

# ST THOMAS MORE PARISH

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## 21st April 2019:

### EASTER SUNDAY, the Resurrection of the Lord

Mass p7, Vigil Mass p223, Morning Mass p258 in the Parish Mass Book

The church has a hearing loop system



### MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

SUNDAY 21st EASTER SUNDAY	Sung Mass Mass	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m.	Joseph & Margaret Hussey (Anniv) / Helena Shanley (6th Anniv) People of the Parish
Monday 22nd Easter Monday	<i>Mass at St Osburg's</i>	10.00 a.m.	~
Tuesday 23rd Easter Tuesday	Eucharistic Service	9.00am	~
Wednesday 24th Easter Wednesday	Mass	9.00 a.m.	Mark Aubrey (Sick)
Thursday 25th Easter Thursday	Eucharistic Service Reception into Church	9.00 a.m. 6.00 p.m.	~
Friday 26th Easter Friday	Requiem Mass	11.00 a.m.	Mary Webster
Saturday 27th Easter Saturday	Mass Holy Hour Confessions	9.00 a.m. 9.30 a.m. 9.40—10.20	Patrick Commins (3rd Anniv)
SUNDAY 28th 2nd of EASTER Divine Mercy	Sung Mass Confession Mass	9.00 a.m. 5.30—5.50 6.00 p.m.	SVP - Donors Intentions Mrs Marie Moore (Mem Mass)



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# CHRIST IS RISEN!

## Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

## This Weekend

- **EASTER SUNDAY: THE CELEBRATION OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD. CHRIST IS RISEN ALLELUIA!**
- **REFRESHMENTS are offered to all after both Sunday Masses** in Margaret Roper Room **This Week**
- **MONDAY**  
**EASTER MONDAY MASS** The traditional Easter Monday Mass at **St Osburg's** will be celebrated by Bishop Kenney at **10am**. Everyone is welcome to attend. The tradition of this Mass began 100 years ago as a witness to the Real Presence of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament
- **TUESDAY:**  
**TUESDAY SOCIETY:** No Meeting for the holidays. **Next Meeting: 2nd May 2019**  
**NEWMAN ASSOCIATION: Meeting in MRR at 8.00 p.m.** Bishop William Kenney will speak on Politics and Faith in the service of our brothers and sisters.
- **WEDNESDAY:**  
**ADORATION PRAYER GROUP: Chapel 1.30pm**, then tea and discussion in the MRR
- **THURSDAY:**  
**EXTEND Gentle Exercise 10.00 a.m.** in MRR. **Next Week**

- **SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER: DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY.** Pope St John Paul II instituted this day in response to the revelations made to St Faustina, a nun of Krakow, during the 1930s. It is a celebration of what we find in the Gospel—a loving Saviour who calls sinners to repentance and who delights in the giving of His mercy.
- **SVP FUNDRAISER**  
Mass will be offered next Sunday morning for the intentions of all those who supported the fundraiser by purchasing a plant.
- **SVP - BACON SANDWICHES**  
will be served after **9.00am Mass next Sunday**. All donations given will be used for continuing work of the SVP. **All welcome.**
- **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY DEVOTIONS**  
at **St Mary & St Benedict's RC Church** at **2.00 p.m.** It is in keeping with this devotion to make one's confession around Easter: it does not have to be on the day itself.

### Sunday Readers' Rota

**This week...**

9.00 a.m. Debbie Middleton & Millie MacDonald

11.00 a.m. Brendon Cunningham & Judith Doherty

**Next Week...**

9.00 a.m. Judy Freeman & Ernest Hackett

6.00 p.m. Alfi Selormey & John Burns

### Coming Soon

#### **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASSES**

The children currently being prepared in the school

and in the parish receive their first communions on the morning of **Saturday 18 May**

#### **DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES**

Saturday 25th May– Friday 31st.

#### **ST THOMAS MORE DAY SAT 22 JUNE**

We plan a celebratory barn dance after an evening Mass. Make a note now!

**NIGHT SHELTER DONATIONS: NOT TILL OCT**  
A huge thank you for the many donations of clothing given to the night shelter. The night shelter is now closed until next winter. Donations again then

#### **CARRIERS OF HOPE**

Donations of food are needed by this charity that supports refugees, migrants, the newly rehoused, struggling parents and others in need in Coventry.

#### **PIETY SHOP**

Please come and have a look - Communion cards and gifts, etc.

#### **STEPPING STONES RELAUNCH**

If you want to help with a relaunched stay and play group, please fill in a slip from the porch with your details and when you're free to help. Return it to one of the clergy or Annemarie Vincent Poole.

#### **FORTHCOMING FUNERALS**

**Mary Webster** Funeral Mass 11.00 a.m. 26th April (reception 6.00 p.m. 25th April). Please pray for her and her family. May she rest in peace.

**Eileen Berry** Funeral Mass on Tuesday 30th April at 12.00 noon. Please pray for her and her family. May she rest in peace.

#### **100 WINNERS FOR APRIL**

Please see poster in porch.



