

St Thomas' Church, Trowbridge & St John's, West Ashton

Welcome to the Weekly News

22 March 2020



There will be no church services or church groups meeting in any of our buildings this week. However, we want to keep in touch and update you with the church family's prayer requests.

**Viney Hill
2020**

**25th to 27th
September**

Booking forms
now available!



Prayer for the Church Development Project

Please thank God for near completion of Phase 1 and pray for:

- ◆ Michael, the architect as he finalises the contract costs and that we will have sufficient funds for the installation of the new lighting.
- ◆ God to direct our steps as to when we need to move to Phase 2.

Please send all items for the Weekly News by Weds 11am to:

The Parish Office 01225 777331 or e-mail office@stthomastrowbridge.org

Office open 9.30am - 1.00pm Tuesday to Friday

Worship this Sunday

Archbishop Justin Welby will lead a Service of Worship to be broadcast at 8am on all BBC local radio stations and then online from 9am.



Watch **Allan's Video Sermon** on You Tube.

This first ever online message may be viewed at this link:

<https://youtu.be/dOHzyMiMT2!>

There is a host of other helpful material on the Church of England other church websites.

National Day of Prayer and Action for those affected by Coronavirus We are asked to light a candle in our window at 7pm on Sunday "as a visible symbol of the light of life, Jesus Christ".



Cell/Home Groups: These continue to have a vital role. Find ways of keeping in touch which work for you and include everyone (email, text, WhatsApp, Facebook or good old fashioned phone calls!) Some groups plan to experiment with Virtual meetings (Skype, Zoom etc.) Not in a small group? If you or someone you know would like to join a group please contact us and we will put you in touch with an existing group or create new ones.

Prayer/Pastoral Care: Feel free to contact/leave a message for Allan on 01225 777331 and he will get back to you as soon as possible. A number of our church family are elderly or live alone. If there is someone you plan to keep an eye on (phone regularly, do shopping etc.) please could you email the Office? In this way we will be able to compile a directory of our more at risk members and make sure at least one person is regularly checking on them.

Facebook: In addition to the existing St Thomas' Church **group**, we have set up a new restricted **group** for those on our address list (who have signed a GDPR form) for sharing more private encouragements and prayer requests. If you need a GDPR form, please contact the office.

The St Thomas' Facebook **page** where we will post updates can be found at:

https://www.facebook.com/pg/StTsTrow/posts/?ref=page_internal



Morning Prayer: Allan will be saying Morning Prayer at home every weekday at 9am. Join him at this (or other convenient time) using the service on www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer

The Church Office will remain open and can be contacted on 01225 777331 or office@stthomastrowbridge.org

Storehouse Foodbank

The Foodbank is opening on a Thursday for the foreseeable future. You will need to take things there yourself as we have no mechanism to collect/deliver at present.

Deliver on Thursdays to: Emmanuel Church between 10am-12.30pm.