

Sunday 26th February 2023

First Sunday of Lent

Welcome to everyone in church today and to those joining us online. Please join us for refreshments after our services. At St Thomas' you can visit the Fairtrade stall.

HYMNS

	St Thomas	St James
Processional	145	67
Before the Gospel	124	507
Offertory	261	65
During communion	404, 452	304
Final	372	420

The Week Ahead & Information

Monday-

Friday

9am Morning Prayer *on St Thomas' Facebook page*

Monday

8.45-10.30 Tea, Toast & Tots *at St James'*

Tuesday

9.30 Thomas' Tots *in St Thomas' Hall 1st*
10am Eucharist *at St James'*
12.0 Eat & Meet *at St James'*

Wednesday

1pm HCPS Visit *at St Thomas'*
2pm Over 50's Social Group *in St Thomas' Refectory*
7pm Choir Practise *at St James'*

Thursday

10am Eucharist *at St Thomas'*
11-1 Refectory Café open *at St Thomas'*
7pm Lent Course *on Zoom*

Friday

2pm Lent Course *in St Thomas' Refectory*

Saturday

10am Stations of the Cross *at St Thomas'*

Next Sunday – 5th March – Second Sunday of Lent

9.15 Parish Eucharist *at St Thomas'*
10.45 Parish Eucharist *at St James'*
3.30 Holy Communion (BCP) *at St Thomas'*

Lent Course – Bread of Life

Based on the Eucharist. Zoom sessions, Thursday evenings, 7pm or in-person, Friday afternoons, 2pm, St Thomas' Refectory. Discussion, Bible study, film clips and more. email Fr David for the Zoom invitation. **From 2nd & 3rd March.**

Lent Books

These are still a few copies at the back of church including in Large Print.

Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC)

Following the devastating earthquake in Turkey and Syria, we are collecting on behalf of the DEC. Thousands have lost their lives and buildings have been reduced to rubble. Funds are needed urgently to help rebuild lives. Please leave donations at the back of church or give online: <https://donation.dec.org.uk> Thank you.

Thomas' Tots Birthday

This week marks the first anniversary of our Tots group at St Thomas'. If you'd like to drop in on Tuesday morning to see what's happening then you'd be made welcome. Perhaps you might even like to be involved!

Fr Andrew's Thank you

Dear friends, Our move to the rectory in Burnley went well. Liz and I would like to thank you all for the fantastic send-off, but much more than that, for your constant love and support for us in Haslingden and Musbury. Thank you for the cards, gifts, and well wishes; they have meant so much to us. The generous farewell gift purchased a large family fridge freezer and will be a constant reminder, as you know, food is dear to my heart! My time among you has been amazing in many ways, with many memories to treasure. Love and prayers, Fr Andrew

Food Bank supplies

We are running low on supplies used to provide immediate food parcels. If you can help, it would be much-appreciated. We especially need: tea, coffee, sugar, UHT milk, cereals, tinned meals (e.g. meatballs, ravioli, chile), pasta sauces, rice sachets, baked beans. We have lots of soup and pasta...

Prayer Group

This is people praying in their own homes - Thursdays at 2.30pm with requests shared beforehand. Please speak to Kay Brewer if you'd like to join in.

Bacon butties

2nd April (St Thomas) & 16th April (St James). We're helping our Scouts raise money for the World Scout Jamboree. Cash & Card donations welcome!

Prayers

Please let Fr David know of anyone who should be included on our weekly prayer list. (frdavidstephenson@gmail.com, 07539 264279)

Please also let us know when someone is unwell or goes in to hospital.

For your prayers

For the sick: Ian, Charley, Lizzie, Rachael, Quentin, John, Frances, Gladys, Olivia, Barbara, Cynthia, Alfie, Mother Enid, Margaret, Christine, Lola, Arnold, Alicia, Jacqueline, Juliette, Jackie, Vivienne, Edna

For all who have died in the past week and all whose anniversaries fall in the coming week. *Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.*