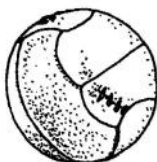


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# Church Services in the Parish of St Thomas, Ashton-in-Makerfield

## Sundays

St Thomas's		St Luke's	
9.00a.m.	Holy Communion	8.30 a.m.	Holy Communion (1st Sunday Only)
10.45 am	Family Worship (1st Sunday Parade & 4th Sunday Family Communion)		Family Worship (2nd Sunday Family Communion)
6.30 p.m.	Evening Worship (3rd and 5th Sunday Holy Communion)	4.15 p.m.	Holy Communion (3rd Sunday Only)

## Weekdays

Thursday 9.45 a.m.	Holy Communion (BCP 1662)	Other services and Saints' Days as announced. Please see weekly notice sheet or visit website for dates, details or exceptions.
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**Parish Office:** St Thomas's Church Vestry, **Thursday 6.30 – 7.30 p.m:** For all enquiries regarding church matters and arranging baptisms and weddings. Contact - 01942 721484.

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## Important Parish Information

### Baptisms

Baptisms are held at St Thomas Church at 12.45 on the 2nd & 4th Sundays. Baptisms at St Luke's are at 11 am on the 3rd Sunday.

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

### 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 vicar or call in at Vestry Hour on a Thursday evening.

### Funerals

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



# Letter from the Vicar



"So there's this table. It's a simple table but it's well made, because it was made by a carpenter. The guy who made it is a poor man, but he's generous. He offers a place at the table to anyone who wants to sit and eat. This is a table that started in one place but now it can stretch down every street, and it can go into every home, if people want to sit there....

The poor man's name is Jesus, who though he was rich, yet for our sakes he became poor so that through his poverty we might become rich. And if you sit at his table he will feed you and he will ask you to feed others; he will serve you and he will ask you to serve others; he will love you and he will ask you to love others."



These were the first words of Bishop Paul, our new Bishop of Liverpool, in his sermon at his Installation Service. The image of the invitation to the table is powerful because it reminds us that in our Christian faith we understand that this invitation is for now and for every one of us. We are invited into God's presence now, and through faith in Jesus we are offered an eternity with him, for God's Kingdom exists either side of our death.



We anticipate the birth of Jesus through the Advent season and then at Christmas celebrate his coming as one of us. This is a great time to think for ourselves about our own response to the invitation to God's table.

It is a time to know the love of God the Father that sent his Son to us, and to be sure that his love and invitation are for you. Bishop Paul reflects that as we accept the invitation to the table, we find that Jesus sits beside each one of us.

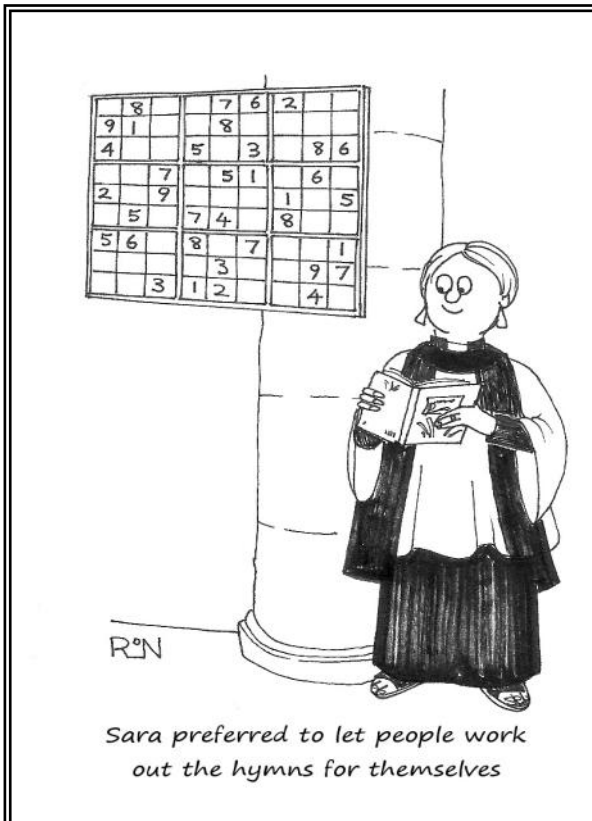


# Letter from the Vicar

In that place, though each one of us will bring our own thoughts, experiences and needs with us, we will find that we are individually known and loved. In Jesus' presence we may find that the riches of his purposes for our life become clear. We pray that this Christmas you find your place at Jesus' table, and that maybe in one of the services our churches offer this festive season you find time to rest for a while with Him.



