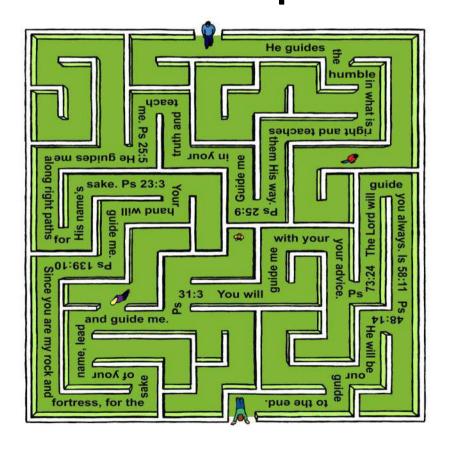
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Church Services in St Thomas' Parish, Ashton-in-Makerfield

Sundays

St	Thomas'
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1st Sunday	2 nd Sunday	3 rd Sunday	4 th Sunday
09.00 Communion 10.45 All age service 18.30 Evening Prayer	09.00 Morning Worship 10.45 Family Worship 18.30 Communion	09.00 Communion 10.45 Family Worship 18.30 Evening Prayer	09.00 Morning Worship 10.45 Communion 18.30 Youth service

For information about 5th Sunday see the notices for that week

St Luke's

11.00 Family Worship	11.00 Communion	11.00 Family Worship	11.00 Family Worship
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Weekdays

Thursday 9.45 am Holy Communion (BCP 1662) In St Thomas'

Please see weekly notice sheet or visit website for additional services details or exceptions, particularly around Christmas time.

<u>Deadlines:</u> Handwritten material should be given to Malcolm Taylor, and email material to magazine@stthomasstluke.org.uk

Deadline for any submissions to be included in the August magazine, including donations is 12th July. Any donations received after this date will be in the next edition.

Deadline	September	October
Hand Written	12th August	10th September
Computer	14th August	12th September
Magazine Release	25th August	27th September

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Booking Baptisms and Weddings

We are now encouraging everyone who would like to book a baptism or wedding to come to the family service at either St Thomas (10.45am) or St Luke's (11am) and bookings will be taken afterwards.

Important Parish Information

Baptisms

Baptisms are held at St Thomas' church at 12.45 pm on the second and fourth Sundays of the month and also during the 10.45 am service on the second Sunday. Baptisms at St Luke's are at 11 am on the third Sunday.

To qualify for baptism parents should live within the parish boundaries or be a regular worshipper at St Thomas's or St Luke's. Parents and Godparents should also be prepared to attend a baptism preparation session.

Marriage

You can marry in a C of E church of your choice if certain criteria are shown to be met. For details please contact the church office on 01942 721484

Funerals

Every parishioner has the right to a service in church, followed by a committal.



Letter from Sue

At the end of May, I was trying to set up camp at Big Church Day Out with Kirsty from our church and Zoe (12), from St Paul's, Goose Green. Kirsty and Zoe had arrived separately with a car load of equipment and I had our large car packed to the ceiling. We got through registration and dragged our gear to a spot that looked a good place to camp. We marked out a space big enough for our 15 tents with the gear we had brought down and left Zoe as we back to our cars for more. It was really hot and we were all overdressed with nothing handy to change into.

When I got back to Zoe, another group had encroached over our boundaries and already had tents up within our space! Poor Zoe had tried to stop them but it was hard for a 12 year to challenge a large group of teenagers. I was really annoyed and had to remind myself that confronting them and asking them to move would not be edifying, although, as usual, I'm sure my face showed exactly what I thought!

I had a phone call from Lee who was camping with his family as part of Church Wigan – he had arrived and was trying to find us. What a relief to have help – and another adult! Lee found a better spot for us with more space, helped us get all our equipment from the car and took charge of

putting up all the tents we had brought. He explained that he used to be a BB leader and had sorted out many such camps as a young adult, but since then he had got married and been distracted by other things on Sundays. He had been away from church for many years and his faith had petered out.





Letter from Sue

I was keen to know what had brought him back to church. He explained that their family had been going through a really difficult time and was 'falling apart'. His wife Karen's close friend had suggested that Karen and her went on an Alpha Course together and as Karen felt that she had exhausted all other options; she went.



Through the films they watched, the conversations they had and her experiences on the course, Karen decided that she wanted to become a Christian and follow Jesus. After seeing and hearing the change in Karen, Lee decided to go on Alpha too. They now describe their family life as amazing, a complete turnaround from the broken place they were in before.

