

Leprosy Mission

The Leprosy Mission raise valuable funds by selling used postage stamps. Please save your stamps, trim them with a 1cm border and place them in the box at the back of church. Thank you



Welcome to St. Thomas' Church!

Sunday 23rd May 2021

Pentecost/Whit Sunday



TRAIDCRAFT
Fighting poverty through trade

Traidcraft Stall

The Traidcraft stall is still available at the back of church. Please take the opportunity to purchase fairly traded goods, and so help the individuals and communities who produce them. Thank you!

We are very pleased to pray for individuals in services, or via the newsletter, but please note that this requires the express consent of the person concerned (or, if incapacitated, of a close relative)



11.00am Holy Communion and Sunday School
Hymns: Mission Praise 89, 442, 525, 67
Reading: Acts 2: 1-21 – Ruhamah Daniel
Gospel: John 15: 26, 27, 16:4b-15

Today's response is 'His spirit is with us

The flowers this week were donated
by Jean Savage



Coffee, tea, and biscuits will be available between the morning service and the annual meeting. Feel free to bring your cup to the meeting if you haven't quite finished when it starts!

**Jesus said 'When the spirit of truth comes,
he will guide you into all truth.'**

John 16: 13

What's On This Week

Monday 24 th	2.00pm	Craft Group
Tuesday 25 th	7.00pm	Parochial Church Council
Friday 28 th	10.30am 12.00pm - 1.30pm	Coffee and chat Charity (Lent) Lunch
Saturday 29 th	10.00am	Paddy's Market (see below)
Sunday 30 th Trinity Sunday	11.00am	Holy Communion and Sunday School

Lent Lunches

As the lockdown prevented us holding lunches during lent, we are holding a series of five each Friday, commencing on 7th May at 12.30pm. A simple meal, proceeds as originally intended to be shared between church funds and 'Bridge the Gap' – a facility at Nobles Hospital for young people (aged 16-24) undergoing extended periods of hospitalisation or frequent outpatients appointments. **Please sign the lists at the back of church to help with puddings, serving, washing up etc. Thank You!**



Paddy's Market

Paddy's Market – an opportunity to pick up some real bargains, and boost church funds. In the lane, Saturday 29th May 10.00am onwards. Inside if wet. Don't miss it! **Please sign the list at the back of church if you are able to help on the day! Thank you!**



Soup Sale!



We have for sale after the service today, a selection of delicious soups! Please see Jacqy to make your purchases – 50p or £1 per container, depending on size. This week's flavours are chicken, bacon and potato, lentil and bacon, scotch broth or vegetable.



Gift Cards

A newly augmented range of beautiful hand-made cards, is now available at the back of church. Please browse and buy – all proceeds to church funds. *Whilst you are choosing your cards, don't forget the book and CD stall – plenty to choose from and, again, all proceeds to church funds.*

Strawberry Fayre

As part of our fundraising programme, we are holding a Strawberry Fayre on Saturday 12th June at 2.00pm. Please mark the date in your diaries, and look out for ways you can support us. Thank you.



Gift Bags!

Jacqy is again collecting used gift bags for stalls at the fairs. Please save yours and any from family and friends – she needs 300!



Digital Hearing Aids

We have received some advice from the Rev. Jeanette Hamer regarding difficulties people sometimes experience when using digital hearing aids in conjunction with loop systems. If you are having problems, please see Philip.



Parish Annual Meeting

The Parish Annual is **TODAY** after the morning service. Please make every effort to attend this important meeting, at which we elect our wardens and vacancies for the PCC, and receive reports from the various church groups.

