



ST THOMAS MORE PARISH, HADFIELD

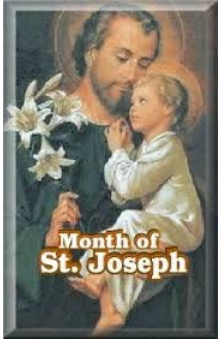


Love one another as I have loved you John 13:34

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Parish Office Hours: Tues, Wed & Fri 8.30am to 2.30pm
St Thomas More Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.
Our Child Safe Standards policies and information can be viewed on our website



YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH
December 8, 2020 – December 8, 2021

5th Sunday in Lent Year B- 21st March 2021

MASSES

- MON: Church closed
 - TUES: 9.30am Mass
 - WED: 9.30am Mass
 - THURS: 9.30am Mass
 - FRI: 9.30am Mass
 - SAT: 5.00pm (Vigil)
 - SUNDAY: 9.00am Italian Mass
10.30am English Mass
- Stations of the Cross after every Friday Mass during Lent

New Mass times commencing 7 April 2021.

OUR SACRAMENTS

- RECONCILIATION:** Before & after weekday and weekend Masses
- BAPTISMS:** For bookings contact Claudia on 0414 308 019
- WEDDINGS:** Contact Parish Office at least six months in advance
- ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** As requested

PARISH CONTACTS

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PARISH ACTIVITIES

- OUR LADY'S PRAYER GROUP:**
Rosary after morning weekday Masses
- NOVENA TO OUR LADY:**
Monday 6pm in the Church
- ITALIAN CHARISMATIC GROUP:**
Monday 10.00am to 12 noon in the Parish Convent—restarts Monday 15 February 2021

The metaphors of the “dying grain of wheat” and of the “surrendered life”: Jesus explains to his apostles that it is by his suffering and death that he is bringing life and liberation to the sinful world, just as a grain of wheat sown in the field ceases to remain itself alone, “just a seed,” by germinating and then growing into a plant which produces many new grains of wheat. In the same way, it is by the self-sacrificial lives of holy men and women that life and salvation come to mankind. In other words, when we “die” to our selfishness, we “rise” to new life in Jesus Christ. To be “buried in the earth” means avoiding sin, accepting suffering and living for others.



Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord March 25

Solemnities in the Catholic Church are celebrations that are of the greatest importance.

The Annunciation of the Lord refers to the time when the angel Gabriel visited the Blessed Virgin Mary to tell her that she would be the mother of the saviour.

She also discovered that she would play a special role in God’s plan for salvation. Jesus would be formed in her womb, and she would care for him.

Mary agreed to God’s plan because she wanted her will to be God’s will. And she was willing to accept the joy and pain that came along with it to bring Christ to a world that waited for him.

St. Bernard reflects upon the influential significance of the event for the salvation of humanity, and made this most powerful scene his prayer:

“You heard the annunciation, Blessed Virgin, that you would conceive and bear a son - not by knowing man, but by the power of the Holy Spirit. Look, the angel awaits your response... We took, condemned to death by divine judgment, live in hope of hearing a word of mercy. The cost of our salvation is in your hands. If you say yes, we will be set free... because the consolation of the sorrowful, the liberation of slaves and prisoners, the redemption of all the children of Adam, your lineage, depends on your response... Open your heart to faith, your mouth to consent, and your chaste body to the Creator” (Laudes Mariae, Sermo 4, 8-9).

Let us celebrate Our Lady’s role in our salvation and entrust ourselves to her loving intercession, today and always. Please say a Marian prayer on this day to honour our Heavenly Mother .

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD.. Masses next Saturday 5pm and Sunday 9.00am (Italian) and 10.30am (English). There will be the blessing of palms and procession before each Mass.

If anyone has palms that can be used for the procession and to distribute to parishioners, would you kindly drop these off to the Parish Office by no later than Friday morning after Morning Mass.

