

1943 **ST THOMAS MORE PARISH** 2018

JUBILEE YEAR: 75 YEARS OF THE PARISH 50 YEARS OF THE CHURCH DEO GRATIAS!

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1st July 2018: 13th Sunday



Mass p7, readings p100 in Parish Mass
Book *The church has a hearing loop system*

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

SUNDAY 1st <i>THIRTEENTH SUNDAY</i>	Sung Mass Confession Mass	9.00 a.m 5.30-5.50 6.00 p.m	Robert Lee (2nd Anniv RIP) People of the Parish
Monday 2nd <i>Feria</i>	Mass Holy Hour of Exposition	9.00 a.m. 7.00 p.m.	Herta Charsley (RIP)
Tuesday 3rd <i>St Thomas, Apostle</i>	Mass	7.00 p.m.	Tina Carey
Wednesday 4th <i>Feria</i>	Mass	9.15 a.m.	Jean Davenport (RIP)
Thursday 5th <i>Feria</i>	Eucharistic Service	9.00 a.m.	~
Friday 6th <i>St Maria Goretti, M</i>	Mass	12 noon	Doreen Robinson (RIP)
Saturday 7th <i>Of Our Lady</i>	Mass Exposition & Benediction Confession	9.00 a.m. 9.30 — 10.30 9.40 — 10.20	Nellie McCann (RIP)
SUNDAY 8th <i>FOURTEENTH SUNDAY</i>	Sung Mass Confession Mass	9.00 a.m 5.30-5.50 6.00 p.m	Dec'd Members of the Fahy family People of the Parish

PARISH PRIEST:
PARISH DEACONS:
PARISH ADMINISTRATOR & ROOM BOOKINGS:
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JULY: MONTH OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD

*GLORY BE TO JESUS, WHO IN BITTER PAINS,
 Poured for me the life-blood from His sacred veins!*

This Weekend

- **The 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
- **Refreshments are offered to all after both Sunday Masses** in the Margaret Roper Room. *Please stay if you can.*

This Week

- **Tuesday:**
TUESDAY SOCIETY 2.00—4.00 in MRR. Quiz. All welcome.
- **Wednesday:**
PRAYER GROUP 1.30 p.m. in the chapel.
- **Thursday:**
EXTEND Gentle Exercise 10.00 a.m. in MRR

Next Weekend

- **Second Collection:** Apostleship of the Sea
Coming Soon...

THANKSGIVING MASS WITH THE ARCHBISHOP—2 WEEKS AWAY
Fri 20 July 7pm Mass. All priests formerly connected with the parish and deanery clergy are invited. **All parishioners—past and present - are of course invited too! A Barn Dance follows,** and unlike the last one for the Mission there may well not be any snow... *See opposite*

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES

21-26 Aug Dublin See /www.worldmeeting2018.ie/
ADOREMUS

NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC PILGRIMAGE

Liverpool 7-9 September. See <http://catholicnews.org.uk/adoremus2018>

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO ROME

Week Beginning 22 October 2018 7 places are available. Details are on the parish website 'What's On' page. Booking forms from Fr Stephen. Please return completed forms to the organiser in London, Anthony Coles.

Sunday Readers' Rota

This week...

9.00 a.m. Noreen Thornhill & Clive Robinson

6.00 p.m. Caitlin McBride & Janet Ward

Next Week...

9.00 a.m. Jim Etheridge & Marisa Gunn

6.00 p.m. Hannah McBride & John Burns

THE ARCHBISHOP'S VISIT

Friday 20 July at 7pm—Mass with Archbishop Bernard followed by a barn dance in the school hall. **This is part of celebrating 75 years of the parish!** Like the Mission Barn Dance, this is a free event (although any donations of course welcome as the parish does still have to pay for it!). Like the Mission Dance, we hope this will be a very happy time of celebration with one another. Plus there may well be heat and sunshine. Not a feature of the Mission's weather..!

JUBILEE YEAR ICON CARDS

There are small **commemorative prayer cards** featuring our own icon by Noreen of St Thomas More, photographed by Debbie. There is the collect for our saint from the Roman Missal on the reverse. The cards are at the back on the bookcases. **Please take one.** Souvenir **pens** are also available too. See in the Piety Shop or ask Claire Rutter.

