugees in our city through donations of items, involvement in the various groups and events supporting them, or just would like to hear about what is happening, do contact us on stlancasterasr@websuite.co.uk to join our St Tees asylum seekers and refugees mailing list.

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.

EVENTS ELSEWHERE

COMMUNITY PASTOR FOR THE RIDGE ESTATE Lancaster hosted by Lancaster Baptist Church. We are looking for someone to build on the foothold developed on this estate over the past 7 years. Informal enquiries or to receive the Job Description contact Ridge.settlement@gmail.com Closing date is 19 May.

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. For more information and to book: Jaqui Woodcock on 07763475496 or email romadie13@gmail.com or visit <https://www.facebook.com/events/288295048531413> for the schedule and more.

PIANO CONCERT 'Far from the Home I Love' on **Thursday 6th 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. Booking <https://cityofsanctuary.org/farfromhome/>. Leaflets on the stand in the foyer.

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 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