

St Thomas' Church
In the heart of Douglas

Mothers' Union Advent Service

7th December at 7pm at St Thomas' Church

Carols by Candlelight

6.30pm Sunday 19th December
The choir will be meeting on Saturday afternoons at 4pm in church to prepare for this service from **November 27th**. Please speak to Graham Kirkland if you wish to be involved.

Christmas Eve

4pm Tea, Coffee & Mince pies
5pm – Crib Service

Christmas Day

10.30am Christmas Day Family Communion Service

Churches Bookshop: Mon-Sat

11am-5pm downstairs @ St Thomas' Church for Christian books & cards.

Christmas Live – 16th Dec 7pm & 7.45pm

– A live retelling of the Christmas Story with carols, live animals, music and much more. For tickets and If you wish to be help go to www.christmaslive.im

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WELCOME TO ST THOMAS' CHURCH

Weekly Notices

28th November 2021

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ADVENT SUNDAY

Service today

11.00 am Holy Communion as we celebrate the first Sunday in Advent.

The Holly and the Ivy – on sheet
24:Come thou long expected Jesus
27:Hark the glad sound
601:Thou didst leave thy throne

Next Sunday 5th December-

St Barbara's Day Service

The Royal Artillery holds its annual service here on Sun 5th December at 11am. A rehearsal for the service will take place at 2pm on Sat 4th Dec.

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. We hope that you enjoy our service today. Whatever your church tradition you are most welcome to share in Holy Communion. If you would prefer just to receive a blessing, please bring your service sheet with you. There will be refreshments served at the end of the service and you are most welcome to join us.

What's on this week

Monday 29th November

2pm Craft Group

Tuesday 30th November

6.30pm Synod Meeting @ St Ninian's

Thursday 2nd December

6-7pm Carol Service for Rainbows, Brownies, Guides & Rangers

Friday 3rd November

10.30am Coffee & Chat

12-1pm Friday Lunch

Saturday 27th November

10-12noon Working Party
2pm Rehearsal for St Barbara's Day service
4pm Choir practice for Carols by Candlelight

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A reading from the Book of Luke 21.25-36

Jeremiah : Jeremiah 33.14-16 25 'There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. 26 People will faint from a fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. 27 Then they will see "the Son of Man coming in a cloud" with power and great glory. 28 Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.'

After a reflective silence

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God!

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke
Glory to you O Lord!

29 Then he told them a parable: 'Look at the fig tree and all the trees; 30 as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that

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summer is already near. 31 So place, and to stand before the also, when you see these Son of Man.'

things taking place, you know *After a reflective silence*
that the kingdom of God is *This is the Gospel of the Lord*
near. 32 Truly I tell you, this ***Praise to you, O Christ!***

generation will not pass away **Collect :** Almighty God, as
until all things have taken your kingdom dawns, turn us
place. 33 Heaven and earth will from the darkness of sin to the
pass away, but my words will light of holiness, that we may
not pass away. be ready to meet you in our

34 'Be on guard so that your Lord and Saviour, Jesus
hearts are not weighed down Christ. **Amen**

with dissipation and **Post communion Prayer**
drunkenness and the worries O Lord our God, make us
of this life, and that day does watchful and keep us faithful
not catch you unexpectedly, as we await the coming of
35 like a trap. For it will come your Son our Lord; that, when
upon all who live on the face of he shall appear, he may not
the whole earth. 36 Be alert at find us sleeping in sin but
all times, praying that you may active in his service and joyful
have the strength to escape all in his praise; through Jesus
these things that will take Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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