

# 1943 **ST THOMAS MORE PARISH** 2018

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

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## 19th August 2018: 20th Sunday

This sheet is available on the parish website

**Mass p7, readings p120 in Parish Mass Book**

*The church has a hearing loop system*



### MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

<b>SUNDAY</b> <b>19th</b> <i>20th SUNDAY</i>	<b>Sung Mass</b> Confession <b>Mass</b>	<b>9.00 a.m</b> 5.30—5.40 <b>6.00 p.m</b>	Thanksgiving Tony Leigh / Jim & Catherine Etheridge 60th Wedd Anniv David Murray (10th Anniv)
Monday 20th <i>St Bernard</i>	Mass Holy Hour of Exposition	9.00 a.m. 7.00 p.m.	Arthur & Gertie Treanor
Tuesday 21st <i>St Pius X</i>	Mass	7.00 p.m.	Michael Murphy (RIP)
Wednesday 22nd <i>The Queenship of BVM</i>	Mass	9.15 a.m.	Sharon Fitzpatrick
Thursday 23rd <i>St John Wall</i>	Eucharistic Service	9.00 a.m.	~
Friday 24th <i>St Bartholomew</i>	Mass The Funeral Service of Donna Lewis RIP	9.00 a.m. 10.30 a.m.	Mr Val Kelly (RIP)
Saturday 25th <i>Feria</i>	Mass Exposition & Benediction	9.00 a.m. 9.30 — 10.30	Eamonn McEntee
<b>SUNDAY</b> <b>26th</b> <i>21st SUNDAY</i>	<b>Sung Mass</b> Confession <b>Mass</b>	<b>9.00 a.m</b> 5.30—5.40 <b>6.00 p.m</b>	Kenny O'Neil (RIP)  Joseph Kendall (Anniv)

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August, month of the Assumption of Our Lady

*A sign is seen in Heaven, a Mother-Maiden fair  
Her mantle is the sunlight and stars adorn her hair!*



### This Weekend

- **The 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
- **Refreshments are offered to all after both Sunday Masses** in the Margaret Roper Room. *You are welcome to stay if you can.*

### This Week

- **Tuesday:**  
**TUESDAY SOCIETY** No meetings over the summer, Next meeting: 11th September.
- **Wednesday:**  
**PRAYER GROUP 1.30 p.m.** in the chapel.
- **Thursday:**  
**EXTEND Gentle Exercise** 10.00 a.m. in MRR

### Next Weekend

- **The 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES**  
21-26 Aug Dublin See /www.worldmeeting2018.ie/  
**Coming Soon...**

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**ANNUAL DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO HARVINGTON HALL, THE SHRINE OF THE ENGLISH MARTYRS**

Sunday 2 Sept. Mass at 3pm, confessions from 1.30pm. A Deanery coach leaves Christ the King at 1.30pm and will return at approximately 7.00pm. Cost £10 and can be booked with Fiona at Christ the King, 76 591618.

### **DEANERY LIFE IN THE SPIRIT MEETING**

The monthly prayer meeting begins again on **Thu 6 Sept 7.30pm** at Christ the King.

### **ADOREMUS**

### **NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC PILGRIMAGE**

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

### **JUBILEE YEAR AFTERNOON TEA**

**Saturday 15 Sept**—tickets on sale now.

### **LIFE IN THE SPIRIT PRAYER GROUP**

In response to our recent Mission and 'The Gift' programme we invite all members of the parish to come along on **Tues 18 Sept 7.30pm** and experience a Life in the Spirit prayer session—come and see! All welcome.

### **PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO ROME**

**Week Beginning 22 October 2018** Booking now nearly closed: flight prices are rising for any late applications, alas (those already booked are **NOT** affected). There will be a pre-pilgrimage meeting in September.

### **PARISH JUBILEE YEAR DINNER**

**Friday 9 Nov** at the Village Hotel Coventry.

### **CHRISTMAS BAZAAR**

**Friday 7th December**—make a note now.

### **Sunday Readers' Rota**

**This week...**

9.00 a.m. Judith Doherty & Noreen Thornhill  
6.00 p.m. John Burns & Andrew Colby

### **Next Week...**

9.00 a.m. Clive Robinson & Jim Etheridge  
6.00 p.m. Brendon Cunningham & Janet Ward

### **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.

### **JUBILEE YEAR ICON CARDS**

There are small **commemorative prayer cards** featuring our own icon by Noreen of St Thomas More, photographed by Debbie. The cards are at the back on the bookcases. **Please take one, and some for friends or family**

### **DIOCESAN SAFEGUARDING REVIEW**

Archbishop Bernard has commissioned a review of our current safeguarding/child protection practices in light of the National Catholic Policies and Procedures. This review is to be welcomed as a means of ensuring that our systems to protect our children and young people are as effective as possible. This review is being conducted by an independent charity called SCIE (Social Care Institute for Excellence). As part of the review SCIE would like to speak with any individuals who have had experience with any safeguarding issues within the Archdiocese, and have experience of working with our parish safeguarding representatives and the safeguarding team at the Archdiocese. Anyone impacted by abuse issues can contact the safeguarding team on 90121 230 6240 (emergency out of hours 07976 516629). If you are able to contribute to this important review and share your experience with SCIE then please contact Hugh Constant using 07872 602207 or [Hugh.Constant@scie.org.uk](mailto:Hugh.Constant@scie.org.uk) or 0207766 7374

### **MRR KITCHEN**

Now that the five yearly architect's inspection has happened we can move towards renovations and repairs. Plans for a new fitted kitchen are being drawn up for our consideration and comments. Costings can then follow and grant applications can then be submitted. No time-scale yet, but things are happening.