Mary  
Magdalene  
went to the  
disciples  
with the  
news,

*'I have seen  
the Lord!'*

## **THANK YOU**

A lot of people have worked very hard to make our celebration of Holy Week and Easter go so well. We are grateful to **servers, flower arrangers, musicians, readers, cleaners, wardens, refreshment makers and many others** who have set up or put away or provided so much over the past week, including all who **came to pray**. **Thank you** also of course to everyone who has contributed to the Easter Offering and those who have offered Easter greeting, cards and gifts. **Thank you all**

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

**Last week - Main:** £1115.03 Parish Development Fund: £1032.99

**In 2018 it cost £1,669 a week to run the parish. (2017 £1,503 2016 £1,589 2015 £1,510 2014 £1,966)**



## The Sunday Readings

**A**T the Vigil Mass, the readings tell of God's loving care for humanity. We hear how the Israelites escaped the

slavery of Egypt through the waters of the Red Sea, by the blood of a lamb. We hear how God has rescued all his faithful people by the death and Resurrection of Jesus—the Blood of the Lamb of God. At our baptisms we are baptised into the death and resurrection of Jesus—hence the emphasis on the waters of baptism at Easter—and by the waters of baptism we escape sin and death. As Christ steps out of the tomb to lead a new and risen life, so we step from the font, born again into a new life that goes on with Christ into eternity. Dying He destroyed our death, rising He restored our life. Let us pledge ourselves anew to live that risen life of the baptised, loving God and our neighbour.

**In Eastertide**, we sing the traditional Eastertide anthem to Our Lady.

**Regina coeli, laetare, alleluia!**

**Quia quem meruisti portare, alleluia!**

**Resurrexit, sicut dixit, alleluia!**

**Ora pro nobis deum, alleluia!**

[*Translation:* Joy to you, O Queen of Heaven, alleluia  
He whom you were fit to bear, alleluia  
Has arisen as he said, alleluia.  
Pour to God for us your prayer, alleluia.]

**V.** Rejoice and be glad O Virgin Mary, alleluia

**R.** For the Lord is risen indeed, alleluia.

Let us pray... **Amen**



## CATHOLICS IN HOSPITAL

Please remember that priests are ***NOT*** automatically told about parishioners in hospital, due to patient confidentiality and data protection laws. **At UHCW the full-time chaplain Fr Paul Burch is available five days a week** (other times covered by local priests). He is supported by religious sisters and lay eucharistic ministers. Tell staff you want to see him, and tell your parish priest if you want him to know too. ***It is very unlikely that any priest will know about your needs unless you or relatives or friends make contact!***

## GIVING ENVELOPES

The last few are ready for collection from the porch. If your envelopes aren't there or if you'd like to start having envelopes please see Tony Curristan, contact details on the front of this sheet. ***Thank you to all who give to support the parish. We couldn't pay the bills without your contributions.***

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## A HAPPY AND A BLESSED EASTER TO YOU ALL



May the blessing of the Risen Christ be yours  
*Fr Stephen, Deacon Leo, Deacon Pat*

## For Your Prayers...

**THE SICK & SUFFERING:** Maisie Reddan, Linda McKenna, Rose Green, Fr George Bennett, Hayden Gilks, Stuart Coley, Mya, Phil Sheridan, Israel Mcleod, Rev Patrick Jeary, Crystal Matovu, Andy Chustecki, Eileen Connolly, Vicky Hobbs, Mark Pearson, Anne Kenny, Cynthia Welton, John Walker, Hildegard Atherton, Suzanne Martin, Liam Mee, Helen McDonnell, Teresa Mellon, Margaret Dowson, Carl Smith, Mary Morris, Roy Haslam, Beatrice Upham, Felix Rooney, John & Jeanne Gould, Joanne Bazen, William Begley, Kitty Budkiewicz, Pam Brown and all those who are ill.

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

**RECENTLY DEPARTED:** Eileen Berry, Mary Webster, Jo McKinnon, Kathleen McMenamin  
**ANNIVERSARIES:** Kathleen Lowes, Mary Crowe, Renato Paolone, Vincent Rutter, Michael Loverock, Grace Cairns, Joan Boguslawski, Alice Kane, Barry McElvenney, Fred Woodward, Francis Dempsey, Ada Gamble, Thomas McGinty, James Shepherd, Cora Meehan, Cecil Mancini, Margaret Kane, Mary Baimbridge, Rosaleen O'Sullivan, Reginald Atkinson, Fr Martin Conboy, Ann Brogan, Esther McLoughlin, Christine Donlon, Mary Warnock, Nykola Kowalczyk, Joseph Hussey, Peter David, Andrew Robinson, Jack O'Neill **Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them**

- Our nation at this difficult time that the Holy Spirit may guide our leaders and parliament
- The people of Paris, and especially the Archbishop and all the members of the Archdiocese
- That everyone may have a share in the joy and peace of Easter and draw hope from Christ's resurrection

# ALLELUIA!

## NEW ALTAR SERVERS

### ALWAYS 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**

### PARISH NEWS

**This news sheet!** On paper and on the website  
**Website:** [stmcoiv.org](http://stmcoiv.org) **Twitter:** @StThosMore

### DEANERY NEWS

**Website:** [coventry-catholicdeanery.org.uk/new/](http://coventry-catholicdeanery.org.uk/new/)  
**ARCHDIOCESE NEWS**

**Website:** [birminghamdiocese.org.uk/](http://birminghamdiocese.org.uk/)  
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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**