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

## Sundays

### St Thomas'

| 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday                              | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday  | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday  | 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday  |
|---|---|---|---|
| 09 <sup>am</sup> Communion<br>10.45 All age worship | 09 <sup>am</sup> Morning Worship<br>10.45 Family Worship<br>18.30 Communion | 09 <sup>am</sup> Morning Worship<br>10.45 Family Worship<br>18.30 Youth service | 09 <sup>am</sup> Communion<br>10.45 Communion<br>18.30 Evening Prayer |

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

### St Luke's

|                                 |                            |                                 |                                 |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 11 <sup>am</sup> Family Worship | 11 <sup>am</sup> Communion | 11 <sup>am</sup> Family Worship | 11 <sup>am</sup> Family Worship |
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## Weekdays

|   |  |
|---|--|
| Thursday 9.45 am<br>Holy Communion<br>(BCP 1662)<br>In St Thomas' | Please see weekly notice sheet or visit website for additional services details or exceptions, particularly around Christmas time. |
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**Deadlines:** Handwritten material should be given to Malcolm Taylor, and email material to [magazine@stthomasstluke.org.uk](mailto:magazine@stthomasstluke.org.uk)

Deadline for any submissions to be included in the September magazine, including donations is 13th August. Any donations received after this date will be in the next edition.

For any queries please contact the office on 01942 721484 or [office@stthomasstluke.org.uk](mailto:office@stthomasstluke.org.uk)

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|------------------|-------------|----------------|
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| Computer         | 17th August | 16th September |
| Magazine Release | 25th August | 29th 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 12.45pm on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month and also during the 10.45am service on the 2nd Sunday.

Baptisms at St Luke's are at 11am on the 3rd 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.

## **Funerals**

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

## **Marriage**

You can marry in a CofE Church of your choice if certain criteria are shown to be met. For details please contact the church office on:

01942 721484 or  
[office@stthomasstluke.org.uk](mailto:office@stthomasstluke.org.uk)



## **Daily / Weekly Events in our Churches**

|            |  |             |
|------------|--|-------------|
| <b>Mon</b> | <a href="#">Prayer for world &amp; community</a> (St Luke's) | 11.30-12.00 |
|            | <a href="#">Fur Clemt Café</a> (St Luke's)                   | 12.00-13.00 |
| <b>TT</b>  | <a href="#">Youth club for 11+</a> (Church Hall)             | 15.00-16.45 |
| <b>TT</b>  | <a href="#">Junior Youth Club</a> (Church Hall)              | 17.45-18.45 |
| <b>TT</b>  | <a href="#">JYC Extra</a> (Church Hall)                      | 18.45-19.15 |
| <b>Tue</b> | <a href="#">Coffee Morning</a> (Church Hall)                 | 10:00-12:00 |
|            | <a href="#">Church open for prayer</a>                       | 19.00-20.00 |
| <b>Wed</b> | <b>TT</b> <a href="#">Messy Tots</a> (St Luke's)             | 09:30-11:00 |
|            | <b>TT</b> <a href="#">Weenies</a> (Church Hall)              | 13.00-14.30 |
| <b>Thu</b> | <a href="#">Holy Communion</a>                               | 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.*

**Streets for Prayer:** This month we are praying for the people who live and work in: A Court, York Road, York Road South, Lily Place, Turnill Drive, Clovedale Drive, Wellbrooke Close and Mitchell Street.

### **TANGO**

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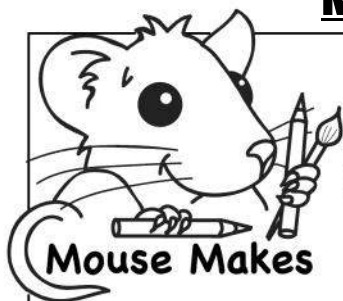


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# Mouse Makes



**What is your most valuable treasure?**

The Bible tells us that the most valuable thing you can ever have is something that can **NEVER** be lost, broken or stolen.

The most **valuable** thing you can have is to be **friends with God** through Jesus.

