

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

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EASTER SUNDAY

4th/5th April 2026

Liturgies this Week

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

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

Saturday 4th April HOLY SATURDAY

AS	8.30pm	Journey in Faith Candidates, Int.; Brenda & Mike Tassell, Int.
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Sunday 5th April EASTER SUNDAY

STA	8.00am	Pro Populo
AS	9.00am	Arthur Leslie Mills, Anniv. RIP
AS	11.00am	Bernie Owens, RIP
STA		No evening Mass

Monday 6th April EASTER MONDAY

STA	12 noon	
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Tuesday 7th April EASTER TUESDAY

AS		No Mass today
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Thursday 9th April EASTER THURSDAY

AS		No Mass today
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Friday 10th April EASTER FRIDAY

STA		No Mass today
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Saturday 11th April EASTER SATURDAY

STA		No morning Mass
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STA	6.00pm	Ody Kelvin Igweani, RIP; Igweani & Gilmartin Families, RIP; Holy Souls
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Sunday 12th April SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY)

AS	9.00am	Pro Populo
AS	11.00am	Angelina Tomeo, Domenico Tomeo & Giuseppe Tomeo, RIP
AS	3.05pm	Lauchlan McShefferty, RIP
STA	6.30pm	Domenico Adorno, RIP

Regular Devotions

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

Perpetual Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour:

After 10.00am Mass on Mondays, followed by Benediction

Confessions: NONE THIS WEEK

The Pope's Prayer Intention for April:

For priests in crisis

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

Home Visits

Do you have a loved one confined to their home or a care home who can no longer attend Mass? Would he/she like to receive Holy Communion or a visit from the Legion of Mary or the Knights of St Columba? 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)

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 soul of:

Dr Thelma Marie John, whose Requiem Mass will be held on Thursday 23rd April 2026 at 10.30am, All Saints Church.

*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

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted"
(Matthew 5:4).

Either one-to-one or (depending on future demand) in group meetings, our volunteers are here to listen to you, support you and reflect on our faith to guide us through difficult times. Please contact us via the Parish office.

Our Lady of Fatima Home Visitation Information

A Blessed Statue of Our Lady of Fatima is available for families to take home on a Sunday or Saturday and returned the following week for another family to share the blessings in their home for a whole week. To request and book a visit of the Blessed Statue in your home, please contact one of the Custodians:

Arshi Colaco – 07454605655 (All Saints Church)

Othelia Fernandes – 07459483045 (St. Thomas Aquinas)

St Thomas Aquinas School Nursery

The nursery is now open and welcomes children age 3-4 years. The nursery operates from 8:30 -3:00pm and provides a valuable opportunity for children to prepare for school in a nurturing and engaging environment. In addition, they host a free stay and play session in partnership with Daisy Chain Children's Centre every Tuesday during term time, at 1:30pm.

If you would like to visit the nursery and learn more about what they offer, please contact the school to arrange a visit; the staff would be delighted to welcome you and to show you around.

CAFOD The Big Lent Walk

A parishioner, Uju Onyebirchi, is walking 200km over 40 days this Lent, please sponsor Uju for the CAFOD Big Lent Walk.

Sponsorship forms are available at the back of church or go to her JustGiving page [Uju Onyebuchi's fundraising for CAFOD](#)

Seniors Light Lunch

On Friday 17th April in St Thomas Aquinas Meeting Room after Mass at 11.00am, you are welcome to join us for our Seniors Light Lunch. If interested, please sign up on the sheets at the back of church and include your phone number.

New Offertory Envelopes

New sets of Offertory envelopes are available for collection. If you've had a set before, your box is named with the same number as last year. If you've not had a set before, but would like one, please contact Jo in the parish office by phone or email. Alternative methods of giving include Standing Order or via the DONA card machine. Thank you for your continued support.

Marys Meals – Thank you

You very generously donated £463.77 in foreign notes and coins to the charity, *Marys Meals*. Thank you and God Bless you.

Escorted Tour to Westport, Knock & Co Mayo

26th April 2026. £999.00 pps. Price includes flight from Heathrow or Luton, 10kg hold luggage, 5 nights in 4* Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Dinner, Bed & Breakfast. Full use of leisure facilities. All entertainment, excursions and transport included. Visit Knock Shrine, Ballintubber Abbey, Fr. Peyton Centre & Kylemore Abbey. Irish music nightly. Cooking demonstration. Single supplement on enquiry. Contact 01268 762278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com

CAFOD Quiz Night

On **Friday 1st May** at 7.00pm in St Thomas Aquinas Meeting Room there will be a parish quiz, with proceeds from the night going to support the work of CAFOD. You have a few weeks to cram in some revision before the quiz. All are welcome.

Easter Celebration

The MK Goan Community is organizing an Easter Celebration on Monday, 6th April 2026 at Millmead Community Hall, Wolverton (MK12 5TN). Parishioners are warmly invited to come together with their families to celebrate in the true spirit of community and enjoy an afternoon filled with entertainment and activities for all ages. Please see posters at back of church.

For more details, please contact:

Othelia – 07459 483045, Simon – 07383 097599,

Melissa – 07448 482525, Lee – 07821 645317

Divine Mercy Sunday

The Sunday after Easter is the Feast of Divine Mercy instituted by Pope St John Paul II as "a day of graces for sinners" restating Our Lord's promise of "complete forgiveness of sins and any punishment due." The message of the Divine Mercy is simple: it is that GOD LOVES US ALL, and He wants us to recognise that His mercy is greater than our sins. If we call upon Him in trust and receive His mercy, then it can flow through us to others, so that all people will come to share His joy. Divine Mercy Devotions will be celebrated in All Saints Church next Sunday, 27th April.

A simple way to remember the Divine Mercy message is ABC:

A – Ask for Mercy; B – Be merciful; C – Completely trust in Jesus

Easter

Together with the Church throughout the world, we rejoice at the greatest Feast in the liturgical calendar. We celebrate Christ's Resurrection from the dead, knowing that He has broken the bonds of death and opened for us the way to eternal life. Our Lord's glorious Resurrection gives meaning and purpose to our human existence. He came that we might have life and have it abundantly. It is our faith in the promise of the resurrection to eternal life that enables us to share, even now, something of the glorious life that awaits us in Heaven. The Easter Mystery gives us courage to persevere in the way of Faith that leads to life, and to take heart and rejoice on this day which the Lord has made.

Let us joyfully proclaim the Church's joyful Easter message:

Christus surrexit vere, alleluia!

Christ is risen, He is risen indeed, alleluia!

As we celebrate with great joy the glorious Feast of Easter, we prayerfully remember our persecuted Christian brothers and sisters around the world. May the message of Easter give them hope and courage in all their trials and may they know the love and support of their brothers and sisters around the world.

Easter Services

St Thomas Aquinas Church, Sycamore Avenue

Easter Sunday 5th April

8:00am Mass of Easter Sunday (No Music)

NO Evening Mass

Easter Monday 6th April 12:00 Noon Mass

All Saints Church, Shenley Road

Holy Saturday 4th April

8:30pm Easter Vigil Mass of the Lord's Resurrection

Easter Sunday 5th April

9:00am Mass of Easter Sunday

11:00am Mass of Easter Sunday

*May the love, joy and peace of the Risen Christ reign
in your hearts and in your homes this Easter Season.*

Fr Gerard