St Thomas More Catholic Church

SUNDAY 28TH FEBRUARY 2021, +2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

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GOOD LUCK TO ALL OUR MEMBERS THIS MONTH

MASS INTENTIONS
+2nd SUNDAY OF LENT

SUNDAY 28TH FEBRUARY 2021
06:00PM SATURDAY (VIGIL) INTS OF SIOBHAN HOGG
9:30AM MARY BRADY RIP LD
11:30AM FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

MONDAY 1ST MARCH 2021
09:00-11:00AM CHURCH OPEN
09:30AM MICHEAL HARRINGTON RIP A

TUESDAY 2ND MARCH 2021-
09:00-11:00AM CHURCH OPEN
09:30AM JOHN HARRINGTON RIP A

WEDNESDAY 3RD MARCH 2021
09:00AM-11:00AM CHURCH OPEN
09:30AM CATHERINE & BRIAN FOGARTY RIP A

THURSDAY 4TH MARCH 2021
10:00AM-11:00AM ROSARY & EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

FRIDAY 5TH MARCH 2021
09:00AM-11:00AM CHURCH OPEN
09:30AM OLIVE LAW RIP LD

SATURDAY 6TH MARCH 2021
09:00AM-11:00AM CHURCH OPEN
09:30AM INTS OF MICHAEL SIM

FOLLOWED BY EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

+3RD SUNDAY OF LENT
SUNDAY 7TH MARCH 2021
06:00PM SATURDAY (VIGIL) INTS OF JOHN WALLACE
09:30AM CIARAN GALLAGHER RIP LD
11:30AM FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

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Parish Sick List:
Please remember our sick parishioners in your prayers: Katie Murchan, Vincent Fernandes, Duncan Webster, Pedro Johns, Paul Wazny, William O'Shea, Daisy Cunningham, Bianca Malheiros-Fauz, Kundan Singhoraya, Sarah Dunning, Eamonn Kearney, Ruby Bastiampillai, Peggy McMahon, Delores Walsh, Kitty Goldie, Kathleen Dunleavy and those in our local nursing homes; and for our housebound parishioners, especially Katie Loftus
Please let us know if you wish to add or remove any names on the sick list.

For those who have died recently: Kathleen Sullivan, Olive Law, Lourdes Desouza, Jeyrani John Pillai, Debbie Williams and Lynda Rodricks.

For those whose anniversaries occur around this time:
Renita Adams and Sr Carmel Cussen.

Children's Liturgy 2nd Sunday Lent
This week we learn about giving up things and how God sometimes asks us to do things that we may find hard. How have you been doing during Lent? Have you given up anything? Bertie admits he finds it a bit hard not eating sweets, but Hugo is lending a helping hand to keep him strong.
https://youtu.be/qyLKTtX9TAM

SPUC- WHITE FLOWER APPEAL
A special thank you to everyone who donated to the White Flower appeal last weekend. Iwona Edupuganti and her team wished to thank St Thomas More parish for their warm welcome and successful appeal. Over £400 was raised! Thank you as always for your generous support.

Church Cleaning Volunteers required: Our dedicated cleaning team have worked hard throughout the year to maintain a Covid 19 secure and hygienic environment, this has enabled us to keep the Church open. For us to remain compliant we need to continue at this level however some volunteers have unfortunately had to isolate recently and others had returned to their university studies. The more volunteers there are would mean the less frequent individuals would have to clean . If you would like more information contact Pat Faille pat.faille@btinternet.com or 020 8429 3943 or Parish Office **eastcote@rcdow.org.uk**

Pastor's Corner

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Dear Parishioners,

'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him!'

This Sunday's Gospel reading in Lent is always an account of the Transfiguration of Jesus. Just like Peter, James and John we need to be shown that life with Jesus is more than it may seem. On the mountain Jesus becomes transfigured and glorified while appearing with the important Biblical figures of Moses and Elijah. Surrounded by a heavenly cloud the three apostles hear a voice from heaven saying 'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him!' If they were in any doubt they now know for sure that Jesus is the unique Son of God. They could have perhaps got used to seeing Jesus as part of their daily lives and even though he did extraordinary miracles they may have not been fully aware of his true divine nature. They will need to remember this when they are faced with his crucifixion. Jesus will choose to accept this type of death as a willing sacrifice of love for the sins of the entire world. It would seem like a tragic end if not for the fact that Jesus is the Son of God. Jesus transforms the tragedy and sorrow of the Cross into a means to bring new life through mercy and forgiveness. We too can get used to our daily life and in our efforts to be resilient we can get used to our sufferings, such as the ones we have been living through this last year. However, our faith calls us to see beyond immediate appearances and events and believe in the extraordinary presence and plan of God at all times. If we can recognise Jesus as the Son of God and listen to him by following the commandments of love that he has given us, then God will transfigure the ordinary events of our lives into something extraordinary. Let us be encouraged by this message this week in our Lenten preparations for Easter and our efforts to dedicate ourselves to Christian prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

God bless you,
Fr Martin

Cardinal's Lenten Appeal 2021 –

Cardinal Nichols thanks you for your generous support for the Cardinal's Lenten Appeal, especially throughout the unprecedented events of 2020. Your donations help fund initiatives in parishes, schools and charities in three mission areas which are more critical than ever. Marriage and Family Life: enriching and supporting marriages, the essential building block of society and the Church. Youth and Evangelisation: helping young people, the future of the Church, as they grow in their relationship with God and deepen their Catholic faith. Caritas Westminster: putting our faith into action by serving those in need. Education Service: supporting our schools. This year, the Cardinal is asking us to think about families who are struggling to put food on the table. Poverty is deepening across our Diocese and the need for food banks and supermarket vouchers has accelerated. Through your generosity we're continuing to provide food for those people most in need. Please take a donation envelope. You can use the QR code to make your donation online. Thank you for your generosity