FLOWER FESTIVAL: THANK YOU!

What a wonderful event—thanks to all who came, took part and sent their messages of appreciation. There was a lot of hard work done and it resulted in something we can be proud of, that many people have enjoyed and talked about. There are **videos available** of the displays on the parish website—go to the 'What's On' page to see them.

PIETY SHOP

The piety shop has a selection of cards, books, statues, rosaries and so on. Please have a look. There are copies of Pope Francis's latest writings: *Laudato Si* on caring for creation and *Gaudete et Exsultate*, a very readable booklet about the call to holiness for us all.

100 CLUB WINNERS

Please see poster in the porch -June's winners.

COVENTRY PIONEER ASSOCIATION

There is a meeting in Christ the King library Friday 6 July after 7pm Mass.

THANK YOU...

...to Mike de Courcey who has organised some high—level interior glass cleaning

READERS WANTED

If you know you have strong voice and are willing to join the readers' rota, please volunteer to one of the clergy or to Kris Pears

ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO THE DIOCESAN SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES, HEDNESFORD

There will be a coach leaving from Christ the King on Sunday 1st July at 1.30pm. There is Rosary and Confessions from 2.30pm onwards with Mass at 4.00pm. Return to Christ the King at 8.00pm approximately. The cost will be approximately £8 per person depending on numbers. Email: admin@ctk-cov.org.uk or phone 02476 591618

YEAR FOR PRIESTS A year has begun in the Archdiocese to pray for the priests we have and to ask God for more. Prayer cards are at the back of church.

FINANCE... *Thank you for all that you give in time, money or effort.*
Last week - Main Collection: £950.81 **Second Collection:** Peter's Pence: £445.02
In 2017 it cost £1,503 a week to run the parish. (2016 £1,589 2015 £1,510, 2014 £1,966)



The Sunday Readings

God does not want the death of anyone, as the first reading tells us. Death came into the world through the devil, and it is one of the many, many things that happen on earth that go against God's will. So, in Jesus, God the Son, we see most perfectly God's will. We see the sick cured and the dead brought back to life. This is the profound expression of God's love, that despite the sinfulness of the world, He still wants to heal us because He loves us. The synagogue official and the haemorrhaging woman seek Jesus's help, and, because of their faith He gives it. He gives them, and us, a glimpse of God's kingdom where nothing is done that is against His will. Through His death and resurrection Jesus makes it possible for us all to enter that Kingdom.



ANNE LANE RIP

Anne was taken into hospital on Friday and died suddenly that evening. Please pray for her and for her family. Both she and her late husband Vincent had been devoted and faithful members of this church.

POPE FRANCIS: From *Gaudete et Exsultate* The Second Vatican Council stated this clearly: 'Strengthened by so many and such great means of salvation, all the faithful, whatever their condition or state, are called by the Lord – each in his or her own way – to that perfect holiness by which the Father himself is perfect'. 'Each in his or her own way' the Council says. We should not grow discouraged before examples of holiness that appear unattainable. There are some testimonies that may prove helpful and inspiring, but that we are not meant to copy, for that could even lead us astray from the one specific path that the Lord has in mind for us. The important thing is that each believer discern his or her own path, that they bring out the very best of themselves, the most personal gifts that God has placed in their hearts rather than hopelessly trying to imitate something not meant for them. We are all called to be witnesses, but there are many actual ways of bearing witness.

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- **THANKSGIVING MASS WITH THE ARCHBISHOP: Friday July 20th 7PM.** Barn Dance follows in the school hall. *Open to all!*
- **AFTERNOON TEA: Saturday 15th September in MRR at 2.00 p.m** Tickets in advance only which will be available from next week.
- **PILGRIMAGE TO ROME: Week beginning 22nd October. 7 PLACES AVAILABLE! Details on the 'What's On' page of the parish website. See Fr Stephen for a form**
- **PARISH JUBILEE DINNER: Fri 9th November at the Village Hotel.** *Our Lady of Coventry, pray for us!*
St Thomas More, pray for us!

