

## WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

### **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

14/05/2023

### **St Thomas**

**5.30 pm - Vigil Mass:** Mary Reid - RIP

**11.00 am - Sunday:** (i) Gerald Tracey - sick  
(ii) Joyce Sammon - RIP

(ii) Paddy Dwyer - Lately dead

### **18/05/23 - Ascension Thursday Masses**

St Thomas - 9.15 am

St Sebastian - 7pm

**19/05/23 Friday– St Sebastian (St Dustan, Bishop)**

9.15 - Mass.

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## **Office Days and Hours**

Tuesday - Friday  
11am –3pm

Monday & Friday  
9am –1pm  
(Parish Secretary)

**Sick Calls**  
**Any time**

**Marriage Celebrations**

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

### **CONFESSION TIMES**

Saturday 4.45 - 5.15 p.m.  
at St. Thomas's  
Sunday 9.00 - 9.15 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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**14th May 2023 - Sixth Sunday of Easter A**

### *Parish Priest*

Fr Alphonsus Anaele CSSp

### *Spiritan Seminarian*

Caliel Nguetap CSSp

### *Safeguarding Officers*

St Thomas - Lynda Eastham

St Sebastian - Theresa Davies

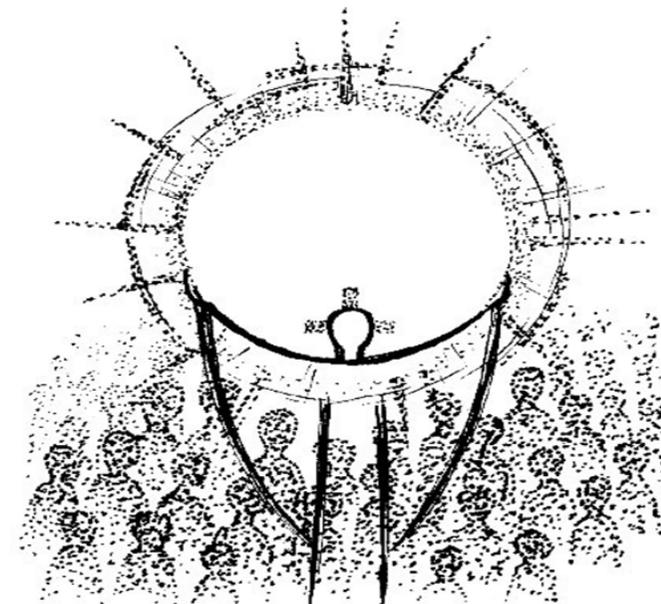
### *Parish Sec/Admin*

Geraldine Nwachukwu



**Parish served by  
Spiritans**

*Registered Charity  
No.250037*



***"I shall ask the Father, and he shall give you another Advocate"***

The Easter season is gradually winding up. We shall celebrate the Ascension of the Lord on Thursday and nine days after, the feast of the Pentecost – that is the birth of the church and Easter season would be over. On this Sunday we read the preparatory speech of Jesus to his disciples on the night before he suffered, promising them of another Advocate. But there is a condition for the coming of the second Advocate – trust and love to the person of Jesus. The other Advocate will be with us forever as Jesus leaves the scene physically. His job will be our defence and leading us to discover the truth. He is the Comforter and the source of our courage especially when things do not go as we expect. He will be the liaison officer between us, Jesus and the Father. This Advocate is the Holy Spirit and he will fully manifest on the day of Pentecost.

**WELCOME EVERYONE** to Mass at The Parish of The Three Martyrs, Salford, covering - St Thomas Higher Broughton, St Sebastian Pendleton and St Boniface, Lower Broughton . 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.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

21/05/2023 - First Holy Communion St Thomas at 2.30pm

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?

One World Family Mass Sunday - **2nd July 2023** at St Thomas and **9th July** at St Sebastian.

Let the different communities : African, Asian & European communities organise to animate the masses. It is a social Sunday of interaction and sharing. You can bring your local food to share.

**PARISH SPRING FARE:** Parishioners can now start to bring in items for the SUMMER FAIR which will be on Saturday 10th June. We need bric - a - brack (objects and ornaments of value - no broken items), books, CD's and DVD's, jig saws and board games, new items for the Tombola and children's Tombola, children's toys and books. We are also looking for anyone who can bake cakes to be sold on the day. Please DO NOT SEND electrical items or clothes. We are also need volunteers to help run the stalls. If you are interested, please see Fr Alphonsus or Linda Eastham. All the money raised is used to maintain the church. There are flyers you could take away .

**ASCENSION THURSDAY:-** (Holy day of obligation): We celebrate the feast of the Lord's Ascension. There are Masses at 9.15 am in St Thomas and at 7pm at St Sebastian.

**PENTECOST SUNDAY:** Pentecost is the feast of the descent of the Holy Spirit on the disciples and the birth of the Church. It is also the foundational feast of the Spiritans ( Holy Ghost Fathers). Traditionally in Manchester, parishioners of the parishes where we work gather at St Anne's Church, Ancoats M4 7EQ, for a community Mass. The Mass starts at 12 noon. Everyone is invited. On Pentecost Sunday, we shall ask you to support us in our missions. With the Bishop's permission there will a second collection for the Spiritan missions.

**PENTECOST NOVENA:** In preparation for Pentecost, we make a novena to the Holy Spirit following he ways of the disciples. Copies of the Novena could be found at the entrance of the church.

**FUNERALS:** We regret to announce the deaths of : (1) **Norman O'Neill**. A service will be organized for him at the Agecroft Crematorium on Friday at 1.30pm. (2) **Chrisitopher Michael Ellis** . A funeral Mass will be said for him on Thursday 25th May at St Thomas Church at 10 am, followed by committal at the Agecroft cemetery. (3) **Stephen Michael Lube**. A funeral Mass will be said for him on Friday 26th May at St Sebastian Church at 12 noon followed by committal at Agecroft cemetery at 1 pm. May they 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 COMMITMENT:** 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.

**CONFIRMATION:** some of our parishioners will be confirmed at the Cathedral on Tuesday evening. Holy Mass begins at 7pm.

**APF MISSIONS (Red Boxes):** The Annual Mass for the APF Missions will take place at Salford Cathedral on Saturday 3rd June at 3.00pm. All APF supporters in the parish are invited to join in celebrating with others fro across the Diocese.

### PARISH COLLECTIONS FOR 30TH APRIL 2023

**St Thomas £337 St Sebastian £93**

**Ecclesiastical Education Fund £23**

**Total for the parish £360**

*Thank you for your support!*

### Thought for the Week

*It is possible! It is possible for humanity to know true joy, because wherever the Gospel comes, life flourishes, just as arid ground, irrigated by rain, immediately turns back to green.*

— Pope Benedict XVI