

# St Christopher. Wolverhampton Road. Codsall. WV8 1PF St Thomas of Canterbury. Haywood Drive. Tettenhall. WV6 8RF

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# DAYS, LOCATION AND TIMES FOR MASS: Sat 20th Apr - Sun 28th Apr 2024

# **Fourth Sunday of Easter: Vocations Sunday**

DAY	LOCATION	TIME	INTENTIONS
Saturday	St. C.	5.30 pm	Steve Hirst
Sunday	St. C.	9.00 am	Anne Kearns RIP
Sunday	St. T.	11.00 am	Beneficiaries of the SVP
Sunday	St. C.	1.00 pm	Baptism: Sullivan
Tuesday	St. T.	10.00 am	Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion
Wednesday	St. T.	10.30 am	Requiem Mass: Fernando José
Thursday	St. C.	6.00 pm	Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
Thursday	St. C.	7.00 pm	Frank Crawford RIP
Friday	St. C.	9.30 am	Stuart Grantham RIP: Laura May Grantham RIP
Fifth Sunday of Easter			
Saturday	St. C.	5.30 pm	Jerald Joseph Birthday: Georgina Zambrini
Sunday	St. C.	9.00 am	Roger Page RIP
Sunday	St. T.	11.00 am	Flossie McHale RIP: Peter O'Leary
Second Collection - Weekend of 20th/21st April for Clergy Training Fund			

# Our Lady's Candle

**Other Contact details** Permanent Deacon: Rev. Mr Steve Walters Parish Administrator:

Office Hours; Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday. 10am. – 1.00pm.

> Intention in St. Thomas' Church

#### This week:

Linda Allen.

Parish Sisters: Sisters of St Joseph of Tarbes. 33 Alameda Gardens, WV6 9EX. Tel. No: 01902 751 614

The McGlacken Family

#### Next week:

The Pinnock Family

# **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.

The Sacrament of Confession is celebrated after Mass, Tuesday - Saturday on request by letting Fr. David know either before or after the Mass or by appointment. Thank you!

Pray for the Sick of our Parishes... Antonina Alaimo, Giuseppe Alaimo, Marian Allen, Dee Allsopp, PWB, Brian & Kathy Barnwell, Mrs JT Begue, Jeff Birkel, S.Bu, Julian Chalmers, Linney Ecclestone, Maureen Everitt, Sandra Finch, Jeff Gibbs, Christine Holt, Irene Hubbard, Anthony Jones, Josée Joyce, MK, Chris Kennedy, John Lewis, Margaret Lloyd, Liliana Montana, Ian Morris, Agnes Osakwe, Lexi Powney, Doreen Ray, Clare Richards, Mary Rock, Joan Smith, Maura Smith, Mary Spratt, Zofia Stanislawska, Leon Thompson, Giovanna Vacanti, CHY, Ray Walmsley, Barbara Wiggins.

If you would like a name added to or removed from our Parish Sick List, then please contact the Office, thank you.

#### **Finance Matters** St. Thomas St. Christopher Gift Aid (+SO) £528.00 £371.80 Non Gift Aid £206.20 £130.08 Total £734.20 £501.88

#### **Tea and Coffee**

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

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### Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVP) Get in touch secretaryf021402 @svp.org.uk

#### St. George's Day 23rd April

St. George is the patron Saint of England.
To all our English parishioners and all who have chosen to make England their home, we wish you

# Happy St. George's Day



#### St. Christopher "TOTS"

St. Christopher's "TOTS" Group meet on a Tuesday during Term time in St. Christopher's Hall, 9.30am -11am. The group is aimed at children from 0 years to 4 years of age. The morning consists of, Stories, Craft Activities and Song. **The dates are**: 23rd April (St. George's Day), 30th April, 7th May, and 21st May.

N.B. there will be no "TOTS" on Tuesday 14th May.

### From St. Thomas' Archives - On different levels of giving

The Tip Level - My small change to God

The Entertainment Level - Give when I go

The Emotional level - Give when I feel like it

The Dream Level - Give when things get better

The Someday Level - I'll give...if...but...when...