**Jeremy Thomas**





## **Daily / Weekly Events in our Church – December 2014**

<b><u>Monday</u></b>	Morning Prayer.	9.00am
<b><u>Tuesday</u></b>	Morning Prayer. Coffee Morning. (Church Hall) Church open for prayer.	9:00am 10:00am - 12:00pm 7.30-8.30pm
<b><u>Wednesday</u></b>	Morning Prayer.	9.00am
<b><u>Thursday</u></b>	Holy Communion. Princes Pantry. (St Luke's) Vestry hour.	9:45am 11:30am - 1:00pm 6.30-7.30 pm

*These are the usual events in our church, please see the notices for details of 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 work and live in:

**Recreation Avenue, Diane Road, Yvonne Close, Elaine Close,  
Upland Drive, Chestnut Grove**



# Parish News



THANK YOU

Joe Dickinson was very moved by the expression of sympathy in respect the sad loss of his wife Gwen contained in the November magazine and has asked that his grateful thanks be recorded.

## CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT ST THOMAS' AND ST LUKES



St Thomas		St Luke's
	<i>7<sup>th</sup> December</i>	
9.00am	Holy Communion	8.30am
10.45am	Toy Service & Christingle	11.00am
6.30pm	Evening Prayer	
	<i>14<sup>th</sup> December</i>	
9.00am	Holy Communion	
10.45am	Crib Service	11.00am
	Holy Communion	4.15pm
6.30pm	Evening Prayer	
	<i>21<sup>st</sup> December</i>	
9.00am	Holy Communion	
10.45am	Christmas Special	
	Family Worship & Baptism	11.00am
6.30pm	Carol Service	
	<i>24<sup>th</sup> December</i>	
3.45pm	Posada Service	
11.00pm	Midnight Service	11.00pm
	<i>25<sup>th</sup> December</i>	
10.30am	Christmas Communion	11.00am



# Mothers Union

## Diary Branch dates

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December** Christmas Carol Service in St Thomas Church at 7.30pm. Please do try to attend this special Service which is open to everyone and gives a great opportunity to meet the ladies from other Churches in Ashton and enjoy fellowship you will made welcome and encouraged to join us for Tea, Coffee and Mince Pies in Church after the Service.



**On Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January** Our belated Christmas Meal is once again at Bryn Masonic Hall. The occasion is open to all ladies of the Parish and friends and we look forward to seeing our friends old and new at what is a very enjoyable evening. If you wish to come please sign the list at the back of Church.



**Coops Foyer** You will remember that it is at this time of year that we think about the young people at Coops and their Christmas celebrations. If you would like to donate a gift I will be delighted to deliver it. Please mark the parcel male or female.

As we arrive once more at the end of another busy year in the life of our Branch and I would again like to take this opportunity of thanking our Secretary, Treasurer and the Committee and all the members of our Parish for their continued support throughout the year.

With the world seeming to be in a turmoil I thought that the following was somewhat appropriate as we are fortunate to be able to look forward to a season of celebration.

**To have hope is to continue affirming**

**that it is possible to dream a different work!,**

**without hunger, without injustice, without discrimination.**

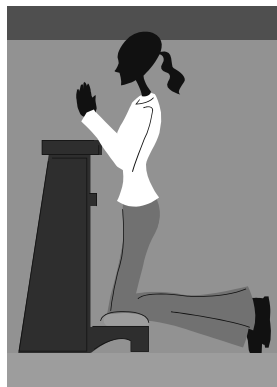
On 17th October, the International Day for eradication of poverty, is once more marked. This year the theme looks forward to the "Post-2015 Development Agenda" that will replace the Millennium Development Goals.

