



# TAS VALLEY TEAM NEWS

**June 2015** 

### **Doubt - Faith in Two Minds**

Doubt is often seen as the enemy of faith - but in actual fact all Christians doubt. Doubt is a state of questioning and hesitation which can be helpful and constructive when we address it in a positive way. In June and July, sermons will focus on different causes of doubt and how we can work through doubts to a more mature and secure faith.

## **Deanery Walk & Evensong**

#### Afternoon Sunday 7th June

**4.00pm** Meet at Saxlingham Church for a walk

**5.00pm** Tea

**6.00pm** Evensong at St Mary's Saxlingham

More Info from Dawn 498924

## **Tharston Open Gardens**

#### Weekend 13th-14th June

Gardens open 10.30-5.00pm. Collect your maps from St Mary's, Tharston. No service in church on Sunday but the church will be open for prayer.

## **Tasburgh Fete**

#### Saturday 27th June 12-3pm

Lots of fun in the church and churchyard

# "Thank you Tas Valley!"

From 21st-28th May, the Tas Valley Team
Ministry held a week of 24/7 prayer. People came and went all through the day and night praying in many



different ways from silent contemplation to noisy toddler pass-the-parcel praise. The people involved were of all ages and from all our six villages and beyond. Fantastic prayer stations were created for people to use by the cells, the Emmanuel Group and Saxlingham Chapel so that there was something for everyone. Many of these will be used in the Prayer Space in Newton Flotman School.

One of the users of the Prayer Tent was Bishop Alan who writes

"Beautiful birdsong accompanied me for an hour that passed so quickly. Wonderfully creative aids to prayer around the tent, but in the end, just sitting still and quiet was a gift - why don't / find such hours more often? Encouraging to hear and see more and more churches making use of the gift of prayer - so simple and yet so easily forgotten or neglected.

Thank you Tas Valley for setting such a good example and providing a prayerful space. May God bless you and keep you. +Alan













#### For our prayers

- Give thanks for every blessing, for the encouragement of every answer to prayer and especially for the 24/7 Prayer Week and its impact on individuals and communities.
- Pray for healing for those who are sick, for help and strength in caring for members of their families who are disabled, for comfort for those who are mourning the loss of a loved one.
- For our preparations for the Tas Valley Summer Holiday Club
- · For our links with other churches.
- For the Prime Minister and the new Government.
- For people caught up in natural disasters and situations of conflict around the world particularly for the people of Nepal.





## Holiday Club

27th-30th July, 10am-12noon

Fun, Games, Craft, Stories, Drama For Ages 5-11 years Parent and toddler activity alongside.

A fabulous week of fun at the Tas Valley Churches
Holiday Club. Booking forms are at the back of church
and in schools. If you are an adult or a teenager and
can offer to help with craft, drama, prayer,
refreshments, games, transport or any other aspect of
the club please contact Martin on 07849 105554.
(Full safeguarding procedures will be followed)

## **Making Contact**

For Services and Regular Events see the website www.tasvalley.org, one of the church noticeboards or your local village news

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