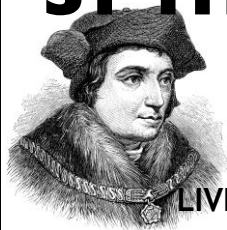


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St Thomas More, pray for us!

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SUNDAY 11th JUNE 2017 SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY YEAR A

SUNDAY 11 th June <i>HOLY TRINITY</i>	9.00 a.m. 5.30-5.50 p.m. 6.00 p.m.	Mass Confession Mass	John O'Brien (8 th Anniv) In Thanksgiving, B Armstrong
Monday 12 th June <i>Feria, Wk 10 Ord Time Yr 1</i>	9.00 a.m. 7.00 p.m.	Mass Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	P P Doherty (RIP)
Tuesday 13 th June <i>St Anthony of Padua</i>	9.00 a.m. 7.00 p.m.	Mass Confirmation Mass	Sr Abgus Burke The Confirmandi
Wednesday 14 th June <i>Feria</i>	9.15 a.m.	Mass	Michael Hammond (RIP)/ Terry Brooks (16 th Anniv)
Thursday 15 th June <i>Feria</i>	9.00 a.m.	Eucharistic Service	~
Friday 16 th June <i>Feria</i>	9.00 a.m.	Mass	N Hamilton (RIP)
Saturday 17 th June <i>Of Our Lady</i>	9.00 a.m. 9.30-10.30 a.m. 9.40-10.20 a.m.	Mass Exposition and Benediction Confession	Joseph Doherty (Anniv)/ Ints of family Walsh
SUNDAY 18th June <i>CORPUS CHRISTI</i>	9.00 a.m. 5.30-5.50 p.m. 6.00 p.m.	Mass & Procession of the Blessed Sacrament Confession Mass	Thomas & Mary Armstrong (Mem Mass) Karen Anne Cunningham (Anniv)

Morning and Evening Prayer is said 15 minutes before all weekday Masses

There is a loop system in the church. Set your hearing aid to 'T'. Best reception at side walls of the church.

MASS TODAY begins on p7 of THE PARISH MASS BOOK and the READINGS are on p81

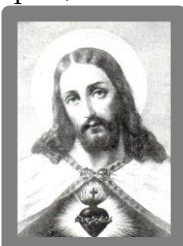
Sunday readings Cycle A, Psalter week 2

READERS: This Sunday:	9.00 a.m. Rob Ridley & Jim Etheridge	6.00 p.m. Caitlin McBride & Janet Ward
Next Sunday:	9.00 a.m. Noreen Thornhill & Rachel Hickingbotham	6.00 p.m. Anthony Buckley & John Burns
LAST SUNDAY: Main Collection: £1167.43		
NEXT SUNDAY: Second Collection - Day for Life		

MANY THANKS for all that you give in time, money & effort

Sunday's Readings on p81 of the Parish Mass Book...

THE READINGS TODAY are a few of the Scriptural passages that reveal something of the Trinity. The idea of the Trinity is that there is such a close relationship between Father, Son and Holy Spirit that although Three Persons they are but One God. Each of the Three Persons plays a different role in the history of salvation. Creator, Redeemer and Sanctifier. To split them up gives us three gods: that is not Christianity. To say God is only Father means that Jesus is not God and the Spirit is simply an agent of the Father: this is not Christianity either. Yes, it is a mystery, but a mystery of relationships, a mystery of love. Since God loved the world so much that He gave His only Son, we should not be surprised that at the very centre of God's Being, Love is what we find. Praise Father, Son and Holy Spirit, bound together in love, pouring out love and asking for the service of our love too.



Fr. Stephen

Make a date with the
PARISH FETE
Sat 24th June 12 noon onwards
in the school grounds

JUNE, MONTH OF THE SACRED HEART
O Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us!

