The Catholic Parish of St Thomas Aquinas and All Saints, Bletchley

Diocese of Northampton Registered charity No. 234091 / Pastoral Area of St Paul, Milton Keynes

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safeguarding.bletchley@northamptondiocese.org

In Hospital? Contact MK University Hospital Chaplaincy on 01908 996061.

Please inform them that you are a Catholic.

Local Catholic Schools:

Bishop Parker Primary School, MK2 3BT

01908 372129 www.bishopparker.co.uk

St Thomas Aquinas Primary School, MK3 5DT

01908 373977 www.st-thomasaquinas.co.uk

St Paul's Secondary School, MK6 5EN

01908 669735 www.st-pauls.org.uk

Are You New? Have You Moved?

NAME(s)	
Please add me to the Parish Census.	
I am a new/existing* parishioner. *Delete as appropria	ite

ADDRESS
TEL

Data Protection – The personal details of yourself and family members given above will only be stored and used by the Parish for internal administrative and organisational purposes of the Parish. They will not be disclosed outside the parish. If statistics from the census are shared with the Diocese or anyone else, they will be strictly anonymised. Details of how we process your data, and your rights, are on the full Privacy Notice which may be viewed on the Parish Website or on the notice board at the back of Church.

I confirm that all individuals whose information has been provided on this form have agreed for it to be provided to the Parish:

Signed:	
Name:	
Date:	

Please cut out and return to the Parish Office

Quotes from Pope St Leo the Great (Feast Day 10th November)

"Peace is the first thing the angels sang. Peace is the mark of the children of God. Peace is the nurse of love. Peace is the mother of unity. Peace is the rest of the blessed souls. Peace is the dwelling place of eternity."

"No one, however weak, is denied a share in the victory of the cross. No one is beyond the help of the prayer of Christ."

Liturgies this Week

STA: St Thomas Aquinas Church, Sycamore Avenue, MK2 2JE AS: All Saints Church, Shenley Road, MK3 6HG

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR 12th November 6:00pm (STA) Vigil Mass of Sunday [Saturday]

9:00am (AS) Mass 11:00am (AS) Mass 6:30pm (AS) Mass

Monday Feria 13th November

9:30am (STA) Rosary 10:00am (STA) Mass

followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10:55am

Tuesday *Feria* 14th November

9:30am (AS) Rosary 10:00am (AS) Mass

followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 7:00pm

7:00pm (AS) Mass

Wednesday St Albert the Great 15th November

9:30am (STA) Rosary 10:00am (STA) Mass

followed by The Perpetual Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

Thursday St Margaret of Scotland 16th November

9:30am (AS) Confessions & Rosary

10:00am (AS) Mass 7.00pm (STA) Mass

Friday St Elizabeth of Hungary 17th November

9:10am (STA) Divine Mercy Chaplet

9:30am (STA) Rosary 10:00am (STA) Mass

Saturday *Dedication of the Basilicas of Peter & Paul* 18th November

9:30am (STA) Mass

Followed by Devotions (No Eucharistic Adoration today) 10:00am – 11:00am (STA) Confessions

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR 19th November 6:00pm (STA) Vigil Mass of Sunday [Saturday]

9:00am (AS) Mass 11:00am (AS) Mass 6:30pm (AS) Mass

If you need help...call the SVP

If you or someone you know would benefit from their support, please make contact by calling **07788796378**. If you want to make a financial donation to the work of the SVP via Bank Transfer, please use the following details: - Account Name: **ST VINCENT DE PAUL**

Sort Code: **60-60-04** Account No:**46084789**



Remembrance Sunday

At Mass today we pray particularly for all the victims of war and for those who have given their lives for others in the defense of freedom.

We will observe the national two minute silence at 11am before the start of the Mass.

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old; Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning We will remember them

Angelus (said before the Vigil Mass)

The Angel of the Lord declared to Mary:

And she conceived of the Holy Spirit. Hail Mary...

Behold the handmaid of the Lord:

Be it done unto me according to Thy word. Hail Mary...

And the Word was made Flesh:

And dwelt among us. Hail Mary...

Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.