MOVEMENT AT COMMUNION, 9AM SUNDAY

At the last Eucharistic ministers' meeting, concern was expressed about movement for communion at the rail nearest Our Lady. Things can be cramped so please be careful of steps, pews and other people. Secondly, at 9am we have a way of coming up to the **centre**, in files and ranks from different aisles and directions that we don't have at any other Mass. This confuses visitors by its complexity and is unnecessarily time consuming. Time to reconsider? All but one of the comments to Fr Stephen have been in favour of changing to two lines up the middle aisle leading to stationary clergy, as at all other Masses. Some comments were received last week in favour of keeping things as they are. But still most comments are for change. We're not rushing into deciding this: if you have anything to say about it please do!

Please take this sheet home—

As a prompt for prayer... a source of news... a reminder of belonging to the Church... contact details others may need... a simple act of witness that you might share with others... a token of faith... an advert for us...

For Your Prayers...

THE SICK & SUFFERING: Marie Harrison, Jack, Phil Sheridan, Paula Kennedy, Israel Mcleod, Rev Patrick Jeary, Shirley Langford, Crystal Matovu, Jo McKinnon, Andy Chustecki, Mike Perry, Ivor Sanders, Kathleen McMenemy, Eileen Connolly, Vicky Hobbs, Mark Pearson, Anne Kenny, Cynthia Walton, John Walker, Hildegard Atherton, Caroline "Fitz" Fitzpatrick, Suzanne Martin, Liam Mee, John & Helen McDonnell, Teresa Mellon, Cecil & Margaret Dowson, Carl Smith, Mary Morris, Roy Haslam, Beatrice Upham, Felix Rooney, John & Jeanne Gould, Charlie Addison, Joanne Bazen, William Begley, Kitty Budkiewicz, Pam Brown ***Our Lady of Lourdes, health of the sick: Pray for us!***

RECENTLY DEPARTED: Anne Lane, Julie Kunsminska, Mary Furey, Fr Michael Jordan, **ANNIVERSARIES:** Stephen Aspbury, Josiah Fox, James Pinches, Nora Tebbutt, Margaret Colby, Daniel McCarthy, Paddy Daly, Patrick Connolly, Reg Hone, Joshua & Charles Hourihan, John Higgins, John Harris, Margaret Skinner, Mabel Gould, Elizabeth Ashurst, Jeffrey Hopkins, Christina O'Brien, Robert Tomlins, Delia Kelly, Molly Riley, John Leaver, Margaret Carberry, Elizabeth Bates, Sarah Chamberlain, Stephen Connolly, Ann Hickey, Victor Brown, Elizabeth McCarthy, Jan Tomczyk, Patrick O'Brien, James O'Brien, Winifred Adams, Lilian Stubbs, Joan Hope, Mary Nerney, Bernard Maxwell, William Porter, Nina Cox, Olive Harris, Edward Costello, Julie O'Sullivan

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them

- For peace in the world
- For persecuted Christians in Asia and the Middle East.

NEW ALTAR SERVERS WELCOME!

Anyone who has made his or her first communion and can make a commitment to Sunday Mass is **welcome** to become a server. See **Malcolm Pollard** or the clergy

THE DIGITAL AGE...

PARISH WEBCAM

www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-thomas-more-church-coventry/

PARISH WEBSITE

stmcov.org

PARISH TWITTER ACCOUNT

@StThosMore

ARRANGING A WEDDING

Congratulations on your engagement! Please speak to one of the clergy in the first place to make arrangements for your wedding. 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.



ARRANGING A BAPTISM

(CHRISTENING) for BABIES & YOUNG CHILDREN

Congratulations on the birth of your child! 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.

MAKING YOUR CONFESSION

Our God is a God of mercy! Confession, the sacrament of reconciliation, is available on Saturday mornings 9.40 a.m.-10.20 a.m., on Sundays before 6 p.m. Mass and by arrangement with the parish priest.

ADORING THE LORD: EXPOSITION

There are regular opportunities each week to pray before the Blessed Sacrament exposed on the altar. Saturdays from 9.30 a.m. (following Mass) and Mondays 7.00 p.m.

If you need to ask anything that can wait until Sunday—we 100% guarantee you can catch the clergy in church then! Otherwise contact details are on the front of this sheet