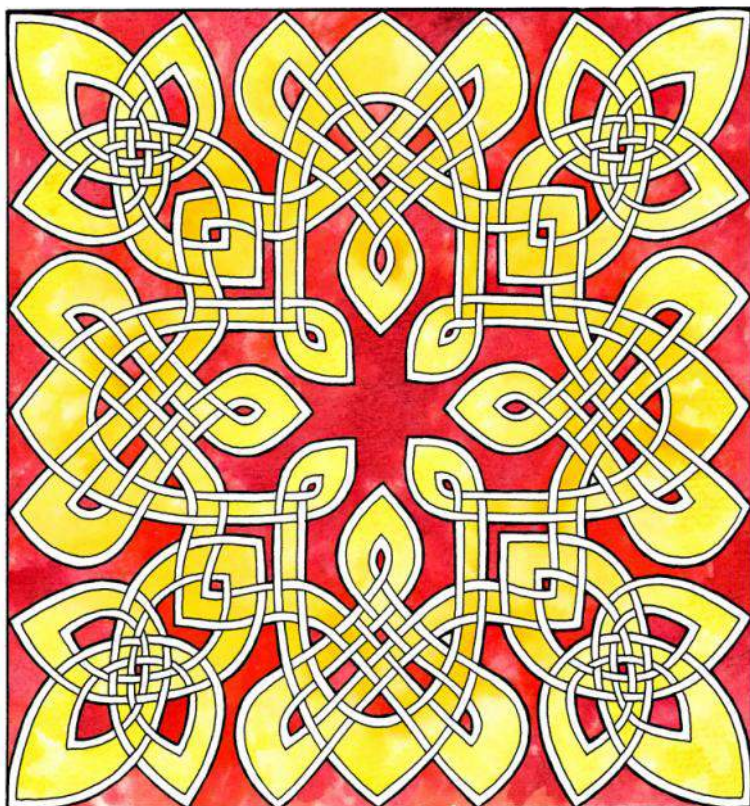


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# Church Services in the Parish of St Thomas, Ashton-in-Makerfield

## Sundays

St Thomas's		St Luke's
9.00a.m.	Holy Communion	11.00 a.m. Family Worship (2nd Sunday Family Communion)
10.45 am	Family Worship (1st Sunday Parade & 4th Sunday Family Communion)	
6.30 p.m.	Evening Worship (3rd and 5th Sunday Holy Communion)	

## 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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**Deadlines:** Handwritten material should be given to Malcolm Taylor, and email material to [stthomasandstlukemagazine@gmail.com](mailto:stthomasandstlukemagazine@gmail.com)

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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. There will no longer be a Vestry Hour.

## 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.

### Funerals

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



# Letter from the Vicar

***"In praying 'Thy Kingdom Come' we all commit to playing our part in the renewal of the nations and the transformation of communities."***

**Archbishop Justin Welby**



#PLEDGE2PRAY

Thy Kingdom Come is a global prayer movement, which invites Christians around the world to pray between Ascension and Pentecost for more people to come to know Jesus Christ. What started out as an invitation from the Archbishops' of Canterbury and York in 2016 to the Church of England has grown into an international call to prayer.

The hope from the Archbishops this year is that:

- people will commit to pray with God's world-wide family - as a church, individually or as a family;
- churches will hold prayer events, such as 24-7 prayer, prayer stations and prayer walks, across the UK and in other parts of the world;

people will be empowered through prayer by the Holy Spirit, finding new confidence to be witnesses for Jesus Christ.

Churches in Transforming Wigan have made a commitment to pray 24 hours a day for 40 days from Ascension Day. There are many slots at all times of the day that we would value your prayers if you are able.

Let us know if you can help. The last week of the 40 days we are joined by prayer missionaries from South Korea; they are called to pray for the UK, and in this instance for us here in the Wigan Deanery. If God is calling people from across the world to pray for us then we surely are called to join in.





# Letter from the Vicar

Our Try Praying initiative complements this call to prayer and in it we have the simple tools to share the strength, the peace and the success of prayer with others. We have given out 5,000 booklets, advertised on buses, placed banners outside churches, our children are involved as we welcome them in church to try out creative prayer stations, families have received packs to assist them to pray together.

Prayer can only happen though if you and I **choose** to speak with God, to **make time** to chat with him, to give thanks, to think of the needs of others – and ourselves. I encourage you to try praying – and to encourage someone else, who in their personal situation you know would value the words ‘have you tried praying’ and then for them to know that you will pray for them also.

