

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

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2020**

**Candlemas – The Presentation of Christ in the Temple**

**8 am Eucharist**

**10 am All-Age Eucharist with Christingles**

**12 noon Shared Lunch**



<b>Opening Hymn</b>	(sheet) Christ be our light
<b>Gradual Hymn</b>	(sheet) Holy Spirit, living breath of God
<b>Offertory Hymn</b>	(sheet) Let us build a house
<b>Communion Hymn</b>	53 Be still for the presence of the Lord
<b>Choir will sing</b>	<i>Light of Christ, guide us on</i>
<b>Final Hymn</b>	283 Joy to the world

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

**Please pray for:**

**Those who are sick:** Ian, Eric Dickerson, Rosemary, Adam, Andrew Barfield, Alan Seeley, Kathy Steele, Frank D, Peggy, Pat, Natacha and Marianne, Andrew Derrett, Christine, Stephen, Julie, Samantha, Julie Stevens, Clare Baxter, Jill, Rex, Molly Johansen

**Those who have died:** Doris Nokes, Maureen Elwis  
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 9<sup>th</sup> February 2020**

**Candlemas**

**8 am Eucharist**

**10 am Sung Eucharist with Sunday School**

**7.15 pm Compline**

**Dates for your Diary:**

- Wed 12<sup>th</sup> Feb – Afternoon Fellowships @ BRMC, 2.15 pm - How to use a defibrillator with Michael Farthins
- Wed 12<sup>th</sup> Feb – Bible From Scratch, 7.30 – 9 pm in the Vicarage
- Wed 26<sup>th</sup> Feb – Faith Pictures Lent Course, 7.45 pm in the church community room
- Sat 7<sup>th</sup> March – Enjoy the Bible, St. Nicholas' Centre 9.30 - 1 pm (please see notices for details on signing up)
- Thu 19<sup>th</sup> March – PCC Meeting, 7 for 7.15 pm

**Birthdays:** Kyle Harrison (5<sup>th</sup>), Jill Wilson (6<sup>th</sup>)

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



**Ladies Group: Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2020 – Seated exercise and dance with ActivLives.**

**Info: Contact Carole Groom tel. 464218**

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

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**Services and meetings: 3<sup>rd</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> February 2020**

Monday	3 <sup>rd</sup>	9.30 am 6.30 pm	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer (Vic)
Tuesday	4 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am 7.15 pm 7.30 pm	Morning Prayer Ladies Group Meditation Group (Vic)
Wednesday	5 <sup>th</sup>	8.30 am 10.00 am	Morning Prayer (Vic) Eucharist
Thursday	6 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am 4.00 pm	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer (Vic)
Friday	7 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am 11.00 am	'Foodcloud' Choir Practice
Saturday	8 <sup>th</sup>		

**Bible From Scratch:** We will be holding the next Bible study session on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February from 7.30 until 9 pm in the Vicarage. Please contact Revd. Cat for more details.

**Every Day Faith:** reflections and prayers to help you find and follow God in everyday life. Booklets available on the welcome table: £2.50. Also available as an app or daily email.

**Faith Pictures:** Lent Course. Starting on Ash Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> February, 7.45 pm in the church community room – information & sign-up sheet on the welcome table.

**Afternoon Fellowships:** at Bramford Road Methodist Church, Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February at 2.15 pm, Michael Farthins from Heartbeat will run a session, teaching you how to use a defibrillator.

**Youth Group:** 5.30 – 7 pm on the 16<sup>th</sup> February, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> March, and 5<sup>th</sup> April. Let us know if you can come!

**Enjoy the Bible:** Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March, 9.30 – 1 pm in St Nicholas' Centre. Two key-note presentations will encourage people to consider how the Bible is viewed through art and through music. If you'd like to go, you can register online at <http://enjoy-the-bible.eventbrite.co.uk> or call 07780 613754.

**CONTACTLESS GIVING:** We now 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