That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts; that we, to whom the incarnation of Christ, Thy Son, was made known by the message of an angel, may by His Passion and Cross † be brought to the glory of His Resurrection, through the same Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Requiescant in Pace

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

Cella D'Souza, whose Memorial Mass will be at All Saints Church, 12 Noon on Saturday 25th November.

May Christ, who called you, take you to Himself; may angels lead you to Abraham's side. Receive their souls and present them to God the Most High

Bletchley Parish Youth Group for ages 11+

The next meeting will be on Saturday 26th November from 2pm to 3pm in St Thomas Aquinas Church Meeting Room. Come along for games, activities, music, movies, art, fun learning about Jesus, snacks and much more. All welcome.

Youth Group is always held on 2^{nd} & 4^{th} Saturday of the month.

Junior Youth Group for years 4, 5 & 6

Starting from Monday 13^{th} November from 5.30pm to 6.30pm. A new Youth Group for children in years 4,5 & 6 at St Thomas Aquinas Church Meeting Room. All Welcome. Junior Youth Group is held on 2^{nd} & 4^{th} Monday of the month.

Prayer of St Gertrude for the Holy Souls

Jesus appeared to St. Gertrude the Great and promised her the release of 1,000 souls from Purgatory each time this prayer is prayed:

Eternal Father, I offer You the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with all the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal Church, for those in my own home, and within my family. Amen.

Remember to pray for the Holy Souls every day Tea & Coffee Morning Today After 11.00am Mass

The St. Theresa of the child Jesus Society will serve tea and coffee after the 11am Mass and they are inviting all parishioners to join them.

Bereavement Support Group

Do you miss someone? Would you like to talk about it? Our Parish Bereavement Group gives you the safe space to share your grief following the loss of a loved one. We listen and talk about those who are gone and reflect on our faith to guide us through. All welcome.

2:00pm-3:30pm St Thomas Aquinas Church Meeting Room *Future Dates; 4th December; 8th January*

Home Visits

Do you have a loved one confined to home or care home who can no longer attend Mass? Would he/she like to receive Holy Communion or a visit from the Legion of Mary? If so, please contact Maggie on 01908 563277.

Second Collection This Weekend:

Diocesan Priests' Fund This helps to provide care for the sick and retired priests of our Diocese.

Catenian Coffee Morning

On Sunday, 26th November 2023 after 11.00am Mass at All Saints Church, come and meet members of Milton Keynes Circle and learn more about The Catenian Association. Enjoy a friendly chat over a cup of tea/coffee and some biscuits. Proceeds from the morning will go to support Willen Hospice which is our nominated charity this year. For further information please contact www.thecatenians.com or email Richard Golden richard.golden@btinternet.com

Praying for the Holy Souls in Purgatory

Throughout the month of November, we pray more intently for the Holy Souls at each Mass. In each church before the Altar there is a box containing the names of our loved ones for whom we pray. If you would like to place names in the box, there are envelopes and prayer sheets at the back of each Church. You can fill these out and then place the envelope in the box.

Please DO NOT include money with your request.

Feast of St Francis Xavier

The Milton Keynes Goan Community are looking forward to celebrate the Feast Day of their beloved Patron, St Francis Xavier, on Sunday 3rd December with Mass in St Thomas Aquinas Church at 11am followed by fellowship in the parish Meeting Room afterwards. For more details, please contact one of the following: Othelia 07459 483045; Simon 07383 097599; Arshi 07454 605655 or Lee 07821 645317.

Training for New & Existing Altar Servers'

If you have made your First Holy Communion and come to Mass each weekend in our Parish then we invite you to consider serving at the Altar. This is an important ministry in the Church which requires prayerfulness, maturity, and discipline. The next training opportunity which you are invited to attend is at All Saints Church on:

Sunday 19th November immediately after the 11:00am Mass. Also training at St Thomas Aquinas Church on **Saturday 2nd December at 2pm**.

This training is for those who attend either St Thomas Aquinas Church or All Saints Church.

Next Weekend CAFOD Coffee Morning & Raffle

Refreshments will be served and a raffle held, next Sunday after 11am Mass in All Saints Church. All are welcome.

Wishing God's Blessing on you and your family, Fr Gerard & Fr Jithu