

# St Thomas' Church, Trowbridge and St John's, West Ashton

Weekly News

Sunday 28th April 2024

Easter 5



**10.30am, St Thomas: Morning Worship with**

**Ugandaid Focus:** led by Paul Edwards and Jane Bullock with guest Speaker Steve Edwards

**10.30am, St John's: Holy Communion:** Led by Allan Coutts

**10.30am, Kingfisher: Morning Worship:** Led by Stephen Bull and Andrew Judge

## Annual Parochial Church Meetings

St Thomas: Tuesday 30th April 7.30pm in St Thomas Church. Agenda and booklet available at the back of church

St John's West Ashton: Friday 3rd May 7.30pm in St John's Church

## May Prayer Meetings

May prayer meetings will be Thursday 9th 7.30pm and Friday 10th 2.30pm

But now he has reconciled you by Christ's physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation— if you continue in your faith, established and firm, and do not move from the hope held out in the gospel.

*Colossians 1:22&23a*

## Welcome

*You are warmly welcome to join us for any of our services - if you are new please make yourself known to us and please join us for coffee or tea after the service.*

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## Services for 5th May 2024 Easter 6

**10.30am, St Thomas: Holy Communion:** led by Allan Coutts  
Flowers: Barbara R.

**10.30am, Kingfisher: Informal Service:** Led by Stephen Bull

### The next big social event at St Ts:



**Beetle Drive, bingo and fish and chips –  
18 May** starting at 6.00pm so the  
children can come as to this fun event.



£3 per ticket, £1 for primary age children,  
tickets available this Sunday from Pat



Next Sunday 28 April Lunch and Auction of Promises

Last chance to sign up at the back of church for lunch and **last  
chance to enter a book/email bid** to Val if you can't attend the  
auction.

### Mike Toft's Funeral

For those of you who knew Mike Toft, Judith has asked us to let you know that Mikes funeral will be on 1<sup>st</sup> May at 11:30am at St Peter's Church, Stevenage SG2 8AN. There will be light refreshments after and all will be welcome. Please contact Judith on 07736 815792 if you are planning to attend.

## Uganda Prayer Needs

Steve Edwards, one of the Ugandaid Team Leaders as he and his wife Helen come to St Thomas' on April 28<sup>th</sup> to take part in the service.

Praise God for the work of Ugandaid over at least 20 years and particularly the trip this year. God's provision was so apparent.

Pray for Nile Vocational Institute in Jinja, Uganda, wisdom and guidance for the Director Edison and Student Liaison Officer Joseph. Also that the 26 new Ugandaid students this year will settle in well and reach their full potential.

That Jane and Pauline's ex student Mary-Faith will be protected and provided for as she will have a C section on May 4<sup>th</sup> to deliver her second baby. Her first baby died of a serious heart condition after only days of life. Please pray for Mary-Faith, Paul and the unborn baby.



## Mercy Ships Prayer Needs

1) Please pray for all our crew onboard the Africa Mercy and the Global Mercy for continued strength and for the sense of community onboard. Please also pray for our current vacancies for ward nurses and Biomedical Technicians that we find the right people for these roles.

2) Please pray for protection and healing for all the patients onboard the Africa Mercy, as surgeries are starting soon in Madagascar and those onboard the Global Mercy in Sierra Leone.

3) Please pray for both Sierra Leone and Madagascar as a whole, and particularly for their health systems.

4) Please pray for Mercy Ships Sunday on 9th June when Ed Sheffield will be coming to St Thomas' to speak to us about the work they do.

