

# ST THOMAS MORE PARISH

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## 7th July 2019 14th Sunday

Mass p7, readings p105 in the Parish Mass Book

*The church has a hearing loop system*



### MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

SUNDAY 7th 14th SUNDAY	Sung Mass Confession Mass	9.00 a.m. 5.30-5.50 6.00 p.m	Micky Kennedy & family (RIP) Fr Sunday
Monday 8th <i>Feria</i>	Mass Holy Hour	9.00 a.m. 7.00 p.m.	Stuart Coley RIP
Tuesday 9th <i>Feria</i>	Mass	6.30 p.m.	Patrick Crilly
Wednesday 10th <i>Feria</i>	Mass	9.00 a.m.	Madge Vowles (RIP)
Thursday 11th <i>St Benedict</i>	Mass	9.00 a.m.	Priest's Intention
Friday 12th <i>Feria</i>	Mass	9.00 a.m.	James (Gerry) Larkin (RIP)
Saturday 13th <i>Feria</i>	Mass Holy Hour Confessions	9.00 a.m. 9.30-10.30 9.40-10.20	Doreen Robinson (RIP)
SUNDAY 14th 15th SUNDAY	Sung Mass Confession Mass	9.00 a.m. 5.30-5.50 6.00 p.m.	John Reddan (Anniv) People of the Parish



### PARISH CONTACTS



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**July: Month of the Precious Blood of Jesus**  
**Precious Blood, Ocean of Divine Mercy: flow upon us!**



## This Sunday

- **14th Sunday of Ordinary Time:** This is the first 'green Sunday' since February. Ordinary time is not really 'ordinary' in the common sense. All time is God's gift of course, but in this part of the Church's year we continue to hear and reflect on God's extraordinary love and mercy revealed in Jesus. This is the 14th week of Ordinary Time, Sunday readings Year C, weekday readings Year 1, and for morning and evening prayer it is also the second week of the psalter.
- **WELCOME MINISTRY WILL TIDY UP!** *Please leave your hymn/Mass books on the ends of the pews at the end of 9.00 a.m. Mass.* Our greeters will gather them up for you. **Thank you** to all our greeters, whose efforts now mean a tidier church and a less crowded space round the book cases.

- **REFRESHMENTS are offered to all after both Sunday Masses** in the Margaret Roper Room. Please stay if you can—through the side door on the Knoll Drive side of the church.

### This Week

- **TUESDAY:** **TUESDAY SOCIETY 2.00 p.m.—4.00 p.m.** in the MRR. All welcome, New members especially so, just come along to a meeting. Many new activities and trips are being planned.
- **WEDNESDAY:** **ADORATION PRAYER GROUP: Chapel 1.30pm**, then tea and discussion in the MRR
- **THURSDAY:** **MOVE IT OR LOSE IT** Gentle Exercise 10.00 a.m. in MRR. Details from Mary (07736770453 / 02476416681).

### Next Weekend

- **15th Sunday of the Year**
- **Second Collection:** Apostleship of the Sea **Sunday Readers' Rota**

### This week...

9.00 a.m. Noreen Thornhill & Judy Freeman  
6.00 p.m. John Burns & Andrew Colby

### Next Week...

9.00 a.m. Maureen Porter & Jude Doherty  
6.00 p.m. Afi Selormey & Brendon Cunningham

### Coming Soon

### **KENELM YOUTH TRUST SUMMER CAMP**

Talks, activities, prayer and a day trip to Alton Towers. Summer Camp is for 12-18 year olds. Choose from one of two weeks: 4-8 Aug or 11-15 Aug. For more information, visit [www.bcys.co.uk](http://www.bcys.co.uk)

### **CONFIRMATION**

Bishop Kenney will be coming to confirm here on Friday 15 November. Preparation details will be given in in the autumn: watch this space.

