

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

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CORPUS CHRISTI

1st/2nd June 2024

Liturgies this Week

STA: St Thomas Aquinas Church, Sycamore Avenue, MK2 2JE

AS: All Saints Church, Shenley Road, MK3 6HG

Saturday 1st June Vigil

STA	6.00pm	Ody Kelvin Igweani, RIP; Deceased members of the Igweani & Gilmartin Family, RIP; Holy Souls.
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Sunday 2nd June CORPUS CHRISTI

AS	9.00am	Cella D'Souza, RIP; Abel Carrasco, RIP
AS	11.00am	Derek Scott, RIP
AS	6.30pm	Pro Populo

Monday 3rd June SS Charles Lwanga & Companions

STA	10.00am	Peter Graham, Anniv. RIP
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Tuesday 4th June Feria

AS	10.00am	Requiem: Frank Conway, RIP
STA	7.00pm	Chloe Cerrone, Int.; Domenic Cerrone, RIP

Thursday 6th June St Norbert

AS	10.00am	Sean Flanagan, Anniv. RIP
STA	7.00pm	Gordian Oranika, RIP

Friday 7th June THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

		No morning Mass
STA	7.00pm	For the intention of the canonisation of Venerable Agnelo De Souza

Saturday 8th June Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

STA	9.30am	Margaret Daniels, Int.
STA	6.00pm	Johnny Peterson, RIP; Thanksgiving for Peterson Family; Private, Int.

Sunday 9th June 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time

AS	9.00am	Conseicao & Jacob Colaco, RIP
AS	11.00am	Peter Nulty, Anniv. RIP
AS	6.30pm	Pro Populo

Regular Devotions

The Holy Rosary: Daily, 30mins before morning Mass, Monday to Friday; Saturdays, after 9.30am Mass

Divine Mercy Chaplet: Fridays, 9.10am (STA)

Perpetual Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour:

Combined with Eucharistic Adoration after 10.00am Mass on Mondays

Confessions:

Thursdays: 9.30am, (AS)

Saturdays: 10.00am to 11.00am (STA); and at call.

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.

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

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**

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.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Mondays: After 10.00am Mass, Benediction at 11.00am (STA)

Tuesdays: After 10.00am Mass, Benediction at 11.00am (AS);

Saturdays: After 9.30am Mass, Benediction at 11.00am (STA)

Time spent before the Blessed Sacrament in the best time you will spend on earth. (St Teresa of Calcutta)

Requiescant in Pace

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

Frank Conway whose Requiem Mass will be in All Saints Church, 10.00am on 4th June.

Giuseppa Calleia whose Requiem Mass will be in St Thomas Aquinas Church, 10.00am on 14th June.

*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

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; 10th June, 8th July.

Junior Youth Group for years 4, 5 & 6

The next youth group will be on **Monday 10th June** from 5.30pm to 6.30pm. Youth Group is for children in years 4,5 & 6 at St Thomas Aquinas Church Meeting Room. All Welcome.

Junior Youth Group is held on 2nd & 4th Mondays of the month.

Bletchley Parish Youth Group for ages 11+

The next meeting will be on **Saturday 8th June** 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 2nd & 4th Saturday of the month.

Baptism Preparation Meeting

The next meeting for parents/guardians who are requesting the sacrament of Baptism for their child will be at 7:00pm on

Monday 3rd June in St Thomas Aquinas Church Meeting Room, MK2 2JE. The meeting is for parents and guardians only, unfortunately we are not able, currently, to accommodate young children. ***Please contact the Parish Office to book a place.***

Women in Ministry – The Gathering 3

Did you know that the Northampton Diocese has a Women in Ministry group? We have our own webpage:

<https://northamptondiocese.org/women-in-ministry/> and we made a key contribution to the recent Diocesan assembly. We have been active for a number of years and want to invite the women of our Diocese to our next Gathering on **Saturday June 8th at St Mary's Woburn Sands, 10am until 4pm**. This is an opportunity to reflect on women in the Catholic Church, their calling and vocation, their gifts and ministries, their voice in the synod and a chance to listen, pray, share, and reflect.

For more information please

email helen.burgess@northamptondiocese.org.

Multicultural & Family Fun Day

The St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Society, Bletchley Branch is hosting a BRING & SHARE multicultural and family fun day on the **Saturday 13th July 2024** at St Thomas Aquinas Church, Bletchley. The starting time is 12noon and finishes at 5pm. Parishioners are invited to join us in their native clothes and encourage to come along with their special native food. Don't forget your comfortable shoes and your picnic mats and chairs.

Individuals and groups are invited to perform. Please we are encouraging everyone to be part of this programme to glory the Lord Almighty God and to foster unity among ourselves.

Looking forward to seeing everyone.

The Cause for the Canonisation of the Ven. Agnelo De Souza

Father Agnelo De Souza died on the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, which was originally on 20 November in 1927. He was a priest of the Society of the Missionaries of St. Francis Xavier, Pilar and had served the people of Goa. He was a man of outstanding holiness and humility, and despite his own poor health worked tirelessly in his sacred and pastoral duties. He collapsed while preaching at Rachol, in Goa but insisted that benediction should continue after which he then expired. The parish priest who buried him said: "Hanvem atanch eka Santak matiek Laila" which means "I have just laid a saint to rest". His remains were taken to Pilar on 10th January 1939 and he was declared Venerable by the Vatican on 10th November 1986. The cause for his canonisation continues and every year in Bletchley we offer a Mass for this intention.

Mass for the cause of the canonisation of Blessed Agnelo will be held on the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart (Friday, 7th June) at 7:00pm in St Thomas Aquinas Church. In preparation for this celebration a Novena for his canonisation began last Wednesday and will continue until Thursday of this week.

Prayer for the Canonisation of Venerable Agnelo:

*O God of infinite mercy,
we humbly prostrate at Your feet,
we beg of You, with wholehearted trust,
that if it be Your Holy Will,
and if it serves our salvation,
grant Venerable Agnelo the honours of the Altar,
through the Solemn declaration
of Our Provident Mother, the Church.
We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.*

Walsingham on Saturday 8th June

If you are attending the Diocese Pilgrimage to Walsingham on Saturday 8th June, please arrive no later than 7.50am at All Saints Church as the coach is leaving at 8am sharp. Also please remember, suitable walking shoes, a packed lunch and drink.

The Seniors' Afternoon Tea Party

On **Saturday 6th July** at St Thomas Aquinas Meeting Room, from 2pm till 5pm. If you would like to attend, please complete one of the invites and place it in the box both of which you can find at the back of church. Completed forms should be received by Sunday 16th June. Please note places are limited and are filled on a first come first serve basis. For any further information or offers of help please contact Maggie on 01908 563277.

Year of Encounter

With the general election called for 4th July CAFOD and St Vincent de Paul Society are launching A year of Encounter, an initiative inviting parishes to reach out to local parliamentary candidates to find out more about their views on the issues that we care about such as poverty and injustice. If you would like to be part of this initiative, please come to a meeting at St Thomas Aquinas Meeting Room on Tuesday 11th June at 7pm. More information available at: yearofencounter@cafod.org.uk

Corpus Christi

The Feast of Corpus Christi was introduced by Pope Urban IV in 1264 following a Eucharistic miracle in the Italian town of Bolseno; and it reminds us that Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ IS truly, really and substantially present in the Holy Eucharist. Every time you attend Holy Mass thank God for the precious gift of Himself in the Holy Eucharist; and for the great privilege of being able to receive Him either sacramentally or spiritually.

Wishing you and your family a blessed week. Fr Gerard