



ST THOMAS

CHURCH LANCASTER

SHARING GOD'S LOVE FROM THE HEART OF THE CITY

8TH JULY

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 MORNING SERVICE **Josiah and the lost word of God**
11AM MORNING SERVICE *2 Kings 22. 1-20*

7PM HOLY COMMUNION **Joel, Return to God!** *Joel 2. 1-17*

MISSION PARTNER PRAYER PARTNER FOR JULY is the Police Chaplaincy and Steve Cowles

THIS WEEK

TECH TRAINING We're so lucky as a church to have a wonderful tech team that keeps our sound and screens running on a Sunday. We would love to see people come and join these teams across our congregations, and we have some training dates booked in with some of our in-house experts. This is both refresher training for existing members of the team, but also training for those wanting to get involved. For sound desk training we have one session left, on **Tuesday 10th July at 7.30pm**. All training done in church. Please let our sung worship co-ordinator Jono Peatman know if you intend to be there.

FURTHER AHEAD

C1 FOR THE TERRIFIED -SAFEGUARDING TRAINING—Everyone who works/volunteers with children, young people and adults who may be vulnerable needs to complete the C1 course. For those who do not like doing the online course at home, or don't have internet access, there is an evening on **Monday 16th July** in the upstairs lounge at 7.30pm when we will work through the C1 course together.

GODSPACE - Tuesday 17th July, 8-9 pm, in church. An hour of quiet, meditative prayer; an opportunity for us to gather together and "be still and know that I am God". Why not join us, or do it at home at the same time?



ST. THOMAS' BULLETIN

DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE HEART OF THE CITY PROJECT Wed 18th July 2018

Please join us as we commit this day to prayer for the Heart of the City Project. We are especially focusing on our planning application as it is due to go before Lancaster City Council's Planning & Highways Regulatory Committee for a decision at their meeting at **10:30am on Monday 23rd July**. So if you also feel as we do that this is something that God is calling us to do, as a church, please join us in prayer and fasting on Wednesday, July 18th. If you would like to receive text updates on Monday 23rd July, for prayer during the meeting, please e-mail helen@st.tees.org.uk with your mobile phone number, stating that you are happy to be contacted by Helen by text.

MORECAMBE BAY CMF (Christian Medical Fellowship) Summer BBQ on **Saturday 21st July**, 6pm –9pm. All health professionals are invited. Please bring salad or dessert and the drink of your choice. Meat and bread buns will be provided. For more information and details of the venue please email morecambabaycmf@gmail.com or visit our Facebook page - search 'Morecambe Bay CMF' on Facebook

SUMMER FUN DAY, Monday 30th July, 11am-3pm, for under 12s and their families. Come along and bring your friends to enjoy a bouncy castle, games, crafts, toys and lots of cake. We need a team for the fun day! Could you help with welcome, refreshments, leading crafts or games, leafleting in town, making cake or setting up? Contact Emma Dixon at emma@st.tees.org.uk

HOLIDAY AT HOME this year is on **Tues, Wed, Thurs, 7th to 9th August**. Our theme this year is 'When we were very young.' Booking forms are on the Welcome Desk or downloadable from the website so please invite any older family members, friends and neighbours. We also need volunteers to help at the event, welcoming and hosting, helping in the kitchen, leading group activities and as ever we need cake bakers. Please speak to Jeanette or email jeanette@st.tees.org.uk if you can help, even just for half a day. You can also sign up on the welcome desk. Thank you.

NOTICES

SOUTH INDIAN FEAST Saturday 21 July. Urgent help needed in the church centre kitchen to serve wonderful food for this Heart of the City fundraiser. Please see Jess Walmsley (or email admin@st.tees.org.uk). if you can help for some of part of the day.

POLO SHIRTS AND REFLECTIVE JACKETS we have a number of these left over from the Landmark conference. If you could use any or know of any charities (to which we might donate them & don't mind having a logo on them, please contact the office on admin@st.tees.org.uk

SUMMER BULLETIN As usual there will be no church newsletter printed during August. There will be a bulletin on Sunday July 29th and the next one will be Sunday 2nd September. So if you want to put a notice in the newsletter for August or early September please send email it to the Church Office by **Thursday 8am on July 26th**

SOUND OF MUSIC. Ripley St Thomas are performing 'Sound of Music' a number of STYLE youth are in the production, (including Rebecca Wadson as Maria) **8th -11th July** Tickets available at Ripley reception 01524 64496

SERVING COFFEE (9AM) Due to relocation and other matters we are now short of people on Team 1 and Team 2 of the 9am coffee rota. We are looking for about 4 people to join the team from September (2 for each team) which involves serving coffee/tea once a month. You do not need to attend the 9am service to do this, we already have people who attend the 11 and come an hour early (10am) in order to serve at the 9, for which we are very grateful. if you think you can help please speak to Anne Gager or email anne.gager@cumbria.ac.uk

SUMMER MONTHS PRAYER FOR THE MARSH The Marsh Prayer Group, would like to set up a chain of daily prayer for the area, asking for God's protection. We would like to find people who will pray at a place, and for a length of time, that suits them, on one or two of the days between July 1 and September 16. We will provide ideas and subjects as a guide. If interested, please speak to Katie Schad - 07868314807, katie.schad@hotmail.co.uk

CAR PARK - many people are not being fair in how they use the church car park. Most days, most of the cars parked there have no parking permit (ie they have not paid). If you have a permit, please display it. If the barrier is down when you arrive or leave, please lock it down again after you have driven through. Please don't lend your key to anyone else. Thank you.

CAR PARK PERMITS FOR CHURCH MEMBERS If you wish to purchase a permit to use the car park Monday – Saturday for the next twelve months (from June 30th 2018) these are now available at a cost of £75. Application forms are available from the welcome desk and the website (links on the home page). Please return this when completed to the church office along with payment. Please note that a permit does not guarantee a space on every occasion. Should building work require the car park to be closed before the end June 2019, permits may be withdrawn and partial refunds issued. You do not require a permit to use the car park when attending services on Sunday. **Permits are available for collection from the Church Office**

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.

C1 CERTIFICATES for those people who came to Safeguarding Training in Jan are **still** available to collect from the Church Office

RENEWAL PRAYER MEETING Join us on Thursdays when we will be praying at 7pm for half an hour in the upstairs centre.

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 admin@t.tees.org.uk while Margaret is away.

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

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

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