St Thomas' Church Henbury and Broken Cross Sunday 13 Augst 2023 – Tenth Sunday after Trinity Walking in Faith?



Coming Up at St Thomas'

Worship

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

Sunday 3 September - Holy Communion 11.00 a.m. – Rev. Canon Simon Bessant and Linda Craig

Monday 4 September – Installation and Licensing Service for Rev. Canon Simon Bessant 7 p.m. – Bishop Sam and Rev. Lesley Currie Sunday 10 September – Morning Worship 11.00 a.m. – Linda Craig

Sunday 17 September - Holy Communion 11.00 a.m. – Rev. Canon Simon Bessant and Linda Craig

Sunday 24 September - Holy Communion 11.00 a.m. – Rev. Canon Simon Bessant and Linda Craig

Sunday 1 October - Holy Communion 11.00 a.m. – Rev. Canon Simon Bessant and Linda Craig

Sunday 8 October – Harvest Service – Hellen Watson and Linda Craig Sunday 15 October - Holy Communion 11.00 a.m. – Rev. Canon Simon Bessant and Linda Craig

Sunday 22 October - Holy Communion 11.00 a.m. – Rev. Canon Simon Bessant and Linda Craig

Sunday 29 October - Holy Communion 11.00 a.m. – Rev. Canon Simon Bessant and Linda Craig

Sunday 5 November - Holy Communion 11.00 a.m. – Rev. Canon Simon Bessant and Linda Craig

Sunday 5 November – Service of Reflection and Remembrance 4 p.m. (Joint with St John's at St Thomas') – Rev. Canon Simon Bessant and Linda Craig Sunday 12 November – Remembrance Sunday 10.50 a.m. – Rev. Canon Simon Bessant and Linda Craig

Sunday 19 November - 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

Wednesday 16 August – M.A.S.T. (Men At St Thomas') – 8 p.m. – Blacksmiths' Arms

Friday 18 August 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. – C.A.M.E.O. at St Thomas' Friday 1 September 2 p.m. – 4p.m. – C.A.M.E.O. at St John's

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

30 July – 8th Sunday after Trinity – Holy Communion https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_oCl2y_7Hto

6 August – The Transfiguration of our Lord – Holy Communion https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tQAyFEu1u1k

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Rota for Readers, Intercessors and Sides People

| Date | First | Second | Intercessors | Sidesperson |
|------|---------|---------|--------------|-------------|
| | Reading | Reading | | - |

| Sunday 13 | Psalm 85 | Romans 10.5- | Hellen Watson | Colin Marlow |
|-------------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| August | (antiphonally) | 15 | | |
| 10 th Sunday | Anne Brown | Hellen Watson | | |
| after Trinity | | | | |
| Sunday 20 th | Genesis | Romans 11.1- | Di Waller | Janet Tute |
| August | 45.1-15 | 2a, 29-32 | | |
| 11 th Sunday | Jackie Booth | Roy Waller | | |
| after Trinity | | | | |
| Sunday 27 th | Exodus 1.8 - | Romans 12.1- | Linda Craig | Tony |
| August | 2.10 | 8 | | Dewdney |
| 12 th Sunday | Judith | Tony | | |
| after Trinity | Dewdney | Dewdney | | |

Readings

Psalm 85

- ¹ You, LORD, showed favour to your land; you restored the fortunes of Jacob.
- ² You forgave the iniquity of your people and covered all their sins. [b]
- ³ You set aside all your wrath and turned from your fierce anger.
- ⁴ Restore us again, God our Saviour, and put away your displeasure towards us.
- Will you be angry with us for ever? Will you prolong your anger through all generations?
- ⁶ Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you?
- ⁷ Show us your unfailing love, LORD, and grant us your salvation.
- ⁸ I will listen to what God the LORD says; he promises peace to his people, his faithful servants – but let them not turn to folly.
- ⁹ Surely his salvation is near those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land.
- Love and faithfulness meet together; righteousness and peace kiss each other.
- ¹¹ Faithfulness springs forth from the earth, and righteousness looks down from heaven.
- ¹² The LORD will indeed give what is good, and our land will yield its harvest.
- ¹³ Righteousness goes before him and prepares the way for his steps.

Romans 10.5-15 New International Version - UK

⁵ Moses writes this about the righteousness that is by the law: 'The person who does these things will live by them.' But the righteousness that is by faith says: 'Do not

say in your heart, "Who will ascend into heaven?" [c] (that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷ 'or "Who will descend into the deep?" [c] (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸ But what does it say? 'The word is near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart,' [d] that is, the message concerning faith that we proclaim: ⁹ if you declare with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. ¹¹ As Scripture says, 'Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame.' [e] ¹² For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile – the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, ¹³ for, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.' [f]

¹⁴ How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? ¹⁵ And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: 'How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!'^[g]

The Collect for the Eighth Sunday after Trinity

Lord of heaven and earth, as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer, give us patience and courage never to lose hope, but always to bring our prayers before you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hymn of the Week

This week's 'Hymn of the Week'. Thank you for choosing this, Judith:

Go Forth and Tell! O Church of God, Awake!

Go forth and tell! O Church of God, awake! God's saving news to all the nations take; proclaim Christ Jesus, Saviour, Lord and King, that all the world his worthy praise may sing.

Go forth and tell! God's love embraces all; he will respond in grace to all who call: how shall they call if they have never heard the gracious invitation of his word?

Go forth and tell! The doors are open wide: Share God's good gifts – let no one be denied; live out your life as Christ your Lord shall choose, your ransomed powers for his sole glory use.

