

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

Weekly News

Sunday 27th October 2024
Trinity 22



10.30am: St Thomas': Morning Service: Arab World Focus: Led by Martyn Whittock, Speaker: Ed Greening

10.30am: Kingfisher Church: Morning Worship: Led by Stephen Bull

Please note the clocks go back this Sunday morning

“Then I asked, ‘Who are you, Lord?’ “ ‘I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting,’ the Lord replied. ‘Now get up and stand on your feet. I have appeared to you to appoint you as a servant and as a witness of what you have seen and will see of me. I will rescue you from your own people and from the Gentiles. I am sending you to them to open their eyes and turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, so that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me.’

Acts 26:15-18

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 3rd November 2024

Trinity 23

10.30am: St Thomas': Holy Communion: ACTION with resources at hand: Led by Helen Durant-Stevensen

Flowers: Marjory W

Prayer

Next Friday (1st Nov) the advertising for the post of our vicar begins. Pray that the right people see and respond to the adverts, and that potential applicants hear God's calling as they read the Parish Profile and find out more about our parishes.

Living Nativity in Schools

For a number of years Kingfisher has been going into The Mead and Castle Mead primary schools before Christmas with its 'living nativity' interactive telling of the Christmas story. This has been a great outreach opportunity, and has reached many hundreds of children over the years. With changes at Kingfisher, this year's presentation will only be viable if there are new volunteers from the St Thomas' family who are able to support this. In particular, we need someone who can liaise with the schools and coordinate the events. We've already had requests from the schools, so if you feel you might be able to help with this then please speak to one of the Churchwardens or one of the Kingfisher team as soon as possible.

A Date for Your Diary

All in our congregations are warmly invited to The Mead school on Paxcroft at 3pm on November 10th to share an act of worship entitled, "Kingfisher Celebration and Thanksgiving". It will be great opportunity to share this time with all our friends from Kingfisher and give thanks for 15 years of mission and worship on the Meads. More details will be available next week

Praying for Paxcroft Mead and Castle Mead

Members of Kingfisher Church gather every Sunday evening (7-8pm) to pray, with a focus on Paxcroft Mead and Castle Mead. Any members of St Thomas' who would like to join us in prayer would be very welcome. Please contact Stephen Bull (stephen@stephenbull.me.uk) for more details.

Visiting Marina

If you wish to visit Marina whilst she is in Wiltshire Heights on respite care please contact Val S, Jane B or Gordon S so that they can co-ordinate visits. The family don't want to overwhelm her with too many people going at the same time. Thank you.

Suppers for Six (or Seven!)

A big thank-you to those who were willing to HOST the latest round of Suppers for Six (or Seven!). It was another enjoyable opportunity to relax with old and new friends and share lovely meals and good company. There has been a very definite request to repeat the event, so hopefully it can be fitted into next year's calendar.

Jo D & Alison F (on behalf of the Social Committee)

We Need Volunteers

It is a real privilege to welcome people to church – to be the first person they meet, and possibly to be the person that helps them find a seat if they aren't sure of where to go – but we do need some more people to be on the welcome team. It won't be more than once a month – it may be less if we get lots of volunteers – and you get a sparkling red name badge to go with the role. If you received a warm welcome when you first came to our churches why not be that person who welcomes other newcomers, and if you didn't sorry, and come and show us how it is done.

If you would like to be part of this important team have a word with Pat K or one of the wardens or let Frankie in the church office know.

AND we also need a few more volunteers to do coffee – particularly on the fifth Sunday of the month – not the most onerous task as there are never more than 4 fifth Sundays in a year.