### **HOLIDAY TIME**

If you have been away or are going soon, may your holidays bring rest and refreshment.

### **RECENT CELEBRATIONS...**

Photographs and some videos of our Jubilee Year celebrations are on the website and webcam site. Visit the parish website and have a look at [stmcov.org](http://stmcov.org)

### **KERALA**

This highly Christian area of south India has been devastated by flooding: pray for its people, especially those who have lost homes and loved ones.

**FINANCE...** *Thank you for all that you give in time, money or effort.*

**Last week - Main Collection:** £1067.06

**In 2017 it cost £1,503 a week to run the parish. (2016 £1,589 2015 £1,510, 2014 £1,966)**



## The Sunday Readings

Jesus continues His teaching about His Body and Blood.

He will give of Himself that we might live. Not only on the cross, but as a continual

celebration and offering of that same sacrifice, He will also give us Himself in the form of bread. To come to Jesus is to come to the One who can satisfy all our needs: for forgiveness, for love, for heaven, for eternal life, for peace of mind and body... Yes, earthly bread is a staple food that gives us necessary sustenance and health. But no earthly food can give us the kind of health that means eternal life. No: that comes to us through the heavenly food provided by Christ. Come down from heaven, born in the "House of Bread" (for that is what "Bethlehem" means), giving His Body for our salvation, we share again and again in the merits of that once-offered sacrifice by celebrating the Mass as His Body comes to us in the form of Bread. Just as on Calvary Christ looked like a crushed criminal which is what He was *not*, so on our altars He looks in the Blessed Sacrament like Bread—but It *isn't!* It is our food for eternal life, Jesus Christ Himself.

### CONFIRMATION:

#### CHILDREN *NOT* IN CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

The celebration of confirmation during the next academic year will be on Saturday 10 November 2018, at 11am. Bishop Kenney will be the celebrant. If you have a child not in a Catholic school who will be in Yr6 next term, and he or she wishes to be confirmed, we shall be collecting details in September.

#### ARE YOU AN ADULT INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

Please think about this over the summer. Preparation for any adult wishing to join the Catholic Church will begin in the autumn and offer the opportunity to be received at the Easter Vigil next year. The course explores what Catholicism teaches. Speak to Fr Stephen.

#### MORNING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

is said 15 minutes before every weekday morning Mass, and **EVENING PRAYER** said 15 minutes before evening Mass

## 1943 2018 JUBILEE YEAR 2018 FORTHCOMING EVENTS

- **AFTERNOON TEA:** Saturday 15th September in MRR at 2.00 p.m Tickets in advance only - available now. See Claire Rutter
- **PILGRIMAGE TO ROME:** Week beginning 22<sup>nd</sup> October. **LAST CHANCE TO BOOK.**
- **PARISH JUBILEE DINNER:** Fri 9<sup>th</sup> November at the Village Hotel. *Our Lady of Coventry, pray for us!*  
*St Thomas More, pray for us!*  
**JUBILEE EVENTS IN CHURCH**  
Watch again on the parish website!

### RUGBY ASSOCIATION OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM.

The Association is arranging for a coach to Walsingham on 16 September for the Dowry of Our Lady Pilgrimage. The coach will leave St Marie's Roman Catholic Church, Dunchurch Road, Rugby CV22 5EL at 7am prompt. You can bring a packed lunch (there is a cafe there but it gets busy). We leave Walsingham at 5.30pm. It really is a very spiritual experience to be at Walsingham. We are taking a smaller coach this year so let us know as soon as possible if you would like to go. The charge is only £10, this figure has been substantially subsidised by the Rugby Association. In order to secure a seat please telephone Breda on 01788 331593 or Kathleen on 01788 334787.

### 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.  
*Please see Malcolm Pollard or the clergy*



**MARY**, assumed into Heaven and now its Queen, pray for us, that we may walk with Jesus in this life and dwell with Him in the next.

### BLESSING OF GRAVES

St Paul's on 9th September at 3.00pm  
Canley on 16th September at 3.00pm  
Lenton's Lane on 23rd September at 3.00pm  
London Road on 30th September at 3.00pm

## **For Your Prayers...**

**THE SICK & SUFFERING:** Stuart Foley, Mya, Joan Blaney, Patricia Waltho, Marie Harrison, Jack, Phil Sheridan, Paula Kennedy, Israel Mcleod, Rev Patrick Jeary, Shirley Langford, Crystal Matovu, Jo McKinnon, Andy Chustecki, 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:** Donna Lewis, Norma Edmiston, Joan Blaney, Julie Kunsminka

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Richard Eccles, Jim Keegan, Teresa Niro, Margaret Magennis, Mary O'Callaghan, Brendan Kenny, Peter Giblin, Sheila Flis, Peter O'Hare, Wowka Budkiewicz, Lena George, Frederick Lee, Henry Cavanagh, Joy Pawsey, Ida Meier, Elizabeth Commins, Patrick Delaney, Jessie Marash, John Conboy, Jack Gaught, Cynthia Phillips, Trevor Gregory, Susan Esterbee, James Greene, Janet McGawley, Thomas Ward, Mildred Needham, Joseph Kendall, Gerald Doyle, Michael McNamara, Canon Bernard Jose, Assunta Lague, Olive Prior

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

- For peace in the world
- For Kerala, south India, and for all its people who have lost homes, possessions and loved ones because of serious flooding
- For Luke Dowle and Maryanne Coughlan, married here last Friday.

## ***THE DIGITAL AGE...*** **PARISH WEBSITE**

**This news sheet, photos, information are all on**

**[stmcov.org](http://stmcov.org)**

**PARISH TWITTER ACCOUNT**

**@StThosMore**

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## **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***