Go forth and tell! O Church of God, arise! Go in the strength which Christ your Lord supplies; go till all nations his great name adore and serve him, Lord and King for evermore. **Tune Woodlands**

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XNyDd9qtuk0

Home Communion

Are you, or anyone you know, unable to come to church. If so, and would like to receive Holy Communion at home, please contact us and we will arrange to visit you. Contact: Linda on 01625 424505 or Carole 01625 611477 or email stthomashenbury@aol.com

Goodbye

We would like to send our very best wishes to David and Anne Plews as they leave Henbury this week. They have attended St Thomas' for around 53 years and have contributed so much to the life of the church, and the village during this time. They will be sorely missed.

For our Prayers

The Sick: Amy Roberts, Pat Wain, John Louca, Anthony Westnedge, Margaret Williams, Dylan Belt, Melissa, Jane Burghall, Glenys Crabtree, Stuart Crabtree, Christina Klatsia, Avril Arrowsmith, John Smyth. Michael Louca.

Quiz - Tourist Attractions in the UK and Ireland

e.g. Did this arise from the ashes? (7,4) Phoenix Park

- 1. Northern lights? (8, 9)
- 2. One of McEwan's favourite spots (6,5)
- 3. No monks or nuns, but lots of water (9, 5)
- 4. 1215 a significant year for this place (9)
- 5. Does everyone stand on one leg here (8, 4)
- 6. The world of a playwright (12, 5)
- 7. Did Mendelssohn and Pink Floyd visit here? (7, 4)
- 8. Do the 'little' people live here? (9, 5)
- 9. Does a bearer of peace live here? (4, 7)
- 10. Cheesey valley (7, 5)

Answers to last fortnight's quiz:

 Rome 2. Nicholas II 3. Sherlock Holmes 4. Mercury 5. delta 6. Ukraine 7. A murder 8. Fear of flying 9. Tanzania 10. calligraphy

A huge thank you to everyone who has sent in contributions to the newsletter over the last three 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

Andertons Lane Closure Warning

The closure is necessary for works to be carried out by Cadent.

The alternative route will be via the following streets: – Church Lane, Chelford Road, Whirley Road, Whirley Lane and vice versa which is considered the most suitable route.

It is anticipated that the works will be carried out between Friday 1st September 2023 and Thursday 28th September 2023

If you have any enquiries relating to the works, please contact temporaryroadclosures@cheshireeasthighways.org

Cleaning Appeal

We are temporarily without a cleaner for the Church and the Church Hall. Is there anyone out there who could help us at all for a few weeks? If so, please contact Linda on 01625 424505 or email stthomashenbury@aol.com

Ambassadors Needed for the Hope Centre – Could This Be You?

Do you have a heart to help the Hope Centre? They are looking for Church Ambassadors to spread the word about their Christian books and gifts, and excellent coffee. Could this be you? Contact Bob on 07774238844

Can you help?

Henbury Rainbows and Guides need help!! Can you spare an hour a week on a Monday evening, term time only?

They are currently in need of two adult volunteers, to help each week at Rainbows or Guides – full training and support provided, plus lots of fun!

If you want to know more about this opportunity please contact Karen Taylor on 07776101807 or email: henburyrainbows1@outlook.com



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Ukrainian Aid

In Macclesfield there is a remarkable group of some 70 volunteers who, since the beginning of the war, have delivered £2 million of life-saving critical medical and humanitarian aid, food, water purification tablets; also purchased and donated 100 vehicles for army and humanitarian use. "Delivered" means driven convoys of vehicles, including articulated lorries, almost to the front line, then returning by train or bus to Poland and flying home from there. They have made over 17 trips. We have supported this charity in the past and will be doing so again during the month of October. If you wish to help this group in the meantime, their website is www.ukrainianaid.org.uk

And their Just-Giving page is:

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/jc-hancock?utm_term=94GEpAaRX

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 **The Hope Centre – 16-18 Park Green -** Sells cards, gifts and Christian resources. 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 Jesus, help me to spread your fragrance everywhere I go.

Flood my soul with your spirit and love.

Penetrate and possess my whole being so utterly that all my life may only be a radiance of yours.

Amen

Mother Teresa of Calcutta

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 **tidewdney@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

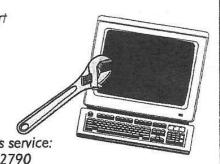
We would like to thank all of you who have been contributing financially to the mission and ministry of the parish. It is much appreciated. If you'd like to make a donation, you can either post it to Mr Bob Toms at 48 Grasmere, Macclesfield SK11 8PL or, if you prefer online banking, our details are St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

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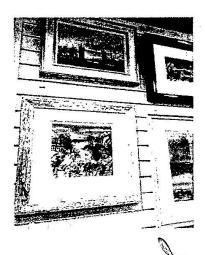
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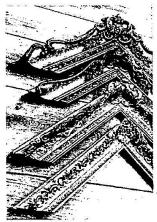
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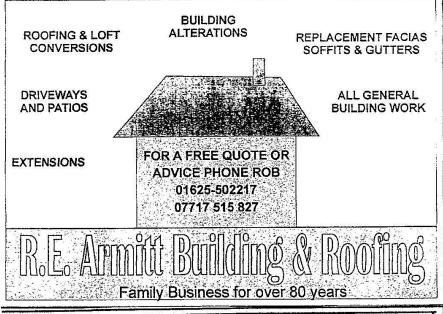
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