

# 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 8<sup>th</sup> August 2010

19<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## 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)

## Mass times this week

Mon 9<sup>th</sup> **S. TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS**  
7pm MASS  
*(The Jewish people)*

Tues 10<sup>th</sup> **S. LAWRENCE**  
7pm MASS  
*(Deacons)*

Wed 11<sup>th</sup> **S. Clare**  
6.30am Mass (followed by breakfast)  
*(Sisters of the Work, Littlemore)*

Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> Weekday of Ordinary Time  
9.30am Mass (followed by refreshments)  
*(Bishop Andrew)*

Fri 13<sup>th</sup> Weekday of Ordinary Time  
10.30am Mass at S. Nicholas' Radford

Sat 14<sup>th</sup> **S. Maximilian Kolbe**  
10am Mass  
*(Persecuted Christians)*  
(followed by Coffee Morning & Parish Office)

## NEXT SUNDAY

**THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY**

**10am PARISH MASS with Children's Liturgy**

## On duty next week...

**Servers:** (Ac), (Cr),  
(Th), (B), (MC)

**Reader:** George **Prayers:** Karen

**Eucharistic ministers:**

**Welcomers:** Catherine, Joyce

**Coffee:** Joy, June

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 the churchwarden

## Fr Paul writes...

## A remarkable woman celebrated tomorrow

Born on October 12, 1891, of Jewish parents in Breslau, Germany, Edith Stein showed a strong aptitude for learning, and by the time of the outbreak of World War I, she had studied philology and philosophy at the universities of Breslau and Goettingen. Edith was searching for the truth and found it in the Church, initially through her study of the autobiography of St. Teresa of Avila and the works of St. Thomas Aquinas. She was baptized in the Church on New Years' Day, 1922. Following her conversion, Edith became a famous author and philosopher, and spent her days writing, translating, teaching, and lecturing. She entered the Carmelite community at Cologne-Lindenthal on October 14, 1933 and made her profession of vows at the age of 43, taking the name Sister Teresa Benedicta of the Cross. On August 2, 1942, Edith was taken from her monastery and transported by cattle train to the death camp of Auschwitz. The conditions in the box cars were so inhuman that many died or went insane on the four day trip. She died in the gas chambers at Auschwitz and was cremated at the age of 51 on August 9, 1942. She was beatified by Pope John Paul II at Cologne on May 1, 1987, and canonized in Rome twelve years later.

## Please include in your prayers...

**The sick:** Elda Cunningham, Connie Jefferies, Hannah Murray, Jane Cartmell, Penny Blight, Barbra Manley, Connie Jackson, Olive Coffel, 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, Josephine Riley, Bealah Potter

**The recently departed:** John Sidwell, William Potts, Vicky Stafford, Sarah Hambridge

**Anniversaries of death:** Kit Robinson (9<sup>th</sup>); Lisa Pollard (11<sup>th</sup>); Caroline Farmer, Elizabeth Sephton, Margaret Webster, Ivy Gillett (12<sup>th</sup>); Christ & Niki Evripidou

**Those to be married here:** Daniel Nnorom & Ngamanya Nyirenda (14<sup>th</sup> August)

**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  
**the unity of the Church**  
Saint Thomas, pray for us.

## Noticeboard

### Parish Office

For enquiries about Baptism, Marriage please come along to the hall on Saturdays 10.30-11.30am. It is preferable to phone Fr Paul in advance on  
024 7636 4078.

For hall bookings please phone 024 7631 8412

**Going on holiday this year?** Check out the churches in the area now. When you arrive is often too late. Fr Paul may be able to advise. Sunday Mass is our obligation home *and* away.

**Church cleaning** Please see Rosemary if you can give some time to clean church on a rota basis. We do need some more helpers.

**Readers** please collect your readings and notes from the tray on the window sill.

**Saint Thomas lamp** A new list for intentions is now on the board. Just a reminder please: put YOUR name only on the sheet on the board against the date you would like the lamp to burn for your intention AND the intention for your prayer on the small slips on the window sill near S. Thomas. Either hand the slip to Fr Paul or place in the box for news sheet items.

**Walsingham pilgrimage** Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> August.

**Vigilance around church** Please keep an eye on the church building and hall when you are passing during the holiday period. The best way to deter unwelcome visitors is for people to see lots of people going into church frequently during the week!

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