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DAYS, LOCATION AND TIMES FOR MASS: Sat 10th- Sun 18th May 2025

Fourth Sunday of Easter: World Day Prayer for Vocations

DAY	LOCATION	TIME	INTENTIONS
Saturday	St. C.	5.30 pm	The Sweeney Family: Steve Pursehouse
Sunday	St. C.	9.00 am	Conie & the Fernandes Family: Gerry Waldron RIP
Sunday	St. T.	11.00 am	Dorothy Mary Hennessy Green
Sunday	St. C.	1.00 pm	Baptism Gabriel
Tuesday	St. T.	10.00 am	John Madigan
Wednesday	St. T.	10.00 am	Terry & Frances, Strabane
Thursday	St. C.	6.00 pm	Exposition & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
Thursday	St. C.	7.00 pm	Nora Kennedy RIP: Angela McCaffery RIP
Friday	St. C.	9.30 am	Doreen Ray RIP

Second Collection: The Clergy Training Fund

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Saturday	St. C.	5.30 pm	Clive Rathbone: Terence Wall RIP
Sunday	St. C.	9.00 am	Anthony Bradbury
Sunday	St. T.	11.00 am	Bronach Kelly

Confessions - Confessions are heard after Mass upon request or by appointment

Pray for the Sick of our Parishes...

Antonina Alaimo, Giulia Alaimo, Giuseppe Alaimo, Marian Allen, Dee Allsopp, PWB, Brian & Kathy Barnwell, Mrs JT Begue, Josh Begue, Jeff Birkel, Andrew Bright, S.Bu, Patricia Dufficy, Maureen Everitt, Sandra Finch, Christine Holt, Irene Hubbard, Anthony Jones, Josée Joyce, MK, Bronach Kelly, Chris Kennedy, John Lee, John Lewis, Margaret Lloyd, Liliana Montana, Ian Morris, Alan Plant, Lexi Powney, Steven Pursehouse, Elizabeth Reed, Clare Richards, Joan Smith, Mary Spratt, Zofia Stanislawska, Giovanna Vacanti, Rev. Steve Walters, Ray Walmsley, KW, Barbara Wiggins, CHY. **If you would like a name added to or removed from our Parish Sick List, then please contact the Office, thank you.**

Parish Safeguarding Representatives

St. Christopher: Jo Stewart: sg.stchristopher.codsall@rcaob.org.uk

St. Thomas: Angela Walker: sg.stthomas.tettenhall@rcaob.org.uk

Alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on: 0121 230 6240 or safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.

Other Contact details

Parish Administrator: Linda Allen.
Office Hours; Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday. 10am. – 1.00pm.

Parish Sisters: Sisters of St Joseph of Tarbes.

Our Lady's Candle

Intention in St. Thomas' Church



This week: Mary Rock RIP

Next week: Sean Lavis RIP

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Get in touch
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Finance Matters

	St. Christopher	St. Thomas
Gift Aid (+SO)	£535.68	£437.60
Non Gift Aid	<u>£237.96</u>	<u>£146.15</u>
	£773.64	£583.75

Tea and Coffee

Please remember that you are always welcome to join us for refreshments after our Masses.



Livestream

Both churches livestream all Masses and other Services. Please see notice board in church for more details.

Of your charity

Please pray for the soul of Mary Rock and Teresa Blakemore who have died recently.

Mary's Requiem will take place in St. Thomas' on Wednesday 21st May at 12.45pm. Reception into church the night before at 4.30pm.

Eternal rest, grant unto them O Lord.....



The Benedict Way

The next meeting of "The Benedict Way!" is on Wednesday 21st May (not the 14th May) at 7.30pm, in the Beckett Room at St Thomas's Church. The evening will consist of :

- A short study of part of the Rule of St Benedict.
- Lectio Divina on a Gospel reading
- Evening prayer or Compline. All are welcome!

St. Christopher's "TOTS"



Every Tuesday in Term Time children from 0 - 4 years of age meet for Stories, Craft Activities and Songs from 9.30am to 11 am in St. Christopher's Parish Hall. These are the dates for this term.

13th, 20th May: 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th June: 1st, 8th, 15th July

SVP Lectern Appeal and Tombola

A huge thank you to all parishioners who have contributed to the magnificent sum of £2,000.61 raised following the Appeal and also to all who supported the Tombola fund raiser which raised a grand total of £275. Your support enables the SVP to reach out to more families and people experiencing food and energy poverty at this time. Thank you so much.

May, The Month of Mary

In our observance of the Marian month we could take it upon ourselves to bring flowers to Our Lady' Altar in either Church, request an Intention Candle, or lead the morning Rosary before Mass during the week. Our Lady is our Mother as well as Christ's.



Pilgrimage to Lourdes

Munachi, one of our younger parishioners and student at St. Edmunds Catholic Secondary School is funding her way to Lourdes. After each Mass on the weekend of 17th/18th May she will be selling doughnuts for £1 each to help cover her travel expenses to Lourdes so she can join her school in supporting the Diocesan Pilgrimage .

If you have any prayer requests, then I am sure she will take them for you.

Preparation for Confirmation for Children not attending St. Christopher's Primary school

We will meet on a Thursday evening at 4.30pm in St. Christopher's Hall for all sessions. The dates for these sessions are: 15th, 22nd May, 5th, 12th June.

Sacramental Programme 2025 -2026

Those parents with Catholic children **currently in Year 2** or above whether in St. Christopher's school or not are invited to apply for the Sacraments of First Confession and First Holy Communion.

Those parents with Catholic children **currently in Year 5** or above whether in St. Christopher's school or not are invited to apply for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Whether you are applying for the Sacrament of Confession, Communion or Confirmation please email, telephone or speak directly to Fr. David to arrange an appointment.

Fr. David would like to meet you as a family where possible just as you did when you applied to have your child Baptised, to discuss the next stage in your child's faith journey.

Fr. David would like to meet you before the end of this Academic Year.

On another note; some adults in our parishes for a number of reasons have found that they were not Confirmed. If this is something you would like to pursue, please let Fr. David know. Thank you.

Mini-Vinnies - Spring Party



On Friday 23rd May after the 9.30am Mass between 10.30am -



11.45am, our Mini-Vinnies from school are hosting a coffee morning for the parishioners of the Parish.

Habemus Papam !

Cardinal Robert Prevost became the 267th Pope on Thursday 8th May. He appeared on the balcony of St. Peter's Basilica, and was introduced to the world as Leo XIV.

Lord, source of eternal life and truth, give to your shepherd a spirit of courage and right judgment, a spirit of knowledge and love.

By governing with fidelity those entrusted to his care, may he, as successor to the Apostle Peter and Vicar of Christ, build your Church into a sacrament of unity, love and peace for all the world. Amen.

Ubi Petrus, ibi Ecclesia"

"where Peter is, there is the Church".

Please keep our churches places of prayer

Courtesy and common sense strongly suggest keeping a reverent, silent atmosphere in church. Our church buildings are meant to be sacred spaces where people can come to be in the presence of God in an especially focused way. Before Mass the faithful are encouraged to recollect themselves in preparation for Mass.

While brief, quiet interactions are acceptable, the aim is to avoid the kind of general chatter that might be found in other public spaces. If we find ourselves distracted by other people's talking in church, sometimes the best thing to do is to recall the "little way" of St. Therese of Lisieux and use the noise as an opportunity to grow in patience and charity.

2 people talking in church, stops 40 people praying

DEADLINE FOR ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER IS 12 NOON ON THURSDAY