

Safeguarding

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Calendar of church events

Every Wednesday 9:30am ... Morning prayer at St Nicholas Church

Every Wednesday 10:30am ... Moving On course at 70 Thanington Road

Sun 7th Jun 10:00am ... Morning Worship at St Nicholas Church

Tue 9th June 7:00pm ... Archdeacons Visitation Service at the Cathedral

Sun 14th Jun 10:00am ... Holy Communion at St Nicholas Church
6:00pm ... 'Pray for Thanington' at St Faiths, New House Lane

Mon 15th Jun 10:00am ... Buildings Team meet with architect & builder.

Thu 18th Jun 7:00pm ... Open Deanery Synod at Sturry Church. All welcome
Theme: Mission to housing estates – old & new.

Sun 21st Jun 10:00am ... Holy Communion at St Nicholas Church

Wed 24th Jun 7:00pm ... PCC meeting at St Nicholas church hall

Thu 25th Jun 2:30pm ... Communion at Lark View Care home, Cockering Rd

Sun 28th Jun 10:00am ... Holy Communion
4:00pm ... Thanington Messy Church at St Nicholas Church

Looking Ahead

Sun 5th July 12:00pm... Church Family lunch at 31 Bramley Avenue

Wed 22nd July 7:00pm ... PCC meeting at St Nicholas church hall

Sun 6th Sept 10:00am ... Harvest service followed by lunch



St Nicholas + St Faith

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From the vicar

***We are Thanington Parish Church:
A community of worship, welcome and witness to Christ,
who are learning from the past, living in the present and
looking to God's future.***

After the reflective season of Lent, the drama of Holy Week, the excitement of Easter and the power of Pentecost, we're now in a season of the church calendar called 'ordinary time'. This season of ordinary time will last for almost 5 months, until the end of October, symbolized by the colour green.

'Ordinary time' sounds, well, a bit ordinary, uneventful, even dull. But there's another way to look at it. A season without many special occasions is also a season without many distractions.

So, it can be a season for developing good rhythms of life which help us to put our faith into practice. It can be a season for noticing God's Spirit at work in everyday life and learning to keep in step with the Spirit. And it can be a season for growth in faith, hope and love, but also growth as a church. With growth in mind, the colour green feels very appropriate.

On Sunday mornings, over the next few months, we will work our way through Matthew's gospel. With the first disciples, let's rediscover Jesus' life and teaching and what it means to follow him. Alongside this, there will be readings from Paul's long letter to the Romans, which explores big themes of God's grace and love, the destructive power of sin, the life-giving work of the Spirit, and our future hope (amongst other things)

During the summer months, a few of us will be reaching out to residents of Saxon Fields. With the help of Amanda's camper van, we will create a temporary place for residents to gather and interact. With the help of a team from Youth With A Mission, we will visit residents, asking them about their hopes for the community, and inviting them to come along. Please pray this will help grow community, help people make a connection with the church, and help people discover God's love for them.

Rev Nick

Rev Nick White (vicar) Tel: 07562 560695 Email: revnickwhite@gmail.com

Moving On course

The Moving On course is for anybody who wants to refresh their Christian faith or prepare for confirmation. There are 7 sessions looking at some good foundations for following Jesus and growing in faith. Each 90 minute session includes a short video, followed by time for discussion and prayer. It starts on Wednesday 3rd June 10:30am at the vicarage, 70 Thanington Road. To join the course, speak to Rev Nick.

Bible study groups

A great way to learn together from the Bible, encourage one another and pray for each other. Would you like to join a group? Speak to Rev Nick.

Church Family Lunch

Thanks to all those who have helped with the last couple of lunches - organising, cooking, serving or washing up. Our next lunch is on Sunday 5th July. This time, weather permitting, it will be in Tony and Ann's back garden at 31 Bramley Avenue. Food will be ready around 12:30pm, but you are welcome to arrive earlier and enjoy the garden. There's not a set charge for lunch, but please give a donation if you can afford to do so. To book, please sign-up on the sheet near the front door.

Election results

The annual church meeting took place on Sun 10th May and the following people were elected:

- Church Warden: Tony Martin elected for 1 year
- Deanery Synod rep: Amanda Palethorpe elected for 1 year.
- Parochial Church Council: Val Edwards & David Weeks both elected for 3 years. Robert Garlick, Ann Martin, Caroline Mettam have 2 more years.

Ways to give to Thanington Parish Church

The Bible encourages us to give gladly and generously, out of gratitude to God. There is a card reader available near the entrance. You can also give via our Parish Giving page by scanning this QR code or visit www.parishgiving.org.uk. Alternatively, you can put cash in the offering plate.

If you want to donate specifically for the roof repair, please speak to Tony Martin, 01227 769686

