**ST. THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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**Sunday 3rd March 2019**

**Mass/service times and intentions**

*For Weekday Masses please use the weekday chapel entrance (via the gate opposite the Colley WMC on Margetson Road and it’s the furthest door).*

**Psalter Week 4**

**SUN 3rd – 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)**

5pm Saturday – Thomas Boland (ANN)

8am Mass at Kirk Edge Convent - Special Intention

**MON 4th – Weekday**

9.25am Morning Prayer

9.45am Mass – Private Intention

**TUES 5th – Weekday**

9.25am Morning Prayer

9.45am Mass – Private Intention

**WED 6th – Ash Wednesday**

8am Mass at Kirk Edge Convent – Special Intention

9.30am Mass in school – Private Intention

7.30pm Mass - Private Intention

**THURS 7th – Lenten Weekday**

9.25am Morning Prayer

9.45am Mass – Private Intention

**FRI 8th – Lenten Weekday**

No Mass/service

**SAT 9th – Lenten Weekday**

No Confessions

**Psalter Week 1**

**SUN 10th – 1st Sunday of Lent (C)**

5pm Saturday – Pat and Joan Kennedy (RIP)

**PARISH NOTICES**

**Loop System for the hard of hearing.** If you have a hearing aid, please turn it to ‘T’.

**Tea/Coffee after Mass** on Saturdays and Thursdays. Everyone welcome.

**Toilet rolls collection for St Wilfrid’s** next weekend.

**St. Thomas More’s SVP** meet on Mondays at 6.40pm in the weekday chapel. All welcome.

**First Holy Communion 2019** for Catholic children Year 4 upwards who have not yet made their First Holy Communion. If you wish your child to be considered for First Holy Communion then please take an information letter from the back of church. It can also be downloaded from the parish website (https://stthomasmoresheffield.weebly.com/) by clicking the Sacramental Preparation page under the more.. button. Please complete the form, in block capitals, at the bottom of the letter and give it to Fr. Martin by hand, email or post along with a copy of your child’s baptism/reception into church certificate by Saturday 16th February. If your child was baptised/received into the church at St. Thomas More’s then just state the date of baptism.

**First Holy Communion preparation**, 6.15pm-7.30pm, Saturdays on:

2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd March

27th April

4th, 11th, 18th May

8th, 15th June.

**Mass of Enrolment and Parental Promise**, Saturday 2nd March, 5pm, St. Thomas More’s.

**First Confessions**-6.30pm, Thursday 25th March.

**First Holy Communion Mass Practice**, 6.30pm, Monday 17th June.

**First Holy Communion Mass**, 5pm, Saturday 22nd June.

**Shop online to raise money for our parish!** Our parish earns the cash donations when people register to support us and shop online through the site. It's a really simple process, all you have to do is: Register at www.easyfundraising.org.uk. When you're asked to choose your cause, select St. Thomas More Catholic Church - Sheffield. Get shopping - it couldn't be easier! There are over 3,500 online retailers available, and all will give a small percentage of what's been spent back to our parish to say thank you for shopping with them.

**Diocesan Caring Services** retiring collection this weekend.

**Hospital Admissions:** If you have a planned admission into hospital and wish to receive the sacrament of the sick please arrange this with Fr. Martin before going to hospital. If you would like to receive Holy Communion while in hospital please phone 2714999 (the non-emergency chaplaincy ansaphone) & state that this is a request for Holy Communion for a **Catholic** patient: giving the **name**, the **hospital site** & the **ward**). The Hospital Chaplains will then put the name on the list which is given to the Eucharistic Ministers on Sundays.

**Parish Social Event**, 7pm, Saturday 6th April: Sample the best food and street food from around India. Calvary caterers will be providing, cooking and serving the food and refreshments. Tickets £10 (£5 for children and other) each on sale now. Please bring your own alcoholic drinks.

**Children’s Liturgy Groups**, every Saturday evening at 5.00pm mass we have 2 Liturgy Groups: Little Fishes for under 7’s & Mustard Seeds for 7-11 year olds. The children’s liturgy group volunteer leaders are Jayne, Angela, Helen and Rachel who help and encourage learning about the weekly gospel through stories, songs, activities and crafts. Please come along and join us! Please note: Children under 7 years old must be accompanied by an adult.

**Parson Cross Churches Together Lent Course 2019**: An opportunity to think of church and mission in a fresh way.7-9pm, Tuesdays, Colley Working Men’s Club. Drinks (including tea and coffee) available to buy at the bar.

12 March Church and Culture

19 March Mission and Church

26th March Church and Community

2nd April Being a Missional Church

9th April Where Next?