*Read: Matthew 6:19-21*

**The LOVE of money is at the root of all sorts of what?**

\_\_\_\_\_ *1 Timothy 6:9-10*

*What should you be on your guard against?*

\_\_\_\_\_ *Luke 12:15*

**What did Jesus ask the rich man to do?**

*Read: Luke 18:22-26*

**What is it good to be rich in?**

\_\_\_\_\_ *1 Timothy 6:18-19*

**What two things can't you serve at the same time?**

\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_  
*Matthew 6:24*

*What is better than gold?*

\_\_\_\_\_ *Proverbs 6:16*

**Who supplies all your needs?**

\_\_\_\_\_ *Philippians 4:19*

**What is like a hidden treasure?**

\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_  
*Matthew 13:4*

**Who has all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge?**

\_\_\_\_\_ *Colossians 2:2-3*

How many other words can you make from...

**TREASURE IN HEAVEN**



# Letter from: *Carole*

## A Summer Message

### **God's love in summertime**

The psalmist in Psalm 74:16-17 thanks God,  
“Yours is the day, Yours also is the night, You have prepared the sun and the moon, You have established all the boundaries of the earth, You have made summer and winter”.

We are in the season of summer, nostalgia triggers that old song by George Gershwin, “Summertime and the livin is easy, fish are jumpin and the cotton is high”. Our senses tell us summer is here when we see the sun set just before bedtime, when we smell the freshly mown grass, when we hear the birds singing, when we see those beds of roses and daisies and butterflies and bees hovering.

What's so special about summer? Some of us remember enjoying peaches and cream, lemonade and freshly picked strawberries. Those tastes won't go away. We also remember climbing trees, playing ball games with our friends, trips to the seaside with buckets and spades, happy sunny times.

We enjoy summertime because summer means a change of routine, having a holiday, getting out of the house to enjoy the outdoors, to play and visit family and friends.

Maybe this summer we can all take time for some spiritual renewal – look for Jesus' presence in our surroundings and listen as Jesus speaks into our hearts. Summer is a vibrant time for church life, picnics, outdoor events, barbecues.

In our present day society where many have more friends on Facebook than in real life and increasingly spend more time on social media these are great opportunities to invite people to come along and share fellowship and God's love with one another.

In the gospel of John, Philip told his brother Nathanael that he'd found the Messiah from Nazareth, at that time Nazareth was a place of ill repute, an insignificant spot on the map. Nazareth! Can anything good come from there? Nathanael asked. Philip responded with three simple words, "Come and see" (John 1:46). After Philip invited him, Nathanael did go and meet the Messiah. He had a conversation with Jesus that changed his life.

Today, many of our neighbours are wondering if anything good comes from the Christian faith. Like Philip our call is not to be the voice of Jesus in peoples lives, rather our call is to be the voice that invites people in different ways, with the same message "Come and see".

Let us feel and share the joy of summertime, with God's Blessings.

*Carole*





# Parish News



## **Digging Deeper into ....**

**With Malcolm**

This is a new venture with the intention of deepening our personal knowledge of the bible and consequently also deepening our spirituality. Initially it is intended to hold the meetings bi-monthly and to encourage all our church members to attend.

The first meeting was held on the 11 July when Rev Sam lead over 50 of us deeper into the life and work of St Paul.

A very enlightening presentation which from healthy discussion which followed was very well received.

The format of the evening consists of a welcome at 7.00pm with coffee and light refreshments, worship is followed by the presentation itself and ends with further worship.

The next planned 'excavation' is for September each will be on a different evening to help those with regular commitments.

Do come along you won't regret it and you will be warmly welcomed.

## **Heath Road Entrance**

I am surprised that I have not heard from any of you green fingered gardeners in answer to my request for someone to take responsibility for the two little gardens approaching church. It would be great to see them tidied up in the near future as they continue to grow out of control.







# Parish News



**With Malcolm**



I was looking through some old papers the other day when I came across this photograph which I am sure many of you will recognise especially our friends in Stubshaw Cross.

The derelict shell of the old Rams Head Pub and of course now the site of St Luke's Church Parish Centre.

God does work in wonderful and mysterious ways to provide for us out of his immeasurable love.

