

# Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2023

## Fifth Sunday of Easter

**Welcome** to everyone in church today and on-line. Please join us for refreshments our morning services. At St Thomas' you'll be able to make a purchase from our Fairtrade stall.

### HYMNS

	St Thomas	St James
<b>Processional</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>205</b>
<b>Before the Gospel</b>	<b>324</b>	<b>113</b>
<b>Offertory</b>	<b>473</b>	<b>484</b>
<b>During communion</b>	<b>355, 14</b>	<b>115, 102</b>
<b>Post Communion</b>	<b>503</b>	<b>120</b>
<b>National Anthem</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>489</b>

## The Week Ahead & Information

<b>Today</b>	11.15	Holy Baptism of Evalie <i>at St Thomas'</i>
	12.15	Holy Baptism of Lexi <i>at St James'</i>
	2-5	Coronation Picnic <i>at St Veronica's</i>
	3.30	Holy Communion (BCP) <i>at St Thomas'</i>
<b>Tue-Fri</b>	9am	Morning Prayer <i>on St Thomas' Facebook page</i>
<b>Tuesday</b>	9.30	Thomas' Tots <i>in St Thomas' Hall</i>
	10am	Eucharist <i>at St James'</i>
	2pm	Mothers' Union <i>in St Thomas' Refectory</i>
<b>Wednesday</b>	7pm	Choir Practise <i>at St James'</i>
<b>Thursday</b>	10am	Eucharist <i>at St Thomas'</i>
	2pm	Thursday Friends & Food Coronation Special <i>at St Thomas' Hall</i>
<b>Friday</b>	1pm	Funeral Service for Anthony Tomlinson RIP <i>at Accrington Crematorium</i>
<b>Saturday</b>	10-12	Christian Aid Coffee Morning <i>at St Thomas' Hall</i>
<b>Next Sunday – 14<sup>th</sup> May – Sixth Sunday of Easter</b>	8am	Eucharist <i>at St Thomas'</i>
	9.15	Parish Eucharist <i>at St Thomas'</i>
	10.45	Parish Eucharist <i>at St James' followed by APCM</i>

## **Thank you...**

to everyone who was able to support St Thomas' Coffee Morning last week - £1,222 was raised for church funds.

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

All are welcome to join the MU this coming Tuesday for reminiscences of the time of the Coronation of HM Queen Elizabeth II. Dress in red, white and blue if you can! Marilyn, the MU Literature Rep, will be there with gifts and cards for sale.

## **Christian Aid Coffee Morning**

Next Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May, 10-12. If you'd like to help by donating cakes, or help in person, please speak to Joanne Smithson. And, of course, come along and support!

## **Baptism & Confirmation**

Please return forms expressing an interest in being baptised and/or confirmed, to Fr David today.

## **Annual Meetings**

St James', Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May; St Thomas', Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May, both following the morning service. Nomination forms available TODAY for Churchwardens, PCC members, and Deanery Synod. Please consider whether you can stand to help grow and lead our churches. EVERYONE is asked to stay for these meetings.

## **Count on Nature**

St Thomas' Eco Church Group is holding this special event on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> June, 2.30-4pm in the churchyard. Everyone is welcome to come and join in but it's especially good for those with children. As we celebrate the wildlife in the churchyard we'll be observing and recording the different species, plants, insects and creatures living in it. Beginning with a short act of worship, there'll be lots to do, and refreshments. See posters for more information!

## **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: Charley, Lizzie, Rachael, Quentin, John, Frances, Cynthia, Sheila, Fr Roger, Emma, Steven, Neil, Margaret, Christine, Lola, Arnold, Alicia, Jacqueline, Juliette, Vivienne, Edna, Brian, Emma

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.*