**The Parish of St Thomas, Lydiate and Downholland**

**The Revd Paul Robinson**

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All Items for inclusion on this sheet need to be given to Stephanie either in writing or by email [sthomassteph@btinternet.com](mailto:sthomassteph@btinternet.com)

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**Service Today –** **Advent 4**

8.00am BCP Holy Communion

11.00am CW Eucharist & Nativity

Reader: 8am: Judy Simons 11am:

Reading: Romans 1.1-7

Gospel: Matthew 1.18-end

Intercessions: N/A

Chalice: Glenys Gardner & David Walker

**Service next Sunday –** **Christmas 1**

8.00am BCP Holy Communion

11.00am CW Sung Eucharist

Reader: 8am: 11am: Lynda Hoople

Reading: Hebrews 2.10-end

Gospel: Matthew 2.13-18

Intercessions: Jackie Duffey

Chalice: Helen Stewart & Joe Croft

**NOTICES**

**Tuesday 24th December – Christmas Eve**

8.00pm – Morning Prayer – St Thomas’ Church

4.00pm – Christingle – St Cuthbert’s Church

***Please note the TIME for this Christingle Service***

11.00pm – 1st Eucharist of Christmas and Blessing of the Crib – St Thomas’ Church

Or

11.30pm – 1st Eucharist of Christmas and Blessing of the Crib – St Cuthbert’s Church

**Wednesday 25th December – Christmas Day**

8.00am – Communion and Carols – St Thomas’ Church

9.30am – Communion and Carols – St Cuthbert’s Church

11.00am – Family Eucharist – St Thomas’ Church

(children bring a toy or game to show the Rector)

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU AS WE CELEBRATE THE BIRTH OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST.**

**O COME LET US ADORE HIM**

**CHRISTMAS MESSAGE BOARD**

The Christmas Message board is up for those of you who wish to send Christmas Wishes to all of us at ST THOMAS’.

It is FREE but if you would like to donate to the BOILER FUND then all donations will be greatly received.

The table for Christmas Cards will be out in the Millennium Centre on the 15th & 22nd December

**WE NEED YOUR HELP**

Volunteers, in pairs, are need to go on a rota to keep the churchyard and graveyard bins emptied.

For further information please see Judy or Alan – The Churchwardens. The more volunteers, means less time you will need to help. THANK YOU

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**Those who have asked our prayers:** Alex Finnegan,

Rose Hayes,Gillian Hutchinson, David McGowan,Jackie Durman, Jeanette Gardner,Mary Potter, Jimmy Cook, Dot Tunstall,

Maude Birch, Luke Costello, Sylvia Grisdale, Marion Chin,

Lucy Smith, Roger Rathbone

Tracy Waddington and Maximus Eric Alexander Johnson

**The recently departed:**

**Anniversaries:** Nellie Amelia Hamblen, William Brierley, John Halsall, John James Blundell, Robert Weatherby, Douglas Thomas Finegan, Jessie Armstrong, Tom Fisher, Gilbert Dewhurst, Tony Hogan, James Edward Rooney,

Brian Salisbury Roberts

If you have anything that you would like to be included in THE HERALD then please email Alex or Craig – his email address is [herald.stthomas@gmail.com](mailto:herald.stthomas@gmail.com)



**The BOILER has died!! It cannot be repaired!!**

We need a new one installed before the onset of winter BUT we don’t have enough funds to pay for it.

If anyone can help with a donation, or even with an interest free loan, please have a word with Paul.

(All Donations/loans will be treated with the strictest confidence)

**SUPPORTING THE HOMELESS THIS ADVENT & CHRISTMAS**

This year we are supporting Charities that reach out to help people who are homeless. We are collecting NEW hats, gloves, scarves, socks (especially thermal ones).

a collection box will be at the back of church from the 1st – 22nd December.

Thank you for your support



**A FINANCIAL CRISIS AT ST THOMAS’**

We are due to expect a **FINANCIAL CRISIS** at St Thomas’

during 2020. Financial help is needed to cover our expenses

* **Average Monthly Expenses £10,000.00**
* **Average Monthly Income £ 3,262.00**
* **Average Monthly Shortfall £ 6,738.00**

**This Income and Expenses exercise covers only income and expenses from all Collections in Church and**

**The Millennium Centre Hire.**

**This is an URGENT APPEAL to all who value keeping OUR CHURCH OPEN**

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