

# 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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*Parish Safeguarding Marie 07882 713797*  
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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

### 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

### Monday *Feria*

23<sup>rd</sup> August

10:00am (STA) Mass

*followed by Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

### Tuesday *Feast: St Bartholomew*

24<sup>th</sup> August

10:00am (AS) Mass

*followed by Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

### Wednesday *Feria*

25<sup>th</sup> August

10:00am (STA) Mass

### Thursday *Feria*

26<sup>th</sup> August

10:00am (AS) Mass

### Friday *Memoria: St Monica*

27<sup>th</sup> August

10:00am (STA) Mass

### Saturday *Memoria: St Augustine*

28<sup>th</sup> August

9:30am (STA) Mass

*followed by Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

10:00-10:30am Confessions

### TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR 29<sup>th</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

## MK Rosary Gathering

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

*To honour the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

**Meeting outside Christ the Cornerstone Church, 300 Saxon Gate West, Milton Keynes, MK9 2ES.**

## *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** – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September, 1;45pm at St Thomas Aquinas Church

Following a private cremation, a Requiem Mass will be offered for **Christel Imrie** on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> September, 2:00pm 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.*

## 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

## Lourdes (Virtual) Pilgrimage 2021

Each year our Diocese joins others on pilgrimage to Lourdes in the foothills of the French Pyrenees. This year, due to the COVID pandemic, the decision has been taken not to travel with sick and vulnerable pilgrims, meaning the pilgrimage will not take place. A virtual pilgrimage, organised by the Catholic Association, is planned from this Friday 21<sup>st</sup> to next Friday 27<sup>th</sup> August, the conclusion is with a Mass (in person and via live-streaming) celebrated by Bishop David Oakley on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> August at 7.30pm from Northampton.

For more information visit:

<https://northamptondiocese.org/lourdes-virtual-pilgrimage-2021/>

## Youth Ministry Conference

On **Saturday, the 9th October**, NYMO will be holding their annual Youth Ministry Conference at their offices in Luton. The conference theme will focus on re-engaging our young people in the Church post lockdown, and is open to anyone with an interest in the future of the young people in our Church. The conference starts at 11 am, with arrivals from 10.30am, and will finish at 3.30pm. Tickets for the conference cost just £10, and can be booked online at:

<https://nymo.org/product/youth-ministry-conference/>

More info at <https://nymo.org/conference/>

## 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**