

1943 **ST THOMAS MORE PARISH** 2018

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

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11th November 2018

32nd Sunday: Remembrance

Mass p7, readings p154 in Parish Mass Book

The church has a hearing loop system



MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

SUNDAY 11th <i>32nd SUNDAY</i> <i>Remembrance</i>	Sung Mass Confession Mass	9.00 a.m. 5.30—5.50 6.00 p.m.	For the Fallen Lavina Lynskey (Anniv)
Monday 12th <i>St Josaphat</i>	Funeral Mass Holy Hour	11.00 a.m. 7.00 p.m.	Marie Darby RIP
Tuesday 13th <i>Feria</i>	Mass Mass at All Souls	12 noon 7.00 p.m.	Edna & Bill Horton (Anniv) Deceased Deanery Clergy
Wednesday 14th <i>Feria</i>	Mass	9.00a.m.	John Francis McCarthy (Mem Mass)
Thursday 15th <i>Feria</i>	Eucharistic Service	9.00 a.m.	~
Friday 16th <i>Feria</i>	Funeral Mass	11.00 a.m.	Maud Maher RIP
Saturday 17th <i>Feria</i>	Mass Holy Hour & Benediction Confession	9.00 am 9.30-10.30 9.40—10.20	Ellen Deehan (RIP)
SUNDAY 18th <i>33rd SUNDAY</i>	Sung Mass Confession Mass	9.00 a.m. 5.30—5.50 6.00 p.m.	Dec'd Hussey/Merrick families Shaun Cleary (Anniv & B'day)

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November, month of The Holy Souls

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

This Weekend

- **The 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time.**
- **CHRISTMAS RAFFLE TICKETS available**
- **REFRESHMENTS are offered to all after both Sunday Masses** in the Margaret Roper Room. Please stay if you can.
- **SAFEGUARDING**
The Archdiocese hearing in the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse (IICSA) begins in London on Mon 12 Nov, and runs until Fri 16 Nov. The Archdiocese believes that the work being done by IICSA is of great significance and supports the aim of strengthening and improving safeguarding practices and cultures within the Church. The welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults is a fundamental priority for the Archdiocese. Fostering a culture which has safeguarding at its very heart remains a key part of our work.
If you would like to speak to someone about safeguarding and the Church's work, please call 0121 230 6240. If you would like to speak to someone independent of the Church you can contact the NSPCC on 0800 800 5000. Please pray with us for all victims of abuse, and for all those involved in the work of this important Inquiry. Last weekend's Pastoral Letter on this matter can be found on the Archdiocese website <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/>

This Week

- **Tuesday:**
TUESDAY SOCIETY 2p.m. in MRR. Presentation to Zoe's Place Hospice. All welcome.
- **Wednesday:**
PRAYER GROUP 1.30 p.m. in the chapel
- **Thursday:**
EXTEND Gentle Exercise 10a.m. MRR.
- **Saturday:**
75th anniversary of the first Mass in the parish

Next Weekend

- **The 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**
- **Second Collection:** Parish Development Fund
Sunday Readers' Rota

This week...

9.00 a.m. Maureen Porter & Pat Jenkins

6.00 p.m. John Burns & Janet Ward

Next Week...

9.00 a.m. Jim Etheridge & Millie MacDonald

6.00 p.m. Andrew Colby & Brendon Cunningham

Coming Soon

JAM N CAKE

NEXT SESSION **20th November 2018**

MASS FOR ALL THE DEPARTED OF THE PARISH, 1943 TO THE PRESENT

Wednesday Nov 21 at 7.00pm. Please come to

pray for all those parishioners and clergy gone before us. This is a Mass with music in the main church.

KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA QUIZ NIGHT at Christ the King, Friday 23rd Nov, 8.30 p.m.
See poster for details and consider entering.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR 7 DEC

Friday 7th December—make a note now. Mary Hulme will be co-ordinating this fund-raiser. This year, there will be as part of it a NEW idea, a Parish Craft Stall.

PARISH CRAFT STALL FOR 7 DEC

Please make and donate—there will be craft sessions happening in the MRR. Details on posters in the porch and MRR.

JUBILEE YEAR FILM NIGHT SAT 15th DEC

There will be a screening of the film ***A Man for all Seasons*** on **Saturday 15th December** in MRR with a fish and chip supper will be available for the interval. The only charge will be the cost of food.

NIGHT SHELTER COOKING

We have been cooking meals for the Coventry Peace House and the Winter Shelter at St Osburg's for several years. These provide a meal and bed for asylum seekers and the homeless. We have a rota of cooks that prepare and deliver meals: we'd be happy to have more. See the poster in the church porch for more information or call Kevin Duffy 07812211828. ***Live Simply*** in solidarity with people in poverty.

STEPPING STONES RELAUNCH

We hope to revive the parish stay-and-play parent and toddler group, after Christmas. ***Are there volunteers who would like to help?*** Parents stay with their children so this help is not being responsible for unattended toddlers. ***Are there parents keen to bring their children?*** Please see Annemarie Vincent Poole or one of the clergy.

