

# ST. THOMAS MORE NEWSLETTER

St Thomas More Parish in partnership with Corpus Christi, Ernesford Grange and St Anne's, Willenhall

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Twenty-fourth Sunday of the Year (C)  
September 16<sup>th</sup> 2007

Parish Child Protection Representatives –

Mrs. Beryl Gill (Tel. 7650 6220)

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**Responsorial Psalm:** I will leave this place and go to My Father

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of the Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind,  
so that we can see what hope His call holds for us. Alleluia!

## Sunday Masses

**9.00am** Joan Hope RIP  
**11.00am** People of the Parish  
**6.00pm** Ints of John Kavanagh

## Next Sunday (Twenty-fifth Sunday of Year C)

**9.00am** People of the Parish  
**11.00am** Richard O'Connor RIP  
**6.00pm** Canon Albert Adams (Anniv.)

## Weekday Masses

<b>Monday</b>	<b>9.00am</b> Kay Swords RIP	<b>7.00pm</b> Angela Mary Watson (Anniv.)
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>9.15am</b> Colm Burns	<b>7.00pm</b> Grace Heffron RIP
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>9.00am</b> Margaret Murphy (Anniv.)	<b>7.00pm</b> Ints of Darren Cass & Maria Romera (Marriage)
<b>Friday</b>	<b>9.00am</b> Paschall Henry RIP	<b>7.00pm</b> Thanksgiving (Fresia Thompson)
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>9.00am</b> May Canning RIP	<b>7.00pm</b> Marg Stubbs RIP
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>9.00am</b> Albert Brennan	

*Eucharistic Adoration in the side chapel from 9.30 – 10.30am. No Confessions today.*

**RIP** – Mick O'Sullivan, Steve Hancock, Eileen Thomas, Joe Kendall, May Canning, Rev. Pavlo Hayda, Anthony Lawrence.

**Anniversaries:-** Abp. George Patrick Dwyer, James O'Neill, Beryl Armstrong, Henry Swinden, Patricia Morgan, Mary Long, Joseph Killeen, Anne Kennedy, Anne Kelly, Tainja Skendrovic, Robert Young, Maria Cairns, Mary Donnelly, Joseph Murtagh, Hilda Matthews, Margaret Murphy, John Brennan, William Errington, David Muddiman, Julie Higgins, Thomas Scrimshire, Mary Graham, Catherine Ford, Samuel Devlin, Frances Pearce, Marjorie Kelly.

**Sick List** – Please pray for Charles MacKinnon, Hannah McBride, Ian Crawley, Penny Valentine, Leo Keenan, Joan Simmons, Molly O'Connor, Sinead Heffernan, Marie Ainsworth, Babies Liam and Rory Nee, Barry Munday, Fr John Bentley, Percy Parker, Babies Emily and Jessica Burbury, William Grant, Hughie McNaboe, Jack Holloway, Anne Donoghue, Anne Thomson, Joe Flis, Philomena O'Connor, Angela Moses, Jonjo Rooney, Ann Brown, Mary Doran, Madeleine Philips, Ruby Wilson, Teresa Johnson, Deacons Patrick Linthwaite, John Leach, Francis Andrews, Sr Angela Black SND, Paul Bainbridge, Rose Green, Kitty Budkiewicz, Angela Poole-Chivers, Mgr Michael Buckley, Sr Sheila Phillips, Alice Hopkins, Kitty Ryan, Bill Middleton, Helen Freeman, Dolores Hackett, Joe Anderson, Luke Blacklaw, Coleman Joyce, Sheila Jenkins and for all who are housebound.

**Tea and coffee** – After the 9am and 11am Masses. Thank you to those who have offered their help with an 11am rota.

**Last Sunday's Collection: £1222-25** Thank you for your generosity.

**Fr Hudson's Society** – This year's Fr Hudson's Appeal throughout the diocese will be the Second Collection **TODAY**.

**Readers' Rota** – the new rota is available from the sacristy today. Please take a copy.

**Parish Youth Group** – Meets this evening, after the 6pm Mass, in the Margaret Roper Room.

**Tuesday Society** – Vincent Lane will present a quiz to which everyone is welcome. Margaret Roper Room, 2pm - 4 pm.

**David Alton** (Lord Alton of Liverpool) will be giving a Public Lecture at Oscott College, this Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> September at 8.00pm. The title of the lecture is: *Christian Citizenship: the duty to get involved*. It will be followed by informal discussion and Night Prayer. All are welcome, and there is no charge or ticket required. Oscott College, Chester Road, Sutton Coldfield, B73 5AA.

**Justice and Peace Group** - The next meeting is this Wednesday (19<sup>th</sup>) at 7.45pm in the MRR. Everyone welcome.

