The Radcliffe Team Ministry

Parish of St Mary

and

Parish of St Thomas and St John with St Philip's Community Centre

NOTICES THIS WEEK

Sunday 3 August 2025 Seventh Sunday after Trinity

This weekend, first Sunday of the month, there will be at St Thomas and St John's the usual ingathering of non-perishable food and toiletries to support the work of Porch Boxes. Packs are provided to local people in crisis need. Goods may be brought to both our Team Churches at any time. Please support this effort if you can.

Sunday

All are welcome at God's table for communion or a blessing. If you receive communion in your own church, then please come to receive it here. In line with the policy of our Diocese, we ask you to refrain from intinction (dipping your wafer into the wine). If you are uncomfortable to receive wine from the common cup, be assured that Christ is fully present in both bread and wine. Receiving the consecrated bread alone conveys the full blessing of the sacrament. If you require a gluten-free wafer, please indicate this to the priest when you come to the communion rail.

9:30am Eucharist at St Mary's: President and Preacher - Revd Adele McKie;

followed by light refreshments; followed by gravevard cleanup.

Eucharist at St Thomas and St John's: President and Preacher - Revd 11:00am

Adele McKie; followed by light refreshments.

CONGRATULATIONS to Trish and Stuart Wood whose Golden Wedding

anniversary falls during the coming week.

PLEASE see sign-up sheet in church to sponsor Tommy the Church Mouse

to support forthcoming heating and building repair projects.

1:00pm Baptism at St Mary's of Lily Charlotte Bignell: Officiant - Revd Irene Thirkell

The week ahead

Wednesday (6th) 10:00am **Service of the Word** at St Mary's; followed by light refreshments

Thursday (7th) 10:00am (- 11:30am) **Gardening Team** meets at St TJ – please bring tools if you can. Everyone welcome.

Friday (8th) During the month of August there will be no meetings of the usual weekly groups - Friday

Friends Bible Study and the Team Intercessions

Group

Saturday (9th) 10:00am (- noon) Monthly Saturday Café at St Mary's

> 10:30am (- 12:30pm) **Saturday Café** at St TJ's, including Vestry Hour

> > July BONUS BALL winners were Sue and Eric (no.16) (- late) St Philip's Community Centre Soul and

7:30pm Tamla Motown Party. Free entry. Bar. Raffle. Quiz.

Sunday (10th)

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

9:30am **Eucharist** at St Mary's: President and Preacher - Revd

Margaret Trivasse; followed by light refreshments

11:00am **Eucharist** at St Thomas and St John's: President and

Preacher - Revd Margaret Trivasse; followed by light

refreshments.

12:15pm **Baptism** at St Mary's of Archie Thomas Partington:

Officiant Revd Elizabeth Binns

Please pray for ...

• Prayers for healing:

- St Mary's: Catherine, Steven, Andrew Baines, Helen Bardsley, Berenice Carey, Barbara Cordener, Colin Embrey, Margaret Embrey, Christine Firth, William Firth, Jennifer Garner, Chris Hollis, Pauline Holt, Terry Houlgrave, Malcolm Kirkpatrick, Harry Melling, Peter Savage, George Vail, Janice Wright
- St TJ and elsewhere: Archdeacon Rachel, Catherine, Pam, Fay Atherton, Joan Atherton, Paula Barrand, Janis Cardwell, Tony Cardwell, Jacob Dewar, Zohre Galati, Vicky Halstead, Marjorie Higham, Miriam Higham, Anthony Hill, Lyn Hill, Barry Sheehan, Jane Slade
- o **Those recently bereaved:** family and friends of Bill Foss and Jackie Woodhall
- Those recalled in our Books of Remembrance:
 - o **St Mary's**: Edgar Senior (5th); Kenneth John Vernon (9th)
 - St Thomas and St John's: Joan Butterworth (3rd); William Booth, Eunice Roberts (4th); Harry Evans (6th); Alice Holden, John Beckett, David Wright (7th); Elsie Wilkes (8th)

Please note ...

Saturday Café at St TJ

The weekly Saturday morning café is a valuable opportunity to meet over a cuppa and perhaps a piece of cake. It brings together members of the worshipping congregation and of the wider community. It makes money for future building projects in church. But it relies on volunteers to make and serve refreshments – and it needs more. If you might like to know more or to offer help, please see Jean or Pauline.

