

Saint Thomas the Apostle

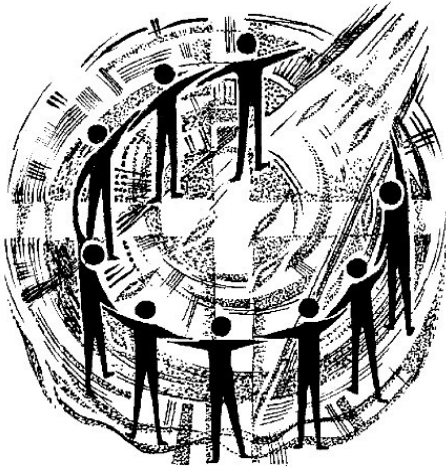
The parish church of Longford & Hawkesbury

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Seeking to maintain and practice the traditional faith of the Church.

Sunday 2nd May 2010

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (C)



Welcome to the Parish Mass

A particularly warm welcome to those who are worshipping with us for the first time today

It is our custom at S. Thomas' to observe a period of silent prayer to prepare ourselves for worship.

For those who have hearing difficulties, please select the "T" switch on your hearing aid.

After the entrance hymn our children gather in front of the altar to begin their Liturgy of the Word.

Smaller children are welcome to use the children's corner during the service under the supervision of an adult.

Please join us in the parish hall for refreshments after Mass.

Parish priest

Father Paul Burch SSC

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Fr Paul's recreation day is Friday

The prayer of the Church

Morning Prayer: Mon-Thurs 9.10am; Sat 9.30am, Sun 9am

Evening Prayer: Sun & Mon-Thurs 6.30pm
Sat 6pm (of Sunday)

All very welcome

Mass times this week

- Mon 3rd **SS. PHILIP & JAMES**
9am MASS
(Grangehurst school)
- Tues 4th The English Martyrs
7pm Mass
(Victims of religious intolerance)
- Wed 5th Weekday of Easter
6.30am Mass (followed by breakfast)
(Parliamentary candidates)
- Thurs 6th Weekday of Easter
No Mass (see note above)
- Fri 7th Weekday of Easter
10.30am Mass at S. Nicholas' Radford
- Sat 8th Weekday of Easter
10am Mass (followed by Coffee Morning)
(Newly-elected government)

NEXT SUNDAY

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

10am PARISH MASS with Children's Liturgy

On duty next week...

Servers: Thomas, Bethany (Ac), Susan (Cr),
Jennifer (Th), James (B), Ian (MC)

Reader: Dave **Prayers:** Rosemary

Eucharistic ministers: Linda, Rosemary

Welcomers: Joy, June

Coffee: Rosemary, Catherine

Please do remember that if you are unable to carry out any of your responsibilities on the rota you should find a replacement *and inform one of the churchwardens*

Fr Paul writes....

Changes to Mass schedule this week

Please note that Mass tomorrow, being a bank holiday, will be at **9am**, not 7pm. Also that Mass on Thursday there will be **NO MASS HERE** because the church is being used as a polling station all day for the council and parliamentary elections. Unfortunately there will be no Mass anywhere in the cluster that day, but there will be a Service of the Word with Holy Communion from the tabernacle at 9.30am at S. Luke's Holbrooks.

Please include in your prayers...

The sick: Elda Cunningham, Connie Jefferies, Hannah Murray, Jane Cartmell, Penny Blight, Barbra Manley, Connie Jackson, Olive Coffel, Katie Hanson, Freda Hibberd, Paul Newton, Chris Wright, Audrey Brickell, Brian Hopley, Ron Stew, Patrick Lanaghan, Elizabeth Shaw, Mont Cleaver, John Todd, Rebecca Mistry, Jacqueline, Samuel Kangethe, John Clarke, Rosemary Parslow, Fr John Philips, Barbara Hyde, Lynn Howe, Bren Hellier, Alexis Wallington, Fr Norman Stevens

The recently departed: James Brown (priest), Kit Carris, Marion Blackstock

Anniversaries of death: Herbert Perkins, William Cox, William Tom Luckman (2nd); Reginald Hickman (3rd); Mary Elizabeth Mozid (5th); Clara Kirby, Henry Bond, Herbert Stansfield (6th); Frances Goalby (7th)

Candidates for Confirmation: Helen Dawson and Jessica Burch

The recently baptized: George Goodson McDonald

All who serve us in public office, and all those standing for parliamentary election.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is available on Saturdays at 5.30pm or by arrangement at other times.

The **Sacrament of Anointing** is available for the sick or prior to an operation. Please ask Fr Paul.

Please contact Fr Paul if you require **Holy Communion at home** due to sickness or incapacity.

The Saint Thomas lamp

burns this week for
those responsible for implementing
the Apostolic Constitution
Anglicanorum Coetibus

Saint Thomas, pray for us.

**Please take this news sheet home for
your use.**

Noticeboard

Fr Paul is at Ansty straight after Mass this morning.

Holy Hour tomorrow evening **postponed**. Also next week's due to clash with Deanery Synod. Apologies.

Deanery Synod Mon 10th May at S. Nicholas' Radford 7.15pm for 7.30pm.

Junior Confirmation preparation Sat at 11am.

Confirmation Mass Helen Dawson and Jessica Burch will be confirmed with others during Bishop Andrew's Easter Stational Mass at S. Oswald's Tile Hill on Tuesday 18th May. Please make every effort to support them on the night.

Church allotment Please see Roger or Karen if you'd like to be involved in tending our church allotment.

Brean Children's Eucharistic Festival Saturday 12th June. If you'd like to go, see Ian or Fr Paul ASAP.

Episcopal Visitation in Coventry cathedral on Wednesday 16th June at 7.30pm. Churchwardens are required to attend; others are encouraged to. Bishop Christopher will admit churchwardens to office.

Church lawns Tony would like a bit of a rest from cutting the church lawns, which has done brilliantly for a good while now. If you could step into the breach, perhaps as part of a small group of people on a rota, that would be hugely appreciated. We've hit the time of year when we must keep on top of the lawns and keep our church grounds generally looking tidy.

Pentecost Praise at Sutton Stop With friends from the other churches we will be gathering at Sutton Stop on Sunday 23rd May at 2.30pm for an informal service. The service will last an hour. Bring a picnic if you wish or go home after Mass, have lunch, then come along. Let's have plenty there, including children and families.

Fr Gary's priestly ordination in the Catholic Church takes place on Sat 12th June at 12noon. He extends a general invitation to friends at Saint Thomas' (see poster on the noticeboard). We hold Fr Gary, Sam, Thomas and Matthew in our prayers at this time.

PCC meeting Tues 25th May at 7pm.