RECENTLY DEPARTED: Margaret Crilly, Paul Ryan, Elizabeth Wallace, Sean O'Reilly, Consolata, Pat Kenny, Paddy Hughes, Paulina Woodcock
ANNIVERSARIES: Bridget Doyle, Lily Rhodes, Paddy Coughlan, Thomas Hanlon, John Kearns, Joe Anderson, Michael Higgins, Matthew Brennan, Irene Pickersgill, Violet Norris, Stanley Groom, Joseph Pearce, May Hancox, Mary Turner, Elizabeth Garry, Leonard Cann, Mary Hanley, James Casey, Terence Brooks, David Riddell, Edward Prior

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

SICK & SUFFERING: Olivine Gilhooly, Steve Foster, John Walker, Hildegard Atherton, Tom Ashley, Jim Slattery, Betty Carr, Norman Rowe, Roy Haslam, Caroline Fitzpatrick "Fitz", Suzanne Martin, Diane Taylor, Liam Mee, Rev Gerry O'Reilly, Peter Brookes, John & Helen McDonnell, Margaret Young, James Young, Teresa Mellon, Cecil & Margaret Dowson, Madge Vowles, Carl Smith, Peter David, Mary Morris, Vera Lee, Ron Hamilton, Beatrice Upham, Diane Sharpe, Bill Brennan, Christopher, Ben Green, Felix Rooney, John & Jeanne Gould, Charlie Addison, Joanne Bazen, Kaime Orchard, Deacon Jim Gilligan, Sadie Fulton, Jerry Casey, Maisie Taylor, William Begley, Imogen Jones, Tommy Carberry, Thomas Ryan, Julie Burke, John Nugent, Natalie Molloy, Bill Molloy, Sean Craig, Marie Lynch, Ken Stone, Caroline Cunningham, Sylvester & Kitty Budkiewicz, David Warr, Pam Brown, Bill McGiven, Heidi O'Neil, Mary Walsh, Lily Bailey, Mike Campbell. All who are taking exams at this time, all victims of terrorism – those killed, bereaved or injured.

Our Lady of Lourdes, health of the sick: Pray for us!

TODAY: THE HOLY TRINITY The celebration of the mystery that is at the centre of our merciful God's very Being.

CONFIRMATION MASS Tuesday 13th June 7.00pm Bishop William Kenney CP is coming to confirm the young people of the parish. Please pray for the young people that their Confirmation may indeed bestow upon them the gifts of the Spirit in the service of the Church.

AFTERNOON TEA Saturday 17th JUNE Two sittings: 12.30 p.m. and 3.30 p.m. in the MRR. Booking is essential for this Parish fundraiser. Tickets £8 per head. To purchase or reserve please text or call Mandy Wooltorton 07968 370195.

ANNUAL PIONEER RALLY Sat 17th June 2017 6.30pm Mass Pioneer Hall, Broad Street, Foleshill, Coventry CV6 5AX Followed by Social and Dance, Refreshments provided. Entertainment by Little Jimmy

NEXT SUNDAY: CORPUS CHRISTI The great feast of Our Lord's great gift – His Body and Blood made present at every Mass, everywhere and for all time. Mass will conclude with a procession of the Blessed Sacrament to the school grounds as two years ago.

This year next Sunday is also the annual **DAY FOR LIFE** when we pray for the protection and valuing of all human life regardless of age, health, race or ability. The second collection supports the Church's work in challenging the growing secular culture of death and promoting the worth and the care of all of us, from 'womb to tomb'. *Jesus, Yourself conceived in the womb of Your Blessed Mother, You who ministered to the sick and dying, bless all who seek to serve vulnerable humanity in all its needs. Comfort the troubled, help the sick, stay with the dying.*

CAFOD LIVE SIMPLY PARISH AWARD - Mon 19th June 7:45pm MRR for anyone interested in working towards this award. **Live Simply** is all about living simply, living in solidarity with people in poverty and living sustainably with creation. See www.cafod.org.uk/livesimply, email stm.jandpgroup@gmail.com or call Kevin Duffy on 07812211828.

♪♪ **JAM 'N' CAKE: 7.00 – 8.30 p.m.** in the MRR on Tuesday 20th June, 18th July, 12th September, 24th October and 21st November. Come and join in this social evening with refreshments getting to know music for the 9.00am Mass. **All welcome!** ♪♪

PRAYER PEBBLE ROAD TO THE RESURRECTION The display has been taken down but your pebbles are there to be collected! Please do buy a postcard or two to remember this lovely project. And a final **thank you** to all involved!