We may sometimes feel weary that the years go by and our campaigning for social justice continues to be necessary. As our faith continues to motivate and inspire our work let us pray for continuing hope and trust in God's plans to build his kingdom of justice on earth.

***God of compassion,***  
your eyes are turned to  
the poor and needy.  
Turn our gaze to see the  
need around us.  
Give us a vision of an  
equal world  
where poverty has no place.

***God of justice,***  
your face is set against  
poverty.  
Shake us out of our  
comfort.  
Challenge us to counter  
injustice  
whatever the cost to ourselves.

***God of hope,***  
your kingdom will come  
in its fullness.  
Envision us to act and  
pray.  
Inspire us to work for a  
future hope  
of fullness of life for all.  
Amen.



**Wishing you and your families a very peaceful and happy  
Christmas.  
*Barbara***



## St. Thomas' C of E Primary School

### SIAMS

(Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Church)

St. Thomas C of E Primary School was inspected on its core Christian values on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October. Having recently received the RE inspection report staff and governors could hardly be more pleased with the outcome. The report recognises many areas as outstanding and states



*"...this is a highly caring and welcoming school, were warm and loving Christian relationship characterises everyday life".*

In addition it also recognises the outstanding partnership between church and school as well as the highly effective role of governors. We all feel very proud and rightly so.

Well done everyone.

### Ethos Group

We would like to thank the Church for buying WWJD (What Would Jesus Do) wristbands. These will be given to all our children nominated for our weekly Christian value award.



## Dress to Impress Disco

The PFA organised a dress to impress disco to great general enjoyment. The money raised will be used to buy little extras for our children and a donation will be made to Rainbow Ward at Wigan Infirmary, our chosen charity this year.



## Morning Coffee



Well done to Mrs Pearson, Mrs Anders and all our wonderful children from Y5 for raising over £140 at their McMillan morning coffee

## A Child's Special Prayer

*Dear God*

*Thank you for our "Friends Together" club and the friendship we share. We love the club and always have a good time learning about you. Please bless each and every one of us. We all love you".*

Thomas Oakes Year 4



**Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all of you.**

**God Bless**

**Elaine Mateus**



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20/10/14	339.50	81	4.19
27/10/14	380.70	71	5.36
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1533.90</b>	<b>294</b>	
<b>AVERAGE</b>	<b>383.47</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>5.21</b>



### Smile Lines!!

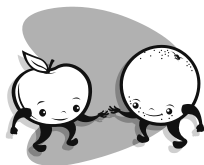
#### What would you like for Christmas?

A little girl went to visit Father Christmas in the local garden centre grotto. He welcomed her with a smile and the question of what she would like for Christmas. The little girl gasped, and stared up at him in horror. "Didn't you get my email?!"



### Christmas gifts

Grandfather was talking to his grand-daughter, "When I was a child all we got for Christmas was an apple and an orange." The little girl clapped her hands in joy. "Brilliant! I'd love a new computer and a mobile!"





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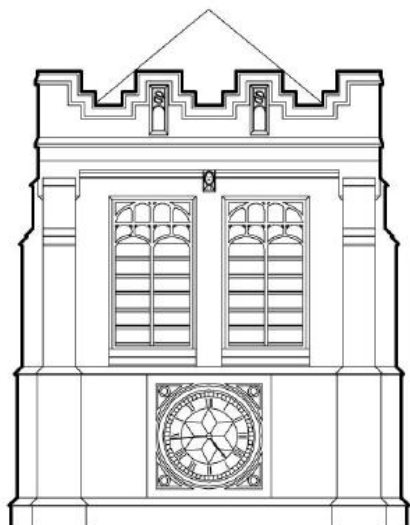
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27TH DEC	ALL LADIES—CHRISTMAS FLOWERS



