



# 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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## 5th Sunday of Easter Sunday 2 May 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.**

Parish Newsletter Price 10p

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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 £104.00 St Thomas More: SO £165.00 St Teresa SO £227 —Thank you**

**He is Risen. Alleluia, alleluia!**  
**Welcome to our Weekend Mass: Saturday Vigil: St Thomas More 5.00pm & St Teresa 6.30pm . Sunday Morning: St Hugh 9.30am & St Teresa 11.00am**  
**The live stream will continue each Sunday from 11.00am available via our Facebook page by going to the website [www.stthomasmorewollaton.org.uk](http://www.stthomasmorewollaton.org.uk) and clicking on the facebook link (blue square)**

Weekday Lectionary Eastertide Psalter: Wk 1	5th Sunday of Easter - The Action of Love
Saturday 1 May Vigil 5th Sunday of Easter, <i>Int: STM Int of M. O'S (Welfare of)</i> <i>Int: ST Philomena McCarron RIP</i>	<p>The second Reading at mass this weekend sets out for us a powerful exposition of the way we are called to exercise our faith. St John tells us that our love must not be just a series of fine and noble words, but words which flow into action and deeds. We are all sometimes a bit reticent and reluctant to take that step of becoming more involved in what we call the “living out of our faith” in the public domain. We somehow feel constrained, whether it be because of shyness or nervousness, to making a fuller commitment that might open us up to being identified as Christian, even though we know it is what God is asking of us. And we have this knowledge, because we know it has been planted in our hearts through the sacramental grace of baptism.</p> <p>But the “love” which St John speaks of is a deep and steadfast reality which speaks to us through our conscience, always aligning us and directing us towards doing the right thing, notwithstanding “whatever accusations it may raise against us” ie the pull we sometimes feel to not get involved. This “love” says St John is the working out of God’s grace within in us, to enable us to overcome our reluctance and the reticence, and instead to experience the joy of entering into the fullness of the new life with which through the Resurrection we have been endowed. This is living out and copying the example of Jesus so “that we can love one another as he told us to.”</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Deacon Anthony</i></p>
Sunday 2 May 5th Sunday of Easter, <i>Int SH: People of the parish</i> <i>Int ST: People of the parish</i>	
Monday 3 May Ss Philip & James <i>Int:</i>	
Tuesday 4 May The English Martyrs <i>Int:</i>	
Wednesday 5 May Easter Feria <i>Int:</i>	
Thursday 6 May Easter Feria <i>Int:</i>	
Friday 7 May Easter Feria <i>Int:</i>	
Saturday 8 May Vigil 6th Sunday of Easter. <i>Int: STM : Sean Goodliffe RIP</i> <i>Int ST : B-Agnes Rogers RIP</i>	
Sunday 9 May 6th Sunday of Easter. <i>Int SH: People of the parish</i> <i>Int ST: People of the parish</i>	

First and foremost, it is important to realize that Christ’s love is not a superficial feeling, no; it is a fundamental attitude of the heart which is manifested in living as he wishes. In fact, Jesus states: “If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love”. Love is fulfilled in everyday life, in attitudes, in deeds. Otherwise, it is only something illusory. They are words, words, words: that is not love. Love is concrete, every day. Jesus asks us to follow his commandments, which are summarized in the following: “that you love one another as I have loved you”.  
**Pope Francis. Angelus 5th Sunday of Easter Year B**

### Community & Parish News Items

**Making a booking for Mass .** A seat can now be booked using the Diocesan booking system available at: [www.massbooking.uk](http://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

**Newsletter** If you wish to receive a copy but haven't supplied us with your email address then please send in a request to [saint.htt@outlook.com](mailto:saint.htt@outlook.com) and a newsletter will be sent out to you.

### Programme of events for May

Date	Event
Monday 10 May 10.00am -11.00am	<b>Coffee n Chat: Join with parishioners and friends for a chat</b>
Thursday 13 May 7.00pm - 9.00pm	<b>Talk on the Ascension</b> <i>Fr Chris Thomas</i>
Monday 17 May 7.00pm - 8.00pm	<b>Caritas—Open Evening</b> <i>Here Now Us</i>
Wednesday 19 May 7.00pm - 9.00pm	<b>Pentecost &amp; Mission</b> <i>Talk by Pippa Baker</i>
Thursday 20 May 7.30pm- 9.00pm	<b>Scripture Study Mark's Gospel</b> <i>Sowing the Seed</i>
Saturday 22 May 4.00pm - 5.30pm	<b>Caritas Vigil Liturgy</b> Bishop Patrick
Sunday 23 May 6.30pm - 7.30pm	<b>Ecumenical Pentecost Service</b> Kingswood Methodist Wollaton
Monday 24 May 10.00am -11.00am	<b>Coffee n Chat: Join with parishioners and friends for a chat</b>

