

Acts 12.1-11

About that time King Herod laid violent hands upon some who belonged to the church.² He had James, the brother of John, killed with the sword.³ After he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to arrest Peter also. (This was during the festival of Unleavened Bread.)⁴ When he had seized him, he put him in prison and handed him over to four squads of soldiers to guard him, intending to bring him out to the people after the Passover.⁵ While Peter was kept in prison, the church prayed fervently to God for him.

⁶ The very night before Herod was going to bring him out, Peter, bound with two chains, was sleeping between two soldiers, while guards in front of the door were keeping watch over the prison.⁷ Suddenly an angel of the Lord appeared and a light shone in the cell. He tapped Peter on the side and woke him, saying, 'Get up quickly.' And the chains fell off his wrists.⁸ The angel said to him, 'Fasten your belt and put on your sandals.' He did so. Then he said to him, 'Wrap your cloak around you and follow me.'⁹ Peter went out and followed him; he did not realize that what was happening with the angel's help was real; he thought he was seeing a vision.¹⁰ After they had passed the first and the second guard, they came before the iron gate leading into the city. It opened for them of its own accord, and they went outside and walked along a lane, when suddenly the angel left him.¹¹ Then Peter came to himself and said, 'Now I am sure that the Lord has sent his angel and rescued me from the hands of Herod and from all that the Jewish people were expecting.'

Matthew 16.13-19

¹³ Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?'¹⁴ And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.'¹⁵ He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?'¹⁶ Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.'¹⁷ And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven.'¹⁸ And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it.¹⁹ I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.'

St Dunstan with St Thomas



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Welcome to St Dunstan with St Thomas

Today is the third Sunday of Trinity and we welcome not only Rev'd Neil Evans who will preside, but the family and friends of Siann Ria who will be Baptised today.

The Syrian Orthodox Church is meeting here for the last time today. We rejoice with them on the opening of their new Cathedral in Armstrong Rd, W3 on 4th July.

Collect

Gracious Father,
by the obedience of Jesus
you brought salvation to our wayward world:
draw us into harmony with your will,
that we may find all things restored in him,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Other services and activities this week

- Monday Kidzone
- Wednesday at 10.00am Holy Communion
- Friday 9.45, Little Acorns

News & Notices

Music Today. The Communion anthem is 'The Lord is my shepherd' by Howard Goodall. This setting is currently on of the best known, as the opening theme featured in the 'Vicar of Dibley' sitcom. Today we have the full version. Howard Goodall is the composer of much fine church, film and TV music and a very well known organist. Listeners to Classic FM Radio will recognize him as a presenter.

The hymn 'How sweet the name of Jesus sounds' is specifically set for today's service theme - St Peter confessing Jesus' name. The lovely words and melody are called 'St Peter' and originate from the early 19th century.

Music for Kitty and Lee's wedding, July 3rd, 3.00pm. There's going to be a special Sing-along! during the signing of the register. If you are planning to be at their wedding, we are having a short five minute run-through of the songs, straight after today's service. Come and join in! You probably know the tunes!

Do you have an eye for design and communications? We are looking for ideas to make our website at www.stdunstanschurch.org.uk more attractive and effective. If you have skills / opinions about how we can do this, please talk to the Mission and Outreach team (James Riddiough, Samantha Wiltshire and Alison Wood).

New Hymn Books. As you can see, we no longer have a Red or Blue hymn book but brand new ONE. They are One Church, One Faith, One Lord. They are being handed

out at the beginning of the service and we would like them handed back at the end... Large print copies available if you need them. Please speak to a Warden or Sideperson.

Wednesday Morning Service, 10.00am - Holy Communion will be celebrated on the first Wednesday of each month and Morning Prayer on the other Wednesdays. These will be held in the St Thomas's chapel.

Address list: If you gave your details for the St Dunstan's contact list and have not received a copy, there are some available in the church office. Please ask a warden to fetch one for you - Tony or Sue.

Church BBQ - Our BBQ has now been booked for July 11th. Pop this date into your diaries as we wouldn't want people to forget and miss out on a great day. The Tickets are on sale now, after the service from Valerie, Sue or Lesley.

Toy Sale - July 11th same day as BBQ. The Morgan family have had a toy clear out and the children would like to sell what they no longer need to raise money for our link church in Mozambique. Those who are also selling toys, please see a member of the Morgan family for direction...

Jon's study leave - Jon will be away from the church from Sunday 30th May to Sunday 5th September. During this time Alison and Ros will help lead services and different local vicars will be coming to preach and preside at Holy Communion.

Baptism course - The baptism course is open to parents who wish to have their children baptised/christened and to adults who wish to be baptised. The course will run for three consecutive Monday evenings beginning on 13th September 8pm at the Vicarage.

Alpha course - the Alpha course is a great way to learn more about the Christian faith. Each week dinner is provided and an opportunity given for you to ask all your questions. It begins on Monday 4th October and runs for 10 weeks, taking a break for school half term. The Alpha course also serves as good preparation for anyone interested in being confirmed next year. Sessions start at 7:45pm and finish 9:30pm.

Forthcoming Dates:

S&F - 14 Oct PCC - 11 Nov

July 4 St Thomas Day
July 11 Church BBQ