

**St Martin's  
Low Marple**

# Notices and Prayers - September 2023

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## Services

### **Sunday 3rd**

10 am - Parish Mass *with junior church*

6:30 pm - Choral Evensong

### **Sunday 10th**

10 am - Parish Mass

5:30 pm - Zoom Evening Prayer

### **Sunday 17th**

10 am - Parish Mass

5:30 pm - Zoom Evening Prayer

### **Sunday 24th *Climate Sunday***

8 am - Holy Communion

10 am - Parish Mass

5:30 pm - Zoom Evening Prayer

### ***Every Thursday and Friday:***

*Morning Prayer at 9:30 am,  
at St Thomas', High Lane*

*All Welcome*

## Dates for your diary

### **September**

Sunday 3rd - Fairtrade stall after the parish mass

Wednesday 6th - Board Games & Coffee Morning, 10-12. *hall*

Friday 8th - Saturday 9th - Heritage Open Days

Saturday 9th - Monthly walk (meet at 11 am at All Saints'

Church - talk to Sylvia for more information)

Wednesday 13th - Brass cleaning morning, 10 am

Wednesday 13th - Board Games & Coffee Morning, 10-12. *hall*

Saturday 16th - Churchyard tidyup, 10 am - 12 noon

Wednesday 20th - Board Games & Coffee Morning, 10-12. *hall*

Wednesday 20th - Mothers Union meeting, 2pm, in the hall

Thursday 21st - safeguarding training 'in-person'

Sunday 24th - Crafternoon, 2-4 pm.

Wednesday 27th - Board Games & Coffee Morning, 10-12. *hall*

## Notices

The next Big Clean of church will be on 28th October - please keep the date free if you'd like to help!

On Thursday 21st there is the opportunity to do the basic awareness safeguarding training 'in-person' rather than online. Fr Timothy is now able to lead these courses, which are mandatory for PCC members, but highly recommended for all. It will be an evening course, based at St Thomas', High Lane. Please talk to Timothy for more information.

## A space for notes

## Let us give thanks

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life

*(John 3.16)*

## Prayer list

In our prayers please remember the sick who have asked for our prayers:

Ruby	Michael
Andrew	Kathleen & Arthur
David	Clare
Gary	Steph
Freddie & Jasmine	Hillary
Madeleine	Gordon
Peter	Reg
Jude	Elaine
Roger	

## Please pray:

For Charlotte and Bill, as they settle into married life.

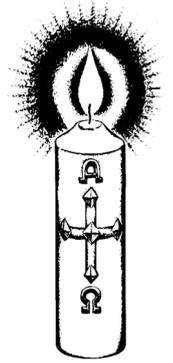
For Nancy, coming for baptism this month.

For all who grieve, and for those whose anniversary of death falls at this time.

For Rev'd Andrew Tawn, as he continues to settle in at St Thomas', Mellor, and for St Paul's, Compstall, as they continue to be in vacancy.

For the new Director of Ordinands, soon to be announced, as they prepare for their new role, and for the current members of the ministry team at Church House.

For teachers, staff, and students of the schools in the parish, as they start the new school year.



## Studying

September marks the start of the new academic year. But the going back to, or starting, studying isn't just restricted to those at school, college or university.

*Let the wise also hear and gain in learning, and the discerning acquire skill* Proverbs 1.5

Why not consider something new you could learn this season?

There are various events at Foxhill coming up (two of which Timothy is leading!), and the Foundations for Ministry course, but it needn't be anything huge—why not borrow a book from the parish library, or (re)read through all of the Gospels over the next few weeks, or arrange to have a conversation once a week with a friend, about how God has acted or is acting in your life?

## Holy Cross

14th September marks Holy Cross Day - a particular day to remember, reflect, pray and celebrate the cross, apart from the drama and intense emotion of Holy Week.

Why not use these verses this month, to guide your prayer and reflection?

Jesus said, 'When I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw all people to myself.' *John 12,32*

May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

*Galatians 6.14*

Through Christ God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

*Colossians 1.20*