

Parish of St. Thomas, Bramford Lane, Ipswich

Sunday 18th November 2018

2nd Sunday before Advent

8 am Eucharist (BCP)

**10am Sung Eucharist with Sunday School
& Healing Ministry.**

Opening Hymn	15 All my hope of God is founded
Gradual Hymn	111 Do not be afraid
Offertory Hymn	167 God forgave my sin
Communion Hymn	259 Jerusalem the golden
Final Hymn	158 Glorious things of thee are spoken

Please join us for refreshments after the service

Please pray for:



We have *four* people doing the Alpha Course- pray for them and the leaders, as our guests thinking about baptism and confirmation.



Children at St Thomas learning about Holy Communion, to make their First Communion in the New Year.

Those who are sick: Ken, Eric Dickerson, Rosemary, Andrew, Alan Seeley, Kathy Steele, Philip, Sophie, Adam, Natacha, Lynn, Ros Hoffmann, Phyllis Meadows, Peggy Blyth, Ray Best, Sylvia Dickerson, Keith Welham, Emma Smith, Malcolm Goddard, Leslie Bloomfield

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 the St Thomas Pilgrim Community – its development and for residents. Next Community prayer meeting is on **19 November, 7–9pm:** in the Vicarage - **Everyone is welcome**

facebook.com/St-Thomas-Pilgrim-Community

Next Sunday 25th November 2018

Christ the King

8 am Eucharist (BCP)

10am Sung Eucharist with Sunday School

Dates for your Diary:

- 1 December, 10.30-12 pm - Children's activity morning
- 2 December, 12 noon Shared Lunch
- 9 December, 12.30 pm – Christmas Meal
- 16 December, 6 pm – Carol Service
- 17 December, 7.30 pm – Advent Taize service

Birthdays: Caroline Fisk (18th)

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

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Services and other meetings during the week

19th – 24th November 2018

Day	Date	Time	Service
Monday	19th	9.30am	Morning Prayer
		4.00pm	Evening Prayer (Vic)
		7.00pm	Community Prayer (Vic)
Tuesday	20th	9.30am	Morning Prayer
		Lunchtime	Ladies Group
		7.30pm	Meditation Group (Vic)
Wednesday	21st	8.30am	Morning prayer (Vic)
		10.00am	Eucharist
		7.15pm	Alpha Course
Thursday	22nd	9.30am	Morning Prayer
		10.00am	Active Lives
		1.15pm	Toddler group
		4.00pm	Evening Prayer
Friday	23rd	10.30am 11.00am	'Foodcloud' Choir practice
Saturday	24th		

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 the fayre. WELL DONE!

The Real Advent Calendar for the Children: The Church is giving out "Real Advent Calendars" again this year. Please, come and collect your Advent calendar from Rev Jutta.

ADVENT starts on 2 December: time of preparation for Christmas. **READING suggestions on the welcome table.**
ADVENT Group will be meeting on Wednesdays, 11.00-12.30 in December -Sign up sheet on the Welcome Table.

Children's Craft Morning on 1st December: If you can offer a craft or are willing to help, a sign-up sheet is on the welcome table. Please take a flyer to tell people about it. **Meeting to discuss today after the service.**

In Sunday School, over the next two months, we are doing a **Holy Communion preparation course** aiming to have a special service in January to admit children to receive Holy Communion for the first time. Please, keep the children in your prayers.

Ladies Group: 20th November: Meal out together.
Info: Contact Carole Groom tel. 464218

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.

FIND Thank you for your generous donations. They are much appreciated. The need is greater than ever.

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