

ST. THOMAS MORE NEWSLETTER

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

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Trinity Sunday (Year A)

May 18th 2008

Parish Child Protection Representatives –

Mrs. Beryl Gill (Tel. 7650 6220)

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Responsorial Psalm: To You glory and praise for evermore

Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
the God who is, and was, and is to come. Alleluia!

Sunday Masses

9.00am Liz Milling RIP

11.00am People of the Parish

6.00pm Moira Davis (Anniv.)

Next Sunday (Body and Blood of Christ, Year A)

9.00am June Keenan (Anniv.)

11.00am Thomas Boyce (Anniv.)

6.00pm In thanksgiving for the Priesthood

Masses This Week

Monday 9.00am Marie Divine RIP

Tuesday 9.15am Ints of Fr Anthony Franey (sick)

Wednesday 9.00am Rosie O'Connor RIP

Thursday 9.00am Patrick, Molly & Eileen Gallagher RIP

Friday 9.00am Shay O'Reilly RIP

Saturday 9.00am Margaret Ward RIP

7.00pm Mairi McDevitt RIP

7.00pm Ints of Brenda and Gilbert Kendrick

7.00pm Stephen Timbrell RIP

No Evening Mass here. Mass at St John Vianney at 7.30pm.

7.00pm Ints of Lourdes pilgrims and parishioners

No Confessions today

RIP – Jeff Blackwell, Daphne Lister, Marlene Hubbard, Vincent Rutter, Ken Pickett, Angela Poole-Chivers, Joyce Taylor, Edward Kavanagh, Margaret O'Shea, Stephen Timbrell, William Mullen, Noreen McLeod.

Anniversaries:- Mgr. John Humphreys, Mgr. Wilfrid Moore, Margaret Pyle, Elizabeth Freeman, Hazel James, Frederick Harris, Walter Sidwell, Alexander Rossborough, Peter Pawsey, David Hawthorne, Luke Jackson, Michael Meaney, Margaret Gaughan, Francis O'Hanlon, Elizabeth McElroy, Marie Bowen, Mary Lamb, Rita McGovern, Ann Stapleton, Paul Carr, Mary Tighe, Elizabeth Brown, Ann Conroy, Grace Murphy, James Phee, Ada Jackson, Bridget Bell, Phyllis Ward, Constance Cridland, Con O'Neill, Dave King.

Sick List – Please pray for Archbishop Kevin McDonald, Rev. Tony Colby, Fr Louis Purcell, Fr Anthony Frainey, Ian Crawley, Charles MacKinnon, Hannah McBride, John Leach, Penny Valentine, Leo Keenan, Joan Simmons, Molly O'Connor, Ann Brown, Sinead Heffernan, Fr John Bentley, Ruby Wilson, Rose Green, Jack Holloway, Babies Emily and Jessica Burbury, Baby Matt Lynch, William Grant, Hughie McNaboe, Mary Doran, Anne Donoghue, Anne Thomson, Philomena O'Connor, Angela Moses, Esme Pain, Warren Luyt, Jonjo Rooney, Alice Hopkins, Madeleine Philips, Teresa Johnson, Kitty Ryan, Kevin Bills, Patrick Linthwaite,

Francis Andrews, Bill Middleton, Sr. Angela Black SND, Paul Bainbridge, Mary Reilly, Kitty Budkiewicz, Sr Sheila Phillips, Helen Freeman, Dolores Hackett, Mary Jones, Joe Anderson, Luke Blacklaw, Sheila Jenkins, Cath Gallacher, Barbara Mattock, Sean Sullivan, Roger Moulding, Tony Armstrong, Matthew Plant, Geraldine Batley, Laura Smallwood, Tina Larque, Teresa Mellon, Arthur Thornhill, Tommy Wainwright, Annie Murphy, Veronica Grimshaw, Edna Bevins, Teresa Johnson, Aileen Clifford, David Gormal, PJ Barrett, Joan Gardener, Norman Arnold, Joseph Coughlan and housebound parishioners.

Last Sunday's Collection: Main £ 1232-60 Thank you for your generosity.

Next Sunday – there will be a mission appeal here in the parish, made by the Xaverian Fathers. They will take a Second Collection.

Tea and coffee – After the 9am and 11am Masses, in the Margaret Roper Room today. All parishioners and visitors welcome.

Today at the 11am Mass, we welcome the children who have recently made their First Holy Communion. Next Sunday (25th) will be the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) now kept on the Sunday following the Feast of the Blessed Trinity.

