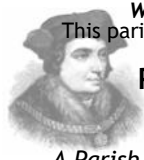


ST THOMAS MORE PARISH



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30th May 2021 *The Year of St Joseph*

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Readings Year B



MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

ALL MASSES ARE AVAILABLE LIVE ON THE WEBCAM

	Confession Public Vigil Mass	4.35 p.m. 5.00 p.m.	Brian Jordan (RIP)
SUNDAY 30th THE HOLY TRINITY	Public Mass	9.00 a.m.	Intentions of Langford Family
Monday 31st <i>Visitation of BVM</i>	Mass (Livestream) <i>No Holy Hour this week</i>	10.00 a.m.	John McDonnell (RIP)
Tuesday 1st June <i>St Justin</i>	Mass (Livestream) at SJW	10.00 a.m.	~
Wednesday 2nd <i>Feria</i>	Mass (Livestream)	9.00 a.m.	Patricia Roache (RIP)
Thursday 3rd <i>Ss Charles Lwanga & Comps</i>	Mass (Livestream)	9.00 a.m.	Roger Gill (RIP)
Friday 4th <i>Feria</i>	Public Mass <i>followed by</i> Exposition	9.00 a.m.	Pauline Strange (Sick)
Saturday 5th <i>St Boniface</i>	Mass (Livestream)	9.00 a.m.	Roseita Monaghan (RIP)
	Confession Public Vigil Mass	4.35 p.m. 5.00 p.m.	Gary Crilly (Anniv)
SUNDAY 6th CORPUS CHRISTI	Public Mass	9.00 a.m.	Jim Gallagher (Anniv)

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+GLORY BE TO THE FATHER AND TO THE SON AND TO THE HOLY SPIRIT!+

IF YOU HAVE TOUCHED THIS SHEET IN CHURCH, PLEASE TAKE IT AWAY

← Pray safe, stay safe... Be at least 1 metre apart! →

COVID LATEST: BISHOPS' GUIDELINES FOR ENGLAND & WALES IN CHURCH IT'S STILL COMPULSORY TO WEAR A FACE COVERING OVER MOUTH & NOSE, SANITISE AND BE SOCIALLY DISTANT, AND USE 'TRACK AND TRACE'

The Bishops have now issued guidance for the specific issues faced by churches. Although restrictions are still in place, we may make these positive changes...

- Our **social distance** is now **1 metre plus** (as it was originally when we first reopened). Three people may now sit on the short pews and four on the long.
- **Stewards** do not need to show you to your place: please maintain distance of more than 1 metre (a yard) from those not in your household. Stewards will still direct Communion.
- **Bidding prayers** are now permitted
- **The Body of Christ** and **Amen** may now be said individually at Holy Communion
- **Votive candles** may be lit (to prevent crowding, the stands have been moved)
- **At funerals**, holy water, pall and the Christian symbols may again be used on the coffin. Total numbers allowed to attend is the Covid capacity of the building, which, with our reduced social distance, is now 84.
- **Confession** may return to well-ventilated confessionals (ours are, they have fans). From next week Confession before the Saturday 5pm Mass

THESE CHANGES ARE A STEP FORWARD and are a consequence of the reduced levels of infection in society. This has happened only because of vaccination and the following of previous guidelines. The pandemic is not over yet: pray that the good news continues and that it will be soon.

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR VOLUNTEER STEWARDS AND CLEANERS. Cleaning and stewarding have to continue. Please **don't forget** that we are here only because they have given up their time. **If you can volunteer**, please speak to Claire Rutter or Fr Stephen

HOUSEBOUND COMMUNION

Communion may now be brought to the housebound routinely as before. Ventilation, sanitiser, face coverings and distance are still strongly recommended. **Please contact Fr Stephen** by phone, email, in writing or by friend or family member if you are ready to resume this. He is trying to make contact with all home communicants with this news, but *please don't hesitate to be in touch*. The lists may be out of date.

COVID & MUSIC AT MASS—Jam 'n' Cake
Congregational singing is still not allowed and

other singing only if it is 'essential'. We await further developments which we hope will be made clear in preparation for the final stage on the ending of restrictions on 21st June. In the meanwhile, **Steve and Debbie have organised** an online music session over the church web cam for **Tues 8 June at 7.30pm**. *A chance to sing along at home and warm up the vocal cords in anticipation*

THIS WEEKEND

- **HOLY TRINITY:** we celebrate the mystery at the heart of God—Father, Son and Holy Spirit
- **SECOND COLLECTION:** Church Flowers
- **DAILY MASS READINGS BY SMARTPHONE**
On the back page of this sheet is a QR code, easily read by smartphones, that takes you to *Universalis*, a website with daily Mass readings.
- **FR STEPHEN IS AVAILABLE after Sunday Mass** at the Margaret Roper Room **outside** door to church. **Giving envelopes are available at this time too.** Please give him a moment to arrive. Fr Stephen is of course also available by phone, email or in person.

