

# st.Thomas'

## Welcome to St Thomas'

Welcome to our Communion service at 10.30am.

“The Anchor For Our Souls” Thorsten Prill is preaching.

17th March



Hebrews 6: 13 - 20

**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.

### St Thomas' Contacts:

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

**Vestry Secretary:** Jeremy Southam c/o 316 4292

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**Copies of the finance summary** for the 5 months to February 2019 are on the table at the back of church. I know the difference between the budget and actual income and expenses looks fearsome but I am as confident as I can be that when both "old" and "new" St T's are looked at together for the year to September 2019, this deficit will be greatly reduced and hopefully eliminated.

**Gavin and Amanda Hamilton** would like to thank everyone for their ongoing prayer support during Amanda's stay in hospital and her recuperation. We have felt God's grace and love and have been humbled by His answers to prayer.

**Easter & Lent service details** can be found on an A5 leaflet on the table at back of church. Printed invitations are available from Jane Ross

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

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

**The Central meeting** is in the Main Hall on Thursday 21st March at 7.30pm.

**Angels of Corstorphine:** Later this year, during Advent, we would like Corstorphine to be visited by a host of angels!

To achieve this we need LOTS of knitted and crocheted angels, and we hope that starting this early we will have several hundred to distribute, each with a message attached. The angels can be any shape, size or colour, but we do now have our own "Angels of Corstorphine" knitting pattern. It would be great if you could join us in this project!

For more information, please speak to Fiona Campbell or Jane Ross in the office.

**Care Van Request:** The team are looking for small adult size shirts, t shirts and small waist size trousers (male and female) to be given out from the Care Van. Hats and gloves are also needed. If you can help contact Mark Gilmour or Bob Kemp or hand into church office.

**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.

All Age  
Worship

Join us next Sunday 24th March for our  
All - Age Café Church service at 10.30am.  
Rebecca McMillan is leading



**The Holiday Club** is planned for the week **Monday 8th to Wednesday 10th April**. The theme this year is “Hero’s Academy” Contact details : [rebecca@saintthomas.org.uk](mailto:rebecca@saintthomas.org.uk)  
07510152148 or 0131 316 4292 ([churchoffice@saintthomas.org](mailto:churchoffice@saintthomas.org))  
for a registration form.



**Our next holiday club meeting will be after the church service on the 24th March.**

If you have any questions before hand please let Rebecca know.

**Holiday Club** are looking for food donations i.e biscuits, diluting juice, snacks etc. for snacks during the club. If you can help, please leave the items at the back of church (on the left as you enter.) If you would like to help with this but can’t manage to shop for items, please contact Rebecca or Jane and we would be grateful for donations. Thank you.

**Easter - Visiting Local Homes: 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 flowers this week were donated by  
**Watson Wilson** and arranged by  
a member of the flower team.

**“A room without a flower is like a face without a smile”**

**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.



# pray

*Prayer is a go-between linking us to God. It gives joy to the soul and calms its emotions. I warn you, though: do not imagine that prayer is simply words. Prayer is the desire for God, an indescribable devotion, not given by man but brought about by God's grace. As St Paul says: "For when we cannot choose words in order to pray properly, the Spirit himself intercedes on our behalf in a way that could never be put into words." St John Chrysostom*

## **Give thanks for:**

**New vestry members** – Alastair Brown, Sheila Divine, Anna McLaggan, Agnes Murray. Pray that their gifts will be used well and that we will help them as they serve the Lord.

## **Opportunities to reach out with the Gospel in the month to come.**

**Holiday Club** – pray that children will come and discover God's love for them.

**Invitations** – pray that they will be well received and that good contacts are made.

**Pray for all that needs to be done in preparation for the relaunching of St Thomas'** – plans in relation to our finances, organization and legal matters. Pray that all will go smoothly and remember those carrying out the detailed work.

**Remember this week** those whose mental health is not great through illness, worry or loneliness. May they know the Lord's comfort in the power of His Spirit and through the kindness of His people.

If you would like something included in the next notice sheet, please contact the office by **10am on Thursday**. Thank you.