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The Month of May is devoted to Our Lady

**SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
Sunday, 16 May 2012¹ Psalter Week 3**

Saturday

5.00 p.m. People of the Parish

Sunday

10.00 a.m. Pat Kirk

Monday

Eastertide Feria

No Mass

Tuesday

St John I, pope, martyr

No Mass

Wednesday

St Dunstan, bishop

10.00 a.m. Dead List

Thursday

St Bernadine of Siena, priest

10.00 a.m.

Friday

**Ss Christopher Magallanes, priest
& Companions, martyrs**

11.00 a.m. Requiem for Lucia Fojut

Next week's Masses

PENTECOST (WHITSUNDAY)

Saturday

No Mass for Parishioners

7.00 p.m.

Confirmation for children
and their families only.

Sunday

Sunday (Meadowhead)

10.00 a.m.

Maureen & Reinhold
Gasser - 50th Wedding Ann

Please Pray for:

Our sick: Angela McKinney, David Hague, Teddy Howes, Katie Glackin, Neville Garratt, Pauline Souflas, Sr Emma Bechold, Michael Goodfellow, Pauline Collins, Sheila Ryan, Marie Lennox, Rae Goodlad, Linda Costello, and Edward Keefe.

Lately dead: Lucia Fojut **RIP**

**And let us remember in our prayers
Zisimos Souflas who is missing.**

Sunday Collections

Please remember, you can pay your weekly contributions directly into the parish account. The details are below.

If you are paying by cheque and sending the money to the presbytery, please remember cheques **MUST** be made payable to:

'[Woodseats R C Parish Account](#)'. The bank will not accept any variation.

Anyone wishing to set up a Standing Order, the account name you should use is: **Diocese of Hallam Woodseats RC Parish.**

Weekly Offerories – If you would like to make a bank transfer for your weekly offering instead of the loose plate or your weekly envelope you may do so using the following details.

Sort Code: 40-41-07 Account Number: 01095153

Please put Offerory in the Reference box. Please include your name also if it is to replace your envelope or for gift aid.

CONFIRMATION, 22ND MAY

SATURDAY 22ND May—Please note, there will be no 5.00pm Mass. Mass will be at 7.00pm when the Bishop will come for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Mass is for Confirmation candidates and their families only. Please DO NOT turn up unless you have been invited. You will be turned away.



Confirmation - The following children are preparing for their Confirmation at Pentecost.

You are asked to remember them, their families and sponsors in your prayers that they may be filled with the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

Luke, Fintan, Isobel, Jon, Daniel, Aisling, Charlie, Liam, Evie, Lola, Dominic, Freddie, Theo and Nojus.



English Martyrs - We are hoping to re-open English Martyrs at Totley in the next few weeks, subject to permission. An initial meeting has already taken place and we have a team of cleaners in place, but could always do with more! However, we do not want to over-burden the stewards at Meadowhead, so it would make sense to find helpers from those who are likely to attend Totley. If you would like to be involved, either as a steward or in helping to prepare the church prior to opening please let Fr Stephen or Liz Mason know. Please note - without sufficient stewards we will not be able to go ahead.



NO Coffee, Cakes & Cuttings this year because of Covid but ...
YES the Plant Sale (only) is planned by Outreach for Saturday 29th May at English Martyrs Church car park, Baslow Road, Totley 10am -12noon so please prepare any cuttings, seedlings, plants you can share. Bring them along on the day or ring Barbara 07725 023 708 if you need help with transportation. Let's 'renew the face of the Earth' and use the proceeds for those in need locally and abroad. Thank you.



A search for 1 in a Million

When the sick and elderly people in Bethlehem reach the end of their lives they have nowhere to turn. Those without family to take care of them in their last days will die alone and in pain. **We believe everyone deserves dignity, care and help to manage pain at the end of their life.** That is why we are working to raise funds to build the City's first ever Hospice.



All Charities need funds to help them carry on their important work during this difficult time. We know there are many demands on your generosity that is why we only have a small request. We would love you to become **1 in a Million**. We need to raise £3m so we are asking one million people to donate just £1 a month for 3 months. That's it the price of a loaf of bread or a cup of tea. For £1 you will help to build a safe haven for the sick and elderly people of Bethlehem. You will help to reduce the amount of pain and suffering in the world. That is surely a pound well spent.

You can contribute by giving directly to Bethlehem Care and Hospice Trust at:
CAF Bank (Charities Aid Foundation Bank)

Sort Code 40-52-40 ; A/c No 00032686; Ref: 1inM

You can donate **directly on your Mobile** by Texting to **70085 BCHTREG** followed by amount in pounds e.g. £1 or by visiting our website

www.bethlehemcareandhospicetrust.org

Please get your friends to help too. Thank you.

Fundraiser for Pax Christi - In the week from 15 to 21 May, Pax Christi, the Catholic Peace organisation, will be trying to raise funds to make up for lost income due to Covid19. Fausta is having a dance-a-thon, Bruce is delivering a peace message to foreign embassies in London, Matt is cycling 50 miles visiting peace sites, Pat is going on a walk from Victoria to the Peace Pagoda in Battersea Park, Rachel will be cycling for 75 miles, to celebrate Pax Christi's 75th anniversary. More fundraisers are joining the fun. Please go to their website www.paxchristi.org.uk/register-you-interest/ for details on how you can sponsor them.

SPUC Pro-Life Chain: Sheffield SPUC is organising its annual pro-life silent witness on Meadowhall Way, Meadowhall (just off the roundabout opposite TGI Friday diner and past Next Home) on Saturday 5th June 11-1. Last year's event had to be cancelled due to lockdown, so it would be good to get a good number participating. Contact 07815820052 for further information.

Ever wondered how schools are governed? Now's your chance to find out! St Thomas of Canterbury are looking for governors. If you are interested and have some time to commit please contact Judith Wilde, Chair of Governor's at: j.wilde@st-tc.co.uk or h.grady@st-tc.co.uk Further details can be found on the OLST website.

The institute of Our Lady of Mercy has a vacancy for a part-time Safeguarding Sub-Committee member.

Full details are on the OLST website.

'Parliament in your Parish' As we can't meet our MPs in Westminster at present, we have invited them to meet with us on Zoom to encourage them to speak on our behalf to:

- **Tackle the climate crisis** by urging world leaders to use this year's climate talks to agree ambitious goals that address the scale of the climate emergency and ensure that those countries least responsible do not end up paying the highest price.
- **End unjust debts** by pushing for full debt cancellation for low and middle-income countries. This will free up vital resources so that they can tackle the health and economic impacts of the pandemic.
- **Hold business accountable** for practices throughout their supply chains to ensure that communities are protected from human rights abuses and environmental destruction carried out by multinational businesses

More details at www.cafod.org.uk/Campaign/Reclaim-our-common-home Dates & links to the MP meetings will be circulated when confirmed. Meanwhile this week's webinars will give you more useful information:

[Laudato Si Dialogue: Critical Opportunities in 2021 to create change: call for an integral path](#)
Monday, 17 May 6:00pm-7:00pm

[Cancel the debt: Fund vaccines: Save lives](#) Thursday, 20 May 5:30pm-6:30pm

Further details at www.cafod.org.uk/Volunteer/Online-talks

Image of the Holy Spirit in Our Church

There is an image of the Holy Spirit in our Church that is always present but perhaps few of us are aware of. The font cover which is hanging next to the font at the moment is a representation of the Holy Spirit as depicted in the story of creation at the beginning of the Book of Genesis. We are reminded of this story every year at the Easter vigil when the baptismal water is blessed with these words:

At the very dawn of creation
your Spirit breathed on the waters,
making them the wellspring of all holiness.

It is fitting that we focus on this image and invoke the Holy Spirit in these days leading up to Pentecost when fourteen of our young people will receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit in Confirmation which seals the pledge of eternal life they were given in Baptism.