16th April Passion/Easter Event

**Offertory. Many thanks.**

24th Feb £364.81

**Our Children’s Liturgy Needs You!** We are currently looking for a couple of new volunteers to join the Children’s Liturgy Team to help out either Little Fishes and/or Mustard Seeds. If we don’t find anyone then unfortunately our groups will not always be available each week at 5pm mass. Our groups are welcomed by parents and enjoyed by the children of our parish learning each week about the gospels through songs, stories and crafts. If you are interested or wanting more information before committing then please see Angela, Jayne or Helen who will be able to speak with you. Thank you.

**Praying for our parish and local community**: Each Sunday, during the General Intercessions in the Mass, we will pray for our parish community and we are encouraged to pray for our parish in our own private prayers too. Also, included in the General Intercessions we will also have a cycle of prayer for the local areas that our parish covers – Ecclesfield, Parson Cross, Grenoside, Southey, Birley Carr and Foxhill.

**We pray for those who are ill including:**

Chris, Linda Burdin, Barry Cooper, Ann Meszaros, Helen Meszaros, Marlene Woodhead, Pam Pritchard, Vincent Rigsby, Terry Daly, Peter Smith, Carolyn Wallis. We pray also for those who care for them.

**We pray for those who have died recently**, and for those who anniversaries occur at this time, Thomas Boland, Mary Day, Helen Turner and William Cross.

**Mass intentions outstanding**

Martin Mutagwaba (RIP/24/12), Beatus Mutagwaba (RIP/21/6), Jason Gregory (RIP, 13/4), Jason Gregory (RIP, 14/9, ANN), Stephen Boland (ANN, 23/3), Christopher Slack (ANN, 10/10), Ernest and Teresa Slack (RIP), Ernest Slack (ANN, 30/12), Teresa Slack (ANN, 17/12), The Hughes Family (7/11)

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| **Rotas** | |
| **Readers** | |
| This week | Gerrard Smith  Anne Murphy |
| Next week | Robert Kozlowski  Mary Carr |

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| **Counters** | |
| This week | Andrew Goddard  Carmel Doyle |
| Next week | Cath Hughes  Rob Hughes |
| **Church Cleaning** | |
| This week | Next week |
| Irene Wild  Margaret Clossick  Ann Frain  Kevin Frain  Dell | Brian Gannon  Irene Gregory  Lucinda Froggatt  Pat Smith  Ai Ti |

**DEANERY, DIOCESAN AND OTHER NOTICES**

**Shalom Lenten Retrea**t given by Fr. George Antony, 6pm and 8.30pm, Monday 18th March at St. Patrick’s.

**Lent At the Convent, St. Mary’s High Green**. Come and join us on the Tuesdays in Lent (12th, 19th, 26th March , 2nd April), 2pm-3.30pm. We will be using the DVD ‘The Joy of Hope) to lead us into sharing and prayer. All are welcome.

**St Philip’s Parson Cross Community Prayer Walks**. Various prayer walking routes of various distances have been created. We will spend an hour walking (9.30-10.30am) - praying for the surrounding streets/shops/churches/pubs, etc. as we go. Then we will meet for a drink (10.30-11am), chat about what God’s been saying, and pray together to finish. So we can cover as much of the local area as possible, we’ll be starting from different points each week and ending at different coffee shops. These are the meeting points, all at 9.30am. All are welcome to join.

Mar 8 - meet outside Learning Zone

**St Wilfirid's Centre** are looking to increase our volunteer number and are looking for volunteers for the following roles.

Cafe - alternate Friday morning

Kitchen - Wednesday or alternate Friday

Befriending - Monday morning

Pottery - Monday morning or Tuesday afternoon

Allotment - Tuesday morning or Wednesday morning

Literacy - Thursday morning

Computer - Friday morning

Woodworking Workshop - Monday morning, Tuesday morning, Wednesday afternoon, Friday morning.

Welcomer, cafe and kitchen to cover on an emergency/ad hoc basis

St Wilfrid's Centre supports vulnerable socially excluded and islotated adults. We are open Monday to Friday and welcome all those in need. Without our volunteers we could not maintain the level of support and services currently on offer. If you wish to find out more about volunteering, please contact Tracey Harrison-Marr on 0114 2555720 option 2 or email tracey@stwilfridscentre.org

**Up for a challenge? Help support St Wilfrid's Centre in 2019.**

**Sheffield Half Marathon**: Join the St Wilfrid’s Team and take part in the Sheffield Half Marathon on Sunday 14th April. Get in touch for a place. Min sponsorship: £80.

**St Wilfrid’s Sleep Out 2019**. Returning for its second year on Friday March 29th. But with a difference. This year we are challenging you to sleep in our car park. One night only. Experience for yourself what it is like to sleep outside, next to a busy road. Breakfast, hot drinks, toilets and cardboard provided. Interested? Visit: www.stwilfridscentre.org for more details.

**Next Sunday’s Readings**

Reading 1 – Gn 15:5-12, 17-18

Res. Ps. - Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14

Reading 2 - Phil 3:17—4:1

Gospel – Lk 9:28b-36