WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTONS

WEEKEND MASS TIMES Saturday Vigil 5.30 p.m. St. Thomas's Sunday 9.30 a.m. St. Sebastian's Sunday 11.00 a.m. St. Thomas's

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES Thursday 9.15 a.m. in St. Thomas's Church. Friday 9.15 a.m. in St. Sebastian's Church.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR SUNDAY 23/04/2023

St Thomas 5.30 pm - Vigil Mass: Mary Breenan - Sick.

11.00 am - Sunday: Mary Breenan - Sick.

St Sebastian 9.30am - St Sebastian: Geoffrey Winstanley L.D.

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Tuesday - Friday I I am –3pm

Office Days and Hours

Monday & Friday 9am – I pm (Parish Secretary)

> Sick Calls Any time

<u>Marriage</u> <u>Celebrations</u>

Six months notice! Book an appointment with the Parish Priest for the arrangement.

CONFESSION TIMES Saturday 4.45 p.m.- 5.15 p.m. at St. Thomas's Sunday 9.10 a.m.- 9.25 a.m. at St. Sebastian's (and after morning masses)

For any pastoral needs, call to book an appointment

THANK YOU FOR WORSHIPPING WITH US!

THE PARISH OF THE THREE MARTYRS

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Sunday 23rd April 2023 - Third Sunday of Easter A

Parish Priest

Fr Alphonsus Anaele CSSp

Spiritan Seminarian

Caliel Nguekap CSSp

Safeguarding Officiers

St Thomas - Lynda Eastham

St Sebastian - Theresa Davies



Parish served by Spiritans

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nearly over."

How disappointed these disciples of Jesus were with the death of Jesus. To make the matter worse, the resurrection story told by the women was not adding up to them, especially that they were women.. This must have been so much to bear for them. And therefore, they needed to move away from this troubled zone of Jerusalem and all the saga surrounding the Jesus event. They needed to go back to their usual lives-whatever it was they were doing before now hence their hopes have been crushed in defeat. But it was it the midst of this frustration, anger and disappointment that the Lord Jesus came to them. "Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures." He used the Scripture to soothe their defeated and exhausted spirits. Finally, they would recognise him in the breaking of bread, the Eucharist, but he's gone out of their sight. They now believe that he is risen! The Resurrected Christ will never abandon his own. He is always there with us along our journey of life. Stay with us Lord, on our journey of faith!

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WELCOME EVERYONE to Mass at The Parish of The Three Martyrs, Salford, covering - St Thomas Higher Broughton, St Sebastian Pendleton and *St Boniface (extinct)*. Welcome especially if you are a visitor or you are worshiping with us for the first time. Please introduce yourself to the priest or other members of the parish. Please take away with you this weekly bulletin and accept it as an invitation to join in any of our parish activities.

DIOCESAN SYNOD: Bishop John has officially announced the diocesan Synod for the Diocese of Salford ending in 2025. Details and the procedure of the Synod will be announced later.

PEACE HOUR: Between now and Pentecost and beyond, the hour of prayer for Peace will take place in church on the first Thursday of each month - 4 May, I June and 6 July. If you are able to attend, you will be very welcome. We are asked to keep the prayers going at home in the intervening weeks. There is a great need for peace in the world. You can receive copies of helpful prayer leaflets by phoning Jane on 0161 792 3628."

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM: Saturday 20th May, 2023. The Diocese of Salford's annual pilgrimage to Walsingham will be returning on Saturday 20th May. This year's pilgrimage has a number of places available to join the Day Pilgrimage and a very limited number of places for the overnight stay. The cost is £45 for the day trip and £134 for an overnight stay in a Standard room, and £150 for an overnight stay in an En-Suite room. For more information, email walsingham.pilgrimage@dioceseofsalford.org.uk or call 0161 817 2214. Along-side the main pilgrimage, we will also have our Youth Pilgrimage. For more information please email youth@dioceseofsalford.org.uk .

UPCOMING EVENTS

18/06/2023 - First Holy Communion St Boniface at St Thomas at 2.30pm
25/06/2023 - First Holy Communion St Sebastian at 2.30pm
10/06/2023 - Parish Summer Fair at St Thomas Primary School, from 2pm - 4pm.
11/06/2023 - Name Tag Sunday - Social Sunday nicknamed "Know your neighbour Sunday." Do you know the name of the person sitting beside you?
International Mass Sunday - 2nd July 2023 at St Thomas and 9th July at St Sebastian. Let the different communities : African, Asian & European communities organize to an international field of the person site of th

21/04/2023 - First Holy Communion St Thomas at 2.30pm

ise to animate the masses. It is a social Sunday of interaction and sharing. You can bring your local food to share.

FUNERAL: We regret to announce the death of Mrs Vivien Monks. A funeral Mass will be celebrated for her on Wednesday, 03rd May 2023 at St Sebastian Church at 10am followed by committal at Agecroft Crematorium. May she rest in peace.

BAPTISMS: If you are a Parishioner of The Parish of the Three Martyrs and you require a baptism for your child or children, please take a "Request to Celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism" form from the back of church, complete it and return it to the presbytery letter box in an envelope labelled "Baptismal Request." Baptisms will take place at 11.00 a.m. at St. Thomas's on the First Saturday of the Month and at St. Sebastian's on the Second Saturday of the Month. Baptismal preparation Meetings will take place at St. Thomas of Canterbury Church at 6.00 p.m. on the last Friday of the Month. The meeting is important for parents to attend for the Baptism to take place. Godparents are welcome.

CHEQUES: When using cheques for Mass Intentions or for donations, please ensure they are made payable to "TSDT The Three Martyrs" - Barclays Bank. A/c 60155926. Sort Code 205534. Thank you.

COFFEE MORNINGS : We have tea/coffee mornings in St Thomas on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month. And in St Sebastian, it takes place every Sunday except the first Sunday of the month because of the children's liturgy.

PARISH COMMITTMENT: We wish to thank everyone volunteering for one service or the other in our parish. We wish to extend the invitation to everyone in our parish to volunteer in making our parish life better. There are many services in the church from ushering to reading and singing. Let us all get involved .

COMMUNION ON BOTH KINDS (BREAD AND WINE): In the Diocese of Salford, Holy Communion on both kinds has been restored as in many dioceses of England and Wales. However this is left at the discretion of pastors to apply in their respective parishes. I am wondering if we are ready to receive Communion on both kinds. Could I invite us to start by shaking hands freely during the exchange of peace and gradually we shall introduce Communion on both kinds in our churches. I need your opinion on this.

89TH SALFORD DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: 28th July – 3rd August 2023: The Diocese of Salford is delighted to bring you details of its 89th Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes this summer. The pilgrimage will be led by Bishop John Arnold and will leave on Friday 28th July and return on Thursday 3rd August. Prices start from £819pp sharing and bookings can now be made via Joe Walsh Tours at www.joewalshtours.co.uk. For more information, please email info@joewalshtours.co.uk or call 0808 1890468. You can also find out more by visiting https://www.salfordlourdes.co.uk/travel-accommodation

PARISH COLLECTIONS FOR EASTER SUNDAY AVAILABLE NEXT WEEK

Thank you for your support!

Thought for the Week

"Being Christian is not first of all a doctrine or a moral ideal; it is the living relationship with Him, with the Risen Lord: we look at him, we touch him, we are nourished by Him and, transformed by his Love, we look at, touch and nourish others as brothers and sisters." -Pope Francis.