

**St Thomas' Church Henbury and Broken Cross
Sunday 4 June 2023 – TRINITY SUNDAY**



Coming Up at St Thomas'

Worship

- Sunday 4 June – Holy Communion 11.00 a.m. - Rev. Canon Simon Bessant and Linda Craig**
- Sunday 11 June – Morning Worship 11.00 a.m. – Hellen Watson and Linda**
- Sunday 18 June - Holy Communion 11.00 a.m. – Rev. Canon Simon Bessant and Linda Craig**
- Sunday 25 June – Holy Communion 11.00 a.m. – Rev. Canon Simon Bessant and Linda Craig**
- Sunday 2 July - Holy Communion 11.00 a.m. – Rev. Canon Simon Bessant and Linda Craig**
- Sunday 9 July - Morning Worship – Hellen Watson and Linda Craig**
- Sunday 16 July - Holy Communion 11.00 a.m. – Rev. Canon Simon Bessant and Linda Craig**
- Sunday 23 July - Holy Communion 11.00 a.m. – Rev. Canon Simon Bessant and Linda Craig**
- Sunday 30 July – Holy Communion 11.00 a.m. – Rev. Canon Simon Bessant**
- Sunday 6 August - Holy Communion 11.00 a.m. – Bishop William and Linda Craig**
- Sunday 13 August - Morning Worship 11.00 a.m. – Hellen Watson and Linda**
- Sunday 20 August - Holy Communion 11.00 a.m. – Rev. Canon Simon Bessant and Linda Craig**
- Sunday 27 August - Holy Communion 11.00 a.m. – Rev. Canon Simon Bessant and Linda Craig**

Most of the 11.00 a.m. services listed above also take place at St John's at 9.30 a.m. each Sunday. These services are accessible via Zoom for anyone who is not ready, or able, to attend services in person.

Members of St Thomas' Church are very welcome to share in this online worship. If you would like the **Zoom** link, please **ring 427453** or **email lawrobinson@btinternet.com or stthomashenbury@aol.com**

If you would like to join the team of people who deliver the readings and/or intercessions at these services, please contact: Tony Dewdney on **01625 439753** or **tjdewdney@talktalk.net**

Other Events

Friday 16 June 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. – C.A.M.E.O. at St Thomas'

Wednesday 20 June 8 p.m. - M.A.S.T. (Men at St Thomas') in the Blacksmiths' Arms at Henbury

Catch Up with our Online Services

If you've been unable to attend Church, you can catch up with our online services recorded at St John's. Here are the links to the last two weeks' services. Just click on the link below

The Seventh Sunday of Easter – 21 May 2023 – including an interview with the Head of St John's School

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mivvU-92bCY>

Pentecost – 28 May 2023

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Rota for Readers, Intercessors and Sides People

Date	First Reading	Second Reading	Intercessors	Sidesperson
Sunday 4 June Trinity Sunday	Isaiah 40.12-17, 27- end Janet Tute	2 Corinthians 13.11-end Roy Waller	Di Waller	Christine Glynn
Sunday 11 June Trinity 1	tbc Anne Brown	tbc	Hellen Watson	Tony Dewdney
Sunday 18 June Trinity 2	Genesis 18.1-15 Judith Dewdney	Romans 5.1-8 David Plews	Tony Dewdney	Colin Marlow
Sunday 25 June Trinity 3	Genesis 21.8-21 Jacky Toms	Romans 6.1b-11 Bob Toms	Linda Craig	Janet Tute

Readings

Isaiah 40:12-17, 27-31

New International Version

¹² Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand,
or with the breadth of his hand marked off the heavens?

Who has held the dust of the earth in a basket,
or weighed the mountains on the scales
and the hills in a balance?

¹³ Who can fathom the Spirit^[a] of the LORD,
or instruct the LORD as his counsellor?

¹⁴ Whom did the LORD consult to enlighten him,
and who taught him the right way?

Who was it that taught him knowledge,
or showed him the path of understanding?

¹⁵ Surely the nations are like a drop in a bucket;
they are regarded as dust on the scales;
he weighs the islands as though they were fine dust.

¹⁶ Lebanon is not sufficient for altar fires,
nor its animals enough for burnt offerings.

¹⁷ Before him all the nations are as nothing;
they are regarded by him as worthless
and less than nothing.