LANTERN ART PROJECT

There will be an **Epiphany Carol Service** this Christmas Season and we are looking to create lanterns large and small, plain or fancy both for this and to use throughout Christmas. Debbie is holding workshops in the MRR for parishioners/families and are free. Make a simple willow lantern or decorate a 2litre pop bottle lantern. Scope to be more ambitious with larger lanterns to decorate church at Christmas and light the church for Epiphany carol service. (We shall use battery powered LEDs not flames!). **The sessions are 10am-2pm on 23 and 24 Nov in the MRR**

THANK YOU TO...

...those who came to the Jubilee Year parish Meal and to those who organised it, Mary and Claire

...those who helped with the confirmation, both on the day at the Mass and with all the pre-operation.

...our servers who are faithfully turning out to serve at the unusually large number of funerals we are having at the moment.

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

Last week - Main Collection: £1037.12

Johnson Assoc: £539.03

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

The Sunday Readings

Two of the smallest coins dropped into the poor box. Not much at all, not enough to make a difference to anyone really... The huge sums casually dropped in by the rich; now, they might really help the needy! But Jesus praises the giving of the coins—all the widow had—rather than the grand sums given by the rich out of their great wealth. Yes, their money will do good, but has their giving changed *them*? Their bank balance will hardly notice it. The widow, giving her last penny, will certainly notice it. She doesn't need to change for she gives all she can. In any case Jesus praised the small boy who offered five loaves and two fishes to feed 5,000 people. It was all he had too. Do what we can and let God do the rest. If we are tight fisted with our own time, talents and money how can we expect God to be generous towards us? Today, we remember those who gave everything in war. Jesus gave all He had for us, and His life wasn't looked on as very valuable by those who wanted Him dead. But it changed everything...



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NOVEMBER, MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS MASS FOR DECEASED PARISHIONERS

The Church has traditionally kept this month as a special month in which to remember the departed. We pray of course for our own departed family and friends, but please remember to pray for all the departed, especially those who have no-one to pray for them. In this Jubilee Year, there will be a **Mass for all the departed of the parish**, which will also be the annual commemoration of those departed in the previous year. This will be on **Weds 21 Nov at 7pm**. Please come and pray for all the Holy Souls of this parish, laity and clergy.

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

HOUSE TO LET ON WATERCALL AVE

The old caretaker's house by the church is available to rent. Anyone interested should contact the letting agents, Payne Associates, 20 New Union St, Coventry CV1 2HN. 024 7622 2022

1943 2018 JUBILEE YEAR 2018 FORTHCOMING EVENTS

- **MASS FOR ALL DECEASED PARISHIONERS: Wed 21 Nov 7.00pm. Pray for all who have died in the parish these past 75 years**
- **A MAN FOR ALL SEASONS: PARISH FILM NIGHT. Sat 15th December in MRR. Film free, fish & chip supper at cost. Tickets available soon.**

Our Lady of Coventry, pray for us!

St Thomas More, pray for us!

MARKING THE JUBILEE IN CHURCH

Videos and photos are available on the parish website to see events again.

RECENTLY DEPARTED PARISHIONERS

Please pray for the souls and families of...

Marie Darby

Funeral Mass Mon 12 November 11.00am

Maud Maher

Funeral Mass Fri 16 November 11.00am

Andrew Murphy

Funeral Mass Wed 20 November 11.00am

CHRISTMAS
BAZZAR

**Friday 7 Dec 6-9pm
in the school hall**

Please support this parish fundraiser!

Make something for the parish craft stall—donate a bottle—run a stall—give a nearly new item—come along—buy some raffle tickets—sell some raffle tickets...

1918 ARMISTICE DAY REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 2018

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:

Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning

We will remember them.

For Your Prayers...

THE SICK & SUFFERING: Hayden Gilks, Judy Freeman, Stuart Coley, Mya, Patricia Waltho, Marie Harrison, Phil Sheridan, 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, 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, Joanne Bazen, William Begley, Kitty Budkiewicz, Pam Brown
Our Lady of Lourdes, health of the sick, Pray for us!

RECENTLY DEPARTED: John McDonnell, Maud Maher, Mgr Paul Watson, Andrew Murphy, Marie Darby, Josephine Ferry, Charlie Addison, Kit Roberts, Eileen Smith, Edna Gilks, Charles Berry, Helena Praciak, Paula Kennedy
ANNIVERSARIES: Anne Flint, Richard Molloy, Mary Billingham, James O'Shea, Patrick Brennan, Thomas Deegan, Ann Redmond, Michael Carr, John Tomkins, Carol O'Sullivan, William McCrae, John O'Malley, Maureen Rowan, Alan Beer, Shaun Cleary, Thomas Burke, Annie Wiseman, Joseph Garry, Eveline Hopkins, Elizabeth McGuckin, John McCarty, John Comer, Anthony Casey, William Brennan, Celia Adams, Michael Haran, Harry Bradley, Madge Jennings, Kathleen Petherbridge, Rose Stretton, Annie-Mary Duffy, Francis Chambers, Mary Finnegan, Peter O'Brien, Gordon Cook, Katherine Alford, David Boyle ***Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them***

- The Fallen
- In thanksgiving for this parish
- The young people confirmed yesterday

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

THE DIGITAL AGE

This parish news sheet is on the parish website, usually from Saturday evening

PARISH WEBSITE stmconv.org

PARISH WEBCAM www.mcnmedia.tv/

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