

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

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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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**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*

## November: The Month of the Holy Souls

### **Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for the month:**

People Who Suffer from Depression:  
We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

## The Year of St Joseph AD 2021

### Liturgies this Week

**THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR** 14<sup>th</sup> November

**Remembrance Sunday: Praying for all the fallen in war**

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

9:00am (AS) Mass

11:00am (AS) Mass

6:30pm (AS) Mass

**Monday Memoria: St Albert the Great** 15<sup>th</sup> November

9:30 Rosary (STA)

10:00am (STA) Mass

*followed by Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

**Tuesday Memoria: St Margaret of Scotland** 16<sup>th</sup> November

9:30 Rosary (AS)

10:00am (AS) Mass

*followed by Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

**Wednesday Memoria: St Elizabeth of Hungary** 17<sup>th</sup> November

9:30 Rosary (STA)

10:00am (STA) Mass

**Thursday Feria** 18<sup>th</sup> November

9:30 Rosary (AS)

10:00am (AS) Mass

**Friday Feria** 19<sup>th</sup> November

9:30 Rosary (STA)

10:00am (STA) Mass

7:00pm (STA) Word of Life (Adoration)

**Saturday Memoria: St Edmund** 20<sup>th</sup> November

9:30am (STA) Mass

*followed by Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

10:00-10:30am Confessions

## SUNDAY: OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, UNIVERSAL KING

### Day of Prayer for Young People

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.



## Remembrance Sunday

At Mass today we pray particularly for all the victims of war and for those who have given their lives for others in the defense of freedom.

*We will observe the national two minute silence at 11am before the start of the Mass.*

***They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old;  
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.  
At the going down of the sun and in the morning  
We will remember them.***

## Second Collection this weekend:

Northampton Diocesan Priests Fund for sick and retired clergy.

## Synod on Synodality 2021-2023

The theme of the Synod is "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission." The three dimensions of the theme are communion, participation, and mission. These three dimensions are profoundly interrelated. They are the vital pillars of a Synodal Church. There is no hierarchy between them. Rather, each one enriches and orients the other two. There is a dynamic relationship between the three that must be articulated with all three in mind.

**Communion:** By his gracious will, God gathers us together as diverse peoples of one faith, through the covenant that he offers to his people. The communion we share finds its deepest roots in the love and unity of the Trinity. It is Christ who reconciles us to the Father and unites us with each other in the Holy Spirit. Together, we are inspired by listening to the Word of God, through the living Tradition of the Church, and grounded in the *sensus fidei* that we share. We all have a role to play in discerning and living out God's call for his people.

**Participation:** A call for the involvement of all who belong to the People of God – laity, consecrated and ordained – to engage in the exercise of deep and respectful listening to one another. This listening creates space for us to hear the Holy Spirit together, and guides our aspirations for the Church of the Third Millennium. Participation is based on the fact that all the faithful are qualified and are called to serve one another through the gifts they have each received from the Holy Spirit. In a synodal Church the whole community, in the free and rich diversity of its members, is called together to *pray, listen, analyse, dialogue, discern and offer advice on making pastoral decisions* which correspond as closely as possible to God's will (ICT, Syn., 67-68). Genuine efforts must be made to ensure the inclusion of those at the margins or who feel excluded.

**Mission:** The Church exists to evangelize. We can never be centred on ourselves. Our mission is to witness to the love of God in the midst of the whole human family. This Synodal Process has a deeply missionary dimension to it. It is intended to enable the Church to better witness to the Gospel, especially with those who live on the spiritual, social, economic, political, geographical, and existential peripheries of our world. In this way, synodality is a path by which the Church can more fruitfully fulfil her mission of evangelization in the world, as a leaven at the service of the coming of God's kingdom.

During Advent there will be a number of opportunities to participate in the Synodal process within the Parish. Please keep a look out in the Newsletter for future dates and venues.

Prayer for the synod: ***We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance***

***lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.***

We ask for the intercession of Our Lady, Mother of the Church: ***Hail Mary...***

We ask for the intercession of the Patron of Universal Church: ***St Joseph: Pray for us.***

## Requiescat in Pace

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

**Margaret Webb** whose Funeral Service will be at All Saints Church, 10:30pm on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> November.

***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.***

## The Word of Life Team...

We cordially invite you to join our monthly Word of Life Ministry on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2021 from 19:00 to 20:15. We welcome people to join us in person at St Thomas Aquinas Church, Bletchley or online via:

Facebook:

**[www.facebook.com/emmanuel.Okami](https://www.facebook.com/emmanuel.Okami)**

WOLM website:

**[www.wolmmiltonkeynes.com](http://www.wolmmiltonkeynes.com)**

Please join us for adoration, worship, teaching and prayer.

*Coordinator: Fr Emmanuel Okami*

## "Francesco" the Movie

We are delighted to be able to extend a unique invitation to all members of our diocesan community to attend a special viewing of a brand new film about the life of Pope Francis, 'Francesco'. Made in collaboration with Pope Francis, this film explores his life and the priorities he sees as central to his Papacy. We will be joined by the director of the film, who will join a panel for Questions and Answers after the film. Please join us free of charge on the evening of Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> November at 6.30pm at our new diocesan centre, St Thomas in Northampton Town. For more information and to book visit **<https://northamptondiocese.org/francesco/>**

**CAFOD World Gifts** are a fun and meaningful way to give gifts to the people you love, and make a difference to some of the poorest communities around the world at the same time. Each gift comes with a Christmas gift card and you can choose to send a goat, build a business or help a refugee child amongst many other choices. Catalogues available at the back of church.

## Five Bible Studies ON THE ADVENT SUNDAY GOSPELS

Mauro Iannicelli will break-open the forthcoming Advent Sunday Gospels with in-depth teaching and stimulating questions. As a result, you will experience Sunday Mass in a new way! Five Wednesdays: 24 Nov | 1 Dec | 8 Dec | 15 Dec | 22 Dec (7-8pm UK Time). Free of Charge | LIVE sessions on YouTube. Info & Registration: **<https://comeandsee.org/advent>**

**Clergy leave:** Fr Christopher is away on a short break from Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November until Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> November.