**ST. THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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**Sunday 24th February 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 3**

**SUN 24th – 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)**

5pm Saturday – Honorah Crowley (ANN)

8am Mass at Kirk Edge Convent - Special Intention

**MON 25th – Weekday**

9.25am Morning Prayer

9.45am Mass – Dorothy and Michael Gannon (RIP)

**TUES 26th – Weekday**

9.25am Morning Prayer

9.45am Mass – Private Intention

**WED 27th – Weekday**

8am Mass at Kirk Edge Convent – Special Intention

9.25am Morning Prayer

9.45am Mass – Private Intention

**THURS 28st – Weekday**

9.25am Morning Prayer

9.45am Mass – Carl Laurie (RIP)

**FRI 1st – St. David (Feast)**

No Mass/service

**SAT 2nd – Weekday**

4.15-4.45pm Confessions

**Psalter Week 4**

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

5pm Saturday – Thomas Boland (ANN)

8am Mass at Kirk Edge Convent - Special Intention

**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.

**St. Thomas More’s SVP** meet on Mondays at 6.30pm in the weekday chapel. All welcome.

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

**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.

**Food Bank Collection this weekend**. This month UHT milk, baked beans, rice, tinned fruit, rice pudding and instant mash are needed. Shampoo, toothpaste and soap are also needed.

**Parish Meeting** on Tuesday 26th February at 7pm in the weekday chapel.

**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.

**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.**

17th Feb £256.03

**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.

**New Rotas for Readers and Counters** will begin on the 1st Saturday in March.

**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, Nora Crowley, Pauline Fidler Dorothy Cropper and Thomas Boland.

**Mass intentions outstanding**

Martin Mutagwaba (RIP/24/12), Beatus Mutagwaba (RIP/21/6), Jason Gregory (RIP, 13/4), Jason Gregory (RIP, 14/9, ANN), 5x Private Intention, Stephen Boland (ANN, 23/3), Pat & Joan Kennedy (ANN, 16/3)

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| **Rotas** | |
| **Readers** | |
| This week | Margaret Clossick  Agi Jallo |
| Next week | Gerrard Smith  Anne Murphy |

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| **Counters** | |
| This week | Brian Gannon  Brenda Gannon |
| Next week | Andrew Goddard  Carmel Doyle |
| **Church Cleaning** | |
| This week | Next week |
| Brenda Gannon  Andrew Goddard  Kate Nicol  Lorina Willey | Irene Wild  Margaret Clossick  Ann Frain  Kevin Frain  Dell |

**DEANERY, DIOCESAN AND OTHER NOTICES**

**Friendship and Bingo**, 1-3pm, Mondays at Parson Cross Forum, St. Thomas More’s. Call Louise on 3279727 to find out more.

**Hallam Caring Services now** has a free, confidential counselling service - by men, for men. To arrange an appointment telephone Bernie Ware 0114 2566408/07980406198.

**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 1 - meet outside Cafe Express (Southey)

Mar 8 - meet outside Learning Zone

**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 – Sir 27:4-7

Res. Ps. - Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16

Reading 2 - 1 Cor 15:54-58

Gospel – Lk 6:39-45