



ST THOMAS CHURCH LANCASTER

SHARING GOD'S LOVE FROM THE HEART OF THE CITY

19TH 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
11AM ALL-AGE SERVICE
7PM MORNING SERVICE

Saying yes to God:
Yes to God's family *Acts 2. 42-47*

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

THIS WEEK

MICHAEL HUTCHINSON Michael's last service is the 7pm TODAY. After that he is off to start his curacy.

WELCOME to the family and friends of James Taylor, who is being baptised today during our 11am service.

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 TODAY Juice, biscuits, and toys for children also provided. We'll be in the downstairs lounge across in the centre – do come and join us!

EXTRA TIME Tuesday 21st May downstairs in the Church Centre please come for a 10-30 start or 10-15 for coffee and biscuits. This week we welcome the Rev. Adrian Wolton with a talk entitled "My Story." Come and join with us, all are most welcome, also please remember your Outing Booking forms thank you.

Extra Time

MESSY CHURCH Come along to Messy Church which will be taking place on **Tuesday 21st May** at 3:30pm-5:30pm, where we will share food, games, crafts, fun and a celebration together! All children age 2-8 yrs old are welcome.



EUROPEAN ELECTIONS You'll be aware that the European Elections are being held on **Thursday 23rd May**. We'd just like to encourage everyone who can to go along and vote, so that whatever party we vote for, pro or anti Brexit, we as Christians can stand against those who preach hatred and extremism.

ST. THOMAS' BULLETIN

FURTHER AHEAD

MORECAMBE BAY CHRISTIAN MEDICAL FELLOWSHIP All health professionals are invited to "Managing conflict at work". 9:00 - 11:00 am on **Sat 15th June** in the Downstairs Church Centre. Refreshments will be served at the start. For more information email morecambebaycmf@gmail.com

HOLIDAY AT HOME is coming up from **Tuesday 6th to Thursday 8th August** and our theme this year is 'Come Cruise with Us.' We would love to hear from anyone who can head up the kitchen team, making simple meals for our guests either for all three days or who would do just one or two days. We would also love to hear from anyone who would like to help on the event planning team. Please contact Jeanette Main (jeanette@st.tees.org.uk) for a chat.

NOTICES

MAD DASH (5km without a walking stick) Ken Mansley would like to thank everyone who sponsored him last Saturday. The amount raised was over £400. Many thanks. Ken

WE "KNEAD" YOUR BAKED GOOD DONATIONS! Exam season has begun for the "clever cookies" of STY:LE Youth Ministry. As in previous years, Resolute and St Tees are hosting a revision club for those who would value "muffin more" than a quiet space to study on Thursday afternoons (**23.05 - 20.06 excluding 30.05**). What better way to support and show the YP that we "loaf" them, than if you could donate some tasty baked treats to eat while studying. Donations can be left on Wednesday/Thursday in the youth office. Thank you and "doughnut" forget!

APCM ELECTIONS At the APCM on April 29th 2 Churchwardens were elected, Chris Park and Linda Hendry and 7 people were elected to the PCC Keith Robinson, Zenon Morgan-Rush, Richard Dawson, Kevin Glazebrook, Maja Moller, Christina Almond, and Stephen Mander. If any of them are new to you, most of them have photos on the board by the disable toilet.

We have lots of knitted squares which need joining up and edging to turn into blankets to be sent abroad. If you have a skill in this please contact Jeanette. (jeanette@st.tees.org.uk)

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.

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.

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? Saturday 1st June 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.

LANCASTER UNITED JUNIOR SOCCER SCHOOL, (formerly St. Tees FC), meets 9.30-10.30 every Saturday morning in term time, at Dallas Road Boys and Girls Club. Any children at primary school, experienced footballers and complete beginners, are very welcome. Please just turn up or contact Katie – 07868214807 or katie.schad@hotmail.co.uk

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