Or

#### The true Christian Level

We will give for the pure joy of giving... Systematically, Conscientiously, Generously, Sacrificially

Membership in the parish church is - *Your Right* Its maintenance and expansion is -*Your Responsibility* 

The opportunity to give to your Church is -Your Privilege
The joy of knowing you are playing your part is -Your Reward

Thank you for your continual support, great and small!

#### Over 60's Club

St Thomas' Newman Centre hosts a club for the over 60's, Monday afternoons 1pm - 4pm. Over 60 ? You're all welcome! So come along!

#### **Body Balance Class**

St. Christopher's hosts a Body Balance Class each Tuesday afternoon in Term time only. From 1.30pm - 2.30pm you are invited to come along to stretch your mind and body.

#### Ascension Thursday - Thursday 9th May

As Ascension Thursday is a Holy Day of Obligation and our schools are in term, Mass times and locations will be:

#### Ascension Thursday 9th May

9.30am Mass - St. Christopher's Church

6.00pm Exposition and Benediction of

the Blessed Sacrament - St. Thomas' Church

7.00pm Mass - St. Thomas' Church

### **Good Shepherd Sunday - Vocations Sunday**

The 4th Sunday of Easter is known as Vocations Sunday or Good Shepherd Sunday, and is marked as the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. The purpose of this day is to fulfil Jesus' instruction to "ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers into his harvest" (Matthew 9:38).

While appreciating all vocations, the Church concentrates her attention on raising up shepherds for God's people -vocations to Holy Orders (the priesthood and diaconate) and to the religious life - while encouraging all who are discerning their vocation to pray more earnestly that they may hear and respond to God's call.

#### Of your charity...

Please pray for the soul of Fernando Filipe José, Terrance Wall, and Antonio Colabella. *Eternal rest, grant unto them O Lord* 

Fernando's Requiem Mass is on Wednesday 24th April at 10.30am in St. Thomas.

Terrance's Requiem Mass is on Friday 3rd May at 9.45am in St. Christopher's. Reception the night before at 4.30pm

Antonio's Service is on Wednesday 8th May at 12.30pm in St. Christopher's Church

#### **SVP Donations Box**

Just a reminder that the SVP have donations boxes at each church for non-perishable food and drink items, toiletries and household cleaning products to be distributed to the people in need that they are supporting. Please do be mindful not to pop any other items in without prior arrangement with the SVP. Thank you.

**N.B.** If you are leaving food items in the Food Donation Box inside the Presbytery Porch please note that the porch and consequently the Donation Box can become very warm on sunny days. It is probably therefore not a good idea to leave dairy based products or any other products that should be

#### **SVP Thank You**

The SVP would like to say a huge thank you for all those who supported the fundraising Tombola and for all the kind donations towards the prizes. We raised £342.75 which will contribute massively to the work of the SVP

# Sacraments of Confession, Holy Communion and Confirmation 2025

If your child is currently in Year 2 or above and you would like them to receive the Sacraments of Confession and Holy Communion next year in 2025 or if your child is currently in Year 5 or above and you would like them to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation next year in 2025 then please make an appointment to meet with Fr. David to discuss these Sacraments before the closing date. Thank you.

Closing date is Friday 31st May 2024

# **CAFOD Big Lent Walk**

Thank you to all the members of the Camilleri Family who accepted the CAFOD challenge to the Big Lenten Walk. They raised £370.00 for CAFOD. Thank you to all those who sponsored them.

Well done to anyone who completed the Big Lent Walk! Currently, the total raised is £178,347.

To donate or for more information visit;

www.walk.cafod.org.uk

#### **Annual Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage**

An invitation is extended to married couples, those celebrating a milestone anniversary and those preparing to marry this year, to our annual Mass for Marriage at St Chad's Cathedral on Saturday 4th May at 12 Noon, followed by refreshments. Please visit www.vocations.org.uk/marriage-mass.