**Malcolm**



# Mothers' Union

## Diary:

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> August** our Light Lunch in the Church Hall **11am -1pm**. 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.

The New Autumn/Winter 2019 Catalogue will be out soon, it includes Christmas Cards Calendars and the 2020 Diary, also beautiful cards for all occasions.  
Please see Maureen with your orders.

## **Advance notice**

We will be having our Annual Holy Communion service on Wednesday 18th September in Church at 7.30pm.  
This will be an enrolment service.

Women's World Day of Prayer **Friday 4th October 10.30am**  
at Canon's Hall St Oswald's.





# Mothers' Union

## *A Family Prayer*

Lord it is with a heart full of gratitude that we come before you today. Thank you for the abundant generosity you bestow upon each member of our family. We thank you that in the joyful times we can celebrate together; we are grateful too that in the difficult times of our lives, we have you and each other, to guide, support, encourage and love.

And yet Lord, as we are blessed and enriched by love, we are acutely aware that within the world, your beautiful world, there are so many who are lonely, unloved, persecuted and afraid.

We pray that we might have a heart of love and generosity of spirit to reach out with unconditional love to the marginalised, those caught up in conflict, suffering through hunger, held captive or facing any sort of oppression or persecution.

We pray that you will enlarge our sympathy, deepen our compassion, and give us courage to reach out in love and service. Enable us we pray to have loving, caring hearts.  
In your Son's name, Jesus Christ we pray. Amen

*Lynne Tembey former MU World President*

Love and Prayers  
**Barbara**





# The Film Review

With Rob Carson



**Toy Story 4 (U)**

**Directed by Josh Cooley**

**Stars the Voices of:** Tom Hanks, Tim Allen, Annie Potts, Tony Hale, Keanu Reeves, Christina Hendricks, Joan Cusack, Jordan Peele, Keegan Michael Key, Madeline McGraw, Ally Maki, Bonnie Hunt, and Kristen Schaal

**In a Nutshell:** The biggest question that has been asked, or at least several of them: why make another Toy Story and more pertinently is it any good? Well, the great thing to report is not only is this 4<sup>th</sup> installment of the beloved franchise simply wonderful, but it really does wonders in convincing you just how worthy it is of having been made, with a terrific storyline and message. Naturally all the simple ingredients are present and correct, all the great voice actors are back and every bit as good as ever; joined by a film stealing Keanu Reeves as Duke Kaboom, a wonderfully vain but lovely stunt man from Canada plus Tony Hale as the sweet and misguided Forky, plus the always welcome Key and Peele as a pair of conjoined stuffed toys who wind up tagging along and get most of the best lines. The animation is perfect and beautiful and it's incredible just how far we've come since that first movie 23 years ago. The questions asked here about what it is to be alive, to be a toy and the purpose that they have and what drives them in life... these questions are up there with the most incredible questions being asked in something like Inside Out and its this that makes this film so special and Pixar so incredible in making films for kids and families with these huge clever ideas and questions. This is certainly likely to be the end of the road now, and I'm really glad they came back for one last ride; who knows what lies next? But if this is the final moment for these guys....

They're ending on a beautiful high note.

**Rating: 9/10**

**X-Men: Dark Phoenix (12A)**

**Directed by Simon Kinberg**

**Stars:** Sophie Turner, James McAvoy, Michael Fassbender, Jessica Chastain, Jennifer Lawrence, Nicholas Hoult, Evan Peters, Tye Sheridan, Alexandra Shipp, Kodi Schmidt-McPhee, and Ato Essandoh