Save the date

Weekend 12 - 14 September: Heritage Weekend at St Mary's

Weekend 19 – 21 September: Heritage Weekend at St Thomas and St John's. It is planned to conclude the Heritage Weekend with some kind of songs of praise/ thanksgiving celebration on the Sunday. If anyone has a favourite hymn they would like to be included please let Maryse, Pauline, Jean or Carol Cain know by the end of August. The sooner the better as there is a lot to organise.

Harvest: Our Harvest Thanksgiving services will be on Sunday 12 October in each church. At St TJ, there will be a Harvest Lunch on Saturday 11 October at 12:30pm.

Please supply future information to lesandkathleen@btinternet.com or to 0161 724 5696. Current information may be found at https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/16096/ and https://www.radcliffeparishchurch.com/

For pastoral contact for baptisms, weddings or funerals, or with personal needs, please contact in the first instance Irene Thirkell, Curate, on 07435 657865 or, Adele McKie, Associate Priest at revadele@btopenworld.com or on 07946 383024.

St Philips Community Centre A Soul & Tamla Motown Party

SATURDAY 9th Aug
EVERYONE WELCOME Free entry





Summer holiday activities

Playing with Poetry



Tues 19th August 10-11.30am Weds 27th August 10-11.30am

Scan code to book or go to https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/playing-with-poetry-tickets-1500429006549? aff=oddtdtcreator

Free to attend but booking essential Most suitable for primary school aged children. Parents/guardians must stay with children at all times



Mission Community Prayers

Please see a leaflet in church updated each week, and also a prayer list covering the month, the latter below

Radcliffe & Whitefield Mission Community Prayer Diary



August 2025

1 st	We pray for those from St. Andrew's, Radcliffe who will be attending 'New Wine' in the coming days;
2 nd	praying that they would be encouraged & inspired in their faith & ministry. We pray for the Confirmation candidates at All Saints, Stand; that they would be strengthened & inspired as they prepare to take the next step in their journey of faith.
3 rd	We pray & give thanks for all those who are running events & activities for children & families throughout the summer break; that the seeds of faith may be sown through these initiatives.
4 th	We give thanks for those who will be part of the Task Group meeting this evening; praying that there
5 th	will be someone from each Church who feels called to be a part of this group. As Christ Church Walshaw open their doors for 'Cake & Chat' each Tuesday afternoon throughout
<u> </u>	August, we pray that God will draw people from the local & wider community to be part of this. We give thanks for the congregation and all volunteers at St. Thomas & St. John, Radcliffe, & pray
6 th	that they have a peaceful & restful summer, whatever they have planned.
7 th	We pray for those who are organising or attending the Bugs & Bees family event at Christ Church Ainsworth today; that children may learn to love, nurture & respect the world around them.
8 th	We pray that the children & staff from St. John's School & other schools throughout our Mission Community, have a well-earned break & a safe and restful summer.
9 th	We give thanks for the volunteers at All Saints, Stand & pray that more will be inspired to join them.
10 th	We pray for mission & ministry at St. Mary, Radcliffe.
11 th	We pray for mission & ministry at St. George's, Unsworth.
12 th	On International Youth Day, we celebrate the potential of youth as partners in today's global society.
13 th	We pray for the youth & children's leaders at St. Andrew's, Radcliffe as they meet today.
14 th	We pray for young people who will be receiving A Level results today; that those celebrating success would be confident to begin the next stage of life's journey, & those who have done less well would know that God's love, not results, is what will define them.
15 th	We pray for all who will be holding Services & celebrations to commemorate the 80 th anniversary of VJ Day. We remember with thanks all those who served in the Far East & brought an end to World War II.
16 th	We pray for those who are organising or attending the Parish BBQ at St. Andrew's, Hillock today; that this event would be well supported and a time of fellowship and fun.
17 th	We pray for mission & ministry at Christ Church Ainsworth.
18 th	We give thanks for those who will be part of the Prayer & Spirituality Group meeting this evening; we pray that there will be someone from each Church who feels called to be a part of this group.
19 th	We pray for the families who are taking part in Wild Worship at Christ Church Ainsworth throughout the summer months; that they might grow in faith & in their appreciation of God's wonderful world.
20 th	We pray for mission & ministry at All Saints Stand.
21 st	We pray for the young people who will be receiving GCSE results today; that this would be the start of a new and exciting journey for them.
22 nd	We pray for mission & ministry at Emmanuel Community Church, Radcliffe.
23 rd	We pray for mission & ministry at Christ Church Walshaw.
24 th	We pray for & give thanks for the work of the Food Pantry Team at St. Andrew's, Hillock; praying also for all of the individuals & families who access this service.
25 th	We give thanks for all who are provide ministry within local hospitals, hospices & care homes.
26 th	We pray for mission & ministry at St. Andrew's, Hillock.
27 th	We pray for mission & ministry at St. Thomas & St. John, Radcliffe.
28 th	We give thanks for all who have run the breakfast club at St. Andrew's, Hillock throughout the summer months. Praying also for the children & families who have accessed this resource.
29 th	We give thanks for the congregation, volunteers & community at St. Mary, Radcliffe.
30 th	On National Grief Awareness Day, we pray for anyone who has lost someone dear to them.
31 st	We pray for mission & ministry at St. Andrew's, Radcliffe.