If you would like to book in with any of these Zoom events then please email us at [saint.htt@outlook.com](mailto:saint.htt@outlook.com)  
**“Caritas” in our Parishes** Please visit the Caritas page on our website for all the information regarding this important missionary resource for our parishes where upcoming events and progress reports regarding Caritas can be accessed. On the 17 May there is an “Open Evenings” for those who are interested to attend (on Zoom) which Paul Bodenam the Diocesan Caritas and Justice and Peace Rep will be hosting . I would encourage you to sign up if you haven't been to one before. It will give you all the information regarding the background and hopes for what as a Diocese and as parishes we are seeking to provide. Also the Official Launch of Caritas in the Diocese will take place on Saturday 22 May and will be led by Bishop Patrick at a Vigil of Pentecost celebration beginning at 4.00pm. Again do please try and attend if you can. There is also a link to the Justice and Peace magazine “Grapevine” Details of how to access these events can be found via the parish website

**Emerging from Lockdown** As we begin to recover from the lockdown we intend to revisit the document we produced back in 2019 regarding the way forwards for our three parishes and the Team Ministry . The Working Party which was set up to oversee the management of this process will be reconvened and a meeting has been set for Monday 24 May at 7.00pm. This will be a face to face meeting held in St Teresa’s Church Hall (Covid restrictions permitting). An agenda will be published in due course to enable you to make your suggestions.

**Ascension Thursday 13 May 2021.** There will be three masses said across our parishes to enable attendance at this Solemnity. A Vigil mass on the 12 May at 6.30pm at St Teresa and two morning Masses at 10.0am at St Thomas More and St Hugh. Seats can be booked as normal through the mass booking website.

**Weekday Masses** As from 24 May 2021 we will recommence public weekday masses in our parishes as follows : Monday morning 9.30am at St Teresa. Wednesday morning 9.30am at St Hugh and Friday morning 9.30am at St Thomas More. There will be no need to book a seat through the mass booking system. However stewards will be required to manage the attendance and ensure that all social distancing rules and regs are observed and met..

**Sacramental Preparation** In order to know how many children are likely to be wanting to make their First Holy Communion this year we will be asking parents of children in years 3 and 4, over the next few weeks to complete and return an application form which can be download from the website. Please go to the “Holy Communion Class” link and scroll down until you reach *First Holy Communion Enrolment Form* which can then be downloaded and printed. The completed form must be returned to St Teresa’s Presbytery by the weekend of the 1 May at the latest.

**Parish Accounts** To help our parishes maintain a viable level of income we invite you to consider moving to a standing order that would provide your parish with a more regular monthly income and forms are available for you to complete either by visiting the parish website and downloading the standing order instruction or by picking one up from Church. Also If you are a UK tax payer the parish can at no extra cost to yourself, receive a further amount equivalent to 25% of your donation if you sign a Gift Aid Declaration at the same time. If you need any further assistance in this regard then please don’t hesitate to contact Deacon Anthony who will help and guide through the process. His phone number is 07305 100918. Thank you so much. The full accounts will be published once they have been audited.

### Some upcoming Diocesan Events for your diary

**‘A Father’s Heart – A Podcast for Catholic Dads** The Diocese of Nottingham has launched a new Podcast to celebrate the Year of St Joseph. A Father’s Heart takes its name from *Patris Corde* (Pope Francis’ letter that launched this special year). Find out how to listen (and subscribe) by going to: [www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/podcasts](http://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/podcasts)

**‘Being a Missionary Disciple**— After the great success of Bishop Patrick’s Lent Talks on Discipleship, the Formation for Mission Team are offering two talks on Zoom in May on ‘being a Missionary Disciple’. The first talk ‘*The Ascension & the Great Commission*’ will be given by Canon Christopher Thomas (General Secretary of the Bishops’ Conference of England & Wales) on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm. This talk will explore the importance of the Ascension and how we can live Jesus final instructions to us. The second talk ‘*Pentecost & Mission*’ will be given by Pippa Baker (A Catholic Missionary, Speaker & Musician) on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm. This talk will examine the significance of Pentecost for us and how the Holy Spirit equips us for mission in our every day lives. To register visit: [www.dioceseofnottingham.uk](http://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk)