

ST. THOMAS MORE NEWSLETTER

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Solemnity of Ss Peter & Paul

June 29th 2008

Parish Safeguarding Representatives –

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Responsorial Psalm: From all my terrors, the Lord set me free

Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church;

and the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. Alleluia!

Sunday Masses

9.00am For Vocations (Catenian Association)

11.00am Breda Gleeson (Anniv.)

6.00pm Ints of Andrew Cullinane & Alison Scott
(Marriage)

Next Sunday (Fourteenth Sunday of the Year, A)

9.00am Jim Rees (Anniv.)

11.00am Ints of Amy Kinsella & Mark Mitrofanuk (Marriage)

6.00pm Special Int. (McDermott family)

Masses This Week

Monday 9.00am Cian O'Driscoll

Tuesday 9.15am May Donnelly RIP

Wednesday 9.00am Ints of Anne Kenny

Thursday 9.00am Ints of Wendy Liles (Birthday)

Friday 9.00am Margaret Pyle RIP

Saturday 9.00am Winifred Mary Adams (Anniv.)

12.30pm Marriage of Andrew Cullinane & Alison Scott

7.00pm Joe & Mary Armstrong (Anniv.)

7.00pm Margaret Colby (Anniv.)

7.00pm Albert Brennan

No Evening Mass

7.00pm Marje Stubbs (Anniv.)

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions until 10.30am

RIP – Joe Anderson, Edna Bevins, Thomas Bailey, Miriam McGuinness, Fr Joseph Lanny, Dolores Hackett, Tony Gibbs.

Anniversaries:- Mgr. Patrick Corrigan, Elizabeth Ashurst, Paddy McGoldrick, Catherine Ilsley, Bernard Glynn, Ursula Hammond, William Ferguson, Palmira Bellezza, Percy Bellezza, Edward Wallman-Durrant, Sheila Bateman, Stephen Aspbury, Josiah Fox,

James Pinches, Nora Tebbutt, Margaret Colby, Daniel McCarthy, Paddy Daley, Patrick Connolly, Reg Hone, John Hourihan, Charles Hourihan, John Higgins, John Harris, Margaret Skinner, Mabel Gould, Elizabeth Ashurst, Christina O'Brien, Robert Tomlins, Delia Kelly, Molly Riley, John Leaver, Margaret Carberry, Sarah Chamberlain, Stephen Connolly, Ann Hickey, Victor Brown,

Jan Tomczyk, Patrick O'Brien, James O'Brien, Winifred Adams.

Sick List – Please pray for Fr Louis Purcell, Fr Anthony Fraaney, Ian Crawley, Charles MacKinnon, Ann Brown, Hannah McBride, John Leach, Penny Valentine, Leo Keenan, Joan Simmons, Molly O'Connor, Sinead Heffernan, Fr John Bentley, Ruby Wilson, Rose Green, Jack Holloway, 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, PJ Barrett, Luke Blacklaw, Sheila Jenkins, Cath Gallacher, Barbara Mattock, Sean Sullivan, Roger Moulding, Tony Armstrong, Matthew Plant, Gertrude Kelly, Elizabeth Garry, Laura Smallwood, Tina Larque, Teresa Mellon, Arthur Thornhill, Annie Murphy, Veronica Grimshaw, Joan Gardner, David Gormal, Teresa Johnson, Norman Arnold, Liz Ferguson, Anne Gallimore and housebound parishioners.

Today is the Solemnity of Ss Peter & Paul, Apostles. The prayers and readings today are those of the Feast Day.

The 9am Mass today has been requested 'For Vocations' by the Catenian Association. For details please see www.thecatenians.com.

Year of St Paul – Pope Benedict has asked that the year beginning with today's Feast, should be kept and observed as a year of prayer to and study of the person and writings of St Paul. It marks the 2000th birth of Paul, an influential thinker, teacher and probably the most famous convert to Christianity. Sheets on the writings of St Paul will be distributed and resources in parish shop. To begin this Year of St Paul, in Coventry, there is to be an Ecumenical Service to which all are invited at St Paul's Anglican church, Foleshill Road, CV6 5AJ this Saturday (5th July) at 3.00pm. Open to all ages and recognising St Paul's appeal to all Christians.

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

Last Sunday's Collection: £1267-80 Thank you for your generosity. **Second Collection today** for Peter's Pence.

South Coventry Christian Churches – Joint Service at 6.30pm today at Woodside Avenue Methodist Church. All welcome.

Spires Philharmonic Chorus performs Faure's Requiem at St Barbara's, Earlsdon **this evening** at 7.30pm. Cost £8 (£5)
Tuesday Society – 2pm – 4pm, Margaret Roper Room. All welcome. This week, St Oliver Plunkett's feast means an Irish Quiz.

