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ST THOMAS MORE, SHELDON

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St. Thomas More Primary Sch. Horse Shoes Lane, B26 3HU Tel: 0121 743 3289. Exec. Principal: Mrs Rebecca Nash	<h2 style="margin: 0;">PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD</h2> <h3 style="margin: 0;">14th APRIL 2019 - Year C</h3>	St. Andrew's Primary & Nursery Sch. Windrush Close, B92 8QL Tel: 0121 743 5675. Head Teacher: Mr Kevin Kelly
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Masses

Sat	5:30pm	Anne McGowan, RIP Anniv.
Sun	8:30am	Special Intention
	10:30am	Grace Family
Mon	9:00am	Winnie Gallagher, RIP
	6:30pm	Hannah Nolan, RIP
Tue	9:00am	Rose McDaid, RIP
	7:00pm	Mary Poole
Wed	9:00am	Catherine Bussey, RIP
	7:00pm	Martina Lennon, RIP
Thur	7:00pm	Caroline Sheeran, RIP

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour – Tuesday during 7:00pm Mass.
Rosary is recited daily after Morning Mass.
Eucharistic Adoration
 See Holy Week Schedule
Morning Prayer of the Church: Mon,Tue, Wed, 8:45am. See Easter Triduum Schedule.
Sacrament of Confession:
 See Holy Week Services.
Stations of the Cross – Good Friday 6:30pm

Parish Societies:
SVP – Second Saturdays, 9:45am
Legion of Mary Thurs after Mass
Choir Practice: Thurs, Fri, Sat 11am
Thursday Club resumes May 2nd.
Journey in Faith resumes Apr 29th.

Mass Intentions for Next Weekend

Sat	8:00pm	Easter Vigil, Martin Rooney, RIP Anniv
Sun	8:30am	Deery Family, Ints
	10:30am	Carmel Hemmings, RIP

Recently Deceased:
Annie Mortimer Reception Sun, 28th April 6:30pm, Funeral Mass Mon, 29th April 9:30am.
May she rest in peace

Legion of Mary – General Meeting Times
Adult Group – Thurs Eves 7:45pm
Junior Group – Friday Eves 5:45pm
 Both meet in the Parish Centre.
School Groups (Term Time)
 St Thomas More's, Mondays ,3:30pm
 St Andrew's, Fridays 3:45pm

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES 2019
Palm Sunday 14th Palms' blessing at all Masses
Monday 15th: Masses 9:00am & 6:30pm.
Parish Penitential Service, 7:00pm.
Tuesday 16th & Wednesday 17th: Masses 9:00am & 7:00pm.
Confessions after all morning Masses
Holy Thursday 18th: Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 10:30am. Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00pm with commissioning of Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist. Watching Blessed Sacrament till Midnight.
Good Friday 19th: Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 10:30am. Procession of witness, leaves church 11:10am. **Liturgy of the Passion 3:00pm, followed by Confessions until 5:00pm.** Stations of the Cross 6:30pm, followed by reflections on the 7 Last Words of Our Lord, led by our young people.
Holy Saturday 20th: Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 10:30am.
Confessions 2:00pm-3:00pm. Blessing of Easter baskets 3:30pm.
NO 5:30PM MASS - Easter Vigil at 8:00pm
Easter Sunday 21st April: 8:30am & 10:30am

Penitential Service
 Our parish Holy Week penitential service will take place on Monday at 7pm. 3 to 4 priests will be available for Confession. Perhaps you could encourage lapsed family members or friends to attend and be reconciled with Christ for Easter.

First Holy Communion Preparation for Children in non-Catholic Schools
 Our group meets on Sunday mornings in the parish centre at 9:30am. If your child is in year 3 or above at a non-Catholic school and has not yet made his/her First Holy Communion, they are most welcome.
First Holy Communion Weekend: Saturday 18th. and Sunday 19th May

Ecumenical Easter Events
Walk of Witness: Leaves church 11:10am, Good Friday morning, to gather opposite the former "Wheatshaf" for an open air service. Please support this powerful act of witness.
Easter Sunday Morning Sunrise service 6am, by Elmdon Church.

Divine Mercy Novena
 This Novena, asked for by Our Lord, begins on Good Friday and concludes on the 2nd Sunday of Easter, now known as Divine Mercy Sunday. There is a sheet explaining the significance of this devotion available in the porch

I am very grateful to Mrs Rebecca Nash for the work she has done as executive principal in St Thomas More's school since September. Every blessing for the future!

We welcome into the family of our Parish **Conor Crowton and Elijah Sadler**, baptised here last weekend.

St Thomas More's Youth Group
 Re-Launch Friday 3rd May. More details nearer the time.