PARISH SUMMER FETE SATURDAY 24TH JUNE - MAKE A DATE WITH THE FETE!

We are trying a **Saturday** this year – please look out items for stalls. **All welcome.**

All hands on deck are required – please offer your services as always or for the first time. We need bottles, cakes, plants, bric-a-brac, helpers to set up after school on Friday and on Saturday morning, and of course to clear away on Saturday afternoon Raffle tickets need selling too!

STEPPING STONES PARENT & TODDLER GROUP needs helpers. About a dozen children aged 0 - pre-nursery attend each Wednesday afternoon in the Community Room at school. If you can spare a couple of hours to help set up, join in or lead the activities and pack away afterwards that would be great. Come along on a Wednesday afternoon to find out more.

2018 JUBILEE EVENTS ARRANGED SO FAR – there will be others too!

• **Parish Mission: 17th February-4th March 2018.** *This is a big event and will need us to provide much support to the Mission Team. The Team will spend two weeks with us, visiting homes and school, organising activities. There will be Mission Masses and Services every day. The lay members of the Team will need bed & breakfast, the MRR will be their daytime base, there will be a need to organise publicity, transport to events and more. Details will follow in the autumn. Please God He will bless our parish through this time of prayer and work, that people might return to the faith or come to it anew and that we might all be encouraged and affirmed in discipleship. Pray for its success!*

• **St Thomas More's Day Mass & Flower Festival: Friday 22nd June 2018.** *We ask our patron's blessing on our Jubilee Year. A simple parish social will follow.*

• **Thanksgiving Mass with the Archbishop: Friday July 20th 2018.** *We will invite local clergy, past priests and lots more to this big do*

• **Pilgrimage to Rome: Week beginning 15th October 2018** *Final details still to be arranged, note the date now. Details will follow*

Other events being explored include a **Trip to the Tower of London or Chelsea or both** (access to St Thomas More's cell is restricted and needs special permission from the Warden of the Tower, which is being asked for), various social events and in the meanwhile, do you have any old photos or mementoes of the first St Thomas Church or the second? We should like to borrow them to scan and create **a display or parish history book. Thanks be to God!**

SCHOOL 100 CLUB WINNERS: Please see poster in the porch for all winners. *Congratulations to all.*

BEING A SERVER If you have made your first communion and can make a commitment to being at Sunday Mass, then **please be a server.** *Young or old, male or female* the servers' ministry enhances worship. Please see Malcom Pollard or one of the clergy to know more.

LIKE TO BE MORE INVOLVED IN PARISH LIFE..? Please consider being a reader, or a server, or a cleaner, or a flower arranger, or a warden, or a singer, or simply a willing pair of hands at the Fete or anywhere else! Don't hesitate – see one of the clergy

THIS NEWSLETTER might well start to look a little different over the next few weeks as we try to use the pages as efficiently as possible.

MASS INTENTIONS Demand is **very high** and it is still not possible to guarantee a given date. Please say if you are willing to share a Mass

PARISH WEEKLY EVENTS

Tuesday | **TUESDAY SOCIETY:** 2.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m. St Anthony of Padua Feast in the MRR. All welcome.

Wednesday | **ADORATION PRAYER GROUP:** 1.30 p.m. in Chapel and 2.30 p.m. – 3.00 p.m. in the MRR. *All welcome.*

Wednesday | **STEPPING STONES Parent & Toddler Group** 1.30 p.m. – 3.00 p.m. in the Community Room at school.

Thursday | **EXTEND gentle exercise group:** 10.00am in the MRR.

ARRANGING THE BAPTISM (CHRISTENING) of BABIES & YOUNG CHILDREN

Baptism is arranged by appointment. It usually happens at 12.15 p.m. on a Sunday **or** at either Sunday Mass. Parents should collect a form **after Sunday Mass.** For the baptism of children over four and of adults see the parish priest.

ARRANGING A WEDDING

Please speak to one of the clergy in the first place. You will need a meeting with the Parish Priest to go through all that needs to be done. About six months' notice at least is desirable: but it's never too soon.

YOU ARE INVITED TO STAY FOR TEA OR COFFEE AFTER MASS