

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

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10th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8th /9th June 2024

Liturgies this Week

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

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

Saturday 8 th June Vigil		
STA	6.00pm	Johnny Peterson, RIP; Thanksgiving for Peterson Family; Private Int.
Sunday 9 th June Sunday 10 th in Ordinary Time		
AS	9.00am	Conseicao & Jacob Colaco, RIP
AS	11.00am	Peter Nulty, Anniv. RIP
AS	6.30pm	Pro Populo
Monday 10 th June Feria		
STA	10.00am	Paul-Anthony Pilla, 18 th B'day, Int; Lucia Folgheraiter, RIP
Tuesday 11 th June St Barnabas, Apostle		
AS	10.00am	Mary & Bernard Wall, RIP
STA	7.00pm	Jinty, RIP; Nicholas Fury, RIP
Thursday 13 th June St Anthony of Padua		
AS	10.00am	Anna Ciliberti, Anniv. RIP; Giovanni Ciliberti, RIP
STA	7.00pm	Otito & Gerard Ofulue, RIP; Amarachi Isichei RIP
Friday 14 th June Feria		
STA	10.00am	Requiem: Giuseppa Calleia, RIP
Saturday 15 th June Our Lady on Saturday		
		No Morning Mass
STA	6.00pm	Angelina, Domenico & Giuseppe Tomeo, RIP
Sunday 16 th June Sunday 11 th in Ordinary Time		
AS	9.00am	Pro Populo
AS	11.00am	Geraldine Crewe, Anniv. RIP
AS	6.30pm	John & Jane Crossan, RIP; Kathleen O'Reilly, RIP

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:

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

Auxilia Nyambo whose Requiem Mass will be in All Saints Church, 10.00am on 17th 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 22nd 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.

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 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

First Holy Communion

Please keep in your prayers those children from our parish schools of St Thomas Aquinas and Bishop Parker who this coming Saturday will make their First Holy Communion. We pray for them, for their families and for their teachers.

Free Widescreen TVs

Great, now I have your attention, I am looking for some help! A very small but dedicated band of volunteers regularly clean our two churches, and they do a great job. However, it is a lot to ask for them to do so every week. Therefore, I am appealing for some volunteers to assist, so we can draw up a rota. The more cleaners we have, the less frequently it will be your turn. Don't be shy, please volunteer and so help your parish.

Previous experience with a duster and mop is not essential!

The Becket Festival

This year's Becket Festival, celebrating the secondary Patron of our Diocese, St Thomas Becket, will be held on the weekend of Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th July in Northampton and will begin with Mass in the Cathedral at 11.00am on Saturday 6th July at which the Principal Celebrant will be Bishop David Oakley and will conclude on Sunday 7th July with Solemn Vespers and Benediction. There is an interesting and varied programme of events during the festival which will include an opportunity to venerate the relic of St Thomas who had strong links with the town of Northampton and who was martyred for the faith in Canterbury Cathedral in 1170. Full details of all the events over the two-day festival are available on the diocesan website:

<https://northamptondiocese.org/relics/>

Mission Red Box Thank You and Appeal

In two week's time, we will welcome Fr Kevin Hughes, MHM, who will give a Red Box Appeal. Missio is the Pope's charity for world Mission and through the Red Box we support the Church around the world where it is young and in need. Please do consider supporting this important cause by taking a Red Box or by signing up to give via Direct Debit. Thank you for helping the mission of the Church.

Day for Life 2024

The Church teaches that life is to be nurtured from conception to natural death; and Day for Life is celebrated on the third Sunday of June each year. This year's theme is '**The Lord is my Shepherd**' and focuses on care at the end of life and the need to build a culture of care. There has been much discussion in the media recently about 'assisted suicide', whereby people who feel they are overburdened by suffering will be facilitated in bringing their lives to a premature end by a change in legislation. The Catholic Church opposes this. To find out more about this subject please visit the Bishops' Conference website at:

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/day-for-life/>

There will be a second collection next weekend to assist pro-life charities in their great work.

A Prayer of St John Henry Newman

O Lord, support us all day long,
until the shadows lengthen,
and the evening comes,
and the busy world is hushed,
and the fever of life is over,
and our work is done.
Then in your mercy,
grant us a safe lodging and a holy rest,
and peace at last. Amen.

June, the Month of the Sacred Heart

June is dedicated to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus: the Fount of Divine Love for mankind. We pray that the grace of God will help us all to grow in our knowledge and love of the Faith, and in the virtue of charity, by loving God above all things and by loving our neighbour as Christ commands.

Wishing you and your family a blessed week. Fr Gerard