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

**The Revd Dr Alex Baker 07798 702831**

**Parish Mobile 07518 926086**

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 – First Sunday of Epiphany**

**Baptism of Christ**

8.00am BCP Holy Communion

11.00am CW Sung Eucharist

Reader: 8am: Ken Fleming 11am: Eleri Jones

Reading: Acts 10. 34-43

Gospel: Matthew3.13-17

Intercessions: Don Ridland

Chalice: Jackie Duffey & Jean Cropper

**Service next Sunday –** **Second Sunday of Epiphany**

8.00am BCP Holy Communion

11.00am CW Eucharist

Reader: 8am: Brenda Brown 11am: Judy Simons

Reading: 1 Corinthians 1.1-9

Gospel: John 1. 29-42

Intercessions: Eleri Jones

Chalice: Vera Ainsworth & Eleri Jones

**NOTICES**

**MID-WEEK COMMUNION SERVICES JANUARY**

Wed 15th January – 10.00am St Thomas’ church

Wed 22nd January – **NO SERVICE**

Wed 29th January – 10.00am St Thomas’ Church

**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:** Ken Birch, Joan Oldfield, Robert Armstrong, Arthur Edward Nixon, Gertrude Jones, Donald Todd, Benjamin Thomas Dodd, Ernest Harold Battersby and Eric Parry

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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)

**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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**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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**FLOWER ROTA**

We have the following vacancies on the

Altar Flower Rota 2020

9th February

16th February

14th June

23rd August

30th August

20th September

If you would like to reserve one of the weeks please contact

Val Blakemore on 0151 526 0915

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**INK CARTRIDGES**

St Cuthbert’s Church would be grateful for any unwanted ink cartridges or mobile phones as these are being collected and recycled for much needed church funds.

THANK YOU

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