Plant Orders – plants will be available to you today as agreed. Thank you for your generous support of the Parish SVP and World Youth Day fundraising that has been achieved through the purchases of plants.

World Youth Day – There will be a Fundraising Car Wash during Sunday Masses **today**. You will be invited to have your car washed as you arrive at Masses on that day. Donations will go towards the trip to Sydney this July. Thank you for all the support you have given to this venture so far. It is much appreciated by the young people who will be going, and their families.

St Thomas More Pre-School - Saint Thomas More Pre-School is looking to recruit a Pre-School Assistant on a temporary contract with effect from 9th June 2008 and ending on 16th July 2008. Monday-Friday, 8.25am-11.55am. The successful candidate will need a minimum of NVQ Level 2 or equivalent. Application packs available from Saint Thomas More Primary School. Closing date: Monday 2nd June 2008 at 12.00 noon. (Please note School is closed for half-term ~ 26th – 30th May).

May is the Month of Mary – The Rosary will be prayed each Friday at 1.40pm at the Statue of Our Lady of Coventry, in town.

Parish Fete – Sunday 22nd June – The next planning meeting for the fete is tomorrow (Monday 19th) at 7.30pm.

Helpers Needed: There are many stalls that depend on helpers, and we need groups of friends who could take responsibility for a particular stall. Please think about offering your help in this way. Please let Fr Timothy know if you can help in this way. Thank you for imaginative prizes already donated. Please try to think of this year's Feast Day Parish fete special and memorable.

Tuesday Society – 2pm – 4pm, Margaret Roper Room. All welcome. This week there will be a Music Quiz.

Newman Association – This Tuesday evening at 7.45pm in the Margaret Roper Room. Fr Ron Darwen sj will speak on 'Hope and the Coming of the Kingdom. All parishioners and friends are welcome.

Justice and Peace – The parish group will meet again **this Wednesday (21st May)** at 7.45pm in the Margaret Roper Room.

Extend - Meets this Thursday as normal.

Journey in Faith – This Thursday (22nd May) at 7.30pm, there will be a Mass at St John Vianney, to celebrate in a spirit of thanksgiving with those who have received the Easter Sacraments this year, but also as an anniversary celebration for those who have been received into the Church at any time. All parishioners and friends are welcome to this Mass. We continue to pray for those who have recently become members of the Church. We pray for their families and all who have been touched by this Journey of Faith.

The Journey of Faith will begin again here at St Thomas More from September 2008 Why not come along and bring a friend?

Lourdes Pilgrimage The coach leaves STM for Stansted Airport at 2.00am on Saturday 24 May. Today (Sunday) is the last day for receiving petitions for Lourdes. Today is the last opportunity to leave petitions for Lourdes, or contribute toward parish candles.

Catholic Today – The latest edition of the Diocesan newspaper is available today. Priced 50p. Please take a copy home with you.

Raffle Tickets for Parish Fete – A working party required for a couple of hours after the 9am Mass on Thurs 29th May, please.

Pioneers The Annual Mass in honour of the Sacred Heart will take place at the Pioneer Hall on Friday 30th May at 7.30pm.

Coventry Deanery Corpus Christi Procession – takes place this year on Sunday 8th June.

Fathers Day – Sunday 15th June – The 11am Mass will be a joint parish and primary school Mass. All parishioners welcome.

Presentation of Diocesan Awards – Wednesday 25th June at 7.00pm. All parishioners are welcome to this celebration which will be a Mass celebrated by Archbishop Vincent Nichols, recognising charitable work done by many people around our diocese.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes, Hednesford, Staffordshire – Fr Philip Newbold who was ordained a priest in this parish invites you to his new parish in Hednesford, to celebrate the annual pilgrimage and blessing of the sick. It takes place on Sunday 6th July, and it might be possible to organise a coach if there is sufficient interest to go.

Oscott College Presents: *Singing Seminarians: An Evening of Assorted Music* on Saturday 7th June at 7.30pm. Tickets £5. For more details or to book tickets, please contact tickets@oscott.org. Proceeds to charities *Right to Life* and *Cenacolo*.

Re:Act Diocesan Youth Festival – to be held at Oscott College from 27th to 29th June. Organised by the Birmingham Catholic Youth Service, this event is open to Year 10+ aged students. Accommodation will be camping, and there will be many and varied activities during the weekend. Now is the time for young people from our parish to get together and think about going. so if you would like to be considered for a place, please speak to Fr Timothy as soon as possible, and find out more about the event.

Vouchers for Schools – Many thanks for the vouchers received so far. Please keep them coming. They are all appreciated.