Meet Tommy our Church Mouse

Tommy lives in our church,
he stays out of sight, so you won't see him,
or hear him, but he is there taking care of us
and our church when no one is in.



In August Tommy our Church Mouse is going on holiday, he is off to France, his bag is packed with his favorite blanket and food, a baguette, a piece of cheese and like every good christian churchmouse should, his bible.

Tommy the Church Mouse wants you to help him to raise money for the Building Fund by sponsoring his journey to France from Bury and back home again.

It is approximately 840 miles to their destination Normandy in France and back again to Bury, Maryse will send us photos and keep us up to date with mileage, keep an eye on the notice board. Note to Philip & Maryse -not including any trips like St Tropez please.

Please think about backing him and sign up the sponsorship form at the back of church. Please keep checking the notice board.

I wonder if he will come back squeaking in French. Thank you for helping us

Merci and Bon Voyage

YOU'RE INVITED TO AN AFTERNOON TEA!



Please join us for Afternoon tea Date: Saturday 23rd August 25

Where: St Mary's, Radcliffe Parish Church

Time: 2pm to 4pm

This a ticket only event, tickets are £10 & includes a selection of savouries and cakes with unlimited tea or coffee.

Tombola & other activities to join in on the day!

For tickets please call Deb: 0161 724 4116

Or Vicky: 07533 894 392



I'm holding an Afternoon Tea to help improve the lives of people affected by breast cancer, now and for generations to come.

breastcancernow.org/afternoontea







Volunteers' corner

If you wish to volunteer for further involvement in Church at St Thomas and St John's, please see these contacts in church (or by other means)

- Anyone wanting to have further involvement in Sunday services, for example as lesson readers, leaders of Intercessions, welcomers, or servers at refreshment time, is invited to speak to Kathleen or Les. If anyone would like to be trained as a server, assisting at the altar, please see Carol or Ken.
- Maintenance or decoration tasks related to the church building: please see Phil
- **Eco Church:** See Carol or Maryse to get involved in this initiative. St Thomas and St John's has now joined St Mary's as a holder of the EcoChurch Bronze Award.
- **Gardening or tidying of the outdoor areas:** A Gardening Group will meet on the first Thursday of each month until October to work outside at St TJ (10am –
- Facebook page: anyone who could help raise the profile of the Church on social media, eg Facebook, please speak to Jean.
- Parish Profile: covering both our Churches has been prepared and submitted to assist with the recruitment of our next Vicar. It shows what goes on in the life of our parishes, and also identifies some gaps we would like to fill. It can be accessed on-line by googling "Church near you" and heading to the documents section of St Thomas and St John. Or ask in church.



Would-be volunteers at St Mary's are invited to speak to Vicky or Deb.

Giving at St Thomas and St John's

It is good to support our Church by regular giving. A convenient way to do that is to create a Standing Order at your bank. Please ask in church if you need help in doing that. If you would like to still be able to add something to the collection plate as it passes, we have small cards that you can put on the plate to signify your support of the Church. Pick one up from the hymn book table on your way into church. Thank you.

Eco Church

11-30am)

Certificates to be seen at St Thomas and St John's – including references to twinning the garden and twinning the toilet.

Information about Eco Church can be found in both churches, with tips on how to make yourself and your household more eco-friendly.

Being stewards of God's creation and doing our bit as Christians for the planet, if you have any of the following lying around your home then please bring them to be recycled 🞾 😊



Did you know, many of your unwanted items could be recycled?

Do you have any of these items stuck in a drawer or cupboard?

Please bring along your glasses, hearing aids, foreign currency, stamps, keys, ink & toner cartridges (branded only) & bra's & place them into the boxes provided in church.

All items will be collected at the monthly Mission Community Task Group meetings where they will be sorted and sent to where they are needed most.

Thank you









RADCLIFFE & WHITEFIELD MISSION COMMUNITY



