



St Hugh of Lincoln Bilborough, St Teresa of Lisieux Aspley,

St Thomas More Wollaton

Three parishes, one community in the Trinity of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

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The Second Week of Ordinary Time 17 January 2021

Our Catholic Community welcomes you to its Three Parishes. It is lovely to have you with us as we gather together as one in the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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Sacrament of Reconciliation Before Vigil and Sunday Mass or by appointment with the priest.

Please keep in your prayers those who are sick in our parishes. Also please pray for those whose anniversaries occur around this time at Sick and Housebound Please let the Team know of any parishioners you are aware of who would like to receive Holy Communion at home and arrangements will be made for a Minister to bring them Holy Communion and visit by Fr Stan or Fr Richard arranged for confession.

Collections : St Hugh's SO £119.00 St Thomas More: SO £130.00 St Teresa SO £160 –Thank you

During this critical stage in the cycle of the pandemic, whilst the presence in the community of the virus in its different strains remains high, the celebration of public masses will continue to remain suspended, in order to protect the vulnerable, including our vulnerable clergy, and to protect the NHS. Mass will continue to be celebrated by Fr Richard streamed each Sunday from 11.00am available via our Facebook page by going to the website www.stthomasmorewollaton.org and clicking on the facebook link (blue square)

Weekday Lectionary Year 1 Psalter: Wk 2

Extract from the *Sunday Message*

Saturday 16 January Vigil of The 2nd Sunday of the Year
Int: STM
Int: ST Mary Cosgrove RIP

Today's Gospel reading (this week from the writing of the evangelist John) illustrates the fading of John the Baptist from the story. He had his own disciples, but when Jesus appears, he identifies Jesus to them as "the lamb of God", at which point two of his followers leave him and go to Jesus. However, they appreciate Jesus simply as a rabbi ("teacher"). They ask where he lives, where his place of instruction is and spend the next few hours with him. One of these is identified as Andrew, who tells his brother Simon that "we have found the Messiah".

Sunday 17 January The 2nd Sunday of the Year
Int SH:
Int ST:

On one level, this may be true, but in fact he is still speaking according to his own understanding of who the Messiah will be: it is also not quite true that he and his companion actually "found" Jesus – they were pointed in his direction by their previous master, John, and then were invited to spend time with Jesus. In the Fourth Gospel, it is usually Jesus who takes the initiative, and when Simon is presented to him, he tells Simon who he is and who he will be.

Monday 18 January Feria
Int:

Tuesday 19 January Feria
Int:

Wednesday 20 January Feria
Int:

This episode shows the beginning of Jesus' forming a circle of disciples. He gives Simon his more familiar name of Cephas (Rock/Peter), which is associated in the Gospel tradition with his position as leader of the disciples: a change of name indicates a change of function or identity. To be a disciple is to answer Jesus' invitation to spend time with him and to learn from him.

Thursday 21 January St Agnes

Friday 22 January Feria

Saturday 23 January Vigil of 3rd Sunday of the Year
Int STM:
Int ST

Sunday 24 January The 3rd Sunday of the Year
Int SH: Rev P O'Dowd & M Brown RIP
Int ST: Gabriel Horan RIP

Table of Parish Events for January on Zoom

Date	Event
Monday 18 January 10.00am -11.00am	Coffee n Chat: <i>Join with parishioners and friends for a chat</i>
Wednesday 20 January 8.00pm- 9.00pm	Scripture Study : The Gospel of Mark: <i>Let's Begin</i>
Thursday 28 January 8.00pm - 9.00pm	Prayer Group: <i>Coming together to pray and reflect</i>

If you would like to book in with any of these Zoom events then please email us at saint.htt@outlook.com

Some Community & Parish News Items

Making a booking for Mass . This is temporarily suspended for our three parishes A seat can now be booked using the Diocesan booking system available at: www.massbooking.uk You will need to create an account; once that is up and running you can book your place at Mass. The Masses are bookable on a 7-day cycle. If you are not online please ring the central telephone number: 07395 614050 on Monday between the hours of 10:00am and 2:00pm You will not be allowed to enter unless you have booked a seat. Social distancing is set at 2 metres, so please observe this as you arrive and leave the Church. Wearing a face covering to protect yourself and others is now mandatory unless you have an exemption on grounds of age or health. You will be guided throughout by a steward. so please follow the steward's instructions