It was a simple as that – Karen's friend invited her and went with her on Alpha, Karen got to know Jesus and her life was changed. Karen told Lee and their family was transformed!

There will be two Alpha Courses starting in our hub in September. On Monday 17th, midday at St Luke's and on Wednesday 19th in Holy Trinity at 7pm. Alpha always starts with food! On Mondays it will be a three course meal (or less if you prefer) from Fur Clemt Stubshaw and on Wednesdays just puddings. After food we watch a film and then chat about the film or other things you may want to discuss. It's very informal and relaxed and will last about an hour and a half in total.

If you've not done Alpha, please think about coming and if you have, then come with a friend who hasn't!

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Daily / Weekly Events in our Churches

<u>Mon</u>	Prayer for world & community (St Luke's) Fur Clemt Café (St Luke's)	11.30-12.00 12.00-13.00
TT	Youth club for 11+ (Church Hall)	15.00-16.45
TT	Football (Byrchall Sports Hall)	17.00-18.00
TT	Junior Youth Club (Church Hall)	18.00-19.00
<u>Tue</u>	Coffee Morning (Church Hall)	10:00-12:00
	Church open for prayer	19.00-20.00
<u>Wed</u> TT	Messy Tots (St Luke's)	09:30-11:00
TT	Weenies (Church Hall)	13.00-14.30
<u>Thu</u>	Holy Communion	09:45-10.30

TT-term time only

These are the usual events in our church, please see the notices for details of youth events and other activities taking place. For details of organisations and who to contact see back page of magazine.

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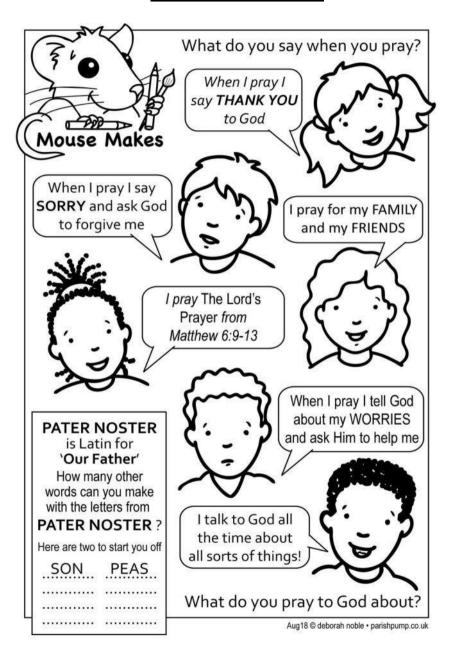


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Mouse Makes



Mothers Union

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Saturday 11th August our Light Lunch in the Church Hall 11-00am - 1.00pm. We will be having our usual raffle, cake and tombola stalls contributions towards these will be most gratefully received. Come along and enjoy the friendship and fellowship. Everyone welcome.

Families First

Members who subscribe to Families First will receive details of how to renew - including a letter telling them what's happening, a form to fill in and a freepost envelope - inside the July/August issue of Families First. I am asked to encourage our subscribers to watch out for this information, and at the same time encourage you to renew.

The New Mothers Union Card Catalogue is out now with new beautiful cards for all occasions, seasonal gifts and Mothers' Union Merchandise. Also 2019 Diaries, Calendars and Christmas Cards. Please give your orders to Maureen.

Advance notice

We will be having our Annual Holy Communion service on Wednesday 19th September in Church at 7.30pm

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PEACE AND RECONCILIATION

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid John 14:27

We ask you Lord, to help us grow in faith, love and understanding.

May a deeper commitment to you enable us to help and to reconcile families and cultures.

Guide us, as individuals, to help others who are suffering trauma and persecution and, as communities, enable us to understand and to welcome other cultures.

With your guidance, Lord, may we achieve unity in families and within society. Amen

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Love and Prayers Barbara

Verses for the Year

Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine.

Isaiah 43:1b

I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 3:14

God in the Arts



'He gave us eyes to see them' - Michelangelo's Sistine Chapel

'You need hands to hold someone you care for' – that song of 1958 reminds us how hands can convey a wide range of gestures and meanings. Hands to embrace, hands to signal 'Stop,' hands to sound out applause, and hands to show welcome. In the life of the church, we can think of sacraments that mark out the individual Christian with the laying on of hands at confirmation and ordination. We can look at the priest at the eucharist where hands offer the peace, take bread and wine, and bless. In church windows and paintings, we often see the right hand of God emerging from a cloud: a sign that takes us back to the opening chapter of Genesis and God's mighty work of creation.

