



The Catholic Church in Jersey

One Catholic Parish for the Island of Jersey

10 & 11 March 2018 ~ Fourth Sunday of Easter ~ Year B



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Today is the fourth Sunday of Lent and is known as 'Lætáre' Sunday. If available, the vestments worn today may be rose coloured rather than violet, as during the rest of Lent. The Church knows us well and because both Lent and Advent are long stretches of time to be contemplating repentance, in her wisdom, she gives us a break in both of these seasons. In Advent we are told to rejoice, 'Gaudéte', on the third Sunday and in Lent it is the fourth Sunday which calls us to be joyful, 'Lætáre' as we look forward to the great celebration of Easter.

Traditionally this was the day when people would visit their Mother Church. That might be their home church, the church they were baptised in or the Cathedral. This is how today became known as Mothering Sunday. Families gathering in the church would bring flowers to give to their mothers and this developed into the Mother's Day we celebrate also today.

This is a good day to assess how well we have been accompanying Jesus during his forty days in the wilderness. Have we been fasting from something meaningful which will make a difference to our lives? Have we been praying a little more by joining one of the many opportunities given to us across our Island Parish? Have we sought reconciliation through confession, and have we been giving food, water, clothing and support to Jesus by giving to his most needy subjects? There is still plenty of Lenten time left and, following this little pause in the middle, we can continue refreshed on our journey towards Easter.

Let us today take stock of how our Lenten journey is going. Let us be joyful in anticipation of Easter, give thanks for our mother church and take the opportunity in this little break in Lent to celebrate what we have to be thankful to our own mothers for.

Deacon Brendan



HAPPY MOTHERING SUNDAY TO ALL MOTHERS & GRANDMOTHERS

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AN EXCITING NEW OPPORTUNITY

In order to make this course viable, we need a few more

people to consider joining. From March 2018 to May 2019, BITL will be offering the CCRS (Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies). It is a valuable asset for all teachers and educators of the faith (catechists, teachers, parents and family members).

It is also a course for anyone who wishes to engage with some of the big issues of life. How have these issues been wrestled with in the tradition of our Catholic thinking? *If you are interested then please contact Dr Paul Rowan on: rowanp@bitl.org.je*

MEETINGS

CARITAS JERSEY AGM AND BOARD MEETING

Tuesday 13 March at 7.30pm in St Thomas' Presbytery.

CHAPTER OF CANONS

Fr Nicholas will be attending the Chapter of Canons Meeting in Portsmouth on **Thursday 15 March**.

STREET PASTORS JERSEY AGM

Thursday 22 March at 6.30pm in St Helier Methodist Centre – in the downstairs rooms (door to left of church steps).

YOUTH NEWS

Contact: Moyra Journeaux
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Facebook 'Jersey Catholic Youth'

We have recently updated the Catholic Youth website. Please visit us at www.jacy.org.je. to see what is happening in Youth Ministry. View our spring term programme of exciting events. Browse our archives to see what is on offer for Catholic Youth in our Island parish.

Friday evenings in the Youth Room from 7pm - 10pm for school year 7 plus. Come and meet other young Catholics in Jersey as well as sharing and developing your knowledge of your faith. Join us for themed faith based activities, followed by chill-out time with friends. The focus during Lent is on praying the Stations of the Cross.

Youth 2000 Thursdays - from 6.30pm - 8.30pm. Join us for Taize prayer focusing on Lent. Youth from school year 10 plus are invited to see how Jesus can help you to carry your cross this Lent.

Youth room closed Thursday 15 March.

THE CATHOLIC GIFT SHOP

Cards are now on sale for
St Patrick's Day, Easter, Ordination and
Anniversary of Ordination,
First Holy Communion Cards and Gifts.
All at reasonable prices.

SHOULD ST THOMAS' STAY OPEN DAILY?

It all depends on more people giving an hour a week to welcoming visitors, answering questions and keeping an eye on the building itself. The Guild of St Thomas would welcome you joining its 'happy band' whether you usually worship in St Thomas' or any other Island church.

Names please, to Fr Nicholas or a Guild member.

AN ISLAND PARISH LUNCH

Takes place at the Hotel Ambassadeur in St Clement on **Sunday 29 April**. Booking forms will be available soon at the back of each church. For more details please contact Rosemarie Hill on 854281.

MARRIAGE & FAMILY LIFE

Contact: Mary Cahill m.cahill@catholicchurch.org.je
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Thanks to the Catholic Grandparents Association we now host a Family Friendly 'pop in' Adoration every Friday at 4pm - 5pm at St Thomas' Church.

SAVE THE DATE FOR EASTER EGGCITMENT

Saturday 24 March in St Thomas' Hall between 9.30am - 11.30am. Getting ready for your Family Easter? **A COMPETITION!** Can you make a figure or scene using hard boiled eggs? £2 an entry. The theme is our Church Family. There are different age groups & prizes to be won. The age groups are: preschool/reception to year 2 and years 3 - 4 / 5 - 6 & years 7 - 13 and adults too! Please deliver your entries to St Thomas' Hall the day before (Friday 23 March between 3.30pm - 10pm) or on the day by 10am. Come along to join in making Easter cards, Easter gardens and crafts. Soup and hotdogs will be served. We will have an Easter tombola, cake stall, fun games and things to buy to bring Easter into your home. All proceeds to World Meeting of Families.

