

Coming Up This Week:

Sunday 26th June (Trinity 2)

8.15am: BCP Eucharist

10am: Eucharist with Facebook
livestream

Monday 27th June

11.30-1.30pm: Open Church

4.15pm: STPC Evening Prayer—
contact Malcolm for more details

Tuesday 28th June

9.30am: Morning Prayer

6.30pm: Zoom Meditation Group.

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Wednesday 29th June

10am: Eucharist

7.30pm: Church Wardens' swearing-
in at Rushmere St Andrew's with AD
Rhiannon

Thursday 30th June

9.30am: Morning Prayer

11-2pm: Good Things Café

Saturday 2nd July

10.30am: Messy Church

Sunday 3rd July (Patronal Festival)

10am: Eucharist with Facebook
livestream, followed by BBQ

Birthdays This Week:

★ Millie Dickerson (28th)

*Many happy returns from all at St.
Thomas!*

Please Pray For:

Rosemary, Jenny, Andrew, Margaret,
Natacha, Samantha, Theresa, Gloria,
Angela, Helen, Pat, Eddie, Andrew C.,
Betty, Muriel M., Linda, Nigel, Myrtle,
Joan, Cathy, Elizabeth, Victoria, Tina,
Meghan and Eleanor, Siouxsie

Those who have recently died, and their families mourning their loss:

Peggy, Eric, Baby Marcus



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St. Thomas the Apostle & Martyr, Ipswich 26th June 2022—2nd Sunday after Trinity

Collect:

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

A reading from Paul's letter to the Galatians (5.1,13-25)

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience,

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kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

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

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (9.51–62)

When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set towards Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, 'Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?' But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' And Jesus said to him, 'Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.' To another he said, 'Follow me.' But he said, 'Lord, first let me go and bury my father.' But Jesus said to him, 'Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.' Another said, 'I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home.' Jesus said to him, 'No one who puts a hand to the plough and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

This is the gospel of the Lord. *Praise to you, O Christ.*

Post Communion Prayer

Loving Father, we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son: sustain us with your Spirit, that we may serve you here on earth until our joy is complete in heaven, and we share in the eternal banquet with Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

NOTICES

Youth Art Workshop: Any 12-19 year olds who would like to come along to St. Francis Church to join in an acrylic paint pouring workshop, please speak to Rachel. It will run for three weeks on 29th June, 6th and 13th July from 3:30 to 5pm.

Messy Church: next Saturday (2nd July) at 10.30am! Our theme is Saints, come and explore faith in a fun and messy way. Lunch is included, just turn up!

Patronal Festival: mark the date—Sunday 3rd July is our patronal festival! There will be a BBQ after the service. This is the day when we celebrate our wondrous community life! We also have a guest preacher at our 10am service—the Revd. Canon Michael Robinson (the Bishop's chaplain).

St. Thomas' Day: We are going to wish everyone who walks past a happy St. Thomas' Day on the 4th July between 12pm and 4pm. Come along and join us if you can.

The Summer Fayre will be on 9th July from 11am to 3pm, please talk to Mary or Alison about running a stall.

Mobilise BBQ: there is a Mobilise BBQ in the vicarage garden on the 10th July at 5.30pm—all welcome. Please let Rachel or John know if you want to come along.

Charity Donations: As in previous years we will be donating 2% of our last year's total PCC income (£1,200) to a mix of local, national and international charities as nominated by members of the congregation. If you would like to nominate one or more charities please tell Lucy Drake by the end of June, contact details on next page.

Good Things Café: every Thursday between 11am and 2pm in Church.