Thy Kingdom come, on earth as it is in heaven.

**Jeremy Thomas**

## Verse for the Year

***‘Let us think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good works. And let us not neglect our meeting together’***

***Hebrews 24-25a (NLT)***





## **Daily / Weekly Events in our Church - June 2017**

<b><u>Tuesday</u></b>	Coffee Morning. (Church Hall)	10:00am- 12:00pm
	Church open for prayer.	7.30-8.30pm
<b><u>Wednesday</u></b>	Morning Prayer.	9.00am
<b><u>Thursday</u></b>	Holy Communion.	9:45am
	Vestry hour.	6.30-7.30pm

*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 live and work in **Bolton Road (to Bryn Road South), Strand Avenue, Malvern Close, The Strand**

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# Parish News



## **Fit for the Future**

As you know we have now launched the fund raising appeal for the church heating and the audio visual system. I am sure that there will be much effort by many people and church organisations to raise the funds we require.

An interesting project is contemplated by Les Boardman and involves, perhaps a similarity with Jesus' parable of the talents. Les is prepared provide individual sums of say £5, £10, £15, £20 or £25 to any members of the congregation who are prepared to try to double the amount by any (legal) effort which they might choose, an example might be holding a coffee morning or perhaps making something for sale.

If you are interested in taking this challenge, which incidentally might well also appeal to youngsters, then please contact Les or I will be happy to put you in touch with him.

***Malcolm***

## **Women at the Well**

We have gathered at 'The Well' to drink deeply and draw near to God. Ben Houghton challenged us big time on our task and goal when he shared with us on 7th May. Jenny Campbell and her team ministered powerfully to over 80 women in May at the 'Women at the Well' event that I understand ended with a chaotic but powerful 'prayer tunnel' - enough said!

***Tim Montgomery***



# Mothers Union

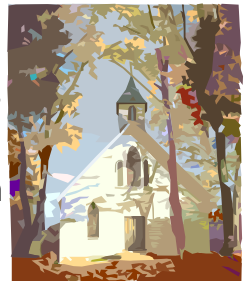
## DIARY

**Wednesday 21st June** our annual Summer Evening with buffet and entertainment by Alex Hancock in the Church Hall at 7.30pm. The cost is £3.00 with free raffle.

I am taking this opportunity of thanking Kath Vella for her service as a member of our branch committee. Kath has decided to retire from the committee due to family circumstances. I am grateful for all her help as a committee member. That being said we now have a vacancy on the committee and I would be delighted to hear from any member of our branch who would like to take Kath's place in what is a very interesting role in the life of our branch.

### Advance notices

Our Summer trip this year will be a visit to St Oswalds Church at Winwick now that the refurbishment has been completed. The parish of St. Oswald's and its ancient Church building has a very important place in the history of our own parish of St Thomas as we were once part of that parish. I am sure that the visit will be very interesting. It will be on Wednesday 19th July. If you would like to join us please sign the sheet at our next meeting or let me know as soon as possible. We are planning to have a buffet in the Church Hall before we leave.



Our Light Lunch this year will be in the Church Hall on Saturday 5th August between 11.00am and 1.00 pm. We will have the usual stalls, cakes and tombola etc. Raffle and tombola contributions will be gratefully received. As always everyone is welcome.



# Mothers Union

Father, pour out your Spirit upon your people,  
and grant to us:

a new vision of your glory,  
a new faithfulness to your word,  
may your Spirit make us wise;  
may your Spirit guide us;  
may your Spirit renew us;  
may your Spirit strengthen us  
so that we will be strong in faith,  
that your life may grow among us  
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through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.



*Love and prayers  
Barbara*

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## Saturday FM

Saturday FM (family meeting) welcomed local families into St Thomas's school for the first time on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May. As part of

the Transforming Wigan initiative which aims to revive the spiritual heart of Wigan, Saturday FM hopes to make a positive difference in our local community by developing a new ways to reach people, create a feeling of belonging, and to share the love of Jesus.

Sunday mornings can be a difficult time for families to attend traditional church services; in today's society we are competing with an array of children's activities such as rugby practice, football tournaments and swimming lessons to name but a few. Saturday mornings are often the same, dance classes, music lessons and gymnastics are all popular children's activities on weekends. And rightly so, these activities are so important for our children's mental and physical wellbeing; our bodies and minds are gifts from God and he wants us to nurture and look after them!