THIS WEEK

- **PRAYING AT 6PM EACH DAY: PANDEMIC**
Pope Francis has called for the Rosary in May.
- **FLOWERS** If anyone would like to donate flowers or even arrangements for church, that would be a great help. Please leave in the presbytery porch at your convenience. **Thank you to all those who have given flowers!**

NEXT WEEKEND

- **CORPUS CHRISTI** in thanksgiving for the gift of the Blessed Sacrament, Christ's Body and Blood, offered for us and to us. Christ's abiding presence with us now.

COMING SOON

COVENTRY OPEN HEAVEN

This project asks us to pray for the street we live on and runs for the month of June. Sometime next month, go out with others or alone and pray a rosary for the intentions of those who live there, that they may be drawn to Christ and that the pandemic may end soon. This is an ecumenical initiative and you can visit the website for more information and to sign up to cover a road.

<https://www.openheavencoventry.org/>

THE POPE'S NEW BOOK 'LET US DREAM'
A ZOOM DISCUSSION GROUP led by Fr Peter and Fr Stephen, to which all parishioners from STM and SJW are invited, based on the Pope's deeply personal and passionate book, will be held on **Thursdays 17, 24 June and 1 July** at 7pm for about 45 minutes. Zoom details to follow.

ST THOMAS MORE'S DAY 22 JUNE

Even if the pandemic restrictions are not relaxed further, it will still be possible for us to have a simple **Bring Your Own Picnic** celebration after the evening Mass. We should be able to use chairs from the MRR and have a toilet available. It

FINANCE: Main £479.00

Thank you for all that you give in time, money or effort, especially in these difficult times
In 2019 it cost £1571 a week to run the parish '18 £1669 '17 £1503 '16 £1589 '15 £1510 '14 £1966



The Sunday Readings

The great philosopher St Augustine said “If you can fathom it, you can be sure it is not God”. In other words, it is impossible for finite human minds to understand the infinity of might, majesty and glory that is God. We can know only what God reveals to us about Himself and what our minds can grasp. Moses reminds the people about the wonders done by God so that they might be saved from slavery and oppression in Egypt. Keep His laws, he says, so that you may prosper and live long. Of course, in Jesus God reveals Himself most fully. In today’s Gospel Jesus speaks plainly about the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. He gives the disciples the commission to make disciples and to baptise them in the threefold Name. And the hall-mark of true discipleship, true conversion is the keeping of God’s commands. By this, we maintain our true relationship with the infinite God: the One who makes us His sons and daughters, and delights to have us call Him Father. For at the heart of God Himself is a relationship, a relationship of the love between Father, Son and Holy Spirit. It is that that God calls us to enjoy, rejoice in and be part of!

would be good to make this first step towards a social event. Simple and modest it may be, but it will be the first social since March 2020

ST OSBURG’S EMERGENCY APPEAL

St Osburg’s church is in great need of repairing the church guttering. The parish—the mother church of Coventry—is appealing for any help, great or small. Cheques may be made payable to ‘St Osburg’s Church’ and donations sent direct or via Fr Stephen.

COVENTRY IRISH CENTRE

The Irish Centre is exploring ways of making use of St Osburg’s old social centre as its base and centre of activities.

PARISH LOCKDOWN ART PROJECTS

The previous banners are safely stored and will reappear once social distancing rules cease. We cannot at the moment create displays in church that would encourage people to gather closely.

THE POPE’S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JUNE

For those preparing for marriage—may they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness and patience.

PARISH LIVESTREAM

MCN Media, who provide our live stream service, are updating their website in June. This means that the page will look different. They tell us it will be easier to use. Don’t be surprised by the change

COMING TO MASS IN TIME OF PANDEMIC STILL MEANS...

HANDS SANITISE HANDS
on entry and exit

FACE WEAR A FACE COVERING
over mouth **AND** nose

SPACE KEEP YOUR DISTANCE
and stay more than 1 metre away from
others not in your household

DO YOU KNOW ANYONE STRUGGLING TO AFFORD FOOD?

Find out how **to receive** help from a foodbank **and** how **to support** one by visiting—
coventry.foodbank.org.uk

HELPING CARRIERS OF HOPE

Please visit <http://www.carriersofhope.org.uk/help-us/> to see the ways in which we may help in this time of pandemic. The Carriers are still working hard to support refugees and others in need.