The font cover is also significant because it was commissioned by the parish as a memorial to Canon Putmann who died 30 years ago in January.

Prayer for World Communications Day 2021

(Today 16th May)

World Communications Day was established by Pope Paul VI in 1967 as an annual celebration that encourages us to reflect on the opportunities and challenges that the modern means of social communication afford the Church to communicate the gospel message.

“Come and See” Prayer

Lord, teach us to move beyond ourselves,
and to set out in search of truth.
Teach us to go out and see,
teach us to listen,
not to entertain prejudices
or draw hasty conclusions.
Teach us to go where no one else will go,
to take the time needed to understand,
to pay attention to the essentials,
not to be distracted by the superfluous,
to distinguish deceptive appearances from the truth.
Grant us the grace to recognize your dwelling places in
our world
and the honesty needed to tell others what we have seen.
Amen

Winds of May

*Winds of May, that dance on the sea,
Dancing a ring-around in glee
From furrow to furrow, while overhead
The foam flies up to be garlanded,
In silvery arches spanning the air,
Saw you my true love anywhere?
Welladay! Welladay!
For the winds of May!
Love is unhappy when love is away!*

James Joyce

Saying for the Week!

~

*Your life becomes
a masterpiece
when you learn to
master the peace.*



Prayer for the Week

Prayer in preparation for Pentecost Sunday

May your Spirit, O Lord, we pray,
imbue us powerfully with spiritual gifts,
that he may give us a mind pleasing to you
and graciously conform us to your will.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen

This Week's Readings Seventh Sunday of Easter

First Reading: 1:15-17,20-26

Responsorial Psalm: 102

Second Reading: 1 John 4:11-16

Gospel: John 17:11-19

Next Week's Readings PENTECOST

First Reading: Acts 2:1-11

Responsorial Psalm: 103

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13

Gospel: John 20:19-23

Thoughts for the Week

Consult not your fears,
but your hopes and your dreams.
Think not about your frustrations,
but about your unfulfilled potential.
Concern yourself not with
what you tried and failed in,
but with what it is still
possible for you to do.

Pope Saint John XXIII

The pain of grief is just as much
a part of life as the joy of love.
It is perhaps the price we pay for love.
The cost of commitment.

*Colin Murray Parkes, (born 1925,
psychiatrist and bereavement counsellor)*

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EXCITING OPPORTUNITY TO JOIN OUR EXCELLENT SCHOOL

Foundation Governor

St Thomas of Canterbury School is a *Catholic Voluntary Academy* for girls and boys from age three to eleven in the south of Sheffield. This is a really special place and a true learning community with shared values, made up of our wonderful children, their families, our parishes and our committed team of staff.

We are looking to appoint two practising Catholics who wish to support the development of Catholic Education and the development of the school within our parishes. Foundation governors are entrusted by the Bishop with the ministry of governance, acting within the teachings of the church and providing a vital part of our school's structure. At St. Thomas' governors are committed to ensuring continuous school improvement whilst achieving our purpose: "To nurture curiosity for every child, every day, within a community acting as a beacon of the Catholic faith"

Essential Requirements:

- Practising Catholic.
- Strong Commitment to the role and improving outcomes for children
- Good interpersonal skills
- A commitment to attendance at a minimum of 2 evening meetings per school term - this may vary depending on any additional roles you undertake.
- A commitment to undertaking any necessary training.

Desirable Skills/Qualifications/Background:

- Financial Management
- Human Resources
- Strategic Management

Training is provided for specific areas of governance and all applications will be considered.

As parishes and a community we are blessed to be diverse. As a board we are keen to have representation that reflects that diversity and we would welcome applications from ethnic minority groups. You do not need to be a parent of a child in school to be a foundation governor.

Please submit any expressions of interest or any questions on the role to j.wilde@st-tc.co.uk or h.grady@st-tc.co.uk by 31st May 2021.

Our school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. The post is subject to an enhanced CRB check.

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