



Welcome to St. Thomas'. We're happy you've decided to discern whether this is a church in which you can further your Christian journey. St. Thomas' is a friendly congregation, the members of which are very often heavily involved in the local community and beyond.

From the earliest days of the Christian Church, there was a Christian presence in England, and that unbroken line of generations of Christians has continued through Patrick, and Columba down to today. We are a part of the global Anglican family of churches. Our doctrines, beliefs, and practices are guided by Scripture, tradition, and faith with an appeal to reason. That means we believe God expects us to use our brain, and to ask questions. We believe actions are more important than empty words, and we epitomize that old saying 'what I SAY, whispers. What I DO, thunders'.

St. Thomas has, for 200 years, been very heavily involved in the local community, from meal programmes, to helping with skills-acquisition targeting especially vulnerable people in the community. We also provide several fellowship opportunities throughout the year. One of our most recent ministries to have been developed is providing free music education to young people.

Anyway - that's a little bit about us. We look forward to getting to know you better, and hope you find here a happy home, and a community of committed Christian people, journeying together. And I'm always open to a visit to discuss any questions you might have about this historic, wonderful, and eclectic branch of the Christian family tree.

**Your brother in Christ,
Brad Beale, Rector.**