FLOWERS IN CHURCH FOR DECEMBER		
DATE	ALTAR	LADY CHAPEL
7TH DEC	VACANT	In memory of our loved ones from Annie Bailey and family
14TH DEC	VACANT	In memory of all our loved ones from Mrs Wood and family & Mr and Mrs Lawton and family
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## FLOWERS IN CHURCH DURING DECEMBER

DATE	
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14TH DEC	From Carole Pye
20TH DEC	Christmas Flowers—Congregation
27TH DEC	Christmas Flowers—Congregation



# The Film Review

## With Rob Carson



Gone Girl (18) Directed by David Fincher

Stars: Ben Affleck, Rosamund Pike, Carrie Coon, Tyler Perry, Neil Patrick Harris, Kim Dickens, Patrick Fugit, Missi Pyle, Casey Wilson, and Sela Ward

In a Nutshell: The great thing about some movies is you really can't ever expect what they will be. I'm not even starting on this one in terms of what it could be or what it is, but there aren't many expectations which can be fulfilled. This is a lot darker and twisted than what you can expect, but is also a lot more satirical and humorous than you could ever suspect too. It isn't about to be tied down into its own little circle. But I won't go on about how it defies expectations because that hints too much about its secrets and this being a film where you want to think everything is as it seems, I don't want to tell too much. What I can say is as to be expected from Fincher, the film looks stunning... full of great camera choices, beautifully shot imagery and great lighting. The performances kinda across the board are phenomenal, but special mention to Rosamund Pike who, again with spoling, is transcendental... just a career best turn and definitely one of the awards come next year, but also Affleck is superbly strong and flawed as Nick... the catch being that everyone is watching his every turn waiting for him to slip up, a critique perhaps on the way the audiences perceive Ben himself? This is at both a dark thriller and a interesting treatise on relationships and how they work... Fincher once again excels himself, and provides a really gloomy and interesting tale that will provide much discussion and will stick with you and disturb you more than any horror tale that's around.... both dark and chilling yet strangely satirical and funny and witty in parts, it's a real cocktail of intrigue and well worth checking out for yourself.... find it before it's gone!

Rating: 9/10



Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles (12A) Directed by Jonathan Liebsman

Stars: Megan Fox, William Fichtner, Will Arnett, Tony Shaloub (voice), Johnny Knoxville (voice), Tohoru Masamune, Noel Fisher, Pete Ploszek, Jeremy Howard, and Whoopi Goldberg

In a Nutshell: It was so easy with this latest adaptation of the heroes in a half shell, to be a big cynic. Oh Michael Bay is taking my childhood heroes and making them more gritty and a bit more teen rather than family friendly and doing a Transformers. But at the end of the day, you just have to sit back and think 'but it's the Turtles and they still look like they're doing turtle things'. And boy was that the best option because this is flat out fun for Turtles fans and for new audiences too, yeah there's the odd Bay flourish that jars but not too much, and besides if you remember that those 90s Turtles movies were hardly



# The Film Review

## With Rob Carson



perfect... then who are we to gripe too much? Yes, Megan Fox is hardly wonderful but she does a decent job of portraying the plucky April O'Neill and is eminently likeable throughout, whilst the wonderful Will Arnett is terrific counterpoint as her long suffering cameraman. Not to mention the ever reliable William Fichtner is on hand as a shady character with a vital role to play, plus there's a great cameo for Whoopi Goldberg as April's boss. Regardless of how it may seem, the effects for the Turtles themselves is actually fairly solid... yeah they are more intimidating and creepy but it works and they act like the Turtles we know and love. It's like with a few of the Transformers movies, put your brain at the door and leave your prejudices behind... because this is Turtle good fun! Rating: 8/10



Also Seen: The Rewrite (12A) 7/10, The Babadook (15) 9/10, Nightcrawler (15) 9/10,

Also Out in December: The Hobbit: Battle of the Five Armies (12A) Exodus: Gods and Kings (15) Annie (PG) Hot Tub Time Machine II (15) Unbroken (15) Dumb and Dumber To (15) Night at the Museum: Secret of the Tomb (PG) Black Sea (15) Get Santa (U) Penguins of Madagascar (U) The Pyramid (15) St. Vincent (12A) The Good Lie (12A) Big Eyes (12A)