# The Film Review

With Rob Carson



**In a Nutshell:** It has to be hard being the Dark Phoenix doesn't it? People keep wanting to make a movie about you and every time it happens, they just don't seem to get it right. So, they try again and again (well this is the second time) but they can't ever quite crack it. Funnily enough, this time they have been way less successful than the first time around, which begs the question: why try at all? But in answer to that, I can see exactly why they did. X-Men: The Last Stand, despite its many strengths which for me make it a really enjoyable finale to that initial trilogy of X films... isn't beloved at all by fans sadly. And with this new franchise of films and characters, the character of Jean Grey and this particular storyline was looming.... So why not try it again with a strong cast and an up and coming talent as Jean. Maybe make up for what is perceived as past mistakes? Sadly, this film is a film that is lazy and dull in all the worst ways. It feels like a film that doesn't want to be bothered... that knows its time is up, that the contract is up. Disney now have Fox, so we best get one last one out there and it doesn't matter if its any good. Despite the always great McAvoy and Fassbender, no one is trying... emotions and motivation of characters seem very weak, almost confusing at times as you wonder if they should feel more invested. Storylines make no sense, and certain great performers get totally wasted and underused. Turner herself as Jean is solid enough but, in the end, falls a bit flat too.... Afforded some solid moments but never making enough of an impact sadly. There are glimmers of a decent enough movie here... but this is middle of the road and very pedestrian and pretty dull. Sadly, X didn't mark the spot here.

**Rating: 6/10**

Also Seen:

**Men in Black: International (12A) 7/10**

**Yesterday (12A) 9/10**

**Childs Play (15) 8/10**

**Brightburn (15) 8/10**

Released in August:

Fast and Furious: Hobbs & Shaw (12A) (August 1<sup>st</sup>)

Angry Birds II (PG), Animals (15) (August 2<sup>nd</sup>)

Blinded by the Light (12A), Playmobil (U), The Art of Racing in the Rain (PG) (August 9<sup>th</sup>)

Once Upon a Time in Hollywood (18) (August 14<sup>th</sup>)

Dora and the Lost City of Gold (PG), Good Boys (15), Uglydolls (U) (August 16<sup>th</sup>)

Angel has Fallen (15) (August 21<sup>st</sup>)

Crawl (15), Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark (15) (August 23<sup>rd</sup>) The Informer (15), My Spy (12A) (August 30<sup>th</sup>)

**In September's Issue:**

Reviews of The Lion King and Spider-Man: Far from Home

# Bible Bite

## A short story from the Bible

It can be read in the Bible in Ruth chapters 3 and 4

Naomi and Ruth had returned to Bethlehem as widows. Ruth had worked during the harvest in the fields of Boaz, a near relative.

Naomi told her daughter-in-law Ruth

You need someone to marry and look after you. I have a plan

I will do all you ask of me.

So Ruth went to where the grain was threshed. Boaz was on guard that night...

but she stayed out of his sight until he was asleep.

Then she uncovered his feet and lay down by them.

At midnight, Boaz woke, and was shocked to find her there.

As my relative who must look after me, will you marry me?

You have a closer relative; I will ask him tomorrow. If he will not marry you, I will do so gladly. Lie down now, and sleep.

Just before dawn, Ruth returned to Naomi.

All we can do now is wait.

Boaz went to the meeting place, and waited for the relative to pass.

Naomi wants to sell the land she inherited from her husband, and as nearest relative, you get first refusal.

I want to buy the land.

Then you must marry Ruth as the land must be inherited by her son

In that case, I don't want to buy it.

Then I will buy the land and marry Ruth.

So Boaz married Ruth and they had a son.

My life is no longer bitter! and he was an ancestor of King David!

# St. Thomas' CofE Primary School



A final article from Megan and Eve:

In our final weeks at St Thomas's we have had lots of fun. The Y6's have been getting ready for their leavers assembly and Y3 and Y4 have had lots of fun at Let's Sing! We have interviewed a few Y6's to talk about their time at St Thomas's.

Megan said, "When we did Youth Alpha in Y6 it made me delve deeper into learning about Christianity."

Nathan said, "Lessons have been very interesting, such as R.E when we wrote about Life's Journey and English was really fun."

Some Y3's told us about 'Let's Sing' and what they thought of it;

Eden and Keavy told us they had lots of fun singing songs such as 'This is me', 'The Victorians', 'The Greatest Show' and 'Don't Look Back In Anger', it was taught by a man named Mr Orrell.

