

WOODCHIPPINGS FOR YOUR GARDEN - Pick up a black plastic bag from the Parish Office (£2 donation per bag) and help yourself to the pile of woodchippings at the back driveway entrance of St Thomas' church. EXCELLENT VALUE!

The next Farnham Filling Station is on Friday 13th October. John Wright will be speaking on Preparing the church as the Bride to meet the Bridegroom. Garden Room of The Farnham Museum at 7.30pm for refreshments with an 8pm start.

Please pray for:

- unwell:** Helen Sale, Simon Hillard, Rosie Hirst, Suzanne Vandervell, David Moore and Clive Webb
- RIP:** Janet Webb, Pam Olliff and Albert Jory
- parish:** all who minister in this benefice especially for John and Gillian Morris. For *gather@4* this term.
- local:** our local hospitals, GP surgeries and care agencies.
- national:** the leaders of the churches that they may speak truth fearlessly and with love.
- global:** all the victims of the Las Vegas shooting; give thanks for all who volunteered to assist those in need. The leaders of the nations that they may have grace, wisdom and integrity. For peace with justice and support for those who have suffered devastating loss.
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Gift Aid Envelopes

Many of you are very generous with your cash and we thank you! However, if you put your cash into a yellow envelope from the chair in front of you, and complete it clearly with your name & address. We can reclaim the tax you have paid on that money at no cost to you (as long as you are a tax payer). This means an extra £2.50 for every £10 you put in which could help us to balance our books & maintain our mission.

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Website: www.thebourne.org.uk

The Function Rooms at St Thomas' are available and are particularly suitable for receptions after baptisms and funerals, and for talks, meetings and formal events.

**St Thomas-on-The Bourne,
St Martin by the Green & Brambleton
8th October 2017: Trinity 17**

Welcome to our services today.

Please stay for coffee after morning services.

Our Parish Vision: Radiating God's love, transforming lives and communities

A letter from Revd Elaine Collins

Dear Friends,

One of the joys of our parish/benefice is that we can all experience a range of styles of worship. *gather@4* as the newest addition to our service schedule, has now been running for over a year.

There were two considerations, which prompted the development of *gather@4*. We were conscious that for many families, the Sunday morning sporting activities makes attending a morning service difficult and secondly and just as important – it was an opportunity to develop a different style of service, where **everyone** can meet with God in a **relaxed** and **informal environment**.

For each service, we select a theme and plan around this – so each service is bespoke! A typical *gather@4* will include prayer activities, music, story, reflection and time for discussion. The informal style means that we do 'go with the flow' from time to time, (hopefully God's flow!) and the *gather@4* team makes sure that they pray together before each service - to help each one of us be open to God's guiding presence. The service is not long – about 35-40 minutes and we always finish with tea, food and chat. Regular members of *gather@4* take it in turns to provide the nibbles! We all look forward to this time – not just because we might sample some delicious baking but because it is a time to socialise and catch up.

gather@4 meets at St Martin's at 4pm (!) every second and fourth Sunday of the month. As today is the second Sunday, we will be gathering this afternoon. We are also planning to do a Christmas special in December – so do look out for details of this. If you are interested, intrigued and just want to see what we get up to, do feel free to come along to any of our services – you will be most welcome.

Every blessing for the coming week!

Elaine

Readings for today: Isaiah 5.1-7 Matthew 21.33-46

Readings for next Sunday: Philippians 4.2-9 Matthew 22.1-14

St Thomas' Music: 10am: Setting: Sumsion in F **Anthem:** It is a thing most wonderful: *Moger* **Motets:** Ave verum: *Jenkins* Let us laud and magnify: *Mundy*
Voluntary: Toccata on Hanover: *Leighton*

DIARY

Quiet Hour at St Thomas': Monday to Friday 9-10am

Morning Prayer: *St Thomas'* Tuesdays 9.15am & Fridays 8.30am

Informal Prayer: *St Martin's'* Wednesday 9.15am

Coffee Mornings: *St Thomas'* Tuesday 10.30am ***St Martin's'*** Wednesday 10.30am

Please be aware there are private bookings in the Centenary Rooms, so do check with the parish office beforehand if you wish to access them.

