## St Thomas More Bulletin for the 3rd Sunday of Lent Year A

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<u>Parish Away Day</u> at Mount St Bernard's on Monday 31 March 2014. Please sign up on the list on the notice board if you would like to take the opportunity for some time out for a retreat day at MSB in preparation for Holy Week.

<u>Lourdes 2014</u> We are hoping to get a group of us going to the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes from our three Churches this year. The dates are from the 13th-19th of July, and the prices start from £325 (depending on which option you choose e.g coach or plane, B&B or full board etc). If you are interested in going please speak to Fr David who now has some leaflets and booking forms.

<u>Wollaton Churches Together Lent Talks</u> Full details of these are on the notice board with leaflets available from the back of Church. The next talk is on Tuesday this week at St Leonard's beginning at 7.30pm.

Station Mass The deanery Station Mass will take place at Holy Cross, Hucknall Wednesday 2nd April 7-8pm

Prayer Group Will be meeting on Thursday 27 March at 339 Wollaton Road at 7.30 pm

Second Collection SRPF Appeal

<u>Singles'Club.</u> The next lunch will be at 1.00 p.m. on Sunday, April13th at The Cottage Restaurant in Kegworth. Now that we have sixteen members the table needs to be booked well in advance which has already been done. In a change of plan, from now on, please let Maureen know if you will not be coming so that your place can be cancelled in good time.

<u>Palm Sunday</u> 13 April at 6.00 pm Joint Service with Wollaton Churches Together of The Way of the Cross here at St Thomas More. This is our Lenten liturgy this year so please take this opportunity to begin your preparation for Holy Week by coming along. Refreshments afterwards.

**Fr Thomas Pickering** From 1739-1789 Fr Thomas Pickering was the one of the only Catholic Priests in Nottingham. He was disguised as a servant in the Aspley estate (where Trinity School now stands). He celebrated the sacraments for the small community of Catholics in Nottingham during many years when to be a Catholic was to risk everything. When he died the local Vicar at St Peter's Anglican Church in Radford (which is now in the Parish of St Paul's and St Mary's) allowed him to be buried in the Churchyard, as there was no Catholic burial ground at the time. For 100 years his grave was a place of pilgrimage for Catholics. He has now largely been forgotten. He was a local hero of the faith. Please pray for the repose of his soul. His grave can be visited in St Peter's graveyard. Hopefully we will be able to organise a pilgrimage to his grave for a grave blessing before long. Watch this space.