

Prayer topics

CHRIST IS RISEN... ALLELUIA!

Almighty God, who through your only begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life, help us to celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection. As we celebrate our new life in Christ this Easter, let us remember to pray for those who do not know the grace of the Lord and his salvation.

- In our local church prayer circle, pray for the leadership at Oakwood Baptist Church; that they would rely on Jesus as they seek to reach people of other faiths.
- Thank the Lord for the practical support and education for girls at Mahalir Aran Trust. Pray that the help and support MAT offer would be efficient to re-integrate the girls in their wider community. Pray also for the Christian leaders in Tamil Nadu, that they would be ready to share the gospel with the people yet to be reached in South India.
- Focusing on an area of church life, pray for the Youth groups and for those who lead them. Ask for ongoing vision, faithfulness and strength. Pray that our young people would trust God's promises and follow him especially in difficult times.
- Pray that God would give wisdom and insight to all Christian politicians serving in the Parliament and Assemblies in Westminster. May they be a godly influence in their work and relationships and ambassadors of your grace and truth.
- Pray for all Christians who are being persecuted; that they would be a loving testimony as they stand firm in their faith.
- Ask God to bring the residents of Lowther Drive to Christ in repentance and faith.

Pray for those known to you who are sick or in some kind of need, including: Barbara Aves, May Bennett, Valerie Bostock, Ansa Celestine, John Churchill, Marjorie Clark, John Coekin, Jill Davis, Elizabeth Duncan, Edward Ellis, Pam Fleming, Ken Lock, Bill Marchand, Lou Mortimer, Beryl Pytches, Audrey Royan, Peter Shepherd, Joyce Stephens and Jack Thompson.

Easter Day Almighty God, through your Son Jesus Christ You overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life; grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection: who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and for ever. Amen.

What's on this week?

Today, Sunday 16th April

- NO: Ygnite or TNG

Tuesday

- 9.30-11.00am: Parents and Toddlers (Guide Hut)
- 4.00-5.30pm: Cricket (Large Hall)
- 7.30-9.30pm: YCT (St James, Muswell Hill - see inside)

Wednesday

- 9.30-11.00am: Parents and Toddlers (Guide Hut)
- 5.30-7.00pm: @Toms (Yrs 3-6) Large Hall
- 5.30-7.00pm: @Tomix (R-Yr2) Guide Hut
- 7.30 for 8.00pm: Prayer Meeting (Guide Hut)

Thursday

- 10.15-11.45am: New Kids on the Block (Guide Hut)
- 2.15pm: Thursday Fellowship (Guide Hut)
- 7.45 for 8.00pm: Real Food (79a Prince George Avenue)
- 8.00pm: Home Group Leaders Meeting (22 Curthwaite Gdns)

Friday

- 9.15-11.30am: Ladies Bible Study Group (Guide Hut)
- 6.15pm: Junior Choir
- 7.30pm: Adult Choir
- 7.15pm: Fusion (Yr 6 & above) Large Hall

Saturday

- 6.00pm: 'Keep On Running' (Large Hall - see inside)

Next Sunday 23rd April

- 8.30am: Holy Communion
- 10.30am: **Confirmation Service**
Mark 8:22-38
Bishop Rod Thomas
- 6.15pm: Evening Service
'Go and make disciples'
Matthew 28:16-20
Mark Jackson

1 Thessalonians 5:17 Pray continually.

Don't just give cash each week!

It's safer, easier and more efficient to give with Gift Aid, through the bank or with envelopes. Please speak to Jenny Hammond (01992 301529). The church bank details are on www.st-toms.org.uk, or on a form available at the back of church. *Registered Charity Number 1129369*



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WELCOME SERVICES FOR TODAY

8.30am Holy Communion BCP

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10–10.10am: Prayer in the Chapel

You are most welcome to come and pray with us before the service.

CHRIST IS RISEN!

10.30am: Easter Communion

Jesus—the real place to meet God

John 2:13-25

Christopher Hobbs

6.15pm: Holy Communion

The life that isn't over

Matthew 28:1-15

Ben Vane

Visiting?

If you are visiting today we are delighted to welcome you to our service. Please do make yourself known to others and stay on for refreshments. At the 10.30am service, easy-to-join groups are run for 3-18 year olds (except at All Age Services). A supervised crèche for under 3s is held every week. To find your way, follow the crowd. Babies may be fed or comforted in the glassed-in chapel at the back with sound relay. The chapel is also used for Holy Communion but please feel free to stay.

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Monthly Events

Next Children & Youth Leaders' Training

Tuesday 18th April at 7.30pm, St James Church, Muswell Hill. Rory Bell, Director of Training for TnT Ministries, will be speaking about 'Teaching and handling the Bible and delivering a successful talk'.

Next Prayer Meeting

Wednesday 19th April, 7.45 for 8.00pm in the Guide Hut.

Next Thursday Fellowship

Thursday 20th April, 2.15pm in the Guide Hut. Gordon Izatt will share something of the Salmon Youth Centre in Southwark, its history and his involvement.