One of the things that Transforming Wigan has taught us during the Saturday FM journey is that as Christians, we need to come out of our churches into our communities and meet people where they are (and this includes *when* they are available) in order to reach them and share the message we have been blessed with. This is how we settled on Saturday afternoons in St Thomas's in the hope that families will be available and feel comfortable in the familiar environment of the school.

In total 23 people attended the first meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> May. On the day we had den building led by Jamie, crafts and journal decorating with Kath and Nina and a singing and dancing tutorial by Alex. Sue took care of the technical stuff so we were also able to enjoy a short and lively film clip based on 2 Kings 6: 15-17, from a series called 'Treasure Hunters' which Dave Hill of Hilltop kindly donated to us, along with the journals that had been decorated.



We were even treated to pizza by Jeanette whilst we watched and then talked about the film clip, and Suzanne kept everyone going with refreshments throughout the whole event. It was a jam packed and fun hour with children from pre-schoolers to key stage 2 all finding something to join in with. Dads were dancing and were washing up, mums were crafting and were clearing up at the end which just affirmed the spirit of belonging and community.

Thank you Holy Spirit for being there with us!

Our next event is on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June from 4pm until 5pm at St Thomas's school again. There will be football activities (outside hopefully, weather permitting), a treasure hunt and another singing and dance tutorial from Alex. Food and drinks will be shared and there will even be enough time to squeeze in some more worship! After this the next Saturday FM is on 15<sup>th</sup> July.

**Nicola Burgess**

# **1<sup>st</sup> Ashton-in-Makerfield The Boys Brigade.**

## **HELP IS NEEDED**

For many who may be unaware the Boys Brigade at St Thomas's Church has been in active existence since it was founded over 50 years ago.

This uniformed organisation was founded in 1883 in Glasgow by Sir William Alexander Smith and its values are based on the twin pillars of "The advancement of Christ's kingdom amongst boys and Discipline"-values we believe that are as strong today as they were when the Boys Brigade was founded.

Over many years we have seen many boys come to a faith in Jesus at St Thomas's through the work and commitment of many officers – and we need that to continue.

## **SO HELP IS NEEDED.**

We meet every Tuesday evening during term time and our age groups range from 5-18- consisting of Anchor Boys, Junior Section, Company Section and Senior Section.

We have many other activities that we do as well as giving boys grounding in the Christian Faith.

## **SO HELP IS NEEDED**

We need help in all three sections but especially within the Junior and Company Section.

Once a week, once a month, we need volunteers to come along and help out that is what is needed

## **IF WE DON'T GET HELP**

I do not ask for officers/helpers lightly, but it has come to a point that if we do not get some help then sadly we will be unable to continue as a functioning Boys Brigade Company here at St Thomas.

We start a new year's activity in September, so please do contact me if you are able to help in any way to keep the "BB strong in Ashton"

**Gareth Hamlett- Boys Brigade Captain -----**

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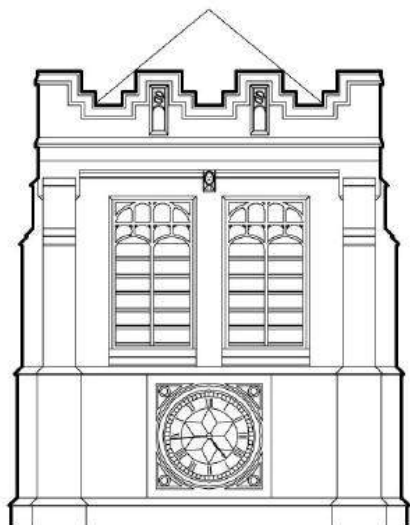
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**Elaine Hibbert** (June 22nd) from Joan and Ashley

A Dear Husband and Dad **Allan Deluce** from Elsie and Family

A Dear Brother **Allan Deluce** from Jean

A dear mother **Elizabeth Forster** from Brian and Barry

## **Anniversary Remembrance of**

**Thomas Tagg** (June 23rd) from Grandma

**Richard Glover**, a dear Husband and Dad from Mary and Carol

**Margaret Langton** (20th June) from her Husband Norman,  
Cousins Marjorie and Les

# **St Lukes' Donations**



## **In Loving Memory of**

**Elaine Hibbert** from Ken

***We are grateful to our local historian David Fearnley for another glimpse into the past of a well known part of our town.***

### **Skitters Farm & Estate, Skitters Grove**

Skitters Wood is an ancient woodland. An ancient woodland is defined as a woodland which has existed continuously since 1600 or earlier. Today only 2% of Britain is covered with ancient woodland. There are certain plant species which are indicators of ancient woodland, one of which is the bluebell. As Ashtonians will know the Skitters Wood has a profusion of bluebells. Skitters Farm was situated in the present day Skitters Grove, off Lowbank Road, Ashton in Makerfield.



