

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 9th May 2010

THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (C)

Mass times this week

Mon 10 th	Weekday of Easter 7pm Mass <i>(Christian Aid)</i>
Tues 11 th	Weekday of Easter 7pm Mass <i>(City Council)</i>
Wed 12 th	Weekday of Easter 6.30am Mass (followed by breakfast) <i>(Church schools)</i>
Thurs 13 th	Weekday of Easter 9.30am Mass (followed by refreshments) <i>(Global care)</i>
Fri 14 th	S. MATTHIAS, APOSTLE 10.30am MASS at S. Nicholas' Radford
Sat 15 th	Weekday of Easter 10am Mass (followed by Coffee Morning) <i>(Our Confirmation candidates)</i>

NEXT SUNDAY

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

10am PARISH MASS with Children's Liturgy

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

On duty next week...

Servers: William, George (Ac), Rachel (Cr),
Bethany (Th), Jessica (B), Susan (MC)

Reader: Rosemary **Prayers:** Karen

Eucharistic ministers: Elizabeth, June

Welcomers: Karen, Jan

Coffee: Vanessa, Linda

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....

Walsingham National Pilgrimage

This takes place on bank holiday Monday 31st May, which happily this year is the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. We will be going as a family, so unfortunately can't offer lifts in our car (unless we strap Thomas to the roof!), but if you could let me know if you intend to go and drive, we could between us provide transport for others who would like to make the day pilgrimage. It's always a good day. 12noon Mass, lunch (usually picnic), then homily and procession around the village.

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, Nellie Veasey

Anniversaries of death: Ron Thompson, Alice Maude Perkins, Henry Joseph Kirk (9th); Helen Tinsley Tudor Jones, Alice Jane Lenton (10th); Eric Harrow (11th); Lily Proctor (12th); Elizabeth Brillinger, John Robinson (14th)

Candidates for Confirmation: Helen Dawson and Jessica Burch

Those to be married: Wayne Rigby & Nicola Gascoigne (this Saturday)

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

Christian Aid

Saint Thomas, pray for us.

Please take this news sheet home for your use.

Noticeboard

Christian Aid week Please take your envelope and support the work of Christian Aid as generously as you can – envelopes back to church ASAP.

Holy Hour tomorrow evening **postponed** due to a clash with deanery synod.

Deanery Synod tomorrow 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 If you can help cutting the grass this year (perhaps as part of a group of people), please have a word with Mary or Fr Paul. If we don't have volunteers, we may have to hire someone to do it.

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'. We hold Fr Gary, Sam, Thomas and Matthew in our prayers at this time.

PCC meeting Tues 25th May at 7pm.