Next Men's Breakfast

Saturday 29th April 8.00am at Wetherspoons in Southgate. This week's theme will be 'Knowing Christ'.

Weekly Notices

Supporting our church abroad

Please support our missionaries in prayer. The latest prayer letters from Andrew Chard (AIM) and Pathway are available in the missionary corner. You can also ask the office to send them to you by email.

Prayer app for St Thomas Church

'Prayer Mate' is a great mobile app to help organise what you pray for each day. Download it to subscribe to the St Thomas Church feed of things to pray for.

Internet Fundraising

Every time you buy something on-line we get a small donation! *To register to support St Thomas, go to www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stthomassoakwood.* Since we started in Dec 2011, 44 people have raised over **£1,758.95** for St Thomas Church, just by buying things they were buying anyway. **If you enter this link:** <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/invite/2Q4EP8/> we get an extra £1 for every one who joins.

You can give by text

Send the following free text to the number 70070: TOMS20£x, where x is either £1, 2, 3 4, 5, or £10. You will receive a text with a link for taxpayers to add Gift Aid if you wish.

Crèche Duty Today, 16th April

Jackie Boswell, Jenny Hammond, Carol Moore & Eldine Pope.

Creched Duty Next Sunday, 23rd April

Kat Peel, Fotoulla Santis and Linda Schofield.

Church Family Notices

Keep On Running - A Music Marathon

Saturday 22nd April 2017 6.00pm, St Thomas Church Hall.

A unique evening of live music - three bands, (including The Power of 10), with one common thread.

£5.00 adults, under-11s free. For tickets and information: Luigi 07960 758647 & Mohan 07786 190671.

All proceeds to support Jennifer Sterlini's 2017 London Marathon run <http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/JSterlini>

Churches Together in Southgate, Oakwood & Cockfosters Agape Meal

Wednesday 26 April 7.30pm at Christ Church Cockfosters.

Tickets (£5.00) available from Christopher.

Tickets Now Available for the Just One event

Saturday 8th July, 3.00-6.00pm

At the Emirates Stadium with evangelist J John. Lower tier £5, Upper tier £10 and Club Level £25 (Stadium opens at 1.30pm). www.justone.co.uk Contact the office for the priority booking link!

Kaushal David is to become the Curate in Charge of the parishes of Totterhoe, Stanbridge and Tilsworth in rural Bedfordshire near Dunstable.

Vouchers for the Nursery

Stella Roberts would be happy to receive Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers for the Nursery. Thank You!

Children Still Need Help!

1. At Creche on Sunday mornings please speak to Kat Peel 8350 4232.
2. At @toms and @tomix, to help with games, crafts and tidying up. (Weds 5.30-7.00pm or part of that time). Please speak to Val Weddell, 8090 5090.

Mums Still Need Help!

Mums with small children need help:

1. On the crèche rota for Friday mornings 10.30-11.30 so we can study the Bible together (2 volunteers per week to join Selina would be great – speak to Mairi Lewis).
2. Serving tea/coffee and chat to parents/carers at Parents & Toddlers on Tuesday or Wednesday mornings 9.30-11.00 [1 volunteer per week, or 2 on the last meeting each term – speak to Catherine (Wed) or Margaret (Tue)].

Annual Events

SORTED NANO (ROOTED)

Saturday 6th May

For 11-15's (& youth leaders). A morning of great Bible teaching and fun at St Helen's Bishopsgate. See Mark Jackson for details.

WEEKEND AWAY

12th-14th May

Please do let us have your final payment if you haven't already done so. You can call the office if you have any queries. Thank you to those who have already settled.

SUMMER CAMPS

Have you got a brochure for summer camps?

Several young people from St Thomas will be going.

For 14-18s: Sparkford 3, 9-17 August (with Andy Liggins) and Maidwell 1, 5-13 August (with Steve Boswell) and Sedbergh 19-27 August (with Jonnie Deja) have spaces. For 9-14's (School Yrs 5-9), There is space on Woolie 4 15-21 August (with Rich Arnold). Romsey 2 is full.

LONDON WOMEN'S CONVENTION

Saturday 14th October 2017

'How Great is our God?' Coming soon at the Emmanuel Centre, London. Save the date!

Christopher will become the Vicar of St Andrew's

Cheadle Hulme in Manchester. The starting service there will be on Friday 26th May at 7.30pm. Christopher and Margaret's last service here will be the communion service at 6.15pm on Sunday 7th May. There will be a farewell celebration in the hall after the morning service on 7th May.

They have asked for photos of members of the church: either scanned in the office and returned; emailed to the office; or (with your permission) taken by Marcell, Kevin or Ben. We will make them into a book as a memento for them. **TODAY IS THE LAST DAY!**

There will be a Gift Day for the Repairs and Renewals Fund on 30 April, envelopes are available. You can give the envelope to Chris Goodlad, or to a box in the church, Christopher and Margaret will not see them.