

St Thomas' Church
In the heart of Douglas

*We are here to witness to the presence of Christ in the parish we serve,
to offer faithful worship and to extend in His name a warm welcome to all.*

Weekly Notices

25th October 2026

Last Sunday after Trinity

Services today

11am Holy Communion

Welcome to St Thomas' Church.

We hope that you enjoy our service today and stay for refreshments. after the service. Everyone is welcome to Communion at the Lord's Table. We have gluten free wafers – please ask when you come forward. We are not permitted to dip the wafer into the wine. Please do not partake in the wine if you are unwell. If you have difficulty walking communion can be brought to you in the pew.

Hymns

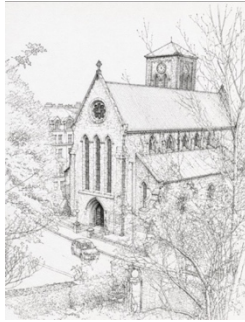
1. **286** Holy, holy, holy
2. **35** A new commandment
3. **Offertory Hymn 67** Be still for the Presence of the Lord
4. **72** Bind us together Lord

Next Sunday: 1st November

11am Holy Communion

Remembrance Sunday

**November 8th at 10am followed by
a short Act of Remembrance at
the War Memorial
Please be seated by 9.45am**



What's on this week:

Monday:

2pm Craft Group

Friday

10.30-12 Coffee Morning

Saturday

12.00 noon Rehearsal for St John Ambulance service

2.00pm Investiture and Installation of New Dame
Commander for St John Ambulance Service

Christmas Fayre

Saturday 14th November at 2pm

Admission £1

Refreshments and stalls



Prayer:

We have a prayer corner in church where you may light a candle and there are several resources there for 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 wish to leave a prayer request for the Vicar please complete a prayer request form and add it to the collection plate during the collection hymn. Today in our parish we pray for all who live or work in or walk through Queen's Promenade.

Collect

Merciful God, teach us to be faithful in change and uncertainty, that trusting in your word and obeying your will we may enter the unfailing joy of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Leviticus 19.1–2, 15–18

19 The Lord spoke to Moses, saying:

2 Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the

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Lord your God am holy.]

15 You shall not render an unjust judgement; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great: with justice you shall judge your neighbour.

16 You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not profit by the blood of your neighbour: I am the Lord.

17 You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbour, or you will incur guilt yourself.

18 You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbour as yourself: I am the Lord.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

A Reading from the Gospels

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

All: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Matthew 22.34–end

34 When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together,

35 and one of them, a lawyer, asked Jesus a question to test him.

36 'Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?'

37 He said to him, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. 38 This is the greatest and first commandment. 39 And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbour as yourself.

40 On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.'

41 Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question:

42 'What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?' They said to him, 'The son of David.'

43 He said to them, 'How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him "Lord", saying,

44 "The Lord said to my Lord, Sit at my right hand,

until I put your enemies under your feet" ?

45 If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?'

46 No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Post Communion

God of all grace, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. Amen

Bible Study Group

November 4th, 11th, 25th, Dec 2nd

7pm @ 2 Second Ave, Douglas

Creation: a 4 week reflection

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