Sunday 8th	8.00am	Holy Communion at St Thomas': <i>Elaine Collins</i>
	10.00am	Parish Eucharist at St Thomas': <i>David Adams</i>
	10.00am	Service of the Word at Brambleton: <i>Deirdre Leggett</i>
	10.30am	Holy Communion at St Martin's: <i>Andrew Tuck</i>
	4.00pm	gather@4 at St Martin's: <i>Becky Speyer</i>
	6.00pm	Post Tour Choir Concert at St Thomas'
Monday 9th	9.30am	Babes and Tots in the Centenary Rooms
	7.45pm	Private booking in the Cobbett Room at St Thomas'
Tuesday 10th	10.00am	Holy Communion (BCP) at St Thomas': <i>David Adams</i>
	7.15pm	Worship Group meeting at St Thomas'
Wednesday 11th	10.30am	Private booking in the Cobbett Room at St Thomas'
Thursday 12th	All Day	Quinquennial Inspection at St Martin's
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	2.00pm	Bourne2Stitch at St Thomas'
	3.00pm	Funeral of Janet Webb at St Thomas'
	3.30pm	Funeral Reception at St Thomas'
	8.00pm	Vox rehearsing at St Thomas'
Saturday 14th	10-11.15am	Choir Training at St Thomas'
	3.00pm	Julian Cooper Organ Recital at St Thomas'
Sunday 15th	8.00am	Holy Communion at St Thomas'
	8.00am	Morning Prayer at St Martin's
	10.00am	Parish Eucharist at St Thomas'
	10.00am	Service of the Word at Brambleton
	10.30am	Holy Communion at St Martin's
	12noon	Baptism at St Thomas'
	6.00pm	Taizé/Compline Service at St Thomas'

Locking up: St Thomas' from 9th October: Liz & Bernard Whelan (723802)
St Martin's from 8th October: Dave Holliday

NEWS AND EVENTS

Induction and Institution of the Revd John Morris: It is confirmed that the Induction and Institution of our new Vicar John Morris will be held at St. Thomas' at 7.30pm on Wednesday 18th October 2017. All are welcome to come and celebrate. If you would find it easier to park in the church grounds you will need a permit. Please leave your name with Michèle, or with Caz or Jen in the Parish Office.

Bourne Parish Website: Please check the website for updates on the building issues at St Thomas'. We are also planning to include items of interest from decisions made at PCC Meetings. Go to www.thebourne.org.uk and keep an eye on Latest News on the Home Page.

Post Tour Choir Concert, St Thomas', Sunday 8th October 6pm. After a successful tour to Belgium, choir members warmly invite everyone to their concert, where they will perform music from the tour. Free entry, with retiring collection for choir funds and the new choral scholarship scheme.

Funeral of Janet Webb, 3pm Thursday 12th October at St Thomas'. All welcome.

Organ Recital by Julian Cooper, St Thomas', Saturday 14th October 3pm. Fundraising for the church, with music by Bach, Mendelssohn, Langlais and Dupré.

Taize/Compline Service at 6pm Sunday 15th October at St Thomas', a reflective service with space to reflect on a busy week and to prepare for the week ahead.

"Rivers of justice" What is a Christian response to issues of poverty, justice, the environment. ..? A new 7 session bible study on Thursdays at 10.30am in Sarah Ralling's home. Contact 722678.

Facing Depression Together Awareness Day Saturday 14th Oct 10am-3.30pm, Holiday Inn, Guildford: an opportunity to learn about depression and how to support those living with it. Will include perspectives of depression, stigma & introduce the work of PeerTalk. Lunch is provided. Booking essential. Further details at www.peertalk.org.uk/index.php/events or email admin@peertalk.org.uk

A recording of the Summer Concert on 3 June by Andrew Harrap and the Quartet from the Girls' Choir is available on CD for £5, in aid of choir funds. Please contact James Harrison: familyharrison@talktalk.net or leave a note in the Parish Office.

Facebook page: a reminder for those on facebook to 'like' our page so you will receive news of special events in your newsfeed. Search for 'The Bourne Parish'

Day Conference: Transforming Work Saturday 14th October 10-3pm St Paul's Church Camberley. For anyone who wishes to explore how to take their faith into the workplace. The Parish will fund the £20 for 3 places. Elaine has further details or visit www.cofeguiford.org.uk/transforming-work