

Sunday 2nd July 2023

5th Sunday after Trinity – Confirmation

Welcome to everyone in church today and to those joining us on online for our joint service. Please join us for refreshments and celebrations after the service in the Church Hall.

Hymns and readings are all in the special service booklet.

Please remember to place your offering in the plate at the back of church before the service begins. More information, including our QR code, in the service booklet.

The Week Ahead & Information

Today	12.15	Holy Baptism of Cedar <i>at St Thomas'</i>
Mon-Fri	9am	Morning Prayer <i>on St Thomas' Facebook page</i>
Monday	8.45	Last Tea, Toast & Tots of the term <i>at St James'</i>
Tuesday	9.30	Last Thomas' Tots of the term <i>in St Thomas' Hall</i>
	10am	Eucharist <i>at St James'</i>
	12pm	Eat & Meet Lunch <i>at St James'</i>
	2pm	Mothers' Union <i>in St Thomas' Refectory</i>
	7pm	<i>The Way</i> film course (final session) <i>at St James'</i>
Wednesday	2.30	Eucharist <i>at St John's School, Stonefold</i>
Thursday	10am	Eucharist <i>at St Thomas'</i>
	2pm	Thursday Friends & Food <i>at St Thomas' Hall</i>
	7pm	St James' Standing Committee
Friday	7pm	Quiz Night <i>at St Thomas' Hall</i>
Next Sunday – 16th July – 6th Sunday after Trinity		
	9.15	Parish Eucharist <i>at St Thomas'</i>
	10.45	Parish Eucharist with Holy Baptism <i>at St James'</i>
	11.15	Baptism of Amelia <i>at St Thomas'</i>
	3.30	Evening Prayer <i>at St Thomas'</i>

Mothers' Union

St Thomas' branch meets on Tuesday at 2pm. The speaker will be MU member Pam Daunton, author of a children's book set in Lancashire. All welcome!

The Way

The final session is this Tuesday at St James', at 7pm.

School Eucharist

We are invited to share in the Eucharist at St John's School, Stonefold, on Wednesday 12th July at 2.30pm in school. Please come and join if you're able to.

Quiz Night

This Friday. If you've booked a place –7pm –remember to bring liquid refreshments with you –advise us of allergies TODAY if you haven't already – please remember to bring cash/card to pay your £10 on the night.

Volunteer Hall Manager Required

From the Autumn St Thomas' is seeking a new Hall Manager, a voluntary role with an annual honorarium. This could be a role for one person or a job share. The role is vital if we wish to keep hiring our Hall to generate income for church and to provide a community space. Chat and role descriptor with/from Fr David.

Pimms & Strawberries

Saturday 12th August, 2-4.30pm, Clough House, Tor Side. Pimms and homemade strawberry scones, raising money for St Thomas' window fund. £10 per person. Tickets available TODAY from Lowri. Numbers are limited so don't miss out!

Gift Aid Declarations

Both churches – we now need everyone who is a UK Tax Payer to renew their Gift Aid Declarations. Please watch out in coming weeks for new forms. Gift Aid is a significant source of income for our churches and doesn't cost individuals anything. If you're eligible – please take, complete, and return a form at church.

Restoration

The vandalised handrails and steps in St Thomas' churchyard is due to be repaired/replaced asap.

Church Keys

If you have any keys for our churches, towers or hall, and haven't completed a key form, please see Lin Cutforth (at St Thomas') or a Churchwarden (at St James').

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, Sheila, Emma, Steven, Neil, Peter, Margaret, Christine, Lola, Arnold, Alicia, Jacqueline, Juliette, Vivienne, Edna, Brian, Emma, Keith

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.*