

# Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2025

## Fifth Sunday after Trinity

*'There is need of only one thing'*

**Welcome** to everyone in church today and to those joining us online for our services. Please join us for refreshments after the service in the Church Hall. Please place your offering in the plate at the back of church before the service begins or use the QR code on each pew or use the card machine.

### Hymns

	St Thomas	St James
Processional	426	439
Before the Gospel	24	377
Offertory	56	339
During Communion	242 463	307
Final	270	362

### The Week Ahead & Information

- Mon-Fri**      9am      Morning Prayer *on St Thomas' Facebook page*
- Tuesday**    10am    Eucharist *at St James*  
                   7pm    St James PCC meeting *in the Hall*
- Wednesday** 1pm    Funeral of Geoff Crabbe *at St Thomas'*
- Thursday**    10am    Eucharist *at St Thomas'*  
                   2-4pm   Thursday, Food and Friends *in St Thomas' Hall*
- Friday**        12pm    Funeral of John Calway *at Pleasington Crematorium*

**Next Sunday – 27<sup>th</sup> July: Sixth Sunday after Trinity, celebrated as the Feast of St James at St James'**

- 8:00    Said Eucharist *at St Thomas'*  
 9.15    Parish Eucharist *at St Thomas'*  
 10:45   Patronal Festival *at St James (followed by Fund Raising meeting)*

## **Christian Memory Service for folks with dementia and their carers - Tuesday 22nd July**

I am Haslingden Community Link presented by Anna Chaplaincy.

It is the first Christian service of its kind in Rossendale. All are welcome and your support would be really appreciated.

After the service there will be tea and biscuits and time for a chat.

## **St James Patronal Festival Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> July 10:45am**

This will be followed by fizz and cake then a Fundraising Meeting.

## **Raise the Roof! Station Pub Helmshore.**

On Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> August during the afternoon and early evening, the Station Pub are holding an outdoor music event to raise funds for St Thomas' Spire Project. You may well remember last year's successful event. It is great that we're being supported again by our local community.

All money taken 'on the doors' will be donated to the project. Please support the event by attending and support the pub by spending some money in the bar!

Volunteers from church are needed on the doors (on a shift basis) and also to run a stall. If you are willing to volunteer please let Fr Simon know and a meeting will be arranged in the pub as we did last year.

Donations are needed for the bottle tombola stall. All proceeds from this stall will be added to the monies taken on the door and go to our Spire fund. In addition to the live bands it is hoped that RMVC and the Ukes of Hazy will be booked to perform!

## **'The Fourmost' Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September 7.30pm at St Thomas'**

The band will play their hits from the 60s and other songs from that era in '90 minutes of pure joy'. Tickets available from Steve on 07842769175

See the advertisement at the back of these notices.

## **Inclusive Church**

Large print hymns books and Order of Service booklets are available. St Thomas also has some magnifying glasses with back lights, two sets of ear defenders and a small selection of sensory toys. If you know anyone who would like to bring children or adults with SEND please let them know they are very welcome. We are moving towards having Order of Service booklets printed on yellow paper which people with dyslexia or visual stress may like to use.

## **Plastic Free July**

The annual drive to highlight the dangers of plastic waste and reduce our use of plastics has arrived. This movement has inspired 100 million participants in 190 countries. Could you add to this number? Small individual changes can make a big difference to the whole picture.

This year we are asked to make a pledge to reduce single use plastic, be it refusing plastic bags, straws or drinking cups etc. For more guidance have a look at the website [plasticfreejuly.org](http://plasticfreejuly.org)

Whilst there, why not take the Pesky Plastics Quiz and see how you are doing with avoiding plastics use.

Give it a go and help protect God's Earth and Nature.

## **Food Support**

The demand for food assistance remains high and we are beginning to run low on stock. Donations of the following would be gratefully received: pasta and sauce, tins of meat, tins of cold meat, microwavable rice, long life milk, tins of fruit, tins of vegetables and potatoes, noodles. Thank you to those who already give so generously.

## **Weekly Prayer List for the sick**

Please contact Revd. Judith to include a name on the weekly prayer list.

### **For your prayers**

Charley, Lizzie, Rachael, Quentin, John, Frances, Mother Mo, Sophie, Cynthia, Andrew, Anthony, Neville, Roz, Simon, Katie, Sara, Margaret, Christine, Kathleen, Arnold, Alicia, Jacqueline, Vivienne, Edna, Adrienne, Sylvia, Fr Roger Smith, Neville, Kenneth, Leo, Carl, Shirley.

For all who have died in the past week, including Geoff Crabbe, and all whose anniversaries fall in the coming week. *Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.*

***Please also let us know when someone is unwell or goes in to hospital.***