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DAYS, LOCATION AND TIMES FOR MASS: Sat 8th - Sun 16th March 2025

First Sunday in Lent 2025

DAY	LOCATION	TIME	INTENTIONS
Saturday	St. C.	5.30 pm	The Hawley & Harding Families
Sunday	St. C.	9.00 am	John Roach RIP: Kate O'Regan RIP
Sunday	St. T.	11.00 am	The O'Neill Family
Tuesday	St. T.	10.00 am	Patrick Byrne RIP
Wednesday	St. T.	10.00 am	Philip Nugent RIP
Thursday	St. C.	6.00 pm	<i>Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament</i>
Thursday	St. C.	7.00 pm	Patrick Fitzpatrick RIP
Friday	St. C.	9.30 am	William & Mary Browne
Friday	St. T.	7.00 pm	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>

Second Sunday in Lent 2025

Saturday	St. C.	5.30 pm	Roger Page RIP
Sunday	St. C.	9.00 am	Micheal Wolverson RIP
Sunday	St. T.	11.00 am	Alan & Rodger Reed RIP

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:
The Vallonchini Family

Next week:
The Bennett Family

Confessions during Lent



Fr. David hears Confessions after all Masses. Please let him know you are waiting to celebrate the Sacrament. On Saturdays and Sundays Fr. David needs to say goodbye to the parishioners, answer any immediate questions and maybe book appointments. Please be patient while you are waiting to make your Confession.

Did you know that you can also make an appointment?

DONATE ONLINE TO YOUR PARISH

Scan the QR code below to donate to our parishes online



The Catholic National Shrine and Basilica of Our Lady - Walsingham, England's Nazareth

The Catholic Bishops of England and Wales are asking for your support for the Shrine in Walsingham in the form of a parish collection on the weekend of 22nd/23rd March.

The collection will support the shrine's Jubilee events and initiatives. Thank you.

Parish Safeguarding Representatives

St. Christopher: Jo Stewart: sg.stchristopher.codrill@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.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVP)

Get in touch
secretary021402@svp.org.uk

	Finance Matters St. Christopher	St. Thomas
Gift Aid (+SO)	£608.85	£436.00
Non Gift Aid	<u>£222.16</u>	<u>£122.50</u>
	£831.01	£558.50

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.

Sacred Triduum Choir

The Sacred Triduum is the highpoint of the Catholic Calendar. Music is central to the celebration of these days in Holy Week. Come and join our joint parish choir rehearsals, beginning on Wednesday 12th March at 7pm in St. Thomas' Church, Tettenhall. If you enjoy singing, you'll fit right in! It's a wonderful way to explore the Liturgy of the Church

We Dare to Hope

Following on from last year's *We Dare to Say*, which was based on the petitions of the Our Father this Lent there will be a five week course held every Tuesday in Lent at 7.00 pm in St Christopher's church hall featuring five sessions on the jubilee theme of Hope:

1. Christian Hope - 11th March.
2. The Decision to Hope - 18th March.
3. The Prayer of Hope - 25th March.
4. Hope Against Hope - 1st April.
5. Christ, Our Hope - 8th April.

Each session includes scripture, prayers and a reflection with questions. All are welcome.

The Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross are a wonderful and prayerful way to accompany Jesus on his way to Calvary. They help us focus on the price he paid for our Redemption. Join us each Friday in Lent for this prayerful service.

The Stations will be in St. Thomas' on Friday 14th March.



Of your charity

Please pray for the soul of Jane Bolton, Sheila Marson, and David Jones.

Jane's Funeral Service will take place on Tuesday 18th March at 12:30 pm in St Christopher's Church.

Sheila's Funeral Service will take place on Wednesday 19th March at 12noon in Streetly Crematorium.

David's Funeral Service will take place on Friday 21st March at 2.30pm in Bushbury Crematorium.

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

Preparation for First Holy Communion for Children attending non-Catholic schools

All our sessions are held in St. Christopher's Hall and begin at 4.30pm.

Dates for our sessions are: Thursday 13th March, Thursday 20th March, Thursday 27th March

Preparation for Confirmation for Children attending non-Catholic schools

Dates: Thursday 1st May, Thursday 8th May, Thursday 15th May, Thursday 22nd May, Thursday 5th June, Thursday 12th June, Thursday 19th June.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Day of Prayer and Formation

Our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, (Eucharistic Ministers) will have an opportunity to spend a morning in prayer and reflection on Saturday 5th April in preparation to re-new their Commitment during the weekend Masses 5th/6th April. It is required that all those wishing to continue in this ministry be at this day of prayer and renewal. Those currently involved; if you wish to step down please let Fr. David know.

The Day will begin with Mass at 10am in St. Thomas' Church and end with a shared lunch at 1pm in the parish Hall/ Newman Centre.

While the day is aimed at our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, if you wish to join us for Mass at 10am, or you may like to know what is involved in being a Eucharistic Minister then please do join us on the day.

There is now a form at the entrance of either church to indicate your attendance, your desire to have lunch and your willingness to prepare and make a home made soup. Thanks

Olive Wood Products from the Holy Land

After Mass on the weekend of 22nd/23rd March

In 1947 Christians in Bethlehem represented 85% of the community, by 1998 that figure had shrunk to 40%, and now they account for just 18% of the total population. Many Christians have chosen to emigrate rather than face a life of water shortages, travel restrictions, employment discrimination and little or no welfare care. Our goal is to support and help the Christian families in the Holy Land, to have opportunities to work. Olive Wood carving is one of the most important source of income for them, as 90% of the Christians rely on this sale. So by selling their produce here from the olive wood on their behalf, this will provide job opportunities for the Christians in the Holy Land and will prevent them from leaving the country in search of better work opportunities.

CAFOD Lent Appeal – Family Fast Day collection



Family Fast Day is on Friday 14th March. Please donate to our Family Fast Day parish collection and be a pilgrim of hope with CAFOD this Jubilee Year. You'll be supporting communities experiencing the impacts of war, poverty and climate change to find solutions and hope.

The collection will be taken up on the weekend of 15th/16th March. It will be a retiring collection. What this means is that you place your donation in the basket at the entrance of the church and not in the collection bags that are passed around the church.

To make a donation you can chose one of the may options:

- Use the CAFOD envelope in church,
- donate online at cafod.org.uk/envelope or
- Telephone on 0303 303 3030.
- You can also text CAFODLENT to 70085 to donate £10.
- Use the QR code above.

The Benedict Way

The next meeting of "The Benedict Way!" is on Wednesday 19th March (not the 12th) at 7.30pm, in the Becket Room at St Thomas's Church.

The evening will be the usual format of :

A short study of part of the Rule of St Benedict.

Lectio Divina on a Gospel reading

Evening prayer or Compline.

All welcome.

DEADLINE FOR ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER IS 12 NOON ON THURSDAY