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All our loved ones from Eric and Gill Foster

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My lovely husband, dad, grandad & great grandad - always in our hearts - love Rene & family

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**Anniversary & Christmas remembrance** of a dear brother Keith from Elaine



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Anne Pennington (17 Dec) - a much loved wife, mother, mother-in-law & grandma from David & family

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Fred Waterworth (20 Dec) - a dearly loved husband, dad & grandie - so sadly missed - from Alice & family

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Ina McLaren (15 Nov) - a dearly loved mum & grandma from Pauline, Kevin, Susan, Nick, Jack & Scarlett

Hilda Kilshaw (29 Dec) from Tom & family

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Peter Raymond (8 Nov 2011) from Margaret & family

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Harry Finch

Tom & Pat McIlwee - all our love always - Karen, Brian, Nathan & Chloe

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**In loving birthday (16 Oct) and Anniversary Remembrance (27 Nov)** of my dear husband Tony from Olive

**With thanks** for the safe arrival of my first grandson Harry Philip Archer 12 Nov 2014 from Sharon

**Belated 67th Birthday memories** of George Brookes (11.11.47) greatly loved and missed from wife Joan, children Kathryn Isobel & Peter and grandchildren



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General £315

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Church Hall Fund £135

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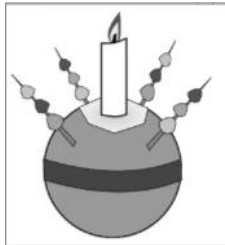
Anniversary remembrance of a  
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Nellie Thomas

Loving Christmas memories of a  
very dear Mum and Dad Joyce  
and Allan Coombes and all  
loved ones

Debra

From the family

Angela, Peter and family



## The story of the Christingle

The word 'Christingle' actually means 'Christ Light', and celebrates the light of Jesus coming into the world. Stories of how the Christingle began look back to the Moravian Church, which is found in the Czech Republic. The Moravians have held Christingle services

for more than 200 years, and according to them, this is how the first Christingle might have been made:

Many years ago the children in a village were asked to bring a Christmas gift to put beside the crib in the church. One family was very poor, and had no money for gifts, but the three children were still determined to take something. The only nice thing they had was an orange, so they decided to give the Christ-child that. But then they discovered the top was going green, so the eldest cut it out, and put a candle in the hole. To add some colour, one of the girls took a red ribbon from her hair and tied it around the middle of the orange. It was hard to make the ribbon stay still, so they fastened it in place with toothpicks. The toothpicks looked a bit bare, so the youngest child added some raisins to them.



The children took their decorated orange lantern to the church for the Christmas Mass. The other children sneered at their meagre gift, but the priest seized upon it with joy. He held it up as an example of the true understanding of the meaning of Christmas, for the following reasons: the orange is round, like the world; the candle gives us light in the dark, like the love of God; the red ribbon goes round the 'world', as a symbol of Christ's blood, given for everyone; the four sticks point in all directions, and symbolise that God is over all: North, South, East and West; and the fruit and nuts remind us of God's blessings.

The Children's Society first introduced the Christingle Service to The Church of England in 1968, and it has since become a popular event in the church calendar. This candlelit celebration is an ideal way to share the key messages of the Christian faith, while helping to raise vital funds to help vulnerable children across the country. Visit:

[www.childrenssociety.org.uk](http://www.childrenssociety.org.uk)



## ANGELS

We hear a lot about angels at Christmas. A lot of the carols we sing have angels in them – like 'Hark the Herald Angels Sing' and 'While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night'.

Angels are God's messengers and you can read about the good news they brought to the shepherds in Luke's Gospel, chapter 2, verses 8-20.