²⁷ Why do you complain, Jacob?
Why do you say, Israel,

“My way is hidden from the LORD;
my cause is disregarded by my God”?

²⁸ Do you not know?
Have you not heard?

The LORD is the everlasting God,
the Creator of the ends of the earth.

He will not grow tired or weary,
and his understanding no one can fathom.

²⁹ He gives strength to the weary
and increases the power of the weak.

³⁰ Even youths grow tired and weary,
and young men stumble and fall;

³¹ but those who hope in the LORD
will renew their strength.

They will soar on wings like eagles;
they will run and not grow weary,
they will walk and not be faint.

2 Corinthians 13.11-14

New International Version

¹¹ Finally, brothers and sisters, rejoice! Strive for full restoration, encourage one another, be of one mind, live in peace. And the God of love and peace will be with you.

¹² Greet one another with a holy kiss. ¹³ All God's people here send their greetings.
¹⁴ May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Matthew 28:16-20

New International Version

¹⁶ Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. ¹⁷ When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. ¹⁸ Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

The Collect for Trinity Sunday

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith, that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Hymn of the Week

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,

In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessèd, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, thy great Name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all life thou givest—to both great and small;
In all life thou livest, the true life of all;
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
And wither and perish—but nought changeth thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
All laud we would render: O help us to see
'Tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PS3QinSmPHI>

Casting the Net Wide Talk

Henbury MU are hosting a Deanery event in Henbury Church Hall on **Thursday, 8th June at 7.30 p.m.** where the speaker will be Harriet Roberts (Director of Development in Chester Diocese). She will be doing an interactive presentation on the Prodigal Son painting by Rembrandt, talking about home coming which links with the Visioning journey - Casting The Net Wide. If you are interested in the future of the Church of England, you should hopefully find this very interesting. Entrance fee is £5 which includes tea/coffee and lots of homemade cakes. There will also be a raffle. The proceeds from this event will be sent to support one of our MU projects in Chester Diocese.

For our Prayers

April Baptisms

We warmly welcome into God's family Jake Smith, Hallee Peterson and Reuben Peterson who were baptised at St Thomas' during April.

The Sick: Amy Roberts, Pat Wain, John Louca, Anthony Westnedge, Margaret Williams, Dylan Belt, Melissa, Jane Burghall, Glenys Crabtree, Christina Klatsia, Ruth Thomason, Mike Wootton.

R.I.P. Gail Robinson's mother, Sybil, and Margaret Janes' son, Steven.

Interment of Ashes

Shirley Martin, David Williams.

June Quiz

1. Trooping the Colour is held in London annually on a Saturday in June, on which parade ground?
2. What in the UK is celebrated on the third Sunday of June?
3. Which animated cartoon character has three triplet nieces named April, May, and June?
4. What is June's birthstone?
5. Which historical novel begins in 1815 and culminates with the 1832 June Rebellion in Paris?
6. The longest day of the year can occur on one of three dates in June, name any of the three?
7. In its own country it is commonly known as the June Fourth Incident; where did this incident happen?
8. In 1968, June Whitfield began her long television partnership with which actor and comedian?
9. Which 1956 film adaptation of a Rodgers and Hammerstein stage musical of the same name features the song 'June Is Bustin' Out All Over'? (Hint: the film revolves around Billy Bigelow)
10. The name June for baby girls in the UK dropped out of the top thousand in 1986, but in which 20th century decade did it peak at 39th?

Answers to last fortnight's quiz:

1. Anita Dobson
2. Francisco Goya
3. 5 minutes
4. A clout
5. Ground laurel
6. Eastbourne
7. 8 May
9. Memorial Day
10. Speedwell

A huge thank you to everyone who has sent in contributions to the newsletter over the last two years. Please continue to do so – all contributions are most welcome – memories of St Thomas' or Macclesfield, musical memories, poems, quizzes etc. Anything that you think might be of interest to our readers. Please email stthomashenbury@aol.com

Other News

Broken Cross Dementia Club

Broken Cross Methodist Church has started a club on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month (1.30 to 3.30 p.m.) for people with dementia and their carers. It includes singing, music, craft work, games, and armchair exercises, as well as refreshments.

Further info: John Morrell 07915 252535 or Jean Sillifant 01625 402446



A free phone line of hymns, reflections and prayers

The Hope Centre – 16-18 Park Green - Sells cards, gifts and Christian resources. Easter cards are now available. Opening times are Tues – Fri 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Saturday 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. There is also a café which sells drinks and snacks.