Day of Renewal – Saturday 4th May 2019 Oscott College. Speaker Derek Williams. 9:00am Registration. 10:00am Praise & Worship. See Poster in porch.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS – 07/04
 Gift Aid £230.65 ~ Non-GA £538.82
This Weekend – Retiring collection for the Clergy Training Fund
EASTER COLLECTIONS
Holy Thursday ~ Lenten Alms
Good Friday ~ Holy Places.
Next Weekend ~ *Second Collection is your Easter offering to our parish priests – envelopes are available.*

40 days for Life
 The prayer campaign concludes this Sunday, Apr 14th. with Stations of the Cross at 6:45pm outside the Marie Stopes abortion centre, 4 Arthur Road, Edgbaston, B15 2UL
 At least 8 babies have been saved this year, thank God!
March for Life
 This will take place in London on Saturday 11th. May 2019. A coach will be going with local pick up points.
 Contact Brian Healy 07726311261

Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes - Saturday 25th. May-Friday 31st. May 2019. Prices: By coach, from £444. By air, from £774. More info. available from the Lourdes Office on 0121-230-6288 or lourdesadmin@rc-birmingham.org

Rosary for the Unborn
 Please join the Knights of St Columba and SPUC in praying for the unborn. This campaign is being organised in honour of the centenary of the Knights of St Columba. Prayer leaflets in the porch.

St. Thomas More's Parish Tote JACKPOT NOW £2,150
 Result for 09/04/19 
04-13-23-24
 Next draw will take place On **Tues 16th April after Mass**

The Birmingham Passion Play 2019
Performances: 16th. 17th and 18th April in Birmingham City Centre. Set up from 10am, Performances from 12.30pm-2pm, Set down to 3.30pm. For info, e-mail Steve Knight, our Event Safety Officer, at stevek@saltmine.org or call Saltmine Trust on 01384 454800

Prayer Sponsors for 1st Holy Communicants Would you be willing to be a prayer sponsor for a child in our parish as he or she prepares for First Holy Communion? It would just involve keeping the child in your daily prayers at this important time. Please sign sheet

Job Vacancy: Manager required at Harvington Hall – Full job description on the poster in the porch

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham Sat 11th May 2019. Coach from Holy Family parish, Small Heath, leaving at 7:15am, returning 9pm. Cost £20 adults, £10 school age children. To book a place, phone 0121-772-0059

There are plenty of Easter cards available at the piety shop, also the free diocesan magazine- "The Sower."

SICK: Hugh Murphy, Chris O'Shea, Mary Marie, Magda Skrybant, Pam Firkins, Cornelius McKay, Rosie Smith, Peter Fahy, Joseph Fahy, Joan Morris, Sally Woodcock, Montana Coughlan, Stephanie Allsop, Maria Walton, Cameron Cuddihy, Ann Taylor, Richard Coe, Etti Devine, Nora Mills, Daniel Meadows, Darlene Tideswell, Freya Williams, James Dalton, Paul Ryan, Mary Griffiths, John O'Sullivan, Elaine Collins, Lilian Collins, Gillian Cox, Josephine Conboy, Rita Duffy, Margaret Kelly, Joanna Jones, Michael Wallis, Val Plesser, Jean Cole, Charlotte Moriarty, Ami Mucklow, Danny Moore, Jeanette Kilmartin, Demie & Danielle Pinches, Santhamma Abraham, Mary Cusack, Kathleen Widdop, Kathleen Biddles, Baby Jacob, Anne O'Donnell, Justin Bull, Annie Mortimer, Pdraig Mannion, Hugh Hanratty, David Comerford, Margaret Bond, Ann Heath, Keith Allen, Andrea Cadman, Marie Ryan, Caelan McGurk.

Eucharistic Ministry Training in our parish, June 22nd.

Gift Aid Envelopes available in the porch at weekend masses or in the sacristy @ weekday Masses.

ANNIVERSARIES: Canon Hodgson, Fr Edwards, Fr Browne, Fr Moore, Fr Smith, Fr Slade, Fr Downey, Michael Hendry, Elsie Cook, Josie Whittall, Anne Mitchell, Eugene Donaghy, Michael Naughton, Maurice Fullard, Bernadette Fallon, Wadaw Piereclis, Muiread Teague, Edward McCann, Thomas Stewart, Anne Cleary,

Big Easter Church Cleaning Wednesday 17th April after morning Mass. The more the merrier!

Rotas for 21st April 2019			
	5:30pm	8:30am	10:30am
Readers:	E	D	A
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:	D	C	E
Cleaning:	I.Buckley, S.Smith		
Counting:	F.Perkins, T.McGroy		
Brasses:	S.Hall, C.McGroy		