

# 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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*Parish Safeguarding:*  
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**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)

## Are You New? Have You Moved?

I am a new/existing\* parishioner. \*Delete as appropriate  
Please add me to the Parish Census.

NAME(s).....  
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ADDRESS.....  
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TEL.....

EMAIL.....

**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*

## August: The Month of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for the month:

### The Church

Let us pray for the Church, that she may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.

## The Year of St Joseph AD 2021 Liturgies this Week

**ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY** 15<sup>th</sup> August  
*Ordinary Time, Year B*

6:00pm (STA) (Saturday) Vigil Mass of Sunday

9:00am (AS) Mass

11:00am (AS) Mass

1:30pm (AS) Mass of Thanksgiving

(10 Years of Priestly Ordination – Fr Emmanuel) All Welcome!

6:30pm (AS) Mass

**Monday Feria** 16<sup>th</sup> August

10:00am (STA) Mass

*followed by Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

**Tuesday Feria** 17<sup>th</sup> August

10:00am (STA) Mass

*followed by Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

**Wednesday Feria** 18<sup>th</sup> August

10:00am (STA) Mass

**Thursday Feria** 19<sup>th</sup> August

10:00am (STA) Mass

**Friday Memoria: St Bernard** 20<sup>th</sup> August

10:00am (STA) Mass

**Saturday Memoria: Pope St Pius X** 21<sup>st</sup> August

9:30am (STA) Mass

*followed by Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

10:00-10:30am Confessions

**TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR** 22<sup>nd</sup> August

*Ordinary Time, Year B*

6:00pm (STA) (Saturday) Vigil Mass of Sunday

9:00am (AS) Mass

11:00am (AS) Mass

6:30pm (AS) Mass

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

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

**Foodbank Donations** - Please continue your generous support of the Foodbank. All donations welcome; these can be distributed via the SVP to needy parishioners and the Foodbanks at Kiln Farm and the City Centre.

**Test & Trace** - Don't forget to use the QR codes (near the entrance of the church) for the NHS COVID-19 APP

## Mass of Thanksgiving Fr Emmanuel celebrates 10 years of Priesthood!

A special Mass of Thanksgiving for Fr Emmanuel's 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Ordination will be held this weekend on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> August at 1:30pm at All Saints Church.

**All are very welcome to attend!**

## MK Rosary Gatherings

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> August 2021 at 6pm

*To honour the Immaculate Heart of Mary*

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2021 at 6pm

*To honour the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

**Both will take place outside Christ the Cornerstone Church, 300 Saxon Gate West, Milton Keynes, MK9 2ES.**

## Temporary Closure of All Saints Church

In order to complete some much needed interior redecoration we need to shut All Saints Church from **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> August until Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> of August.** Sunday Masses will be unaffected, but Mass on **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> August and Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> August** will take place at 10am at St Thomas Aquinas Church. The work will be undertaken by Steven Kirby our Parish "handyman".

## Parish First Holy Communion Programme 2021-2022

If your child will be in year 3 or above from *September 2021* and you would like to enrol them on the Parish 'First Holy Communion Programme' please e-mail the parish office as soon as possible at: [staq@uwclub.net](mailto:staq@uwclub.net) We will send you an application form which will need to be completed and returned to the parish office with a copy of your child's Catholic Baptism Certificate. If your child was baptised in the parish at either St Thomas Aquinas or All Saints Church we will already have your child's baptism certificate. If your child will be in year 3 at St Thomas Aquinas School or in year 3 or 4 at Bishop Parker School there is a separate programme and you do not need to enrol of this Parish Course. There is a choice this year of either a Wednesday session 6:00pm – 7:00pm (Group One) Saturday session 3:00pm-4:00pm (Group 2). The course will begin on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> September and Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2021 respectively and will take place every Saturday / Wednesday thereafter in St Thomas Aquinas Church Meeting Room (MK2 2JE). Weekly Mass and Course attendance is essential to complete the Programme. Further details will be sent with enrolment forms on application to the Parish Office.

## Thank You from the SVP

On behalf of the SVP, but in particular those in need within the community, I convey a MASSIVE THANK YOU for your generous: indeed phenomenal response to our recent request for Bedding: Towels & Curtains.

We now have sufficient to satisfy, and more, all current needs. **THANK YOU FROM ALL AT SVP AND THOSE IN NEED.** John Scott SVP President

## Requiescant in Pace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of those whose funerals will take place in the coming days:

**Janenzo Ciliberti** – 3<sup>rd</sup> September

**Peter O'Brien** – 6<sup>th</sup> September

Following a private cremation, a Requiem Mass will be offered for **Christel Imrie** on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> September, 2pm at All Saints Church. All Parishioners are invited to attend.

***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.***

## Covid-19 Route Map: Step 4 Guidance

In line with the document the Parish received from the Bishops of England and Wales we have decided to retain social distancing for the purposes of seating on the side aisles of All Saints Church and on the right-hand side of St Thomas Aquinas Church. All other seating will have no social distancing limits. This therefore provides an option for those who feel vulnerable and would welcome some extra space while increasing capacity so that we don't have to turn anyone away from Mass. We strongly encourage the wearing of face masks in the church and ask people to continue to be mindful of the personal space of others. Holy Communion will continue to be distributed in one kind (The Sacred Host) but can now be received either in the hand or on the tongue. If you wish to receive Holy communion on the tongue please wait to be called forward after everyone else has received Holy Communion in the hand. The physical sign of peace remains suspended and the Holy water stoups at the back of the church will remain empty. Baskets will be available at the end of the Mass at the back of church for the offertory collection; we are very grateful however to those who have set up standing orders and this now remains the preferred option for regular parish giving. The congregation is permitted to join in with the singing, but we will not be using hymn books for the time being. The one-way system for exiting our churches has been removed so please use the main doors for both entering and exiting the building. Please continue to use the hand sanitiser provided. We will keep these procedures under constant review and make changes if our local situation requires it. *Thank you all for your cooperation and understanding.*

***With every blessing for the week ahead  
Fr Christopher & Fr Emmanuel***