

SOMETHING EXTRA FOR LENT...

Stations of the Cross

St Christopher: Each Friday evening at 7.00 p.m.

St Thomas: Each Sunday after 11.15 a.m. Mass, [on the Third Sunday in Lent, the Stations of the Cross will be led by children from the parish].

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

There will be two additional opportunities for Adoration during the Season of Lent. Why not try and spend a few moments in silence before Jesus in the Eucharist?

Monday 6.30 p.m. until the evening Mass at 7.00 p.m.

Friday 6.30 p.m. followed by Stations of the Cross at 7.00 p.m.

CHILDREN'S STATIONS OF THE CROSS

We need volunteers to lead the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday at 10.15am. Gemma Pritchard is preparing a variety of readings of different lengths and abilities for children of all ages to choose and join in. Gemma will be at the back of church at the end of Masses this weekend for children to select the Station they want to do, or ring Gemma 07866 589366.

CRUCIFIX AND TABERNACLE RESTORATION

The Tabernacle and Main Crucifix at St Thomas' have now been taken for refurbishment work. The estimated cost will be approximately £4,000. Please think about whether you might be able to contribute financially to this. Every little helps! Thank you for £1650 already received!

NEW VESTMENTS FOR HOLY MASS

You may not be aware, but we are very limited in the number of vestments (what the priest wears to celebrate Holy Mass) available in either parish. Many of the ones which Fr Craig wears at St Christopher's are his own, and Fr Paul also had his own. We have, therefore, ordered a new set for each parish. A set of four will cost £1800. Thank you to those who have already donated £1350 towards these vestments for St Christopher's and £450 for St Thomas's. Please think about whether you might be able to donate (for either parish)!

Green - £450 White - £450 Red - £450 Purple - £450

DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS - THIS WEDNESDAY

WEDNESDAY 18th MARCH is the annual Day of Prayer for Vocations at St Christopher's. There will be Holy Mass at 10.00 a.m. followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 4.00 pm. We need to ensure that there is at least one person in church at all times whilst the Blessed Sacrament is Exposed - please sign up today.

CHOIR PRACTICES FOR HOLY WEEK & EASTER

in St Christopher's church on Tuesdays in Lent, 7-8.15pm. Any parishioner who would like to sing in our joint parishes' choir is welcome.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

If you want your child to be baptised, please contact the Parish Office for more information.

****COVENANTING CHURCHES LENT LUNCH****

Due to the Coronavirus outbreak, the decision has been taken to cancel the Lent Lunches. Please continue to pray for our local communities and the chosen charities.

ST CHRISTOPHER'S 200 CLUB MARCH DRAW

£50 No140 W Nicholls; £25 No194 and £10 No 193 S Rowley.

THE BENEDICTINE WAY!

Next meeting Tuesday 17 March, 8pm. Cheviot House, 20 Stockwell Rd, Tettenhall, WV6 9PQ. A discussion on a theme from "The Rule of St Benedict." followed by Lectio Divina & Evening Prayer. All welcome!

GIFT AID ENVELOPES FOR TAX YEAR APRIL 20/21

Are available in the porch at St Thomas's.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Next Meeting Mon 16 March at 7.30pm at St Christopher's. If you have tinned/dried food, baby items, nappies, personal toiletries, gifts/toys leave them in the Hall Thank you. Ring Tess Fitzsimons 01902 262004/07842 383689 for transport to Mass, shopping, medical appointments etc. If you know anyone who would like a lift to Mass on a Saturday night, contact Tess Fitzsimons or Jo Stewart.

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION
WOLVERHAMPTON DEANERY LENTEN GATHERINGS**

Led by Canon John Udrys Spiritual Director, St Mary's College, Oscott. Please inform the Parish Office which session you will be attending. See the poster for more information.

Mon 23 March at St. Joseph's, Willenhall Road. WV1 2QN
6.30pm Mass, 7pm Talk by Fr John & Adoration 8.30pm

Sat 28 March at St. Michael's, Coalway Road. WV3 7ND
12 noon Mass, 12.30pm Talk by Fr John & Adoration 2pm

It is expected by the Deanery that all Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist should do their very best to attend. Thank you.

WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE - SATURDAY 9 MAY

I am hoping to arrange a coach from our parishes for the Archdiocesan pilgrimage to Walsingham on Saturday. 9th May. It was a most enjoyable day last year! A list is now available at the back of each church, for you to write your name on if you are interested visiting the shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham in Norfolk.

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 23 - 29 May 2020

Hotel Roissy, at which the parish usually stays, is a short walk from the Grotto. Prices, per adult sharing: by Coach is £564.00 or by Plane is £943.00. Other hotels are available. Booking forms are now available, please contact Fr Craig for more information, or for a booking form.

CODSALL & BILBROOK CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

Coffee, Cake & Chat £2, Thurs 19 March, 10-11.30am, The Fire Station, Duck Lane, Codsall.

REDEDICATION OF ENGLAND AS THE DOWRY OF MARY

Sunday 29 March is a both a personal promise of the people of our country and a renewal of the entrustment vows made by King Richard II in 1381. On that day we will be praying the Holy Rosary with Benediction at 3pm at St Christopher's Church. See www.behold2020.com

PARISH GROUPS - (Term-time only)

Acts29@CT - Youth Group

The next meeting will be 5.00-6.30 pm on Sun 15 March.
All 11-17 year olds welcome.

ST CHRISTOPHER'S TOTS

The next meeting will be 9.30-11 am on Wed 25 March

ST CHRISTOPHER'S CRAFT AND CHAT

The next meeting will be 9.30-11.15 am on Wed 1 April.

BODY IN BALANCE

Owing to the current status of the Coronavirus we will not have a class until further notice.