PRAISE & PLAY BABY & TODDLER GROUP

Mondays - 9.30am - 11.30am in St Bernadette's Hall.

FAMILY FAITH & FUN - Fridays in St Thomas' Hall – 3pm - 5pm for babies, toddlers up to primary aged children.

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES IN DUBLIN - Please see the posters in our Churches for more details. This pilgrimage, led by Fr Benjamin, is open to all family members - singles, couples, parents, grandparents and children. We hope that each church will help at least one family and teenager to attend. **Coin jars are available in our churches to help us fundraise.** Please take one home for loose change. Return filled coin jars to any of the youth team at Mass, or drop into Catholic Pastoral Services for attention of Mary Cahill or Moyra Journeaux or drop into the Youth Room in St Thomas' Hall on a Friday evening from 7pm. Thank you.

ST PATRICKS' LENTEN MOVIE CANCELLED

Due to lack of support. Many thanks to those who attended and contributed £32 towards the Appeal for the World Meeting of Families Pilgrimage in August.

Mass Times in the Parish during the next week

Date	Time	Church	Mass intention
Saturday 10 March	First Mass for the Fourth Sunday of Lent		
	6:00 pm	Sacred Heart	Maria de Jesus Dos Passos RIP
	6:00 pm	St Patrick	Mary Folan RIP
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	Cremilde Almeida & Luís Pereira 25th Wedding Anniversary
Sunday 11 March	Fourth Sunday of Lent		2 Chron 36:14-16.19-23; Psalm 136; Eph 2:4-10; John 3:14-21
	9:00 am	Our Lady, St Martin	Intentions of CWL
	9:00 am	St Mary & St Peter	Mass in Polish
	9:15 am	St Thomas	Michael & Margaret Brady RIP
	9:30 am	St Matthieu	Nicholas Greene RIP
	11:00 am	St Patrick	Angela Harrison RIP
	11:15 am	St Bernadette	João Ferreira RIP
	11:30 am	St Mary & St Peter	The People of the Parish
	3:30 pm	St Thomas	Mass in Portuguese: : Deceased family and friends of Susana Luís, Maria da Conceição Marques RIP, Domingos Nóbrega RIP, Maria Nóbrega RIP and Carlos Teles in Thanksgiving
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	Shelagh Heneghan RIP
	7:30 pm	St Thomas	Mass in Polish
Monday 12 March	Of the 4th Week of Lent		Is 65:17-21; Psalm 29; John 4:43-54
	9:30 am	Our Lady, St Martin	Sally McCamley RIP
Tuesday 13 March	Of the 4th Week of Lent		Ezek 47:1-9.12; Psalm 45; John 5:1-3.5-16
	9:30 am	Sacred Heart	Antonio de Jesus Dos Passos RIP
	9:30 am	St Patrick	Doublet & Norman Family RIP
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	Peter and Elizabeth Hardiman RIP
Wednesday 14 March	Of the 4th Week of Lent		Is 49:8-15; Psalm 144; John 5:17-30
	12:30 pm	St Thomas	Eileen Healy RIP
	6:30 pm	Sacred Heart	Cristina Perestrelo RIP
		6pm Adoration 7pm Rosary	
Thursday 15 March	Of the 4th Week of Lent		Ex 32:7-14; Psalm 105; John 5:31-47
	7:00 am	St Mary & St Peter	Tara O'Brien RIP
	9:30 am	St Patrick	Judy Garland & Olga Baucher RIP
	10:00 am	St Matthieu	Juan De Sousa Agrela RIP
Friday 16 March	Of the 4th Week of Lent		Wis 2:1.12-22; Psalm 33; John 7:1-2.10.25-30
	7:00 pm	St Matthieu	Station Mass
	7:00 pm	St Mary & St Peter	Mass in Polish + Holy Hour
Saturday 17 March	St Patrick		Jer 11:18-20; Psalm 7; John 7:40-52
	9:30 am	St Patrick	
	11:00 am	St Thomas	João Silvino & Family RIP
	11:00 am	St Mary & St Peter	St Patrick's Day
Saturday 17 March	First Mass for the Fifth Sunday of Lent		
	6:00 pm	Sacred Heart	Martin Kerins RIP
	6:00 pm	St Patrick	The People of the Parish
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	The People of the Parish
Sunday 18 March	Fifth Sunday of Lent		Jer 31;31-34; Psalm 50; Heb 5:7-9; John 12:20-33
	9:00 am	Our Lady, St Martin	George Le Masurier RIP
	9:00 am	St Mary & St Peter	Mass in Polish
	9:15 am	St Thomas	Elizabeth Gillian Clayton RIP
	9:30 am	St Matthieu	Wally Nisbet RIP
	11:00 am	St Patrick	
	11:15 am	St Bernadette	Manuel Filipe RIP
	11:30 am	St Mary & St Peter	Sergio Bianchi RIP
	3:30 pm	St Thomas	Mass in Portuguese: Silvina de Jesus Andrade RIP, Silvano Diogo RIP, José Gonçalves Diogo RIP, Francisco Luís RIP and José Ferreira RIP
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	Eileen Healy RIP
	7:30 pm	St Thomas	Mass in Polish

Little Sisters: Mass at 11am each weekday and 10.30am every Sunday.

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In an emergency (when someone seems to be near death) phone the General Hospital: 442000 and ask them to page the Duty Priest.