Thank you. **Se avete delle palme per la processione (o per distribuire ai parrocchiani) per la domenica delle palme prossima settimana, chiediamo di portarle nell'ufficio entro prossimo venerdì ore 10. Grazie.**



While the Gospels do not record any words Saint Joseph might have spoken, the eloquent silence nonetheless allows us a glimpse into his character.

Righteous. Obedient. Pure. Humble. Silent (contemplative). Husband. Protector and guardian of the Saviour and the Blessed Virgin.

Saint Joseph experienced the same difficulties in life we all do, yet he lived an exemplary life. Saint Joseph was a man possessed of unwavering faith and utmost trust in God's providence. God was first and foremost, above all, in Saint Joseph's life.

In short, he is an upright man of faith and outstanding virtues. As such, he serves as a wonderful role model for us in today's often unruly culture. Saint Joseph was a man of action, obeying God's will for him in the ordinary duties of daily life. He faithfully and tenderly loved, protected and provided for the Child Jesus and the Virgin Mary. He kept the Sabbath and went to the Temple in Jerusalem for the Passover.

He did the ordinary things of everyday, ordinary life with love.



Mass for the 60th Anniversary of the Servant of God,

Angela Iacobellis

Saturday 27th March at 2.00pm at STM

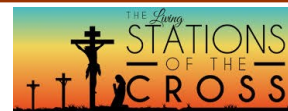
to be celebrated by Fr Fragapane. Mass will be followed by refreshments. **All welcome.**

Santa Messa per il 60esimo anniversario della Serva di Dio, Angela Iacobellis sabato 27 marzo alle 2.00pm celebrata da Padre Fragapane. Rinfresco dopo la messa.

2nd RITE OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday 30 March 7pm

Communal preparation for the sacrament of Reconciliation followed by individual confession. Fr Bruno Carrera (Italian speaking priest) and Fr Favez will be available for individual confessions for all parishioners. **Ci sara' la confessione per tutti I parrocchiani martedi 30 marzo ore 7pm. Fr Bruno che parla l'italiano e Fr Favez saranno in chiesa per tutti voi.**



Good Friday 2 April at 10am

Re-enactment and procession outdoors. Let us all join in together as a Parish community in a profound and powerful way to pray and reflect upon the journey that Jesus took from his condemnation to his death.

IMPORTANT DATES IN MARCH/APRIL - PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Friday 26 Mar 8.30am Stations of the Cross (before Mass today only)

Please take note 9.00am Morning Mass

10.00am First Reconciliation for Grade 3 children

Sat 27 Mar 11.00am Memorial Mass for the late Marion Alexander

2.00pm Mass for the 60th Anniversary of the Servant of God, Angela Iacobellis (1948-1961).

Palm Sunday of Passion of the Lord

Sat 27 Mar 5.00pm Vigil Mass with Blessing of Palms & Procession

Sun 28 Mar 9.00am Italian with Blessing of Palms & Procession

10.30am English Mass with Blessing & Procession

Tuesday 30 March at 7pm

2nd Rite of Reconciliation in the Church. Two priests available to hear confessions.

Wednesday 31 March at 7pm

Screening of The Passion of Christ (by Mel Gibson) in the St John Paul Room



PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER.....

THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Pamela di Giorgio, Carl & Michael Ceddia, Bianca Baseggio, John Bignall, Rosilea D'Oliveira, Goretty Soares, Maria & Nelson Joaquim, Lidia & Joaquim Quaresma, Paul Michael Lynam, Iris Dixon



RECENTLY DECEASED: Kevin Smith, Salvatore Bernardi (**Rosary and Funeral Tues 23 April at 10.30am**)

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES: Sara Crea, Emmanuel Mallia & Family, Joseph Psaila & Family, Romeo & Umberto Carinci, Giuseppe Inserra (1 yr), MariaRosaria Inserra(10 yrs) & Sam Inserra (dec'd 30 Jan 2021), Giovanni & Dora Pacile, Tony d'Elia, Sabatino Aloisio (**Remembrance Mass Tues 23 March at 7pm**)