

**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2025**  
**Sixth Sunday after Trinity**

*'Father, hallowed be your name'*

**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	457	197
Before the Gospel	541	372
Offertory	106	420
During Communion	287	294
	167	
Final	313	453

## The Week Ahead & Information

<b>Mon-Fri</b>	9am	Morning Prayer <i>on St Thomas' Facebook page</i>
<b>Tuesday</b>	10am	Eucharist <i>at St James</i>
<b>Thursday</b>	10am	Eucharist <i>at St Thomas'</i>

**Next Sunday – 3<sup>rd</sup> August: Seventh Sunday after Trinity**

9:15 Parish Eucharist at *St Thomas'*  
10:45 Parish Eucharist at *St James'*  
3.30 BCP Evening Prayer

**NB:** Fr Simon is away between Monday 28<sup>th</sup> July and Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> August.

## **Diocesan Renewal Programme**

Both PCC's have accepted Bishop Joe's invitation to join the Diocesan Renewal Programme. The Diocesan Renewal Programme (DRP) is an exciting opportunity to focus on renewal and growth in both parishes, and to continue to see people from our parishes come to know Jesus in the years ahead. Parishes who have taken part in this programme have reported growth in prayer, in missional confidence, in number, and a greater energy for mission in their PCC. We will be given dedicated support from the Diocese and also places on the Leading Your Church into Growth (LyCiG) conference in October this year. Please support and keep this initiative in your prayers.

## **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. All money taken 'on the doors' will be donated to the Spire 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 put your name in the appropriate box on the form at the back of church.

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.

## **Grass Cutting and 'Push Tests'**

A point of information for both churches. Both churchyards are "closed" which means that they are under the care of Rossendale Borough Council. The Council is responsible for grass cutting and general maintenance. Both churches benefit from volunteers who do their bit to keep the graveyards as tidy as possible but the Council have been slow in keeping to the grass cutting schedule. The Council have recently mowed a lawn mower's width alongside graveyard paths but will not go further in until memorial push tests are done (also the responsibility of the Council). We are very much in their

hands. Any complaints from the general public should be directed towards the Council.

### **Ink Cartridge Recycling**

Thank you for continuing to recycle your printer cartridges. We have saved 4.1kg from landfill and have now made £110.10 for church funds. Please keep recycling!

### **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.

### **Food Support**

The demand for food assistance remains high. 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.

### **Rossendale's first Dementia Service 22<sup>nd</sup> July (Jonah and the Whale)**

Tricia extends her thanks to those who supported this prayerful and fun event. The next service is at the 11:00am at Haslingden Link on Tuesday 26th August. Please pass the word around.

### **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, Hazel.

For all who have died in the past week 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.***