It is the theme of that incredible ceiling in the Sistine Chapel painted by Michelangelo: 65 feet above the ground and showing a vast array of 300 figures - sibyls and prophets and scenes from Genesis. On the far wall of the chapel the hand of Jesus is raised in judgement, but at the centre of the ceiling the hand of God reaches out to bring life to the body of Adam. Later, the right hand of God will draw forth Eve from the sleeping form of Adam: the only panel in which God stands on the earth. In this central panel God is like an elemental force soaring through the sky and surrounded by 12 figures. Adam looks up, patient and expectant, meeting the concentrated gaze of God, who reaches out to animate and inspire.

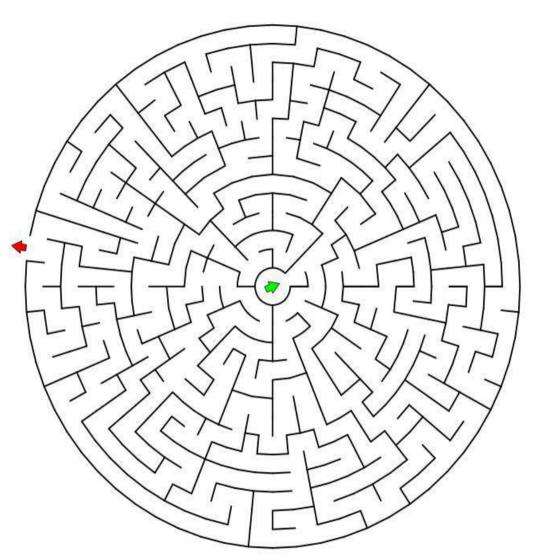
As his patron and ally, Pope Julius II was not at all well at this time, and so Michelangelo worked at breakneck speed to complete the ceiling. This scene took just three weeks in 1511. We look up and ponder the hand of the Creator in heaven, and we give thanks for the creative hand of the artist on earth.

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Maze puzzle



Picture parable



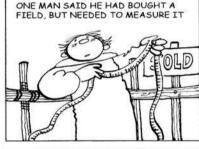








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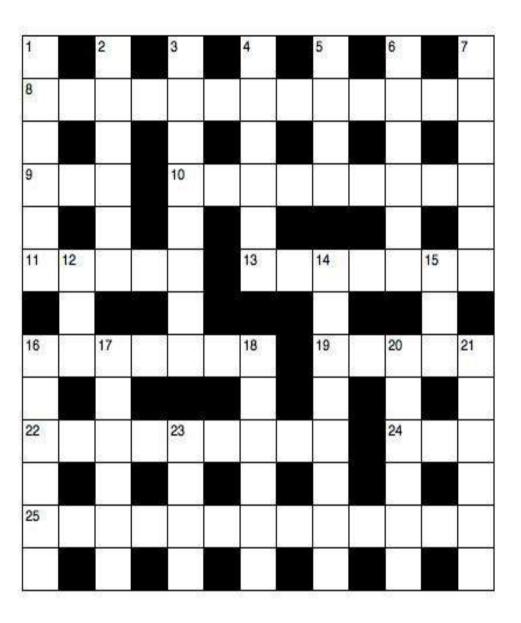
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Across

- 8 One of the titles given to the Messiah in Isaiah's prediction (Isaiah 9:6) (6,2.5)
- 9 International Nepal Fellowship (1,1,1)
- 10 Single(1Corinthians7:27)(9)
- 11 Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn's seminal book about Soviet prison camps. The Archipelago (5)
- 13 Treachery(2Kings11:14)(7)
- 16 Of India(anag.)(2,3,2)
- 19 'God has put us apostles on display at the end of the procession, like men condemned to die in the - ' (1 Corinthians 4:9) (5)
- 22 Follower of a theological system characterized by a strong belief in predestination (9)
- 24 'Put these old rags and worn-out clothes under your arms to— the ropes' (Jeremiah 38:12) (3)
- 25 They brought together all the elders of the Israelites in Egypt (Exodus 4:29) (5,3,5)