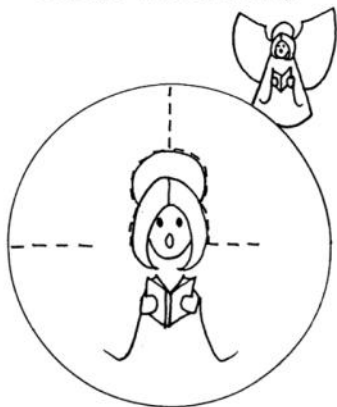
### MAKE YOUR OWN CHRISTMAS ANGEL

You can make a whole host of angels, one for the top of the tree and a row of them, all different sizes, to go on a windowsill. To alter the size simply draw a bigger or smaller circle, you could use a dinner plate or a small tin to draw round. You could even make a giant angel using a dustbin lid!

#### You will need:

Scissors, thick white paper or thin white card, some felt tip pens and something circular to draw round (use a small plate or saucer to start with).

- Draw a circle on the paper and cut it out. Mark the centre of the circle (lightly fold it into quarters to find the centre).
- Copy the face and features on to the circle and colour them in.
- Mark the dotted lines and cut around them and around the halo and hair as marked.
- Fold the angel into a cone by putting one wing over the other and slotting them together. A little piece of sellotape will hold it firmly.



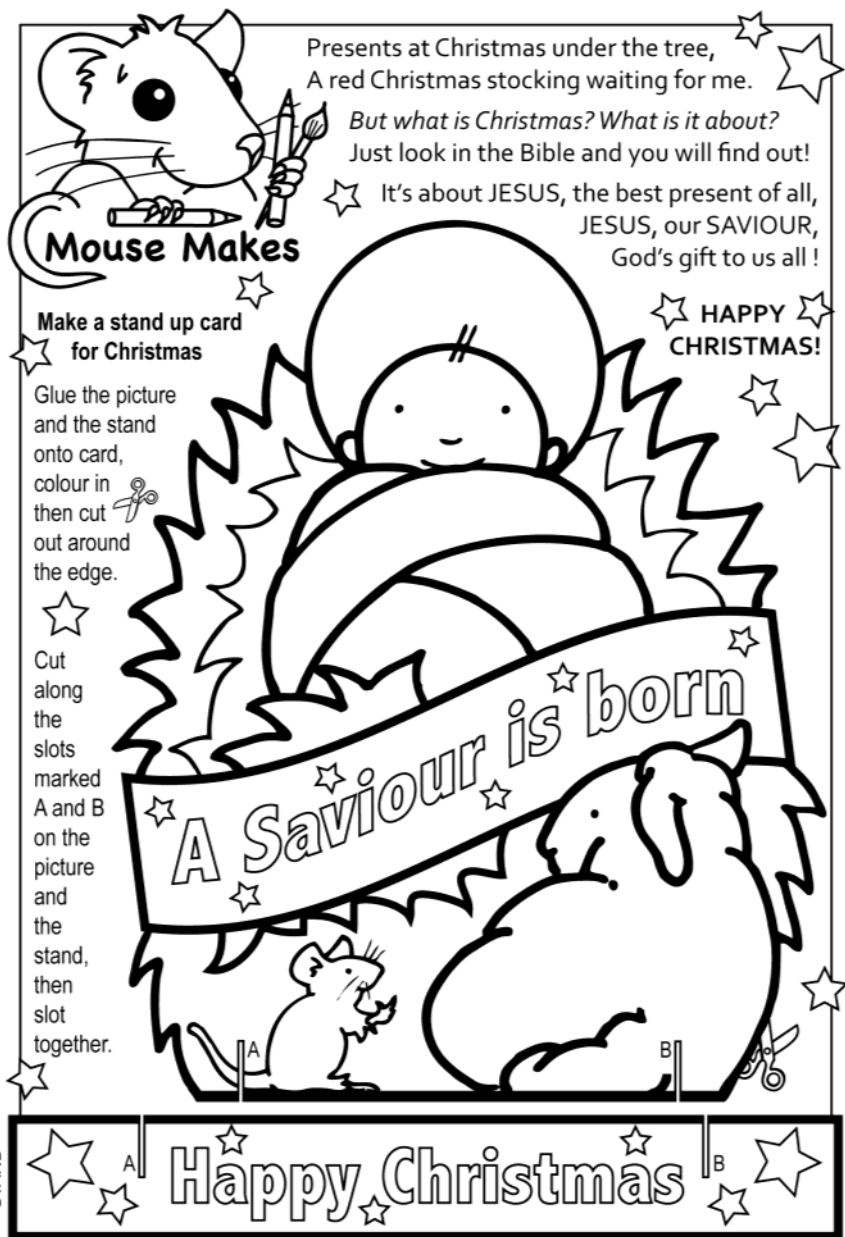
#### How do angels greet each other?