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2021 – Year of St. Joseph In a new Apostolic Letter entitled *Patris corde* ("With a Father's Heart"), Pope Francis describes Saint Joseph as a beloved father, a tender and loving father, an obedient father, an accepting father; a father who is creatively courageous, a working father, a father in the shadows. The Letter marks the 150th anniversary of Blessed Pope Pius IX's declaration of St Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. To celebrate the anniversary, Pope Francis has proclaimed a special "Year of St Joseph," beginning on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception 2020 and extending to the same feast in 2021. The Holy Father wrote *Patris corde* against the backdrop of the Covid-19 pandemic, which, he says, has helped us see more clearly the importance of "ordinary" people who, though far from the limelight, exercise patience and offer hope every day. In this, they resemble Saint Joseph, "the man who goes unnoticed, a daily, discreet and hidden presence," who nonetheless played "an incomparable role in the history of salvation." For more information and to download a copy of the Apostolic letter please visit: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/year-of-st-joseph/>

2021 Year of the Gospel of Mark Information and resources can be found at www.godwhospeaks.uk or by emailing Fleur Dorrell at: fleur.dorrell@biblesociety.org.uk The now distinctly titled 'The Bible and Catholics' continues to be refreshed with articles, information, educational resources and devotional materials to promote the reading of and interest in '... the word of God given in sacred Scripture as an inspired testimony to revelation; together with the Church's living Tradition, [it] constitutes the supreme rule of faith and the primary source of evangelisation.' as well as presenting 'in an unmistakable way, God as the source of all splendour and beauty' (Directory for Catechesis. 27 & 106). NRSV copies of St. Mark's Gospel can be ordered in packs of 10 for £15 from the Bible Society at <https://www.biblesociety.org.uk> with a 25% discount when ordering 4 or more packs. This lightweight pocket-sized edition of St. Mark's Gospel, with selected images to enhance the text, is ideal for those who want to have the coming year's Lectionary Gospel to hand.

Pax Christi - Peace Sunday - 17th January 2021

You will be aware that Pax Christ's celebration of the Holy Father's World Peace Day message takes place on 17th January, Peace Sunday. As in previous years they have created a wide range of resources to help parishes and families reflect and celebrate peace-making on that day. Details and links to Pax Christi resources can be found at: <https://mailchi.mp/51e5bb9295f4/peace-sunday-resources-from-pax-christi> and at: <https://paxchristi.org.uk/peace-sunday-2021/>

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is traditionally observed from 18 –25 January. The theme for this year "Abide in my love and you shall bear much fruit" is inspired by John 15: 5-9. It was chosen to express the Christian community's vocation to pray and work for reconciliation and unity within the Church, our human family and all of creation. Wollaton Churches Together will be gathering via Zoom on Sunday 24 January at 6.00pm to come together in prayer and solidarity to pray for the closer unity of our communities. Parishioners from our three parishes are cordially invited to come along 'virtually,' by linkage via Zoom to pray together at this important time. Please log on at www.stleonardswollaton.org.uk and follow the links as directed to the live Youtube stream. Of the liturgy.

Children's Liturgy One of the consequences of the pandemic has been the absence of our children's liturgy at the Sunday Mass at St Teresa's. Obviously at the moment there is little likelihood of this liturgy returning anytime soon. However our Catechists are acutely aware of the loss of this important part of our ministry and of what may be possible to offer in the interim. As with most things it is likely to be on-line and there are many web offerings available. To begin with may we suggest logging on to the Cafod site at www.cafod.org.uk and following the links to *Schools and Youth* where the drop down menu will highlight various options for young people, families as well as children's liturgy. There you will find tailored resource sheets that can be downloaded, also at 10.00am each Sunday there is a Webinar for a Children's virtual liturgy of shared Bible reading, song, reflection and prayer. Just register your details to join in.

