

St Thomas Osbaldwick with St James Murton



All are Welcome

Pew Sheet for Sunday 21st January 2024



Church Diary and Events

SUNDAY 21st JANUARY EPIPHANY 3

10am Family Communion at St Thomas's

6.30pm Prayers for Christian Unity at St Thomas's

Tuesday 23rd January

9.30am Meeting to explore Vision & Values at St Thomas's

Wednesday 24th January

10am Baby and Toddler Group

Thursday 25th January

10am Coffee Drop-in

Friday 26th January

9am Extra Church Cleaning Session

SUNDAY 28th JANUARY EPIPHANY 4

10am Family Communion at St Thomas's

4pm Mary Ward Service at St Thomas's

Tuesday 30th January

2pm Fellowship Group

Opening Prayers

Here I am, Lord God, ready for you.

Here I am, coming in worship and silence.

Hold a period of quiet, you might like to read these words several times over.

I wait in the stillness, my soul is like water,
Pushed and pulled by the gravity of life's commitments.

I pour myself out, bend myself,
and distort myself for others,
muddying myself into something that isn't authentic.

Refresh and refill me, O God,

For you alone my soul waits in silence.

I wait in the stillness, keeping my faith alight,
sometimes only barely.

May my faith be a fire that brings comfort,
one that radiates love and care to those around me;

Rekindle and fuel me, O God,

For you alone my soul waits in silence.

I wait in the stillness, the silence amongst the chaos.

The sounds of the traffic, the appliances, the crowds, the all-encompassing dirge of life.

May I be aware of the still, quiet voice,
Speaking words of wisdom.

My hope is in you God,

For you alone my soul waits in silence.

Amen.



Advance Notices

Tuesday 23rd January Meeting to explore our vision and values, 09.30am to 1pm in St Thomas's. The meeting will be led by the Revd. John Lee, our mentor for the Revitalise Project. **ALL WELCOME.**

Sunday 28th January at 4pm at St Thomas's — The annual ecumenical Mary Ward service. **This year we welcome the Archbishop of York — Stephen Cottrell to share a reflection.**

Friday 2nd February at St Thomas's - **BURNS NIGHT.** Tickets £10, includes haggis and neeps, music and a quiz. Further details from Glenn tel: 07855895912



Collect and Readings for the 3rd Sunday of Epiphany

Collect and Prayer for the week

Almighty God,
whose Son revealed in signs and
miracles
the wonder of your saving presence:
renew your people with your heavenly
grace,
and in all our weakness
sustain us by your mighty power;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

All readings are from Bible Gateway NRSV

Revelation 19: 6 - 10

I heard what seemed to be the voice of a
great multitude, like the sound of many wa-
ters and like the sound of mighty thunder-
peals, crying out,
'Hallelujah!

For the Lord our God
the Almighty reigns.

Let us rejoice and exult
and give him the glory,

for the marriage of the Lamb has come,
and his bride has made herself ready;
to her it has been granted to be clothed
with fine linen, bright and pure'—

for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the
saints.

And the angel said to me, 'Write this: Blessed
are those who are invited to the marriage
supper of the Lamb.' And he said to me,
'These are true words of God.' Then I fell
down at his feet to worship him, but he said to
me, 'You must not do that! I am a fellow-
servant with you and your comrades who hold
the testimony of Jesus. Worship God! For the
testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.'

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

John 2: 1 - 11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of
Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus
and his disciples had also been invited to the
wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of
Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus
said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you
and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother
said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells
you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars
for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding
twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill
the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the
brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and
take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When
the steward tasted the water that had become
wine, and did not know where it came from
(though the servants who had drawn the water
knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said
to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and
then the inferior wine after the guests have
become drunk. But you have kept the good wine
until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in
Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his
disciples believed in him.

This is the Gospel of Christ.

Praise to Christ our Lord.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty Father,
whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the
world:

may your people,
illuminated by your word and sacraments,
shine with the radiance of his glory,
that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed
to the ends of the earth;
for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

At the end of the service

Source of all love, God of peace,

Divine energy of justice,

Accept my life today, I pray, and put me, my skills, my
hopes, my dreams, my desires to work to build your
kingdom here on earth. In Jesus' name. **Amen.**

Please take this copy of the Pew Sheet away with you when you leave church.