

ST. THOMAS MORE NEWSLETTER

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

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Pentecost Sunday, Year C

May 23rd 2010

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Responsorial Psalm: Send forth your spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful,
and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

Sunday Masses

9.00am June Keenan (Anniv.)

11.00am Ints of Treadwell Family (Wedding Anniv.)

5.55pm Reception into church of Mrs Mollie O'Connor RIP

6.00pm People of the Parish

Next Sunday (Trinity Sunday, Year C)

(Mission Appeal today by the Comboni Missionaries)

9.00am David Gibson RIP

11.00am Miriam McGuinness (Anniv.)

6.00pm People of the Parish.

Masses This Week (Please note – no confessions this Saturday or next Saturday)

Monday 8.30am Service of Word & Holy Communion **11.30am** Funeral Mass for Mrs Mollie O'Connor

Tuesday 9.05am Ints of Kit & Brian Roberts

Wednesday 8.30am Ints of Philip Dermody

Thursday 9.00am Babs Bevin (Anniv.)

Friday 9.00am Service of Word & Holy Communion **7.00pm** Yvonne Sawmy (Anniv.)

Saturday 9.00am Service of Word & Holy Communion followed by *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament* until 10am.

RIP – Mgr Tom Gavin, John Griffin, Sr Mary-Jo Wragg, Mary (Mollie) O'Connor, John Nagle, Clementina (Julie) Cooper;
Fr Augustine Stickland osb, Nicola Murray, Kathleen Kelleher, Mary Smith.

Anniversaries – Constance Cridland, Esther Flanagan, Terence Clifford, Josephine Robinson, Con O'Neill, Edward Browne, Georgine Bruell, Margaret Mulvenna, Johanna Quirke, Phyllis Ward, Dave King, Daniel Yorath, George Preston, David Adams, Mary Butler, Michael Kitson, Bertha Lawlor, Mary Shepherd, Grace Murphy, Mary Harris, Andrew Rothwell, Doreen Ognibene, Jack Swales, Maureen McCormack, Nora O'Sullivan, June Keenan.

Sick List – Please pray for Jane Dewsnap, Paul Bainbridge, Brian Roberts, Doris Lees, Mary Hunt, Patricia Daines, Larry Kelly, Bridget McConnell, Maura Stone, Tommy Wainwright, Danny Doherty, Catherine Shorney, Charmaine Cross, Winnie Gallagher, Joan Pears, Liz Ferguson, Anne Gallimore, Michael Wilson, Nick Byrne, Alan Williams, Jeanne Gould, Helen Freeman, Simon Pamely, Catherine Darragh, Fr Seamus Mulholland and all sick and housebound parishioners, family and friends.

Sunday Morning Tea and Coffee – After the 9am and 11am Masses in the Margaret Roper Room. All welcome.

Today is Pentecost Sunday – The 6pm Mass will be the Enrolment for Confirmation for Year 5 children.

There is to be an Afternoon **Seminar on the Priesthood** at St John Vianney Church that day. It begins at 2pm and will explore 'The History of the Priesthood', 'St John Vianney', 'Priest and People' and 'Priestly Sacrifice'. St John Vianney is the Patron Saint of Priests, and will be declared so by Pope Benedict at the end of this Year for Priests. Please support this initiative, if you can.

Also **today**, A **Celebration of Pentecost 2010** at St Mary's, Raglan Street at 2.30pm. People of all nations welcome.

Last Sunday's Collections Main £1382-12. Second £683-50. **Today** every parish in the country is asked to have a Second Collection towards the cost of the Pope's Visit to our Country. Please take a special prayer card, and Gift Aid your offering, please.

Year for Priests – *This week, the People of God in our diocese are asked to pray for the following priests: Mgr Paul Watson, Fr Peter Weatherby, Fr Brian Whatmore, Fr Edmund Whelan, Fr Paul Whieldon, Fr Michael White, Fr Anthony Wilcox.*

Parish Youth Group – Meets today (Sunday) at 4.15pm in the Margaret Roper Room – Year 6 and above welcome.