### **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.

### **GIVING ENVELOPES**

There are still a few boxes ready for collection from church 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. Without your giving, the parish wouldn't be here.***

### **CARRIERS OF HOPE**

At this time of year they are seeking to support needy families with school uniforms for the next school year. If any one can help with a donation towards a uniform, they would be grateful. A box for Carriers of Hope is always in the church porch—please try to put an item in it from time to time. Thank you for your support. Office address: Unit 2C Swallowgate Business Park, Holbrook Lane, CV6 4BL. Warehouse address: Unit 4B Lythalls Lane Industrial Estate, CV6 6FP Phone: 024 7665 9393 [www.carriersofhope.org.uk](http://www.carriersofhope.org.uk)

### **SUPPORTING THE PARISH AT NO COST...**

...is possible if you are a tax payer. If you sign a **GiftAid** form the tax man adds 25% to your donation, which is the tax you've paid to earn it. Please see clergy or Tony Curristan.

### **DIRECT DEBIT**

We can supply direct debit forms so that you may give without the need for giving envelopes, finding cash or writing cheques.

***Thank you all for the support you give: St Thomas More Parish can't exist without it.***

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

A reminder that we have a great many intentions and the demand for Sundays (especially 9.00 a.m.) is very high. ***Please consider being willing to share your intention*** (indicate this on the intentions envelope): this is all that can be done to create more opportunities.

### **LIGHTS IN CHURCH**

Please ensure that all lights are turned off when the MRR and church are empty. Even on these bright summer days, lights have sometimes been on for no-one. Turning them off is good for the planet helping us ***LiveSimply*** and good for our funds. ***Thank you***

### **RECYCLING**

There is a bin the MRR for paper, plastic and glass and a recycling blue lidded dustbin outside. The same rules apply to recycling at church as at home in the Coventry City Council district. Thank you for making the effort to recycle. ***LiveSimply.***

## **ST THOMAS MORE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Our Primary School still has spaces available for Reception year entry for September this year.

Please come for a look round. Do contact the school either by calling in at reception desk or phone 024 7684 9910

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

**Last week- Main Collection: £943.62 Peter's Pence: £449.92**

**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

**I**SAIAH is given a prophecy; the people of God, dragged into exile after crushing defeat, are going to be restored. God's peace will return, not as a token but as a great flowing river.

Jesus speaks of peace in the Gospel today. He sends out the 72 disciples out ahead of him to speak the message of peace. They are certainly very vulnerable—no possessions, money or booked accommodation—yet they share the greatest of all riches, God's love, mercy and peace. They will achieve great things and work great miracles. But they are to rejoice in one thing only, that their names are written in heaven. That is what following Christ is about. Not our enjoying special graces, working great miracles, displaying wonderful signs or other exceptional things but in being faithful, loving people who in obeying Christ's law of love may know that we are known in heaven.

## IICSA: PASTORAL LETTER

Today, the Archbishop has given us a Pastoral Letter to read, as all pastoral letters are, in every parish. He comments on the recent findings of the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse (IICSA). Copies of the letter are available at the back of church. Please pray for the victims and survivors of the terrible sin of child abuse. The diocese's immediate written response has been on all parish news sheets in the diocese and is repeated here -

We apologise to all victims and survivors of child sex abuse. We hope that with this Inquiry they feel that they have been listened to. Even so, words are not enough. We are committed to continuing to improve our safeguarding procedures and to listen to and learn from victims and survivors. Past failings must never happen again. The diocesan response to the report can be found at <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/> There is a link to the IICSA report itself. If you have a safeguarding matter to report please contact the Archdiocese safeguarding team on 0121 230 6240 or via email: [safeguarding@rc-birmingham.org](mailto:safeguarding@rc-birmingham.org)

## 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 ministers. **Tell nursing staff if you want to see him**, and tell your parish priest if you want him to know too. ***It is UNLIKELY that any priest will know about your needs unless you, family or friends make your wishes known.***

## CARDINAL NEWMAN TO BE CANONISED

### ON 13 OCTOBER IN ROME



At a Consistory of cardinals on Monday, Pope Francis formally approved Blessed John Henry Newman's canonisation along with that of Sister Mariam Theresia, of Giuseppina Vanini, of Dulce Lopes Pontes and of Margarita Bays.

