

**Parish of St. Thomas, Bramford Lane, Ipswich**

**Sunday 17th November 2019**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Advent**

**8 am Eucharist (BCP)**

**10 am Sung Eucharist with Sunday School**

<b>Opening Hymn</b>	285 Judge Eternal
<b>Gradual Hymn</b>	(sheet) I will sing, I will sing a song unto the Lord
<b>Offertory Hymn</b>	561 Will your anchor hold
<b>Communion Hymn</b>	352 Now let us from this table rise
<b>Final Hymn</b>	522 To God be the glory

*Please join us for refreshments after the service.  
Everyone is welcome!*

*Please pray for:*



**Loren and Ricky, who are getting married here at St. Thomas on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November.**

**Those who are sick:** Ian, Mary, Eric Dickerson, Rosemary, Adam, Andrew Barfield, Alan Seeley, Kathy Steele, Frank D, Peggy, Pat, Natacha and Marianne, Brother Kevin, Andrew Derrett, Christine, Gerald and Rose Webb, Enid Hunt, Marion, Stephen, Julie, Samantha

**Those who have died:** In recent world conflicts and natural disasters. Those on the year's mind list this week.

**Among those who have recently died:**



**Please pray for our Alpha Course at St. Thomas, and for our seven guests and leaders.**



**You are invited to join the St Thomas Pilgrim Community.**

The next Prayer meeting: Monday 18th November, 7.30 pm in the Vicarage.

**Everyone is welcome.**

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**Next Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2019**

**Christ The King**

**8 am Eucharist (BCP)**

**10 am Sung Eucharist with Sunday School**

**5 pm – Youth Group Follow-Up (Vicarage)**

**Dates for your Diary:**

Sat 7th December – Christmas craft morning, 10.30 – 12noon  
Sun 8th December – 12.30 pm Christmas Meal at 'The George' Hintlesham  
Sun 15th December -Carol Service, 6 pm

**Birthdays:** Joan Scott, Val Derrett (today), Caroline Fisk (18<sup>th</sup>)

**Ladies Group: Tuesday 19th November – Lunch out together.  
Info: Contact Carole Groom tel. 464218**

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

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**Services and meetings: 18<sup>th</sup>– 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2019**

Monday	18 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am 4.00 pm 7.30 pm	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer (Vic) Prayer Meeting (Vic)
Tuesday	19 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am Lunchtime 7.30 pm	Morning Prayer Ladies Group Meditation Group (Vic)
Wednesday	20 <sup>th</sup>	8.30 am 10.00 am 7.15 pm	Morning Prayer (Vic) Eucharist Alpha Course (Vic)
Thursday	21 <sup>st</sup>	9.30 am 4.00 pm	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer (Vic)
Friday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	10.30 am 11.00 am	'Foodcloud' Choir Practice
Saturday	23 <sup>rd</sup>	2.00 pm	Wedding (Loren & Ricky)

**CHRISTMAS FAYRE: A big thank you** to everyone who helped with the Christmas Fayre yesterday. We had a fantastic array of stalls and really appreciate all the hard work and care that went into it. Well done!

**CHRISTMAS CRAFT MORNING: 7<sup>th</sup> December, 10.30 – 12noon:** The sign-up sheet for craft activities and flyers is available - please email Cat or Jutta to let us know if you can help.

**THE REAL ADVENT CALENDAR:** The Church is giving "real" advent calendars to our Church children. If you haven't collected yours yet, either pick it up from the welcome table or see Revd. Cat.

**ADVENT:** starts on 1<sup>st</sup> December. A time of preparation for Christmas. **Reading suggestions on the welcome table.**

**ADVENT GROUP:** will meet on Wednesdays, 11 am, start date to be confirmed. Sign-up sheet on the welcome table.

**STEWARDSHIP:** In October we focussed on our financial giving for the ministry and mission of our Church, thanking all who support St. Thomas so generously. We hope you found the 'Giving in Grace' leaflet helpful. If you would like to give regularly to help us, please speak to Emma Knight about the Parish Giving Scheme and other ways to give. Thank You.

**Compline: Sundays at 7.15pm. Note the change of time!**  
Dates: 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> December.

**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