

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

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**2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER  
(DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)  
11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> April 2026**

## Liturgies this Week

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

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

### Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April Vigil

STA	6.00pm	Ody Kelvin Igweani, RIP; Igweani & Gilmartin Families, RIP; Holy Souls
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### Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> 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

### Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April St Martin I

STA	10.00am	Bernadette Casey, RIP
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### Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April Feria

AS		No Mass today
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### Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April Feria

AS	10.00am	Holy Souls in Purgatory of the Varayilan family
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### Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April Feria

STA	11.00am	Margo Lloyd, RIP
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### Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April Feria

STA	9.30am	Carmine & Maria Libera Colarusso 60th Wedding Anniv. Int.
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STA	6.00pm	Bernadette Thompson, RIP; Janet Stimpson, RIP; Holy Souls
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### Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

AS	9.00am	Mary Curran, RIP
AS	11.00am	Pro Populo
STA	6.30pm	Demetrio Iero, RIP & Agata Porcino, 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: Thursdays:** 9.30am (AS); **Saturdays:** 10.00am to 11.00am (STA) and at call

## 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](http://www.bishopparker.co.uk)

St Thomas Aquinas Primary School, MK3 5DT  
01908 373977 [www.st-thomasaquinas.co.uk](http://www.st-thomasaquinas.co.uk)

St Paul's Secondary School, MK6 5EN  
01908 669735 [www.st-pauls.org.uk](http://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 23<sup>rd</sup> 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)

## My Heartfelt Thanks

Father Gerard would like to thank you most sincerely for your cards, gifts and very generous Easter offering; and also, to thank those who helped in any way with the well-attended Holy Week and Easter liturgies which were prayerful and dignified. Special thanks to our wonderful Parish Secretary Jo Cerrone; Angela White and Maggie Osgathorp for all their invaluable help and support; our Safeguarding Representatives Marie and Andrew; Journey in Faith Leaders Brenda & Mike Tassell. Having just celebrated the most solemn week of the Church's Year we acknowledge the work of all the sacristans, catechists, readers, EMEs, musicians, singers, altar servers, children's liturgy helpers, counters and cleaners who throughout the year contribute so much to the life of our Parish; and a sincere thanks to you the parishioners for your generous response to Our Lord, who gently invites each of us to draw near and to deepen our friendship with Him.

## 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.

## Seniors Light Lunch

On Friday 17<sup>th</sup> 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.

## Escorted Tour to Westport, Knock & Co Mayo

26<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:knockpilgrimages@gmail.com)

## CAFOD Quiz Night

On **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

## Hymn at 9am Mass

**Jesus, I trust in you and in divine mercy**

**Jesus I trust in you flowing from your heart of love**

From the blood and the water  
flowing forth from your pierced side.  
Fully divine and ever human,  
Jesus, I trust in you.

For the sake of your sorrowful passion;  
have mercy on us.

For the sake of your sorrowful passion;  
have mercy on the whole world.

## 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 **This Sunday**, 12<sup>th</sup> April.

A simple way to remember the Divine Mercy message is ABC:  
A – Ask for Mercy; B – Be merciful; C – Completely trust in Jesus  
2.15 to 2.40pm Exposition followed by Benediction  
2.45pm Divine Mercy Chaplet  
3pm 3 O'clock Prayer followed by Mass.

## Baptism Preparation Meeting

The next meeting for parents who are requesting Baptism for their children will be at 7pm on **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April** at St Thomas Aquinas Church Meeting Room, MK2 2JE. The meeting is for parents and guardians only, unfortunately we are unable to accommodate young children.

**Please contact the Parish Office to book a place.**

## Walsingham Pilgrimage

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June.** Departs All Saints Church 8:00am *sharp!*  
*Returns circa 8:00 pm.* To book your seat please bring £17.90 (non-refundable fare) to Jo at the Parish Office or give it to Fr Gerard in an envelope clearly marked with your details and contact number.

*We always have a lovely time at Walsingham ~ England's Nazareth*



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