The earliest document relating to this area and lands is dated 1653 but the word "Skitters" is never used. From the mid 17th Century and for most of the 18th Century these lands do not have a specific name and are loosely described in general terms. In 1653 they are described as "parcels of land called the "Two Cowes Heyes" and the "waste" of c4 acres situated in Ashton in Makerfield", and in 1740 as "c12 acres of land, houses, outbuildings, buildings, stables, yards, gardens, orchards, lands, meadows, pasture and common turbary, waters and watercourses, situated in Ashton in Makerfield". Common turbary was a medieval right allowing for the cutting of turf or peat on common land for fuel.

From 1653 - late 18th Century the property changed ownership several times until in 1785 the lands were purchased for £666 by Edward Holt, of Ashton in Makerfield, yeoman. The word "Skitters" first appears in 1785 when Edward Holt gave a name to his lands - he named them Skitters in his Will of 4/5/1785 when he writes "My estate which goes by the name of Skitters I bequeath in equal shares to my 4 sons William, James, Joseph and Edward". This raises the question did Edward Holt name his lands after the existing Skitters Wood or did the wood take its name from the farm after 1785? The

woodland today named Skitters Wood existed a lot earlier than 1785. The wood is an ancient woodland that existed c1600 or earlier so possibly the farm was named after the wood. The meaning of the word Skitters is unclear.

The 4 sons of Edward Holt - William, James, Joseph and Edward - held the Skitters Farm and lands until 1814 when Joseph Holt, for £800, sold the farm to his 4 nephews - Thomas, William, James and Edward Holt - the 4 sons of his late brother William. In 1814 Skitters Farm was described as "1 dwelling house, 2 cottages, 2 barns, 2 stables, 2 shippens, 2 orchards, 2 gardens, 12 acres of land consisting of 6 acres of meadow, 6 acres of pasture or common for all the cattle and common right of turbary". The 4 nephews held the property until 1828 when William and James Holt, for £1,670, sold it to Bartholomew Bretherton. Soon after the sale, c1830, William Holt and family sailed to North America where they became some of the earliest colonists in Pennsylvania.

Bartholomew Bretherton was a stagecoach proprietor, of the Hall, Rainhill. He ran the Liverpool - London stagecoach and the Liverpool - Manchester stagecoaches. In 1830 Bartholomew owned 260 acres at Rainhill, which was the first staging point out of Liverpool, where he built stables for 200 horses. Bartholomew's only daughter and heiress, Mary, was engaged to, and in 1829, married William Gerard the brother of Sir John Gerard, of New Hall (Garswood Hall), Ashton in Makerfield. Soon after purchasing the Skitters Farm and lands Bartholomew Bretherton, for £1,800, sold the property to Sir John Gerard of New Hall.

Sir John Gerard gained possession in 1829 of Skitters Farm and estate consisting of "a farmhouse, buildings, a cottage, several closes or parcels of land c12 acres together with all trees and timber thereon and mines thereunder". Sir John Gerard and the Gerards retained ownership of the Skitters Farm and estate leasing the property to tenant farmers. Early in the 20th century Skitters Farm ceased to be a working farm and the acreage was probably taken over by the Home Farm, known locally as Worthingtons Farm, on Liverpool Road.



# The Film Review

## With Rob Carson



### **Guardians of the Galaxy: Vol II (12A) Directed by James Gunn**

Stars: Chris Pratt, Zoe Saldana, Dave Bautista, Vin Diesel, Bradley Cooper, Kurt Russell, Michael Rooker, Karen Gillan, Elizabeth Debicki, Sylvester Stallone, Pom Klementieff, Chris Sullivan, Sean Gunn, and Tommy Flanagan