Down

- 1 The season when kings 'go off to war' (2 Samuel 11:1) (6)
- 2 Simon Peter's response to Jesus by the Sea of Galilee: 'Go away from me, Lord; I am a — man' (Luke 5:8) (6)
- 3 Beaten with whips (1 Kings12:11) (8)
- 4 'You shall not adultery' (Exodus 20:14) (6) 5 Encourage (Hebrews 10:24) (4)
- 6 Service of morning prayer in the Church of England (6)
- 7 'Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for you, and — him in your heart by faith with thanksgiving' (4,2)
- 12 Run(anag.)(3)
- 14 Member of 17th-century party that denied the right of autonomy to the Church (8)
- 15 'We will triumph with our tongues; we—our lips' (Psalm12:4) (3)
- 16 Earnings(1Corinthians16:2)(6)
- 17 'I rejoice greatly in the Lord that -----you have renewed your concern for me' (Philippians 4:10) (2,4)
- 18 How Paul described Philemon (Philemon 1)(6)
- 20 Multiple territories under the rule of a single state(Daniel11:4)(6)
- 21 'You have been unfaithful; you have married foreign women,—to Israel's guilt' (Ezra 10:10) (6)
- 23 This month(abbrev.)(4)



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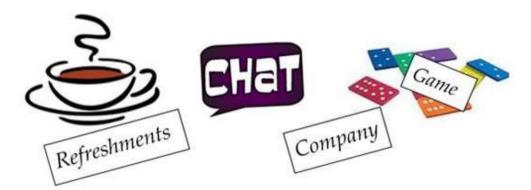
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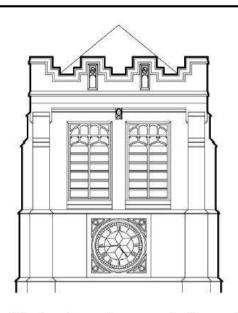
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Crossword solution

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Colouring page

The Lost Coin



There is a mouse hiding in the picture too, can you find him?

What else can you see in the picture?

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Suduko solution

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St Thomas' Donations & Remembrance



Please place your donation in an envelope with your full name and amount written on it. Please hand in at church or post to the vicarage. Please make any cheques payable to **St Thomas' PCC**. If you want the donation to be for something specific, please write <u>clearly</u> on the envelope.

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Anniversary Remembrance of Peter Allcroft 7th August

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Karen, Mark, Jonathan, Becky, Dylan, Kai and Jaxon Barbara, Kenny, Nicolas, Jacque, Leah& Isabelle Robert, Debbie, Thomas, Jessica, Amy & Sebastian

In memory of Stanley Brown

From Norah Brown

Diamond Anniversary celebration

Thanks be to God for our Diamond wedding anniversary 16th August 2018 Nancy and George Andrews

In memory of William Winstanley

A beloved father From Nancy and George

With thanks to everyone who has prayed for Harry Arnold from Marlene Thomas

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Any donations received after this will be printed in the next edition.

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St Thomas' Flowers

	Ladies on duty
5th Aug	Hilda Edwardson, Maureen Cook
12th Aug	Margaret Lyon, Kath Pilling & Barbara Davies
19th Aug	Meta Laites, Kath Vella & Linda Malley
26th Aug	Hilda Edwardson & Maureen Cook

August Birth Month Flower The Poppy

A red poppy signifies pleasure; A white poppy is given for consolation; and a yellow poppy wishes wealth and success



Flowers in church in August

Date	Altar	Lady Chapel
5th Aug	Vacant	In remembrance of Beatrice Brown (2nd Aug) A dear auntie from Joan, Dennis & Wendy
12th Aug	For Mum & Dads anniversary Elsie & Stanley Robinson on 16th from Janet, Doug & family	In memory of my dear mother Eva Bailey from Barbara Burton
19th Aug	Vacant	Vacant
26th Aug	Vacant	Vacant

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St Luke's Flowers

Flowers in church for August							
5th Aug	Birthday remembrance of Valerie Ann Boon (2 nd Aug) from John & family						
12th Aug	In memory of Margaret Mooney – from Margaret Cook						
19th Aug	Birthday wishes for Carole with love Michael						
26th Aug	Vacant						

St Luke's Remembrance

In loving remembrance of Connie Lockett from husband Ken



The Film Review



With Rob Carson

Robert Carson's Film Report- August 2018

Movie Reviews

The Incredibles II (PG)

Directed by Brad Bird

Starring the Voices of: Craig T. Nelson, Holly Hunter, Samuel L. Jackson, Bob Odenkirk, Catherine Keener, Sarah Vowell, Brad Bird, Eli Fucile, Huck Milner, Michael Bird, Sophia Bush, Isabella Rossellini, and Jonathan Banks