← Be at least 1 metre apart →



THE ANGELUS

in honour of the Incarnation
We offer this for vocations

The angel of the Lord declared unto Mary
And she conceived by the Holy Spirit

Hail Mary....

Behold the handmaid of the Lord

Be it done unto me according to thy will

Hail Mary...

And the Word was made flesh

And dwelt among us

Hail Mary...

Pray for us O Holy Mother of God

That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ

Let us pray

Pour forth we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts that we to whom the incarnation of Christ Thy Son was made known by the message of an angel, we may by his passion and cross be brought to the glory of the resurrection. Through Christ our Lord...

MAY IS MARY’S MONTH

Blest in the message Gabriel brought

Blest by the work the Spirit has wrought;

Most blest, to bring to human birth

The long desired of all the earth.

AVE MARIA

For Your Prayers...

THE SICK & SUFFERING: Peter Carvell, Lynsey Moore, Charlie Ellix, Joan Theaker, Veronica Hammond, June Phee, Sabrina O'Connor, Sarah Chaplin, Moira Steeley, Elene Gunn, Pauline Cullinane, Margaret Young, Helen Chadwick, Baby Theo, Catherine Brookes, David Warr, Maureen Pearson, Anne, Hilary Hanson, Maisie Reddon, Rose Green, Hayden Gilks, Mya, Phil Sheridan, Israel Mcleod, Rev Patrick Jeary, Anne Kenny, John Walker, Liam Mee, Helen McDonnell, Teresa Mellon, Carl Smith, Roy Haslam, Beatrice Upham, Felix Rooney, John Gould. ***Our Lady of Lourdes, health of the sick, Pray for us!***

RECENTLY DEPARTED: John Regan, Thomas Maxwell, Fr John Kearns, Eileen Connolly, HRH Prince Philip, Ellen Leonard, Ann Frances Power
ANNIVERSARIES: Mary Swales, Patrick McElvenney, Miriam McGuinness, May Delargy, Mary Maguire, Daisy Lycett, Mark McDermott, Michael Brittain, Ellen Cullinane, Lily Gallacher, Esther Carlin, Mary Smith, Brian Matthews, Mary Nerney
Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them

- The end of the pandemic and all working for that and for those affected by it. Pray especially for India and its suffering people
- A reverence for God's voice in Holy Scripture

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GIVING TO THE PARISH

There are collecting boxes by the church doors for use instead of offertory bags

1. **Use a standing order.** You can donate by standing order, there is a link to a form on the website, on the [Parish & Coronavirus](#) page. Complete the top part, post to the Presbytery.
2. **Give online via the Diocesan Website** Go to www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/support-our-work Enter personal details on the first box, click next, then select 'Coventry Styvechale' from the drop down list of parishes, the third box is for your card details.
3. **Put your offering in Presbytery letterbox**
4. **Keep your offering until you can return**

THANK YOU
FOR ALL YOUR GIVING!

GET THE SUNDAY READINGS ON YOUR SMART PHONE



Simply scan this QR code with a bar code reader app and be taken straight to the day's readings. If you've used the NHS app then your phone can already read this code. When it does, you'll go straight to the day's readings

THE CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS & CORONA VIRUS GUIDELINES

Everything that happens in church should be stewarded and after it, the church has to be cleaned. We owe our volunteers many thanks for doing these. There can be no congregational singing. ***Everyone*** who enters should **sanitise hands, wear a face covering** and stay **at least 1 metre apart** unless from the same household. **Track & Trace details should be given** or the NHS smartphone app used

BAPTISMS

Baptism may be celebrated with strict limits on numbers, as well the conditions described above.

WEDDINGS

Weddings may be celebrated with strict limits on numbers, as well the conditions described above. Maximum of 30.

CONFESSION

Confession *is* available if socially distanced or outside. From Saturday 29 May it is available before 5pm Mass

FUNERALS

As well as the conditions given above, currently **no more than the Covid capacity of the building, 84 people**, may be present.

MASS

It remains vital that public Masses are celebrated with ***everyone*** obeying the guidelines of

Sanitising hands

Covering mouth AND nose

Keeping distance—at least 1 metre

We have a Christian duty of care to one another and to wider society.

HOUSEBOUND COMMUNION

Holy Communion can be brought to the housebound. In such cases, the room should be ventilated and social distancing should be observed if at all possible. PPE should be worn by the priest and face coverings by all.

Contact Fr Stephen.

Pray for the end of the Pandemic