In a Nutshell: When you have a movie as utterly awesome as Guardians of the Galaxy, of course there will be a sequel... but when it really was that unique and so utterly funny cool and original, how on earth would you even try and match that or catch that same magic again? I'm not entirely sure what the answer is really, but regardless the team behind this follow one have managed to still pull off another wild fun ride even if it can never quite be as unique as it's predecessor... this is still fun, awesome and very emotional and I do believe it's in deepening the characters and the relationships that this one strikes gold again. The freshness might not all be there, given we know the characters and the way it all works but that doesn't stop this from being hilarious and witty and fun all the way through once more as well as some even more beautiful and genius uses of the once again terrific soundtrack which really compliments the movie and enhances the story and plot as it goes and provides that extra sheen and level of fun required.... rather than simply retreading old ground and doing another straightforward story too, this once expands upon what was established in the first and delves much deeper into the backstories of the characters such as Gamora and Nebulas relationship which has tragic notes and a lot more is delved into the story of Peter and his upbringing and what happened there whilst Yondu has a lot more fun to be had too in both fun and emotional ways.... whilst all the newbies not least Pom and Russell get great stuff to work with here whilst Stallones small role is essentially setting up for the future. This is one of those movies that it's easy to see won't be for everyone... most will love it, some may be disappointed that for them it doesn't match up to the first but as it is, it's a fine follow on for fans and overall anyone absolute blast! See it for yourself and just go for the ride.... **Rating: 10/10**







# The Film Review

## With Rob Carson



### **Fast Eight (12A) Directed by F. Gary Gray**

Stars: Vin Diesel, Dwayne Johnson, Charlize Theron, Jason Statham, Tyrese Gibson, Chris Ludacris Bridges, Michelle Rodriguez, Kurt Russell, Scott Eastwood, Nathalie Emmanuel, Elsa Pataky, and Kristofer Hivju

In a Nutshell: In what universe and on what planet and in whose lifetime, did anyone expect the words 'this eighth installment is the best yet' would ever occur? Live and Let Die is good but it's no Goldfinger, and those Police in that Academy got stuck in Moscow. Well, neither of those involved Vin Diesel or Dwayne Johnson, at least to my knowledge. Along with highlight of the movie Jason Statham and the ever welcome Kurt Russell and a Helen Mirren cameo, these guys know exactly what to do and the buttons to push to make something exciting, action packed and even pretty emotional at times too. The theory that these movies only get better and better is a pretty solid one. Without delving too much into spoiltown, there's a lot of big shakeups this time around with the dynamic of the team and events lead to people being on different sides of the board, which makes for the drama and emotion side... whilst effortless pros like Statham and the always fun Tyrese bring the chuckles and charm, whilst Charlize is effortlessly hissable and fun as the latest baddie, who has even more to her than meets the eye. In fact all the gang are on fun and moody form as ever, plus a few other new faces too who do their roles with exactly what is needed to make the mix of drama and fun work so well, not least some utterly bombastic and ridiculously awesome set pieces, whether involving submarines and ice racing or zombie cars taking over the town. Simply put, this is everything you really need from one of these movies and fans will be super happy as well as general audiences, whereas everyone else will be bound to have fun of sorts too... they do what they say on the tin and do it very well they do! **Rating: 9/10**



**Also Seen:** The Boss Baby (U) 7/10 The Belko Experiment (18) 8/10 Their Finest (12A) 9/10

**Also Released in June:** Wonder Woman (12A) (June 1st) My Cousin Rachel (15) (June 9th) The Mummy (12A) (June 9th) The Shack (12A) (June 9th) Wilson (15) (June 9th) Churchill (12A) (June 16th) Gifted (12A) (June 16th)



## St RICHARD of CHICHESTER

St Richard of Chichester, who lived from 1197 to 1253, is patron saint of the English county of Sussex.

In 1244 Richard was elected Bishop of Chichester but King Henry III wanted someone else as bishop and he ordered that no one should feed or house Richard. So Richard lived with a friend who was a parish priest and visited his entire diocese on foot for two years until the king relented.

Richard is widely remembered today for the prayer he is supposed to have said as he was dying. The prayer was adapted for the song 'Day by Day' in the musical Godspell and it is in this form that most people know it today:

Day by day,  
Dear Lord, of thee  
three things I pray:  
To see thee more clearly,  
Love thee more dearly,  
Follow thee more nearly,  
Day by Day.

## SOUNDS STRANGE

There are still quite a few people called Richard today but some saints' names sound very strange to our modern ears - how many of these names are saint's names and how many of them are something else all together? Answers at the bottom of the page.

1. Wenceslas
2. Mesrop
3. Blaise
4. Porphyry
5. Waudru
6. Methodius
7. Attracta
8. Sebbi
9. Fiacre
10. Budoc



**What do you call a man with a map on his head?**

Miles.

**What do you call a woman with a tortoise on her head?**

Shelley.

