



ST MARY'S CHURCH, THORPE



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St Mary's is committed to
inclusivity and there is always a
warm welcome for all.



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Sunday 3rd October 2019

Four before Advent (SHOEBOX SUNDAY)

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Welcome to St Mary's Church, Thorpe. We do hope that you will enjoy the service and be able to stay for coffee and a chat after. Gluten free wafers are available; please ask one of the Wardens on duty before the service.



The Communion wine today is given
in celebration of Lionel Pike's 80th birthday.

8am Said Eucharist (Holy Communion)
Led by Fr D. Server: Sarah Bolton.
Welcome & Reader: Susi Thornton.

10am Sung Eucharist
(with Baptism)

TODAY WE USE THE ORANGE HYMN BOOK

Today we use Cym Rhondda Gloria (inside cover) and the Celtic Mass Setting.

Procession	Come let us join our cheerful songs	120
Offertory	Love is his word, love is his way	429
Cantor Anthem	Christ be with me	
Communion	Alleluia, sing to Jesus	12
Recessional	Now thank we all our God	474

Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Damian. Deacon: Mtr Jo. Warden: Pete Gruncell. Welcome: Margaret Roberts & Joan Gruncell. Vergers: Bridgett & Tony Grove. Readings: Jane Lowe & Pete Gruncell. Organist: David Howard. Cantor: Petra Hudson.

Sermon Notes for today are available at the back of the church.

Children's Colouring Sheets are also available.

11am Café Church (Refreshments) in the R/Room

11:30am Family Service - Theme: **ALL SAINTS SUNDAY**

Song 1	Come on and celebrate	125
Song 2	If I were a butterfly	825
Song 3	It's me, O Lord	838

Led by Fr Damian. Welcome: Helen Cunningham.

6pm Compline by Candlelight with Benediction

Hymn Give me the wings of faith to rise 225

Led by Fr G. Welcome: Margaret Harnden. Server: John Brittain.

Reading: Margaret Harnden. Intercessions: Bryan Lowe.

Organist: Lionel Pike.

(6:30pm Deanery Confirmations at St John's Church, Egham)

ST MARY'S INTERCESSIONS - Please remember in your prayers:

The Sick (immediate need): Rob, Susan Dean, John Pollen, Sally Blundell, Margaret Bradshaw, David Brown, Joan, Matthew, Nicola, Daphne, Janet, Kim Breaker, Richard, Michelle Anthony, John Knott, David Woodward, Kirsty Fuller, Haden & Sue Thompson.
Continuing prayers: Sean Hudson, Mark Wardell, Natasha, Jessica Siddall, Robin Alderson, Baby Ray, Kathleen Shaw, Brian O'Kane, Miles Herne, Alice McGonnell, Zoe Reeves, Meryl, Jane, Jessica Wells, Caroline Wareham, Patti & Pat Harnden. **Giving thanks for recovery:** Ros Hext, Kevin Cowan & Paul.

General Prayer Requests: All affected by terrorism & natural disasters. St Mary's finances & challenge of meeting increasing parish share. Our PCC, Saturday Coffee Stop, After School Club & "Faith Confirmed" Group. Preparations for Brexit & debates in parliament. **The Elderly & Infirm:** June, Elaine, Margot, Joan, Jean, Evelyn, Rita & Ruth.

The Recently Departed: Edwin Shadforth, Maisie Lloyd, Lyndon Evans, Valerie Dowell, Lizzy & Alex Murphy. **Anniversaries of Death:** David Thomas Ronald Finch, Winifred Lucy Awcock, Pat Emmett, Neville Anthony King & Arthur Smith-Waddell.

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Items for newsletter by 12nn Wednesdays; items for mailer by 12nn Thursdays - all to stmaryschurchthorpe@outlook.com please.

DURING THIS WEEK AT ST MARY'S

Monday	Fr Damian is off duty today
Tuesday	8am Morning Prayer; 7:30pm Faith Confirmed Session 9 "Prayer & our relationship with God; living out our faith today"
Wednesday	8am Morning Prayer; FrD speaking at London event; 10:30am Prayers Led by Mtr Jo; 11am Office Open in W/R; 3pm Runnymede Deanery Standing Committee in R/R; 5-7pm AGM Thorpe Neighbourhood Forum in R/R - ALL WELCOME
Thursday	8am Morning Prayer; 9:30am Noah's Ark; 6:30pm Office Open in R/R; 7:30pm Eucharist
Friday	9am Thorpe Primary KS2 Remembrance Service; 11am Funeral at Hanworth: Con Kemp R.I.P.
Saturday	10am-12pm Coffee Stop café in Rutherwyke Room; 12nn Worship



Next Sunday - 10th November 2019

Remembrance Sunday

8am Said Eucharist (Holy Communion)

10am Remembrance Service

with **FAITH & FUN** in the Rutherwyke Room

11am Act of Witness at the War Memorial followed by Café Church in the Rutherwyke Room

There is now a book available (£5) with stories of the men remembered on Thorpe War Memorial/Lych Gate and info on recent fundraising efforts. Please contact Elaine Gill on 01932 562441 or email Elaine.gill@yahoo.co.uk for further information.