Mrs Jones said the Y3 and Y4 performance at 'Let's Sing',  
"was amazing and made her feel very proud"

**"Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you." (1 Peter 5:7)**

Mighty Everlasting Father,

Everything is changing around me,

Oh God: my life, my circumstances and even the world.

Oh Lord, my God, help me to not fear this change, allow me to embrace  
You daily.

Give me strength to rise above every situation and rise above darkness.  
Amen

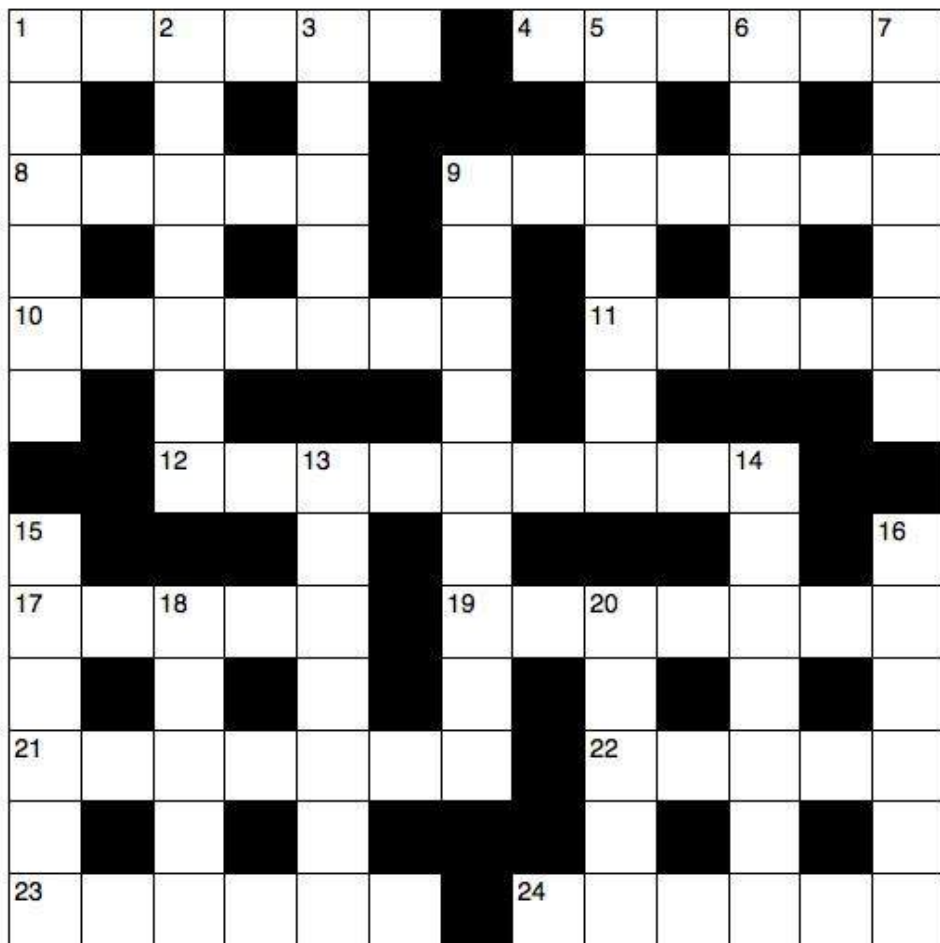


Message from Mrs Jones: "Good luck to all our Y6 children as the start on their next educational chapter and a huge thank you to Eve and Megan for their excellent work in writing the magazine article each month."



***Fabulous cakes made by Jeanette Artus & Debbie Binder for our amazing Leavers.***

# Crossword



Answers on page 29



## Across

- 1 'The people were — at his teaching' (Mark 1:22) (6)
- 4 'He saved —; let him save himself' (Luke 23:35) (6)
- 8 He addressed the crowd in Jerusalem on the day of Pentecost (Acts 2:14) (5)
- 9 Father of James and John (Matthew 4:21) (7)
- 10 One who charges another with an offence (Job 31:35) (7)
- 11 ' — thy ministers with righteousness' (Book of Common Prayer) (5)
- 12 and 15 Down 'All — is God-breathed and is — for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness' (2 Timothy 3:16) (9,6)
- 17 'No — of the field had yet appeared on the earth and no plant of the field had yet sprung up' (Genesis 2:5) (5)
- 19 Made to feel embarrassed (Isaiah 24:23) (7)
- 21 This man built his house on sand (Matthew 7:26) (7)
- 22 David's hypocritical message to Joab on the death in battle of Uriah: 'Don't let this — you' (2 Samuel 11:25) (5)
- 23 Detest (Job 10:1) (6)
- 24 'God made two great lights, the greater light to govern the day and the — light to govern the night' (Genesis 1:16) (6)

