

St Thomas' Church  
*In the heart of Douglas*

Ascension Day Service on  
26<sup>th</sup> May at 11am.

THY KINGDOM COME  
A global prayer initiative from  
Ascension Day to Pentecost  
(26<sup>th</sup> May-5<sup>th</sup> June)  
<https://www.thykingdomcome.gobal/>

We are part of the program of  
**Praying the Keeills Week**  
when Charles Guard will be  
giving a talk about the history of  
St Thomas' on 23<sup>rd</sup> May at  
7.30pm. Come along and take  
part and if you can help with  
refreshments.

**SUMMER CONCERTS BEGIN ON  
WEDNESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> JUNE AT 7.45PM**

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO SIGN UP  
TO HELP WITH LONGEST DAY  
LONGEST RIDE 25 & 26 JUNE**

**Fairtrade Goods:** On sale at the  
back of church.

**Stamps for the Leprosy Mission  
can be left at the back of church**

**FIRST AIDERS**-would you be willing  
to be a St Thomas' Church  
nominated first aider?

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**Contact Information**

**Parish Website:**

[www.stthomaschurch.im](http://www.stthomaschurch.im)

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**Churches Bookshop:** Mon-Sat

11am-5pm downstairs @ St  
Thomas' Church

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WELCOME TO ST THOMAS'

**Weekly Notices**

**May 15<sup>th</sup> 2022**

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**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**CHRISTIAN AID WEEK**

**Service today**

11.00 am **Holy Communion**

**Hymns: MISSION PRAISE OR**

**HYMN SHEET**

1. 522 O the deep, deep love of Jesus
2. Jesus Christ is waiting
3. **OFFERTORY HYMN** Love is his word
4. Let us build a house where love can dwell

We hope that you enjoy our service today. There will be refreshments served at the end of the service and you are most welcome to join us.

**Prayer**

We are very pleased to pray for individuals in the service, but this requires the express consent of the person concerned or their relative if they lack capacity to consent. If you are visiting us for the first time a very warm welcome to you.

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**What's on this week:**

**Monday**

2pm Craft Group

**Tuesday**

6pm Fabric Committee

**Wednesday**

9.30 Mothers' Union Outing

**Friday**

10.30am Coffee and Chat

**Next Sunday 22nd May**

11.00 am **Holy Communion**

**Christian Aid donation plate**

**CHRISTIAN AID WEEK**

**15<sup>TH</sup> - 22<sup>ND</sup> MAY**

There will be a plate at the back of church so that you can make a donation to Christian Aid week today and next Sunday.

**THE SERVICES ON 29<sup>TH</sup> MAY & 5<sup>TH</sup> JUNE WILL BE AT 9.30AM DUE TO ROAD CLOSURES AND INCREASED TT TRAFFIC. ON 5<sup>TH</sup> JUNE THE TT COURSE HAS A ROLLING CLOSURE IN THE MORNING ; GOVERNOR'S DIP TO ST NINIANS 8-11.30AM AND OTHER PARTS OF THE COURSE FROM 10AM**

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A reading from the Book of Acts  
**Acts 11.1-18**

11Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. <sup>2</sup>So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, <sup>3</sup>saying, 'Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?' <sup>4</sup>Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, <sup>5</sup>'I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. <sup>6</sup>As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. <sup>7</sup>I also heard a voice saying to me, "Get up, Peter; kill and eat." <sup>8</sup>But I replied, "By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth." <sup>9</sup>But a second

time the voice answered from heaven, "What God has made clean, you must not call profane." <sup>10</sup>This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. <sup>11</sup>At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. <sup>12</sup>The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. <sup>13</sup>He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, "Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; <sup>14</sup>he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved." <sup>15</sup>And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. <sup>16</sup>And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, "John baptized with water, but you

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will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." <sup>17</sup>If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?' <sup>18</sup>When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, 'Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.'

*After a reflective silence*

This is the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God!**

A reading from the Gospels:

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to .....

*Glory to you O Lord!*

**John 13.31-35**

31 When he had gone out, Jesus said, 'Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. <sup>32</sup>If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup>Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will

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look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come." <sup>34</sup>I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. <sup>35</sup>By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

*After a reflective silence*

This is the Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you, O Christ!**

Collect

Risen Christ,

your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father.

Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.