**Mass for the Beginning of the School Year** – This will take place at the 9am Mass next Sunday (23<sup>rd</sup>). All welcome.

**Parish Bazaar** will be on **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November**. Please keep the date free. Planning meeting: Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October, 7.30pm

**Stepping Stones** – The Parents and Toddlers parish-based group has begun again. *There is need for help with this group, setting up and clearing away.* You will be part of a team and always supervised. Please speak to Fr Timothy asap if you can help.

**Bishop Ullathorne School & Humanities College** – There is an Open Evening this Wednesday from 6pm – 8pm and an Open Morning this Thursday from 9am – 11am. These are open to anybody who would like to see all that the school has to offer.

**Youth Group Leaders and Aspiring Youth Leaders** – There is a training day for those involved in Youth Work, at Cardinal Newman School in Coventry on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> September from 9.30am to 6.00pm. Further details: [maria.bracken@bcys.co.uk](mailto:maria.bracken@bcys.co.uk).

**Consecration of Corpus Christi Church** – A very significant moment in the life of any parish, and a very beautiful and moving ceremony if anybody is able to go along. Fr Adrian MacNamara invites all of the parishioners of St Thomas More Parish to attend the ceremony on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2007 at 7.00pm. This is a celebration of the life of the Church you will never forget!

**South Coventry Churches** – We shall host the Christian churches of South Coventry here on the evening of Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm. It will be a service of prayer, and it would be good if parishioners could be here to welcome our friends.

**Coventry Catholic Deanery Website** – [www.coventry-catholicdeanery.org.uk](http://www.coventry-catholicdeanery.org.uk),

**Children's Liturgy of the Word** – This important part of our Sunday 9am Mass requires more helpers, so that the work is shared. Many parents know the value of the work. Please consider offering your services to help, even as part of a team. Thank you.

**Journey in Faith** – These sessions of instruction in the Catholic faith, and an opportunity to learn more, to ask questions, to discuss issues, and to pray together begin again on **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September at 7.45pm** at St John Vianney parish, Bishopton Close, Coventry. Everybody is welcome, but perhaps somebody you know attending these talks might require an invitation from you, or even your encouragement in coming with them. It is a Journey, an experience of growing in faith together. Think about how that invitation you make to somebody who is not a Catholic, or who needs some direction in their life could affect them, and possibly change their life. The sessions are open to people of all ages. They finish at 9.30pm each week.

**Mass for Healthcare Workers of the Parish** – Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October at 7.00pm here in church. This Mass will be celebrated on the Feast of St Luke the Evangelist, who is the Patron Saint of Doctors, Physicians and Surgeons. Fr Michael Brandon from All Souls Parish (and former Chaplain at Walsgrave Hospital) will preach at this Mass, in recognition of the many people in our parish who are – or have been – involved in the many areas of healthcare, to ask for God's blessing on your work and vocation.

**First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation in 2008** – If you – or anybody you know (living in St Thomas More parish) has a child now in Year 3 who wishes to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and the Eucharist in the coming year, or a child in Year 6 who wishes to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in the coming year, please let Fr Timothy have written details of your request as soon as possible. Courses for those not at St Thomas More school will begin this autumn.

**Mass Offerings** – Please *write down* the name of the person for whom you wish a Mass to be offered, with your offering.

**Newman Association** – The talks for the coming year will all come under the heading of 'Justice and Peace'. The next talk will be by Pat Gaffney, General Secretary of Pax Christi, and an internationally renowned speaker. It will take place on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> September at 7.45pm in the Margaret Roper Room. All parishioners and friends are welcome to this and any of the talks.

**Churches Together in Coventry and Warwickshire** – A discussion on the meaning of communion and community, entitled: *Does the breaking of bread unite or divide us?* Led by Sr Cecily Boulding OP former member of ARCIC (Anglican / Roman Catholic Dialogue). To be held on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm at Holyhead Road United Reformed Church. All welcome.

**Diocesan Annual Justice and Peace Assembly** – Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October at St Peter's Catholic Secondary School, Solihull.

**World Youth Day 2008** – *A gentle reminder to anybody planning to do the run that they need to register for it asap at [www.ladygodiva-halfmarathon.co.uk](http://www.ladygodiva-halfmarathon.co.uk).* Parishioners will be invited to sponsor runners. Any parishioners whose work situation agrees to match charity sponsorship is asked to make themselves known, as such sponsorship for the event would be most welcome.

**Age to Age** – The new album by CJM which was released last week, and which is the basis for the concert they will give here on Saturday 17th November. Read about the project, and hear some of their new – and traditional – songs at [www.cjmmusic.com/age-to-age](http://www.cjmmusic.com/age-to-age)