

# Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> August 2025

## Eighth Sunday after Trinity

‘You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour’

**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	219	433
Before the Gospel	259	393
Offertory	120	381
During Communion	63	459
	69	
Final	405	353

### The Week Ahead & Information

<b>Mon-Fri</b>	9am	Morning Prayer on St Thomas' Facebook page
<b>Tuesday</b>	10am	Eucharist at St James
	12-2pm	'Eat and Meet' at St James' Hall
<b>Thursday</b>	10am	Eucharist at St Thomas'
	11am	Funeral of Val Ellend at St John's Baxenden
<b>Friday</b>	11am	80 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of VJ Day commemoration at Helmshore Cenotaph

### Next Sunday – 17th August: Ninth Sunday after Trinity

- 9.15 Parish Eucharist at St Thomas'
- 10.45 Parish Eucharist at St James
- 3.30 BCP Evening Prayer at St Thomas'

### Eat and Meet Tuesday 12-2pm 12<sup>th</sup> August at St James Hall

Come early and avoid disappointment!

## **Joint Service on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August 10:00am St Thomas'**

Sunday August 31<sup>st</sup> is a "Fifth Sunday" and there shall be only one service on that day to be held at 10:00am at St Thomas'.

The next "Fifth Sunday" is November 30<sup>th</sup> where the joint service will be held at St James'.

## **Diocesan Renewal Programme**

A reminder to keep the programme, and the participation of both parishes, in your prayers.

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

A meeting for those volunteering on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> August is to be held **tomorrow at midday at the Station Pub.**

Please keep your bottle donations coming in.

## **St Thomas' Hall Deep Clean 14<sup>th</sup> August 9:00-12:00**

If you can spare an hour or two to assist please come along. Your presence will be very much appreciated.

## **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2-4pm in St Thomas' Hall.**

To support 'Second Hand September' there will be pre-loved toys, clothes, books, crafts, plants and good quality household items for sale. Admission £3 includes cake and a hot drink. Donations for stalls and raffle prizes would be appreciated. Please see Linda or Lin.

## **'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.

## **St Thomas Refectory**

The Refectory Cafe is closed in August but will open again on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September.

We usually open the first and third Thursdays of each month. We have a very loyal team of helpers and bakers but would welcome more if anyone can assist. We need people to prepare and serve food and drinks, take orders and also bakers. If you might be able to help please speak to Wendy or one of the refectory team or come along one Thursday and see what we do.

## **Eco Church working towards the Gold Award**

The Eco church team would like to know if their efforts to encourage our congregation to care for God's Earth is being taken on board. Be it by avoiding single use plastic, lowering energy consumption, recycling, caring for nature or any of the other many ways that we as individuals can play our part. Please fill in the sheet at the back of church with some of the changes that you have made already or speak to one of the Eco church team. Your responses will help us move the church towards our Gold award. Thankyou on behalf of the Eco Church team. Heather.

## **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 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, Alastair, James, Margaret, Christine, Kathleen, Arnold, Alicia, Jacqueline, Vivienne, Edna, Adrienne, Sylvia, Fr Roger Smith, Neville, Kenneth, Leo, Carl, Shirley, Hazel, Gordon.

For all who have died in the past week, remembering Shirley Adams 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.***