

Parish of St. Thomas, Bramford Lane, Ipswich

Sunday 15th March 2020

3rd Sunday of Lent

8 am Eucharist

10 am Eucharist with Faith Stories and Healing Ministry

5.30 pm Youth Group

7.15 pm Compline

Opening Hymn	169 God is love, his the care
Gradual Hymn	442 Seek ye first
Offertory Hymn	522 To God be the glory
Communion Hymn	39 As the deer pants for the water
Final Hymn	143 Forth in Thy name

Please join us after the service for refreshments.

Everyone is welcome!

Please pray for:

Those who are sick: Eric Dickerson, Rosemary, Adam, Andrew Barfield, Alan Seeley, Kathy Steele, Frank D, Peggy, Pat, Natacha and Marianne, Andrew Derrett, Christine, Stephen, Julie, Samantha, Clare Baxter, Jill, Rex, Molly Johansen, Mike Harding, Emily, Brian Sears, Tilly, Christine P.

Those who have died: Gisela Myers

In recent world conflicts and natural disasters. Those on the year's mind list this week.



Please, pray for the development of the St Thomas Pilgrim Community. We are

preparing to advertise for residential members to take part in the mission & ministry of our parish.

[facebook.com/St-Thomas-Pilgrim-Community](https://www.facebook.com/St-Thomas-Pilgrim-Community)

Next Sunday 22nd March 2020

Mothering Sunday

8 am Eucharist

10 am Eucharist with Sunday School

No Youth Group

7.15 pm Compline

Dates for your Diary:

Thu 19th March – PCC Meeting, 7 for 7.15 pm

Sun 29th March – Youth group film 5 -7pm

Friday 10th April, 10am-Midday: Good Friday Children's Craft Workshop. Sign-up sheet on the welcome table if you can help!

Birthdays: Eleanor Rudge (16th), Luke Brueck Seeley (18th), Keith Brisland (19th)

FIND Appeal: There is a collection point in the porch for **NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS** for **Families In Need**. Thank you all for your donations and prayers.



Ladies Group: Tuesday 17th March 2020

Visiting Russia. Moscow Palaces and Waterways of the Tsars.

PowerPoint presentation by Chris Parfitt.

Info: Contact Carole Groom tel. 464218

++++ THE PEW SHEET IS AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE +++++

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Services and meetings: 16th – 21st March 2020

Monday	16 th	9.30 am 4.00 pm 7.15 pm	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer (Vic) STPC Prayer meeting (Vic)
Tuesday	17 th	9.30 am 7.15 pm 7.30 pm	Morning Prayer Ladies Group Meditation Group (Vic)
Wednesday	18 th	8.30 am 10.00 am 7.30 pm	Morning Prayer (Vic) Eucharist Faith Pictures (CR)
Thursday	19 th	9.30 am 4.00 pm 7 pm	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer (Vic) PCC Meeting
Friday	20 th	10.30 am 11.00 am	'Foodcloud' Choir Practice
Saturday	21 st		

Healing Ministry: If you'd like to receive healing ministry, please go to the Lady Chapel after taking Communion.

Prayer Spaces: These are in the back of church and will stay up until Easter. Please do use them!

Electoral Roll: If any of your details have changed, or if you are new to St Thomas' and would like to join the electoral roll (membership of the church), speak to Alison.

Easter Flowers: There is a list on the welcome table for Easter lilies and flowers to go with them; please sign up now and give money to Daphne. Money for the other Easter flower arrangements to Carole, please.

Passover Supper: Wednesday 8th April, 6 for 6.30 pm start. See Daphne for a ticket – very few tickets left. There is no

LENT - Started on Ash Wednesday, 26th February.

Faith Picture 5s: Lent Course. 7.30 pm on Wednesdays in the church community room.

Faith Stories: we are grateful to Mary Bullass and Margaret Bloomfield, who will be sharing their faith stories today, and to Keith Brisland and Lyanne Brendt for sharing last week. Please pray for them.

Environmental Lent Challenge: challenge yourself and your family to protect God's creation! Booklets on the welcome table - please pick one up & join in!

#LiveLent: daily devotionals. Available as a booklet, or as an app or email. Search #LiveLent online.

Compline: every Sunday in Lent at 7.15 pm.

charge, but donations on the night are very welcome.

Ipswich Town Pastors are looking to recruit new Town Pastors (particularly Male Town Pastors) and Prayer team members. Interested? Contact Pete.Wood@ipswichtownpastors.org.uk or by post at 13 Camberley Road, Ipswich, IP4 5QH.

Youth Group: 5.30 – 7 pm on the 8th, 15th and 29th March, and 5th April. Let us know if you can come!

CONTACTLESS GIVING: We have a contactless giving terminal in Church, for people who would like to support the work of St Thomas Church using a bank card. A great and easy way to give. It is very easy to use – just tap your card and the money will go straight to our church account.

Update from Keith: “Thank you all for your continued generosity towards this deserving cause. In addition to food, FIND also accepts soap and other general personal toiletry items. They are now also taking good quality clean clothing, particularly children’s clothes.

FIND are currently building new premises next to Gainsborough Sports Centre and need to raise somewhere in the region of another £200k.

Meanwhile, they remain at Hines Road. Maureen Reynel, who leads the operation, has expressed her gratitude, so please keep your gifts coming (no perishables, please). I will see that they are delivered.”

Thank you to all who contributed to the Lent Appeal, supporting our sister diocese in **Kagera, Tanzania**. We are very grateful for your generosity and have raised **£360**.

From Canon Chris: The **olive trees** we sponsored are planted in Beit Jala, near Bethlehem. See the noticeboard for more information.

‘Foodcloud’ bags of food can be collected on Friday mornings, 10.30-12.00. On Sundays, food maybe available to take home – voluntary donations for FIND are welcome.

Stewardship Campaign ‘Giving in Grace’. Thank you to everyone who has returned a pledge form – you can hand the form any time to Emma. It helps us to plan ahead for 2019.

Stewardship: Thank you to everyone who supports the mission of St Thomas Church through regular giving. We encourage people to give by **Standing Order** and now provide **small cards** on the welcome table for those who give by standing order **to put into the collection bag**.

To find out more, please speak to Daphne Startup or Emma Knight