In February, the Pope signed a decree recognising a second miracle attributed to Blessed John Henry Newman, the inexplicable healing of a woman with a 'life-threatening pregnancy'. Blessed John Henry Newman was one of the most prominent converts to Catholicism from Anglicanism of the 19th century. He was already an esteemed Anglican theologian when he founded the Oxford Movement to return the Church of England to its Catholic roots, before himself converting to the Catholic faith. He was renowned as a brilliant thinker and was made a cardinal by Pope Leo XIII. He died in Birmingham in 1890, aged 89, after founding the Birmingham Oratory. No Englishman has been canonised since 1970, with the canonisation of the Forty Martyrs of penal times. This is an especially joyous event for the Archdiocese of Birmingham, within which Newman spent the majority of his life, both as an Anglican in Oxford and a Catholic in Birmingham. He also spent time in Dublin, as part of an attempt to found a Catholic University, at St Stephen's Green. The University Church there is part of his legacy.



***Blessed John Henry Newman, pray for us!***

## MARGARET ROPER ROOM KITCHEN GOOD NEWS!

We heard on Thursday that we have been given a 'Grants for All' grant of £10,000 towards the cost of the new kitchen! There are other, smaller applications pending but this means that as the total cost is a little under £30,000 we can certainly do it. The total cost is large but we are having the entire kitchen redesigned and replaced with a sturdy and up-to-modern standards new one. The fact that we have been granted so much bears witness to that fact that we are having the right work done at the right price, that it will benefit not only church users but the wider community too. Big thanks to the diocesan advisor, Kevin Baugh, whose help was crucial and to Deacon Leo and Amanda Kelly who, with Fr Stephen, have been organising things within the parish and with Kevin. We now need to contact the builder and arrange a time for the work to be done. The MRR will have to be out of action while it happens.

## SCHOOL 100 CLUB WINNERS JUNE 2019

**1st: £20** Angie Cummins **2nd: £10** Mary Berry  
**3rd: £8** Nick Mills **4th: £7** Jacqueline Marajh  
**5th £5** Emmaleigh Kelly **6th: £4** Ciara McMillan

## For Your Prayers...

**THE SICK & SUFFERING:** Maria Vaz, Maisie Reddan, Linda McKenna, Rose Green, Fr George Bennett, Hayden Gilks, Mya, Phil Sheridan, Israel McLeod, Rev Patrick Jeary, Crystal Matovu, Eileen Connolly, 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:** Dennis Doherty, John Sherry, Bernadette Haydon, Stuart Coley

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Julie O'Sullivan, Richard Fawcett, Maureen Davison, Desmond Atherton, Kathleen Postlethwaite, Joseph Hanlon, Evelyn Hemming, Catherine Hannigan, Joseph D'Arcy, Margaret Fitzgerald, David McKenzie, Augusta Groom, Grace Collwood, Agnes Pearson, Fr John Molyneux, Anthony Gomez, Francis Buckley, Lulu Lopez, Francis Coady, John Davies

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

- The survivors and victims of abuse
- Persecuted Christians
- Our nation at this difficult time
- Those preparing for ordination

## July: Month of the Precious Blood

The infinite love of the Saviour is announced in His Name, is symbolized in His heart, and is made eloquent in His Blood. *Bl. Pope John XXIII*

## 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. See *Malcolm Pollard or the clergy*

## PARISH NEWS

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

**Twitter:** @RCBirmingham

Sign up for an email newsletter from the diocese website and the diocesan magazine **The Sower** is available in print and online

## 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 at 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**