SilkLife FoodBank

Your support for the SilkLife Foodbank is greatly appreciated. It provides a vital service to the people of Macclesfield throughout the year, so please, if you are able, please support them by leaving items in the box at the back of church.

Closing Prayer

Lord as you have called us, make us worthy of our calling.
As we reach out to touch you, touch us, and we shall be changed,
that we may live to your glory.
Amen.

God bless,
Bob (07753583555), Carole (611477) and Linda (424505)

For Church bookings please contact: **Bob 07753583555**. For Church Hall bookings please contact: **Lesley 07789 744473/lesley-brown@hotmail.co.uk**

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Prayers

We are very willing to pray for anyone who wishes us to pray for them or for the people they are concerned about. It is not necessary to already be associated with the Church for you to request our prayers. We are also here to listen if you have a problem you wish to talk through. Please feel free to contact us via letter, email (stthomashenbury@aol.com) or by ringing 611477 or 424505.

Volunteers Needed!

If you would like to become more involved in Church life, we have a number of areas in which we would welcome more volunteers:

Refreshments – Maybe you could help with the refreshments after the service each Sunday? The task involves setting out the table and chairs before Church starts and then leaving Church during the last hymn to switch the kettles on and brew the tea. If you think you might be able to help, please ring Carole on **01625 611477** or email stthomashenbury@aol.com. Thank you.

Hymnal Plus – Or maybe you might want to learn how to operate the Hymnal Plus, which provides the music at services when our organist, Judith, is away? It is very simple to operate and doesn't require any computer skills. If you might be interested in helping with this please contact Tony or Judith on **01625 439753** or tjedwdney@talktalk.net or judith.torview@gmail.com. Thank you.

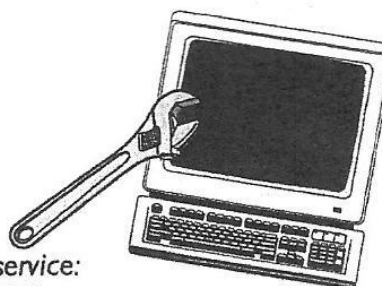
Fabric Committee – We are also looking to create a Fabric Committee to oversee the fabric of the Church and the Church Hall. This would entail being notified of repairs/maintenance work required, obtaining quotes and letting workmen in and out of the buildings. If you might be interested, please ring 01625 424505 or email stthomashenbury@aol.com

Thank You

We would like to thank all of you who have been contributing financially to the mission and ministry of the parish. It is much appreciated. If you'd like to make a donation, you can either post it to Mr Bob Toms at 48 Grasmere, Macclesfield SK11 8PL or, if you prefer online banking, our details are St Thomas' Henbury Parochial Church Council, sort code 20 53 77, account number 40775819. Many thanks for your support.

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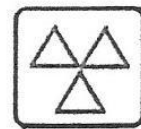
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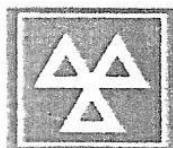
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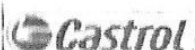
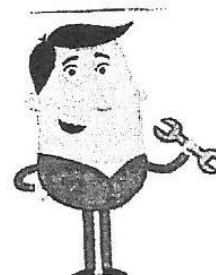
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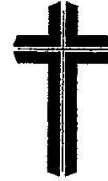


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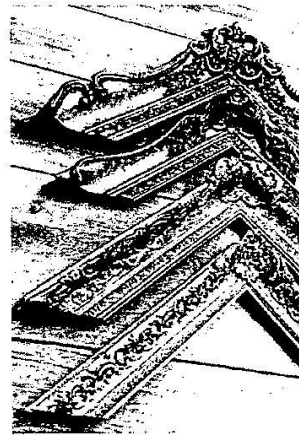
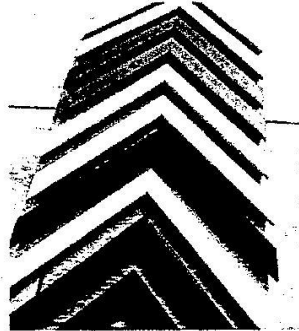
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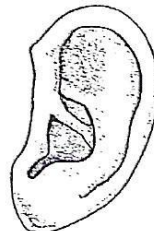
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