

## St Thomas Osbaldwick with St James Murton



*All are Welcome*

### Pew Sheet for Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2024



#### SUNDAY 17<sup>th</sup> MARCH LENT 5

10am Family Communion at St Thomas's

*Readings: Jeremiah 31: 31—34 St John 12: 20—33*

#### Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March

**7pm Annual Parochial Church Meeting and AGM**

#### Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March

9.30am Baby and Toddler Group

#### Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March

10am Coffee Drop-in

**LENT COURSE** 6pm Soup and bread, 7pm  
Watching Jesus

#### SUNDAY 24<sup>th</sup> MARCH PALM SUNDAY

10am Pet Service at St Thomas's

**Sunday Reflection** Every week the York Diocese offers a new reflective prayer video for your personal use. This week Sam Nicol, Director for Strategic Transformation reflects on John 12.20-33 for the Fifth Sunday of Lent, 17th March. For the reflection please go to: [vimeo.com/dioceseofyork](https://vimeo.com/dioceseofyork).

#### Advance Notice

**Retirement of the Right Rev.  
Dr John Thomson, Bishop of  
Selby**

Date for your diary: Derwent Deanery  
Choral Evensong in Hemingbrough Minster  
on 23rd June 2024 at 6.30 to say goodbye  
and happy retirement to Bishop John and  
his wife.

#### Prayers and Pointers for the Week Ahead



##### Monday 18th March

Pray for our annual church meeting this evening as we introduce our Vision and Values and for our future growth.

- What does the good news of the Gospel feel like to you? Can you express it as a prayer of thanks in just a sentence or two?

##### Tuesday 19th March

- Creator God,

Thank you that your love for me is part of your great outpouring of love for the world.

Thank you that I can see your care in the life of all you have created, From tiny seed to flourishing fruits.

May I be reminded of your goodness in all that surrounds me, Constantly aware of your presence in the fullness of created life.

##### Wednesday 20th March

- Think about our Baby and Toddler, for the children, parents, grandparents, carers and helpers meeting today. Give thanks God for its success.

Think of a question you have about your faith. Either look it up on the internet, or ask somebody else about it. How does God meet you in what you hear? Have you changed your thoughts or beliefs or feelings as a result of what you've learned?

##### Thursday 21st March

- Today we remember our weekly Coffee Drop-in, that all that attend may find friendship and fellowship.

Think and pray for the ways you see God at work in our church here in Osbaldwick and Murton, and all the things you want to ask God to work in.

##### Friday 22nd March

God of all grace, create in me a heart that longs for you, that I may love you deeply, worship you always, and trust in your everlasting life.

##### Saturday 23rd March

- God of all grace,

May you be at work in my gift-giving, so that the financial gifts I give to charity, church and community, and the other gifts that I am blessed with, can be used for the transformation of lives, hearts, climate, creation and the whole cosmos. Come, Lord Jesus, Amen.

#### At the end of each day's time of prayer you may like to say:

May I go out with joy, and be sent forth with peace.

May the Spirit of God go with me, that I might be a person of peace to all who I meet this day.

May I know the light of love in my life,

And trust in Jesus every step of the way. **Amen**

## ***Collect and Readings for the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent***

### **Collect and Prayer for the week**

Most merciful God,  
who by the death and resurrection of  
your Son Jesus Christ  
delivered and saved the world:  
grant that by faith in him who suffered on  
the cross  
we may triumph in the power of his  
victory;  
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*

### **Jeremiah 31: 31—34**

The days are surely coming, says the Lord,  
when I will make a new covenant with the  
house of Israel and the house of Judah. It  
will not be like the covenant that I made with  
their ancestors when I took them by the  
hand to bring them out of the land of  
Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I  
was their husband, says the Lord. But this is  
the covenant that I will make with the house  
of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I  
will put my law within them, and I will write it  
on their hearts; and I will be their God, and  
they shall be my people. No longer shall  
they teach one another, or say to each  
other, 'Know the Lord', for they shall all  
know me, from the least of them to the  
greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their  
iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

For the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Before you leave church you may like to use:**

Today, I will have the opportunity to share something of God's love – may I seize it.

Today, I will find a glimpse of the glory of heaven, on earth – may I notice it.

Today, I will be presented with the possibility of challenging injustice around me or in the world – may I have the courage to take it.

Today, may the Spirit of God will go with me. **Amen**

### **John 12: 20—33**

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, 'Sir, we wish to see Jesus.' Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, 'The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour.

'Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say - "Father, save me from this hour"? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.' Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, 'An angel has spoken to him.' Jesus answered, 'This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.' He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

This is the Gospel of Christ.

**Praise to Christ our Lord.**

### **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Lord Jesus Christ,  
you have taught us  
that what we do for the least of our brothers and  
sisters  
we do also for you:  
give us the will to be the servant of others  
as you were the servant of all,  
and gave up your life and died for us,  
but are alive and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**