## Down

- 1 To make a serious request (1 Corinthians 1:10) (6)
- 2 Launches an assault against (Genesis 32:8) (7)
- 3 'The wicked man — deceptive wages' (Proverbs 11:18) (5)
- 5 Tuba ale (anag.) (7)
- 6 'The day thou gavest, Lord, is — ' (5)
- 7 Old Testament measure of weight, equivalent to about 12 grams (Exodus 30:13) (6)
- 9 Where Elijah restored life to the son of a widow with whom he lodged (1 Kings 17:10) (9)
- 13 Paul said of whatever was to his profit, 'I consider them — , that I may gain Christ and be found in him' (Philippians 3:8) (7)
- 14 City visited by Paul, described by the city clerk as 'the guardian of the temple of the great Artemis' (Acts 19:35) (7)
- 15 See 12 Across
- 16 Rioted (anag.) (6)
- 18 She had a surprise when she answered the door and found 8 Across outside (Acts 12:13) (5)
- 20 Maltreat (1 Chronicles 10:4) (5)





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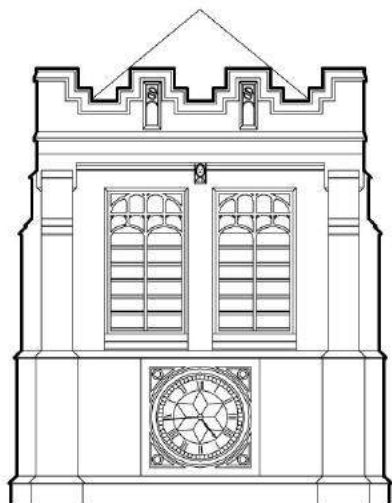
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# St Luke's Flowers

| Flowers in church this month |   |
|------------------------------|---|
| Sun 4th                      | Birthday remembrance of<br><b>Valerie Ann Boon</b> much loved Wife,<br>Mother & Nana from John & Family |
| Sun 11th                     | vacant  |
| Sun 18th                     | vacant  |
| Sun 25th                     | vacant  |

## St Luke's Donations

### In memory of Ann Waterworth

A loving daughter from her mum Margaret Cook  
&  
Carole & Michael Pye

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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 clearly on the envelope.

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**With thanks to those who have donated this month to**  
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Africa Fund

Funds currently in use are: Africa Fund, Asylum Seeker, Audio Visual, Church Hall, Building & Maintenance, Garden of Rest, General, Grave Maintenance, Heath Road Graveyard Heating and Youthwork

**Unless otherwise stated donations will go into the General Fund.**

If you wish to discuss any issues around Wills and Legacies please ring the Parish Treasurer Sarah Riley on 01942 722747

**All donations must be received by 13th August to be printed in the September Magazine.**

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



We are waiting for the Gift Day Donation Total which will not be available until next month.

If you would like to give to the Heating Fund then please leave your donation in an envelope in Church or at the Vicarage.

Alternatively, you can give using the card reader at the back of Church before or after the Morning Services.