Extend – meets on Thursday mornings at 10.00am in the Margaret Roper Room. Gentle seated exercise to music. All welcome.

Next Sunday – DayforLife.org – the day in the Church's year dedicated to celebrating the sacredness of life – will focus this year on the theme of mental health. It will help raise awareness of the needs of those affected by mental ill-health, their friends, their family and their carers, and the support that the parish community and professional services can bring. **There will be a Second Collection.**

The 11am Mass next Sunday will include prayers for the children of Year 6 who are preparing to move on to Secondary Schools.

Parish Youth Group – meets after the 6pm Mass today.

Saint Thomas More Pre-School is looking to recruit 2 Pre-School Assistants with effect from 3rd September 2008. Monday-Friday, 8.25am-11.55am. The successful candidate will need a minimum of NVQ Level 3 in Early Years. Application packs available from Saint Thomas More Primary School. Closing date: Monday 30th June 2008 at 12.00 noon. Interview date: 8th July 2008.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes, Hednesford, Staffordshire – Next Sunday (6th July). The coach will leave from St Thomas More at 12.30pm. You are advised to bring a picnic lunch, and a folding chair or blanket to sit on if you wish. The Main Celebrant of the Pilgrimage Mass will Bishop David McGough. There will be special prayers for the sick.

Parish Fete – Thank you for all of your efforts and hard work which resulted in a fantastic total of **£4,963-38** which will be used to support parish and school projects. A particular word of thanks to the many people who came to help set up for the fete on the Saturday evening, those who worked hard on the stalls, and those who cleared up. The weather held, and it was a lovely occasion. Such events are always supported by generous donations of prizes and this year the complimentary drink. Thank you to you all. A comprehensive list of the prize winners at the Fete can be found on the notice boards at both church doors today.

Ubi Caritas Awards – Thank you to all who made last Wednesday's Mass at St Chad's Cathedral and the celebration that followed back here in the Margaret Roper Room so memorable. Congratulations to Mary Hulme, Claire Rutter and Mandy Kelly who received the award from Archbishop Vincent, in recognition of over 25 years each leading Brownies and Guides in our parish. A special word of thanks to young people from our parish who served, read, represented Brownies and Guides, and helped back here.

Bishop Ullathorne Catholic School & Humanities College – Open Evening – This Thursday (3rd July) 6pm – 8pm. Why not take this opportunity to visit our Catholic Secondary School, which Ofsted judged to be 'good' earlier this year. Why not decide on your child's future based on your own knowledge, ask your own questions, and continue to see the value of Catholic education.

Marriage Encounter Weekend – at Oscott College, Chester Road, Sutton Coldfield, B73 5AA, from Friday 4th to Sunday 6th July. This is an enrichment for couples who wish to spend time reflecting on their relationship in the context of presentations on the Catholic Church's vision and support for marriage. Apart from mealtimes and the concluding Mass, the weekend is spent together as a couple. It is a private weekend with no group discussion. More information at www.wme.org.uk or at 01495 228125.

World Youth Day – Fr Timothy and 10 young adults from our parish will travel first to Melbourne and then to Sydney for this celebration of faith for young adults with Pope Benedict XVI. Your generosity as a parish has made it possible for the young people to make this journey. Please pray for them, that this experience will help them to continue to live out their life of faith in the future. On the evening before they depart (Monday 7th July), the 7pm Mass will be one of thanksgiving and Prayer for a safe journey.

Justice and Peace - the next meeting is on Thursday 10th July at 7.45pm in the Margaret Roper Room. All welcome.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Evesham – Saturday 19th July – Confessions at the Catholic Church in Evesham 10am to 12 noon. Solemn Mass in the Abbey Grounds at 1pm, followed by Procession and Benediction. Main Celebrant is Bishop David McGough,

Dolores Hackett RIP – Ernest Hackett and family thank parishioners for their prayers for his sister who died recently in Ireland.

100 Club Winners for June – 1st £20 Ina Murphy; 2nd £10 Lesley Whelan; 3rd £8 Rachel Thompson; 4th £7 Polly Jurczak; 5th £5 Mr and Mrs Leray; 6th £4 Mrs James. Thank you for your support for the 100 club which benefits our primary school.

Vouchers for Schools – Many thanks for all the vouchers given through the parish to our primary school in recent months.

Cardinal Newman Catholic School – seeks to appoint three Cover Supervisors from this September. Details and application forms are available from the school office on 76 332382 or at admin@cardinalnewman.coventry.sch.uk.