CHURCH OPENING TIMES outside service times by appointment only - please contact the Verger: Mr John Brittain on 01932 562333.

Noah's Ark is a toddler/pre-school group for parents with young children. Term-time Thursdays from 9:30am in the Rutherwyke Room. Contact: Margaret 01784 435292



FAITH & FUN - our Sunday Club for children 4-11 years - 2nd & 4th term-time Sunday - 10am

IMPORTANT We need a volunteer to drive the shoeboxes to the collection point in Weybridge or Staines between 11 and 18 November (daytime). If you could do this, please let Petra know.

Please pray for our Confirmation candidates!

St John's Egham tonight (service 6:30pm)

Claire Cobbold, Caroline Sibley & Lara Winn-Smith.

LOOKING AHEAD - IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!

Eucharist with Healing & Wholeness - Wed, 13 Nov, 10:30am

Charity Lunch for Royal British Legion - Wed, 13 Nov, 11:30am

PCC Meeting - Mon, 18 Nov, 7:30pm (Eucharist 7pm)

Annual Memorial Service - Sun, 24 Nov, 6pm

Advent Sunday Compline (not Evensong) - Sun, 1 Dec, 6pm

CHRISTMAS PARTIES 2019 - Fri, 6 Dec - EVERYONE is invited to

take part in these occasions: 4 - 6pm Children's Disco Party 7.30 - 10pm Party with pantomime- Snow White & The One Dwarf followed by dancing and games.

WINTER WONDERLAND - Sun, 8 Dec - BRING FRIENDS/FAMILY!

2 - 6pm Fayre, BBQ & refreshments, tombola & Grand Prize Draw, Santa's Grotto and more...; 4pm Christingle Service

COLLECT

Almighty and eternal God, you have kindled the flame of love in the hearts of the saints: grant to us the same faith and power of love, that, as we rejoice in their triumphs, we may be sustained by their example and fellowship; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING **Isaiah 1.10–18**

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.
Hear the word of the LORD, you rulers of Sodom!
Listen to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah! What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the LORD; I have had enough of burnt-offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats. When you come to appear before me, who asked this from your hand? Trample my courts no more; bringing offerings is futile; incense is an abomination to me. New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation – I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity. Your new moons and your appointed festivals my soul hates; they have become a burden to me, I am weary of bearing them. When you stretch out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood. Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow. Come now, let us argue it out, says the LORD: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool. This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM **Psalms 32.1–8**

R **Happy are they whose sins are forgiven.**

Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven,
and whose sin is put away! Happy are they to whom the
Lord imputes no guilt,
and in whose spirit there is no guile! **R**

While I held my tongue, my bones withered away,
because of my groaning all day long. For your hand was
heavy upon me day and night; my moisture was dried up
as in the heat of summer. **R**

Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not conceal
my guilt. I said, 'I will confess my transgressions to the
Lord'; then you forgave me the guilt of my sin. **R**

Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in
time of trouble; when the great waters overflow, they
shall not reach them. You are my hiding-place; you
preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts of deliverance. **R**

SECOND READING *(Short or long reading)***2 Thessalonians 1.1–4, (5–10), 11–12**

A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Thessalonians. Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, to the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. We must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters, as is right, because your faith is growing abundantly, and the love of everyone of you for one another is increasing. Therefore we ourselves boast of you among the churches of God for your steadfastness and faith during all your persecutions and the afflictions that you are enduring. [This is evidence of the righteous judgement of God, and is intended to make you worthy of the kingdom of God, for which you are also suffering. For it is indeed just of God to repay with affliction those who afflict you, and to give relief to the afflicted as well as to us, when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with his mighty angels in flaming fire, inflicting vengeance on those who do not know God and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. These will suffer the punishment of eternal destruction, separated from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of his might, when he comes to be glorified by his saints and to be marvelled at on that day among all who have believed, because our testimony to you was believed.] To this end we always pray for you, asking that our God will make you worthy of his call and will fulfil by his power every good resolve and work of faith, so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL **Luke 19.1–10**

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. **Glory to you O Lord.**

Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through it. A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax-collector and was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see Jesus, because he was going to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, 'Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today.' So he hurried down and was happy to welcome Jesus. All who saw it began to grumble and said, 'He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner.' Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, 'Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much.' Then Jesus said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost.' This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