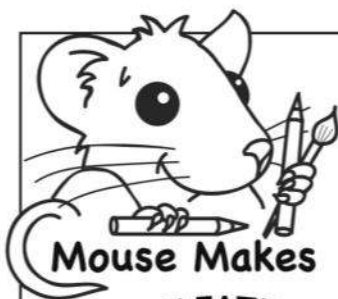


**What do you call a man checking your homework?**

Mark.

**What do you call a Vicar on a moped?**  
Rev.

Answer: all of them are saints listed in the Penguin Dictionary of Saints - honestly.



"May the *grace* of  
the Lord **JESUS** Christ  
and the *love* of **GOD**  
and the *fellowship* of  
the **HOLY SPIRIT** be with you all."

2 Corinthians 13:13



Can you find all the  
names of the Trinity  
in this 3 in 1  
word search?

**GOD - THE FATHER**

C R E A T O R  
J O N E L H O L Y  
E A I L M G N O A  
H S A V I O U R H  
O J M A G D I D W  
V U O N H I G H E  
A D F A T H E R H  
H G I M Y K I N G  
E T E R N A L

**GOD - THE SON**

M E S S I A H  
S J M O S T T A L  
C E M N V W R B A  
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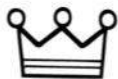
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FATHER • ON HIGH



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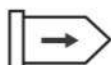


JESUS • CHRIST  
SAVIOUR • LORD  
EMMANUEL  
SHEPHERD  
LAMB  
WAY • SON  
DOOR • LIGHT  
BREAD • WORD  
MESSIAH • VINE



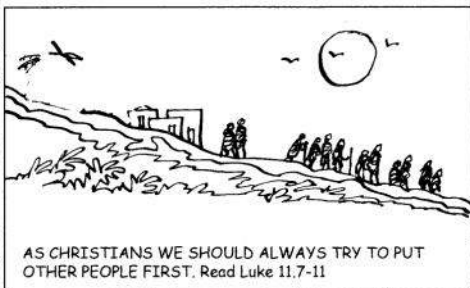
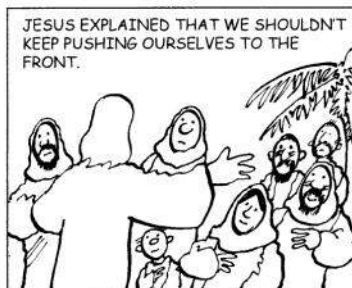
**GOD - THE SPIRIT**

HOLY • SPIRIT • COMFORTER • TEACHER • GUIDE  
HELPER • TRUTH • POWER • WISDOM • BREATH • ETERNAL



*Hiding in one of the puzzles is the word 'TRINITY', can you find it?*

# Colouring Page



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# The Registers



## Funerals - "May they rest in peace"

5th May	William Sutton	Windsor Road	66
9th May	Lily Fazakerley	Westwood Lodge	80
18th May	Thomas Pennington	Farndale Grove	74
22nd May	David Pennington	Old Hall Drive	78
22nd May	William Denton	Longden Road	83

## Holy Baptism -

"We welcome them into the Lord's family"



30th April	Dylan James Littler	Westonby Court
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# Church Organisations in the Parish of St Thomas, Ashton-in Makerfield

## Boys Brigade

**Captain:** Gareth Hamlett (07903866501 )

**Anchor Boys (Tuesday: 5.45 p.m.)**

Olwen Wright (389595)

**Junior Section (Tuesday 6.45 p.m.)**

Kat Duckworth (07517486188)

**Company Section (Tuesday: 7.30 p.m.)**

Contact Gareth Hamlett

## Girl Guides

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

Anne Wooff (724207)

**3rd & 4th Ashton Brownies**

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

Irene Taylor (Wednesday) (703410)

Susan Hughes (Thursday) (725291)

**St Luke's Brownies (Tues: 6.15 p.m.)**

Susan Hughes (725291)

**3rd Ashton Guides & Ranger Guides**

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

Rachel Starkie (718350)

**Music Group** Mary Owen (203277)

**Sunday – 10.45 a.m.**

## St Thomas' Choir

**Sunday - 6.30 p.m.**

Paul Tushingham (711085)

## Coffee Mornings at St Thomas'

**Tues - 10 a.m.**

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

Barbara Taylor (205136)

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

**Bubbles (Pre-School)**

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

**Bell Tower (Y7-Y11)**

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**Sunday 6.30pm Church Hall**

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