

# The st thomas' story

for week commencing 25th August 2019



## Today's story @ 10.30 Morning Worship

Cafe Church Service "The Big Story of God – Abraham – a Man of Faith" . THIS IS AN ALL AGE SERVICE WHERE ALL CHILDREN STAY IN THE SERVICE. Tea and coffee is served during the service this morning .

There is a Prayer Team at the end of the service, at the seats by the pulpit steps. Please come forward for prayer, either for yourself or for others. Someone will be pleased to pray with you or for you.

Next Sunday 1st September we meet at 10.30am for a Communion service "Created, Commanded and Compelled to....Sing!".

Psalm 94: 4 – 9.

## staff and contacts

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For items to be in next Sunday's The Story, contact the office by 10 a.m. on Thursday please. Email: churchoffice@saintthomas.org.uk

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Other News at



Finance figures for the 10 months to July 2019 are available from the table at the back of church

Programme cards for September to December '19 are available on the table at back of church.

### Ministry with Children on Sunday Mornings at St T's

We need helpers in every age group. For example:

One person is needed to lead Sparklers (3year olds to P1) once a month

Fusion (p7- s2/3 at school ) – we could do with two new leaders until our new Young Person's Pastoral Worker is appointed.

Further information from Jeremy Southam ([jerms@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:jerms@blueyonder.co.uk)) or Hilary Robinson ([hilary000@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:hilary000@hotmail.co.uk))

We have a few vacancies in the Welcome Team from 1<sup>st</sup> September – if you enjoy chatting to folk then this could be for you! It's a vital and much-appreciated part of St Thomas' Sundays as we make visitors and newcomers welcome. Please contact Angela and Sandy Benzies if you want more information.

Vestry meets in Creche on Monday 26th August at 7.30pm.

Mums and Tots meet this Tuesday in the Gyle Hall at 10.30am.

New members are welcome. Speak to Hilary Robinson for further details.



Youth Alpha – We are running a “Youth Alpha” course from Tuesda3 September in the Lennon Rooms 7pm–8.30pm. All young people welcome. For more details contact Dave McCarthy ([david@saintthomas.org.uk](mailto:david@saintthomas.org.uk)) or 07411 236 433

# Diary Dates

Please keep Saturday 7th September free between 10.00am – 3.00pm, as we are planning on using that day to meet as a congregation along with Andy Lines to seek the Lord together and dream some dreams for the future. Details to be confirmed. Bring your own lunch.

## Other stories for your information and diaries

Corstorphine Churches Together have organised a Pilgrimage to Glasgow on Saturday 14th September. Bus leaves Edinburgh at 12 noon and travel to Glasgow Cathedral for short service of worship and a chance to visit the Museum of Religious Life, walk the Necropolis, explore the Cathedral Heritage and visit the Zen Garden. St T's have 10 places available. Cost is 25 per person which includes travel and a meal. Sign up sheet available at back of church on the table. If you are interested or would like more details please contact David McCarthy. TODAY is the last day to sign up.

Family first resumes on September 7th at 4.30 to look at the topic of 'Back to ..' We will be meeting in the main hall for some coffee and craft, a family message, and sharing some food together.

All families are most welcome – if you're new to the church please do come and join us.

Please let Julie or Claire know if you are planning coming along in order to help with catering.

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Please save the evening of Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November for this year's Great St Thomas' Quiz Night. Further details will be given in due course.

*Yet He would often slip away into the wilderness and pray.  
Luke 5:16*

## For our prayers this week

David McCarthy, our trustees and vestry members as they serve the Lord in leadership. Vestry meets tomorrow at 7.30pm

For Jane Ross and Rosemary Harvey as they staff the church office – for enduring patience and wisdom as they manage lettings and expectations!

For Homegroups – starting back after the Summer break. Pray for a study which challenges the groups and opens doors on our worship

The congregations of Westhill, St Silas' and Harris as they discern the best ways forward for them – pray that their leaders will be full of courage and peace.

For all those struggling with illness, infirmity and aging – for wholeness and hope. Pray we can be willing to listen and help those in need.

For Boris Johnson and those who advise him – that they will contemplate with care the consequences of their decisions.

For our meeting on 7th September with Andy Lines – that many will come and be part of the decisions made for our future



Today's flowers are provided  
by Bill McGillivray and arranged  
by a member of the Flower Team

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“The STory” and hymn-books are available in large print.  
We also have a hearing loop system installed.

