

Week beginning 20th May

Mon 20 May	7 pm	Older Youth Night (years 9-13)
Tues 21 May	9am	Church Prayers
Weds 22 May	9.30am	Little Bears
Thurs 23 May	7pm	Younger Youth Night (years 6-8)

All events at St Thomas' Church unless otherwise indicated.

Youth Nights are at St Stephen's Church, Weir Road.

Dates for your diary

25/26 May		Big Church Day Out
Sunday 9 June	Midday	Welcome Lunch
Sunday 9 June	4pm	Transform
Sunday 30 June	Midday	St Thomas' Day fair

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The Parish Office is open 9-1 pm Monday to Thursday.

We implement 'A Safe Church Procedure' to ensure all are protected



Sunday 19 May 2019

10.15 am
Readings:

Morning Worship
Matthew 28: 16-20; Isaiah 6:1-8

7 pm

Informal evening service with Communion
St Stephen's

If you are new, we would love to meet you at the welcome desk at the end of the service. Please fill in a blue 'Get Connected' card.

Please ask one of the welcome team if you would like a large print copy of the service words.

We do not take a regular collection during the service. If you are a visitor, please do not feel obliged to give. If you do wish to give, there is a collection box at the back and Gift Aid forms are available.

We hope you enjoyed the service.
Please stay for refreshments after the service.

Notices

Full immersion baptisms, Sunday 2 June

We are excited that Hanna Barclay and Kelley Lazenby will be baptised by full immersion at our 10.15am service.

Welcome Lunch, Sunday 9 June, 12noon

If you are new to St Thomas with St Stephen in the last 6-12 months we would love to invite you to our next welcome lunch. A great chance to get to know people, enjoy a meal and share some of what happens in our church. Children are warmly welcome. Please sign up online.

Kids and Youth Internships

We have started to advertise for 2 internships at St Thomas with St Stephen from September 2019. Please send the details to anyone you think might be interested. Speak to Sam, Susie or Martin, or go to stwss.org.uk/internships for more information.

Big Church Day Out | 25 - 26 May 2019

Big Church Day Out is a Christian festival in West Sussex for the whole church, celebrating all that is good. There is a wide range of activities, cafes, a zoo and worship music led by a whole host of Christian music artists. If you book through STwSS you will get your tickets significantly cheaper. For more info go to stwss.org.uk/bcdo

Pop up Supper 25 May

PJ will be hosting and cooking for his 4th annual pop up restaurant in the café area on 25 May 2019 at 7.30 (Friday has already sold out!) – multi course (probably 7) – bring your own wine. £20 for the cost of the meal and a requested minimum donation of £30 per head to Save the Children. E-mail PJ on pj.kirby@hardwicke.co.uk – let him know any dietary requirements. If you'd like to go but cannot afford it let PJ know as he has colleagues who can make up the difference.

Thy Kingdom Come, week of prayer, 2-9 June

This week we join with others around the world in praying for friends and family to come to know Jesus.

Look out for the following at St Thomas'

- Sunday 2nd at 7pm - listening prayer training
- Monday 3rd at 7am - Prayer breakfast
- Wednesday 5th at 7.45pm - whole church prayer and worship.
- Monday 3rd and Thursday 6th from 7-9pm, Listening prayer appointments. Booking details next week.
- Daily Mon-Fri from 9am – 9pm (5pm Fri)- Chapel open with creative prayer tools available to help us pray. Book an hour by yourself or with a friend. Book online, using the sign-up sheet or phone the office. There will always be someone else in the building when you are praying.

Exploring Faith, Faithful Bean, Tuesday evenings in June

We are opening the café on Tuesday evenings from 11 June as a place to come and explore faith. Offering hot and cold drinks and cakes, we will show a short Christianity Explored video looking at one aspect of who Jesus is and why he came. The discussion will then be open for anyone to join in. Please be praying about who to invite.

Prayers

- For our own government and the upcoming elections
- For ourselves to grow in prayer as a church – for ourselves, for others and for our community
- For Kelley and Hanna being baptised on 2 June
- For our own response to the Climate Change emergency
- For the recruitment of interns and a new Bookings Co-ordinator
- For young people doing exams