They say,  
Halo.



#### What do fish sing at Christmas?

Shark, the  
herald angels  
sing.



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## Funerals - "May they rest in peace"

29th Sept.	Keith Prescott	Greenwell Road	73yrs
8th Oct.	John Kitts	Windsor Road	58yrs
17th Oct.	Shelia Hayward	Heather Grove	80yrs
3rd Nov.	Joyce Davenport	Bolton Road	75yrs

## Holy Baptism -

"We welcome them into the Lord's family"



19th Oct	Caitlyn Louise Dawber	Lily Lane
26th Oct	Isla Rose Byrne	Mansart Close
	Tyler John Hughes	Moxon Way
	Jack William Hancock	Beechwood Avenue
9th Nov	Sophie Rose Robinson	Lowbank Road

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

## Boys Brigade

**Captain:** Gareth Hamlett (07903866501 )

**Anchor Boys (Tuesday: 6.00 p.m.)**

Olwen Wright (389595)

**Junior Section (Wednesday: 6.30 p.m.)**

## **Company Section**

**(Tuesday: 7.15 p.m.) & (Friday: 7.00 pm)**

Jonty Cornthwaite (721626)

## Music Group Mary Owen (203277)

**Sunday – 10.45 a.m.**

**Practice – Monday : 7.30 p.m.**

## St Thomas' Choir

**Sunday - 10.45 a.m. & 6.30 p.m.**

**Practice – Thursday: 7.00 p.m.**

Paul Tushingham (711085)

## Children's Sunday Clubs – 10.45 a.m.

**Bubbles (Pre-School)**

**Splash (R-Y2), Xstream (Y3-Y6)**

**Bell Tower (Y7-Y11)**

Sue Thomas (727275)

sue@stthomasandstluke.co.uk

## Wednesday Weenies

**Wed – 1.00 p.m.:** Jan Cornthwaite

(721626)

## Friday Drop In

**Friday - 8-9.30pm (Y7-Y11)**

Sue Thomas (727275)

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

**Sunday 6.30pm Church Hall**

Ceri Mansell (727417)

## St Thomas' Mothers' Union

**3rd Wed: 7.30 p.m.:** Barbara Taylor (205136)

## Girl Guides

**Rainbows (Tuesday: 5.30 p.m.)**

Anne Wooff (724207)

**3rd & 4th Ashton Brownies**

**(Wednesday and Thursday: 6.30 pm)**

Irene Taylor (703410)

Susan Hughes (725291)

**St Luke's Brownies (Thurs: 6.00 p.m.)**

Helen Hughes (748863)

**3rd Ashton Guides & Ranger Guides**

**(Tuesday: 7.15 p.m.)**

Rachel Starkie (718350)

## Coffee Mornings at St Thomas'

**Tues - 10 a.m.**

**Thurs - (after 9.45 a.m. communion)**

Barbara Taylor (205136)

## St Luke's Over Sixties

**Monday – 2.00 p.m.**

**Meet at Stubshaw Cross Labour Club**

## St. Luke's Donation Secretary

Dorothy Hesketh(738713)

## St. Luke's Treasurer

John Boon

## St Luke's Mothers' Union

**1st Wed: 7.30 p.m.:** Bobbie Masnyk

(718473)

## Flower Guild

Meta Laites (723679)

## Bowling Club

Henry Hunter (712709)

## Monthly Dance Club

John Makinson (725870)

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