

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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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

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

January: The Month of the Holy Name of Jesus

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for the Month:

For true human fraternity

We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

Liturgies this Week

SUNDAY: THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD 9th January

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

9:00am (AS) Mass

11:00am (AS) Mass

6:30pm (AS) Mass

Here ends the Liturgical Season of Christmas

Ordinary Time (First Week of the Year)

Monday *Feria* 10th January

9:30am (STA) Rosary

10:00am (STA) Mass

followed by Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday *Feria* 11th January

9:30am (AS) Rosary

10:00am (AS) Mass

followed by Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday *Feria* 12th January

9:30am (STA) Rosary

10:00am (STA) Mass

Thursday *Feria* 13th January

9:30am (AS) Rosary

10:00am (AS) Mass

Friday *Feria* 14th January

9:30am (STA) Rosary

10:00am (STA) Mass

Saturday *Memoria: Our Lady on Saturday* 15th January

9:30am (STA) Mass

followed by Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

10:00am – 10:30am (STA) Confessions

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 16th January

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.

New Parish Email Address

Please now use:

parish.bletchley@northamptondiocese.org

Remember to amend your contact/address book as necessary.

COVID Update

We are pleased that our Churches can remain open at this time but please continue to exercise good practice to mitigate against the risk of infection. Please continue to **use hand sanitiser** available at the entrance to the Church. Unless you are exempt it is a legal requirement to **wear a facemask** in Church. Please **register your attendance** at Mass by either using the QR code at the entrance of the Church or by sending an email to: **staq.register@gmail.com** giving the date and time you attended Mass in the Parish. Please continue to **keep a safe distance** from others where possible. If you would like to receive Holy Communion on the tongue, then please wait until everyone else has received the Sacred Host in the hand.

Thank you for your help and cooperation.

Requiescat in Pace

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

Sangerth Grirathan whose Funeral Mass will be in All Saints Church at 11:45am on Monday, 10th January AD 2022.

**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

If you need help...call the SVP

The St Vincent de Paul Society (England & Wales) is part of an international Christian voluntary network dedicated to tackling poverty in all its forms by providing practical assistance to people in need. Our 10,000 members, motivated by their faith, visit vulnerable or isolated people across England and Wales and offer them friendship and practical support. The essence of our work is person-to-person contact and spending time with people is our greatest gift. Throughout England and Wales, in their local communities, our volunteer members work in varied ways to give people a sense of belonging. As well as offering friendship and support, our members give practical help such as food, clothes, furniture or financial help when this is needed. We visit and help anyone in need. We have strict safeguarding policies and procedures and all visiting members must hold a DBS certificate. We are very blessed to have a Society of St Vincent de Paul (SVP) conference in our parish. If you or someone you know would benefit from their support please make contact by calling **07788796378**.

St Vincent de Paul Society: Pray for us!

Blessed Frédéric Ozanam: Pray for us!

A Message from our SVP Conference

On Behalf of all at SVP Bletchley, and in particular, those in need within our community, I want to record my sincere THANKS for all your support and generosity throughout this past year. But especially for your exceptional response in the run-up to Christmas/New Year. Food in abundance which we distributed to many needy and grateful Families. In addition, your quite phenomenal financial [Cash & Cheque] support in excess of £1000 within the three weeks leading up to Christmas was amazing. This enabled us to address many challenging situations, with great confidence, and will continue to do so in the coming months. THANK YOU and may you

enjoy, Good Health, Happiness and Peace throughout 2022.

Kindest Regards & God's Blessings,

John Scott SVP President Bletchley

Unwanted Christmas Gifts?

Please donate any unwanted Christmas gifts to CAFOD for the next £ stall. There is a marked box in each Church. Thank you.

Catholic School Admissions 2023

If you will be applying for a place in any Catholic School for September 2023, please make yourself known to our Parish Priest, Fr Christopher, after Mass over the coming months.

Please note that a Certificate of Catholic Practice (which needs to be submitted to the School, along with a copy of your child's Holy Baptism Certificate and supplementary form) will be completed by the Parish from September 2022 (but not before please). The relevant form can be downloaded from the websites of both our Parish Schools. If you participate in Mass with your child each Sunday Fr Christopher will gladly be able to complete a Certificate of Catholic Practice.

Thank You

I know you will all want to offer your appreciation to those people who prepared our Christmas Crib, erected the Christmas Trees, decorated our church buildings with flowers, acted as stewards at Mass and distributed the carol sheets. I likewise know that with me you will want to especially thank the musicians and singers who so wonderfully helped us observe the Birth of Christ (and most particularly to such individuals who assisted at multiple Masses across several days). We also extend our appreciation to all who assisted at the liturgies of Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and Holy Family Sunday and most especially to our Readers and Altar Servers.

Every Blessing for the week ahead,

Fr Christopher & Fr Emmanuel



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