SVP – Meets tomorrow (Monday) at 9.00am after the Service of Word & Holy Communion. All welcome.

Memory Support Group – (Monday) at 7.30pm in the Margaret Roper Room. Professional advice & mutual help available.

Tuesday Society – 2pm – 4pm. Margaret Roper Room. This week: *Family Fortunes* with Harry Davenport. All welcome.

Newman Association – This Tuesday at 7.45pm in the Margaret Roper Room. Fr Julian Green speaks on ‘Collegiality & the Church’.

Extend – PLEASE NOTE – No meeting this week or next. Re-commences on Thursday 10th June at the usual time.

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RCIA / Journey in Faith – continues this Thursday at 7.45pm at St John Vianney Church: The purpose of Catholic education.

May is the Month of Mary – The rosary will be prayed each Friday during May, at 1.40pm at Priory Gardens, City Centre.

Ordinary Time resumes tomorrow (Week 8 Year C; Weekday Readings from Year 2 of the Lectionary).

Feasts of this week are: *Tuesday* St Bede the Venerable; *Wednesday* St Philip Neri; *Thursday* St Augustine of Canterbury.

Faith Today – The 2nd Edition of this new Publication of the Bishops’ Conference is out today. Price: £1-95. Do take one.

InVocation – Are you aged between 16 and 35? An important weekend event at Oscott might be for you. www.invocation.org.uk.

Summer Plants & Hanging Baskets – Available for collection today. Proceeds will go towards World Youth Day Fund, July 2011.

London Marathon – Sam Cook looks forward to collecting your sponsorship money, in aid of the Andrew Robinson Trust.

Pilgrimage to Lourdes – Any Petitions and Prayers (no money should be included) to place at the shrine in Lourdes with pilgrims from our parish, should be handed into the presbytery by Thursday of this week, clearly marked. Thank you.

The Parish Fete - Sunday 27th June. Very many thanks to all those who came to the planning meeting last Monday. There were many interesting avenues of discussion including a renewed appeal for home-made cakes on the day,

Rota for Readers – Available today from the sacristy – a rota from now until the summer. Many thanks to John Avery.

Cheylesmore Festival – This event will be taking place around Quinton Pool / Daventry Road on the weekend of 5/6 June. Offers of help are required to make this community event a success, especially if you live in Cheylesmore. To offer your help, please e-mail lizzy.seldon@googlemail.com or phone 07854 117 921.

South Coventry Churches Joint Service at the Festival – Sunday 6th June at 11.00am. Open Invitation to Pray.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Prayer for Reparation – This has been requested by the Bishops of our country on Fridays during May, in recognition of the damage done over years by members of the Catholic Church, by the abuse of children.

So, there will be Exposition for half an hour, before any service or Mass on Fridays of May. All welcome.

Coventry Deanery Corpus Christi Procession – Sunday 13th June. Open to everybody. First Holy Communion children of this year are invited to be part of the procession, celebrating our faith in Christ’s presence in the Eucharist.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Evesham – Saturday 12th June – Solemn Mass in the Abbey Grounds at 1pm; Blessing of the Sick 4pm

Ubi Caritas Awards – Congratulations to Charles Addison, John Brogan and Beryl Gill, who have been awarded the Archbishop’s Diocesan Medal. They will be presented with this award at St Chad’s Cathedral in Birmingham on Thursday 15th July. All parishioners are welcome at this Mass. Nearer the time, there will be an opportunity to sign up for the coach to St Chad’s.

Pope’s Visit to Britain – www.thepapalvisit.org.uk, www.newmancause.co.uk, www.newmanreader.org.

A celebration of the life of Cardinal John Henry Newman: A day-conference to be held at Maryvale, Birmingham on Saturday 12th June. Cost is £30 which includes a buffet lunch and refreshments. For further details please phone 0121 360 8118.

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