In a Nutshell: When you've wanted a film for as long as you remember, how do you react when the moment finally arrives that you get to see it before your eyeballs? You could imagine a lot of sleepless nights and excited dancing, but the truth is you just get ready and go to see it... so many years saying it was the only Pixar film that truly needed a sequel and then finally it has happened, and was it worth the wait? Oh you bet your cats' spandex fridge it is, but the real question is does it match the original or does it actually surpass it and run ahead? I'd say it falls right on the first one, it's almost every bit as good... maybe a comparison would be a 98% if the original was 100%? I do hope that makes some semblance of sense... but yeah it's utterly fantastic. Rather than going for a years later approach, it simply jumps off from the end of the first into a brand new story that takes place mere minutes after the Underminer attacks. This gives plenty of great opportunities to really explore the characters more rather than skip ahead to when they're older plus gives the film ample opportunity to explore the real star of the show. Jack Jack and his many powers and what happens when everyone figures that out and has to deal... and the little guy steals every scene and moment with many ingenious set pieces and massive laughs, especially involving a certain raccoon. The plot itself really explores a lot of interesting avenues not least the role reversal with Elastigirl being the big hero and Mr Incredible having to stay home and play families.... which explores great ideas of the man feeling jealous of the wife and feeling like his manhood is being threatened and it really chimes with the current surge for female led superheroes and movies in general too ... it explores great ideas, has great characters and massive laughs... it's essentially what you want it to be and it's a massive treat for literally everyone... sure towards the end some reveals are a little predictable but it's still worth every minute you've had to wait, oh and the short film is something else entirely.... the wait is finally over, treat yourself!

Rating: 10/10



The Film Review



Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom (12A)

Directed by J.A Bayona

Stars: Chris Pratt, Bryce Dallas Howard, Rafe Spall, Justice Smith, James Cromwell, Ted Levine, Daniella Pineda, Toby Jones, BD Wong, Geraldine Chaplin, Isabella Sermon, and Jeff Goldblum

In a Nutshell: The anticipation of a seguel is a huge thing, can it live up to the original? It tends to be that it follows a huge hit that is beloved, sometimes it's following up a film that was fine but nothing too special... what happens then? You get excited because it's got people you love and you enjoyed enough in their adventures and you wanna see if they can do something more and a little more radical and exciting and take it to a new different place... and that's basically then place we find ourselves dwelling in here. It's a weird feeling. I did really have a fun time with Jurassic World and I love Chris Pratt, and his relationship with Blue was a highlight and the finale was great fun and the film on a whole was ace entertainment.. but watching it back and reflecting, it was what it was, another Jurassic movie that undoubtably cool but really nothing too new or exciting, so I kinda wait in hope that a ace director like Bayona will provide something new and radical for this follow on, that will make it something more than just yet another dino blockbuster that's simply fun but fairly forgettable. Sadly, the answer is nope. Don't get me wrong, I still had a lot of fun hence the decent score... but the biggest problem you have here is the trailer tells you the whole plot and gives you a solid idea of every single thing, scene and plot point that will happen.... so there are zero surprises really, yeah there's jumpy moments and fun scenes but literally nothing surprises or upends any expectations and there's not much too original or radical or different really too. Bayona gives it a good sheen of gothic creepiness and there's some interesting issues about saving the dinosaurs.... but my overwhelming feeling was oh well afterwards and not just because there's like 10 seconds of Jeff Goldblum, which just isn't right. The central dynamic between Pratt and Howard is huge fun and those guys are having a great time and provide loads of fun, and the whole cast to be fair is having fun and providing memorable moments, not least the great Toby Jones as an odious Trump-haired auctioneer and Rafe Spall as a slimy suit, not to mention a great role for the terrific James Cromwell. It's certainly the sort of film that will make a ton of money, but people will probably either enjoy it enough, shrug their shoulders or really take against it. It leaves it wide open at the end, so there's 100% going to be more and I'm way more interested now in where that will go and will they employ more Goldblum?

Rating: 7/10







Also Seen:

Tag (15) 9/10

Ocean's 8 (12A) 8/10

Sherlock Gnomes (U) 7/10

Peter Rabbit (PG) 7/10

Film Stars Don't Die in Liverpool (15) 9/10

Sicario: Soldado (15) 8/10

Also Out in August

Ant Man and the Wasp (12A) (August 3rd) Teen Titans Go to the Change August 3rd)

The Darkest Minds (12A) (August 10th) The Meg (15) (August 10th) Christopher Robin (U) (August 17th)

The Equalizer II (15) (August 17th) The Festival (15) (August 17th) Alpha (15) (August 24th)

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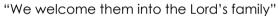
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Funerals - "May they rest in peace"

26th June	John Cooper	Blenheim Road	81
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