Thank You

### Verse for the Year

**All the believers were united in heart and mind. And they felt that what they owned was not their own, so they shared everything they had. The apostles testified powerfully to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and God's great grace was upon them all.**

**Acts 4:32-33**



*Terry was a Christian, and didn't care  
who knew it*



# St Thomas' Flowers

## Ladies on duty in August

|      |  |
|------|--|
| 3rd  | Hilda Edwardson, Maureen Cook, Margaret Carrington |
| 10th | Margaret Lyon, Kath Pilling, Barbara Davies        |
| 17th | Meta Laites, Linda Malley, Kath Vella              |
| 24th | Hilda Edwardson, Maureen Cook, Margaret Carrington |
| 31st | Margaret Lyon, Kath Pilling, Barbara Davies        |

### August birth flower - Gladioli



The August birth flower is the gladiolus. This striking bloom is characterised by pointed tips and dramatic stalks of flowers. It's an incredibly popular late-summer flower and is available in a wide range of colours. A bouquet of gorgeous gladioli makes a wonderful tribute to a loved one celebrating a high-summer birthday.





# St Thomas' Flowers

| Flowers in church July/August |   |   |
|-------------------------------|---|---|
|                               | Altar   | Lady Chapel   |
| July 28th                     | Birthday remembrance of <b>Steve Gillespie</b> , great husband, loving father and fabulous Gandi. Sadly missed but never forgotten. | vacant  |
| Aug 4th                       | vacant  | In loving memory of <b>Beatrice Brown</b> (2nd Aug). A dear Auntie from, Joan, Dennis & Wendy |
| Aug 11th                      | Wedding Anniversary remembrance of <b>Elsie &amp; Stanley Robinson</b> From, Janet, Doug & Family                                   | Memories of a dear Mother Eva Bailey. From, Barbara Burton                                    |
| Aug 18th                      | vacant  | In memory of <b>John Jolley</b> From, David and Family  |
| Aug 25th                      | vacant  | vacant  |

# The Registers



## Funerals - "May they rest in peace"

|           |                  |                   |    |
|-----------|------------------|-------------------|----|
| 18th June | Margaret Hitchen | Elmridge Court    | 80 |
| 18th June | John Moore       | Buttermere Avenue | 82 |
| 28th June | Thomas Melling   | Bryn Road         | 76 |
| 1st July  | Ann Waterworth   | Navenby Rd        | 68 |
| 3rd July  | Arthur Eaves     | Liverpool Road    | 86 |
| 4th July  | Margaret McLaren | Old Road          | 77 |
| 17th July | Alan Hamilton    | Townfields        | 73 |
| 19th July | Elsie Bold       | Dryden Avenue     | 85 |

## Holy Baptism -

"We welcome them into the Lord's family"



|           |                  |                 |
|-----------|------------------|-----------------|
| 23rd June | Grayson Robinson | Walford Road    |
| 23rd June | James Liston     | Edward Drive    |
| 14th June | Harrison Colley  | Weavermill      |
| 14th June | Raeni Taffe      | Farmcroft Drive |

# Church Organisations in the Parish of St Thomas, Ashton-in Makerfield

## **Boys Brigade**

Captain Gareth Hamlett 07903866501  
Anchor Boys (Tues 5:45pm)  
Olwen Wright 389595  
Junior Section (Tues 6:45pm)  
Kat Cornthwaite 07517486188  
Company Section (Tues 7:30pm)  
Contact Gareth Hamlett

## **Girl Guides**

Rainbows (Tues 5:30pm)  
Anne Wooff 724207  
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3rd Ashton Guides/Rangers  
(Tues 7:15pm)  
Rachel Starkie 718350

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Bubbles (Pre-School)  
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Bell Tower (Y7-Y11)  
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Mary Owen 203277

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Wed 1pm-2:30pm - Church Hall  
Jan Cornthwaite 721626

## **Saturday FM**

4pm-5pm - St Thomas' School  
Nicola Burgess 706841

## **Duke of Edinburgh's Award (14-18+)**

Sun 7:30pm Church Hall  
Ceri Mansell 727417

## **St Thomas' Mothers' Union**

3rd Wed: 7:30pm  
Barbara Taylor 205136

## **Fairtrade Stall**

3rd Sun 11.45am  
Anne & Chris Wooff 724207

## **Fur Clemt Stubshaw**

Mon 12-1pm at St Luke's  
Jennifer Harrison 718618

## **Litter Pick 1st Sat 10am - noon**

Anne & Chris Wooff 724207

## **Bowling Club**

Henry Hunter 712709

## **Asylum Seeker Support**

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