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Welcome to St Thomas'

Welcome to our Communion service at 10.30am. "How to Receive Mercy & Find Grace"

David McCarthy is preaching.





Hebrews 4: 14 - 5: 10

Lighthouse groups meet as follows: Our **Crèche** (0-3yrs) room is available throughout the service (downstairs). **Sparklers** (3 - P2) meet downstairs in the Crypt. **Spotlight** (P3-P6) meets in the lower Lennon Rooms and **Fusion** (P7-S3) will meet in Youth Room upstairs in Lennon Rooms.

Prayer Ministry: A Prayer Team is available every Sunday at the close of services at the seats by the font. Please come forward for prayer for concerns, support, healing, and giving thanks.

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Day off: Friday

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Church Coordinator: Jane Ross: 316 4292

Monday and open Tuesday to Friday 9.00am - 12.30pm.

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The finance figures for the 4 months to the end of January are available on the table at back of church. Any questions can be answered by Agnes Murray.

The accounts for the year to 30 September 2018 were signed on 14 January 2019. Copies are available on the table at the back of church.

The accounts are available on the web page.

St Thomas' Easter Holiday Club: meeting TODAY after the service. Please meet Rebecca in Sanctuary. Allow 30 mins please. The Club is planned for the week Monday 8th to Wednesday 10th April. The theme this year is "Super Hero's"



Please speak to Rebecca McMillan and let her know if you are interested in helping and if you have a specific thing you would like to help with. Contact details: rebecca@saintthomas.org.uk 07510152148 or contact the office on 07507485053.

Denise Hocking is in Edinburgh until 4th March and is keen to meet up particularly with friends who prayed for Paul during his illness. She is at St Thomas's today, TODAY but we would also like to welcome you to come and have tea and cake with Denise at Ian and Chris' house this afternoon. We will have open house at 6 Belgrave Road between 3pm and 6pm so please come any time that suits you. If you'd like to contact Denise over the weekend, our landline is 334 8953.

PrayerBase MEETS TONIGHT at 6.30pm - 7.30pm in the Sanctuary.

The Mother and Toddlers Group meets on Tuesday morning 10am - 11.30 am in the Gyle Hall.

Ash Wednesday service 6th March at 7.30pm, in Sanctuary.

Coffee Plus meets on Thursday morning at 10.00am in the Main hall.

Ladies Prayer Breakfast: The next Prayer Breakfast will be on Saturday 23rd March in the **Gyle Hall** from 9.00am - 10.30am. Come and join us for breakfast and a time of prayer for the church in the period leading up to the Holiday Club and Easter. For more information speak to Linda Henderson or Kerstin Prill.

Join us next Sunday 10th February at 10.30am. 'Growing Up' Hebrews 5: 11 - 6: 12 Church AGM is after morning service. St Thomas's Church AGM will take place after the service on

Sunday I Oth March in the Sanctuary. At this meeting we do

some important work which both looks back to what the Lord

has done and forward to what will happen next. We will review
the past year, elect new vestry members, and approve the accounts.

It is likely to be the last AGM before a constitution is adopted, so please make plans to attend and participate.

The AGM report is available on table at back of church. If you have access to the internet, please ask for a copy of it to be sent out to you in P.D.F format. We are trying to save forests across the world. Contact the office 0131 316 4292

<u>Easter - Visiting Local Homes</u>: The Trustees and Vestry have decided to visit houses in our local area in the lead up to Easter. The following dates give details of days and times the visits are planned for. If you are able to help out on any or all of the dates, please put your name and contact details on the sheets at back of church. Please speak to David if more details are needed. 6pm-8pm Wednesday 27th March — Drop off invitations to Holiday Club 6pm-8pm Wednesday 10th April — Drop off Try Praying booklets and Easter Invitations

6pm-8pm **Wednesday 17th April** – Pick up Prayer Requests and delivery of Real Easter Eggs.

The Blood Transfusion Mobile Unit will be at Rannoch Community Centre on Thursday 7th March from 2.00pm - 4.00pm and 5.30pm - 7.30pm. New donors in good health from the age of 17 until their 66th birthday are urgently needed.



The flowers this week were donated and arranged by Jane Ross. "A flower does not think of competing with the flower next to it - it just blooms"

AAA We have large print notice sheets and hymn-books.
Please ask one of the Stewards for assistance.
We also have a hearing loop system installed.



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A Prayer of St John Chrysostom

Be mindful, O Lord, of your people here before you, and of those who are absent through age, sickness, or infirmity. Care for the infants, guide the young, support the aged, encourage the faint-hearted, collect the scattered, and bring back the wandering to your fold. Travel with the voyagers, defend the widows, shield the orphans, deliver the captives, heal the sick. Succour all who are in tribulation, necessity or distress. Remember for good all those who love us, and those who hate us, and those who have desired us, unworthy as we are, to pray for them. And those whom we have forgotten, Lord, remember. Grant unto each according to your merciful loving-kindness, and your eternal love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Pray this week for:

Those struggling to get a work/life balance right – for wisdom in choices made.

Anyone in pain because of difficult relationships – for healing and a powerful sense of the Lord's sustaining love.

Those frustrated in their place of work – for endurance but also more encouragements.

For those of our congregation in positions of leadership and responsibility – for Godliness, integrity and real interest in those they serve.

For those waiting for lengthy periods for medical treatment – that their suffering will be understood and that the care they need will come soon.



If you would like something included in the next notice sheet, please contact the office by **I 0am on Thursday.** Thank you.