St Thomas' Church, Trowbridge and St John's, West Ashton Weekly News

Sunday 23rd March 2025 Lent 3

10.30am: St Thomas': Morning Worship: Small

Group focus, Led by Hancocks' Small Group

"I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing."

John 15:5

Licensing of Simon Pope

We are pleased to announce that the licensing of Simon Pope as vicar of St Thomas' and St John's will take place on Thursday, 22nd May at 7pm at St Thomas' church. More details to follow in due course, but please put the date in your diary.

Office Telephone Number

The old office number is now working again: 01225 777331

Welcome

You are warmly welcome to join us for any of our services - if you are new make yourself known to us and please join us for coffee/tea after the service.

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Services for 30th March 2025 Mothering Sunday

10.30am: St Thomas': Morning Worship: Led by

Martyn Whittock

10.30am: St John's: Morning Worship: Led by Rev

Ruth Gillings

Lent Course

The Church Lent Course 2025. Thursday evenings at St Thomas' 7.30pm. Thursday 13th March – Thursday 10th April (5 weeks). Full details in the monthly magazine.

For the **Lectio Course this Lent**, you will find it really helpful to have your own Bible with you. If you want to read Pete Greig's book, *How to Hear God, a simple guide for normal people*, which is not essential but is a companion to the series, there are new or cheaper used copies available from lots of on-line book shops.

Church Heating

The heating engineers returned to St Thomas on Tuesday morning after investigations decided a need a new thermostat, at a cost of over £600, was needed for the burner. Unfortunately, this could take a week or two but well will keep you updated on any progress. For this coming Sunday morning at least, bring something warm to wear if you're attending morning worship.

Date for Your Diary

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) for St Thomas' will take place on Tuesday 29th April at 7:30pm.

Easter Experience

Thank you to everyone who has offered to help with the 'Easter Experience" at The Mead and Castle Mead Primary Schools on Tuesday 1st April and Thursday 3rd April (8.30 -11.30am both days). We now have **enough volunteers**, but we would still like **a few more small pots** for the children to plant sunflower seeds. (We're expecting to involve 120 children in total.)

Please also **pray for us**: this week it would be great if you could pray that we will **complete our preparations** and not forget anything. (We still have to cut out leaf shapes, and ensure we have enough compost and sunflower seeds.) Please also **pray for the children (and staff)** to whom we present: that they will engage with the gospel message and want to know more.

Thank you, Stephen and Alice B

Save the date - Ukrainian Evening

On Saturday 3rd May, there will be a Ukrainian evening which will be at a suitable time for families, organised by Anastasia and friends with Ukrainian food. Look out for further details.

Broads Adventure 2025 - 12th to 19th April

Thank God for the joy of sailing on the Norfolk Broads and please Pray:

- that we get to KNOW GOD better
- for us as we SAIL
- for our SAFETY
- for our TEAMWORK
- for our WORSHIP
- that the Lord's message may spread! (2 Thes 3v1)



