

Prayer topics

A prayer on Remembrance Day

On this 'Remembrance Day' give thanks for the sacrifice, courage and commitment of servicemen and women who have suffered and died in wars, past and present. Pray for those who survived but bear the physical and mental scars of conflict. Ask the Lord to help them and their carers to find comfort and peace in Him.

- In our local church prayer circle, pray for St Thomas Oakwood, that we would learn to love our Lord with all our heart, mind and soul.
- Praise the Lord for the work of TearFund. Thank God for the toilets, water tanks and boreholes now positioned in displaced and isolated communities and camps, as well as the cash and clothing assistance provided to them. Pray that through their programmes, TearFund will continue to support those who are most vulnerable and offer them hope and dignity in desperate circumstances.
- In our church praise the Lord for Fusion. Pray that all young people in this group would find Christ as their Saviour and want to fully engage in church life. Ask God for his blessing in this ministry and to enable our leaders to present the gospel in a sincere and compelling way to the youth.
- Intercede for those in Parliament with governmental responsibilities towards those in education, health, the police, armed forces, social and welfare services. Pray that they would hear the voices of the marginalised and those suffering injustices in this country and that they would respond with compassion.
- Ask God to bring the residents of Chaseville Park Road to Christ in repentance and faith.

Pray for those known to you who are sick or in some kind of need, including: Barbara Aves, Valerie Bostock, John Churchill, John Coekin, Elizabeth Duncan, Edward Ellis, Pam Fleming, David Henson (Judith's father), Peter Herbert, Ken Lock, Bill Marchand, Nicola McDowall, Joyce Stephens and Jack Thompson.

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What's on this week?

HOME GROUPS | 2 Timothy 4:1-5

Today, Sunday 12th November

- 4.30-6.00pm: Ygnite (Yrs 7-9) (Large Hall)
- 7.30-9.00pm: TNG (Yrs 10-13) (22 Curthwaite Gdns)

Tuesday

- 4.00-5.30pm: Cricket (Large Hall)

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)

Thursday

- 10.15-11.45am: New Kids on the Block (Guide Hut)

Friday

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

Next Sunday 19th November

- 10.30am: Holy Communion
Ministry: I have fought the good fight
2 Timothy 4:6-8
Ben Vane
- 6.15pm: Evening Service
Mark read-through
Mark 5-16
Mark Jackson and Ben Vane

Psalm 56:3

Whenever I am afraid, I will trust in You.

Third Sunday before Advent

Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen



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Notice sheet | 12th November 2017

WELCOME SERVICES FOR TODAY

10–10.10am: Prayer in the Chapel

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

10.30am: Remembrance Service

Ministry: the charge of a dying apostle

2 Timothy 4:1-5

Mark Jackson

6.15pm: Evening Service

Why bother when the church looks so small?

Mark 4:21-34

James Ballinger

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.



Our 10.30am and 6.15pm Sunday services are streamed live on our website and on Youtube and are publicly available. Anyone standing on the platform or in the music group will be in view. The backs of heads of those in the front few rows of the congregation will also be in view, though distant and indiscernible.

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Monthly Events

Next Thursday Fellowship

Thursday 23rd November, 2.15pm in the Guide Hut.

Next Bouncy Church

Sunday 26th November, 3.30pm in the Church Building.

Weekly Notices

Supporting our church abroad

Please support our missionaries in prayer. The latest prayer letters are available in the missionary corner. You can also ask the office to send them to you by email.

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 **£1,966.18** 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 £1,2,5 or £10. You will receive a text with a link for taxpayers to add Gift Aid if you wish.

To update your regular giving

Please speak to Jenny Hammond (01992 301529) or send an email to: jenmart.hammond@gmail.com

Church Family Notices

Holiday Club Meeting!

Sunday 26th November straight after the service in the Guide Hut. We need lots of help for our next Holiday Club (10th-13th April 2018). Please come to our meeting even if you haven't been part of the team before. There are lots of ways you can help and have a fun and fulfilling time too!

John Coekin's comprehensive website

understandingthebible.org is now fully available on mobile phones. Lots to read, study or think about: doctrine, unusual articles, Bible studies, references, links, charts and a great deal more. Why not have a look?

Christmas Choir

Would you like to sing in the choir for the Carol Service on 17th December or the Midnight Communion Service on 24th December? If so, please let Sarah Gentle know.

Mince Pies

It would be wonderful if we could serve home-made mince pies as part of our refreshments after the Christingle and Carol Services on 10th and 17th December respectively. If you are able to make some, please let us know by signing up at the back of church. Thank you!

Christmas Carols Radio



If you like Christmas Carols, check out Christmas Carols Radio www.christmascarolsradio.org/ - an internet radio station set-up by Ben. It plays carols sung by choirs 24 hours a day, with Bible thoughts on the nativity.

Crèche Duty Today, 12th November

Kat Peel, Fotoulla Santis and Linda Schofield.

Crèche Duty Next Sunday 19th November

Charley Ballinger, Izabela Bell and Catherine Vane.

Bring a Gift for a Child Sunday 10th December 4.00pm



With oranges and candles in this much-loved family Christingle Service. You are invited to bring a gift for a child in social care if you wish to. Refreshments will be served afterwards in the hall.



Annual Events

Churches Together Autumn Seminar:

Wednesday 22nd November, 8.00pm at Southgate Methodist Church. Speaker Revd Jonathan Evens of HeartEdge. All welcome!

St Thomas Men's Annual Dinner

Wednesday 22nd November, 7.30pm at Punto Italian Restaurant, 838 Green Lanes, Winchmore Hill, N21 2RT. Cost £20.00. *Our special guest speaker is Bishop Rod Thomas* so do please sign up at the back of church and invite a friend!

St Thomas Women's Dinner

Thursday 23rd November, 7.30pm at Punto Italian Restaurant, 838 Green Lanes, Winchmore Hill, N21 2RT. Cost £20.00. *Our guest speaker is Melanie Lacy, programme director of youth and children's ministry at Oakhill College.* Please sign up at the back of church and invite a friend!

9:38 Conference: 'A Life's Work'

Saturday 25th November, 9.30am-4.15pm at Christ Church Kensington, Victoria Road, London, W8 5RQ. Explore what full-time gospel ministry really involves and how God guides people into it or other walks of life. Cost £5.00. Booking deadline 18 October. Please see flyer at the back of church.

SEGP Annual Conference 2018

'BELIEVING IN THE GOD OF MISSION'

Friday 2nd February 2.00-4.30pm and or

Saturday 3rd February 10.00am-4.30pm at St Helen's Church, Bishopsgate, London EC3A 6AT. With topics such as 'Evangelism in the UK in the 21st Century' and 'Keeping Ourselves and the Local Church on Mission', this is an important event designed to 'inspire, inform and equip' us all. Please see flyer at the back of church for full details, including cost.

Lost Property (Important)

There are a lot of unclaimed items currently on the stage in the Large Hall. If you or someone you know has left something behind, *please claim it by Sunday 19th November at the latest.* All unclaimed items will be taken to a local charity shop after that date. Thank you!