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STT'S

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Welcome to
St Thomas with St Maurice
Your Parish Church
in the Groves
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Christmas Services

Sunday 12th Dec:

Christingle 4pm

Sunday 19th Dec:

Carol Service 10am

Christmas Eve:

Crib Service 4pm

Midnight Communion 11.30pm

Christmas Day Service:

Thank God for the blessings of the past year at St T's

THROUGH ALL THE CHANGING SCENES OF LIFE

As another church year closes and Advent marks a new beginning we can look back and see God's presence 'in trouble and in joy' at St Thomas'. We have said farewell to some very well loved members of our Church family. Some of us have faced the sadness of bereavement, others the challenges posed by illness. Alongside all this, we have experienced the joy of welcoming new members, both young and old. We have been refreshed by the gifts they have shared with us.

REMADE IN THE IMAGE OF CHRIST

Recently, in the BBC show, The Big Silence, Abbot Christopher Jamison, commented, 'I am called by God to be remade in the image of Christ.'

May God touch us in all those changing scenes of our lives so that the Abbot's inspiring words may become reality. As another inspirational preacher put it: 'The best is yet to be.'

FACE PAINTING AT OUR RECENT CAFE



James and Alfie. Spot the family likeness?



The parable of the Sleeping policeman

NEW MEMBER FALLS ASLEEP IN SERVICE!!

It's been a pleasure to welcome new members to St T's. Stephen Sorby, the Sleeping Policeman in the picture above, cannot be woken even by the combined efforts of Phil, Laura, Vicky and little Isaac! This happened in a recent family Service - it was a new take on the parable of the Widow and the Unjust Judge.



Toddler toy cleaning brigade.

TOY BRIGADE

Many thanks to the team who helped clean the Toddler toys at the start of term. The condition of the toys got special praise at a recent inspection.



Molly's harvest loaf was given to Haxby Rd School at their Harvest Assembly



Park Grove School celebrates Harvest at St T's.

HARVEST AT ST T'S

It was great to welcome children, parents and staff of Park Grove School



to St Thomas' for their Key Stage 1 Harvest Festival.

Thanks to all who donated flowers to make our own Harvest Festival so special.

COURSES AT ST T'S

Our three week Advent Course isn't all we offer. If you'd like a confirmation course, baptism or marriage preparation, or some parenting sessions, do let Phil Moore know.

Coming Soon

As well as our usual activities, don't forget the **Advent Course** (beginning 29th Nov at 7.45 pm in the Hall) and the next of our special **St Thomas' Cafes** on the morning of December 4th. Also we have our **St Crux** event on 15th December.

See over page for Christmas details



NEW MUSIC AT ST T'S

St T's has a long history of choral music enhancing worship. It's great that Hannah and Laura have now brought their instruments along as well. (Another string to our bow???)

