

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

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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

June: The Month of The Sacred Heart of Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for the Month:

Families

We pray for Christian families around the world; may they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives.

Liturgies this Week

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

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

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY 12th June

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

9:00am (AS) Mass

11:00am (AS) Mass

6:30pm (AS) Mass

Monday Memoria: St Anthony of Padua 13th June

9:30am (STA) Rosary

10:00am (STA) Mass

followed by Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday Feria 14th June

9:30am (AS) Rosary

10:00am (AS) Mass

followed by Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday Feria 15th June

9:30am (STA) Rosary

10:00am (STA) Mass

Thursday Feria 16th June

9:30am (AS) Rosary

10:00am (AS) Mass

Friday Feria 17th June

9:30am (STA) Rosary

10:00am (STA) Mass

Saturday Memoria: Our Lady on Saturday 18th June

9:30am (STA) Mass

followed by Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

10:00am – 10:30am (STA) Confessions

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY 19th June

AND BLOOD OF CHRIST – "Corpus Christi"

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

9:00am (AS) Mass

11:00am (AS) Mass

6:30pm (AS) Mass

If you need help...call the SVP

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**.

Season of Ordinary ('ordered') Time

During this liturgical season we are asked to pray for these intentions: Human Life, especially on 19th June / Victims of Persecution or Oppression, especially on 22nd June / Seafarers, especially on 10th July / Europe, especially on 11th, 23rd July & 9th August / Christian and Jewish Relations, especially on 9th August / The Environment, especially on 1st September.

The 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 (said by the Priest only):

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

History of the Angelus

The history of the *Angelus* is not as clear as you might expect; very little is said of its origin and development compared to other Catholic devotions. In general, we know that praying the *Angelus* formed as an offshoot of the Liturgy of the Hours. After Vespers (that is, Evening Prayer), monks would pray three Hail Marys and meditate on the great mystery of the Incarnation. That practice, of reciting three Hail Marys, grew into a larger devotion of praying the *Angelus* in the evening, then in later years at dawn, and then finally at midday. The prayer is a meditation on the doctrines of the Annunciation and the Incarnation. The belltowers of local churches and monasteries would ring the bells three times: 6:00 am (now often 7:00pm), noon and 6:00 pm to call all people nearby to stop everything and pray together the *Angelus*. In recent years the prayer has seen greater attention through the Sunday *Angelus* addresses of the Popes. The praying of the *Angelus* is a beautiful tradition that we should each seek to rediscover.



The Angelus painting by Jean-François Millet, completed between AD 1857 and 1859. It depicts agricultural workers stopping their important work to pray the *Angelus* as the bell rings from the Church tower shown in the background.

Attendance at Mass (Sundays and Holy Days)

The obligation to attend Mass in-person every Sunday and Holy Day has been reinstated by our Bishops. Participation in Mass via livestream does not fulfil the Obligation. It is not a breach of the Obligation if you are unable to attend Mass due to reasons of ill health, care for a sick person or legitimate fear.

Requiescant in Pace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of:

James Sherwood, whose Funeral Service will be at All Saints Church, 12noon on Monday, 13th June.

Anthony O'Reilly, whose Funeral Service will be at Crownhill Crematorium, 2:00pm on Tuesday, 21st June.

James O'Dwyer, whose Funeral Mass will be at All Saints Church, 12:45pm on Monday, 27th June.

Patrick Byrne, whose Funeral Mass will be at All Saints Church, 1:30pm on Monday, 1st July.

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

Prayers and Congratulations to:

Those children from St Thomas Aquinas Catholic School who have recently received Holy Communion for the first time! Thanks are offered to our school catechists and to parents who have supported their child in their spiritual journey.

The Word of Life Team...

We cordially invite you to join our monthly Word of Life Ministry on Friday 17th June 2022 from 19:00 to 20:15. We welcome people to join us in person at **All Saints Church** MK3 6HG, Bletchley (**please note the change of venue**) or online via:

Facebook: www.facebook.com/emmanuel.Okami

WOLM website: www.wolmmiltonkeynes.com

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

Coordinator: Fr Emmanuel Okami

Our Parish Charity: SEPO Bletchley

This Sunday, John and Caron Callaghan will begin their pilgrimage walk; The Camino de Santiago or The Way of St James. Please pray for them as they journey the final 100km towards the final resting place of St James the Apostle. They will be praying for everyone who supports the work of Sepo, our parish charitable organisation. Sepo, meaning Hope, has forged a strong partnership between ourselves and the parish of St Agatha's in the Western Province of Mongu, Zambia. This year St Agatha's celebrate their 25th Jubilee Year and 150 years of the Comboni Missionary Sisters. By completing the pilgrimage, John and Caron hope to raise awareness of the wonderful work of Fr Francis, Parish Priest and the Comboni Sisters who manage Sepo's projects. You can help our Parish initiative in several ways; become a volunteer to help with fundraising events, join the lovely ladies who knit for us each year, run a marathon for us, sponsor a child's education through the Comboni Sister's Dream Project or go to the link below to sponsor this week's walk.

<https://www.facebook.com/sepobletchley/>

With every blessing,
Fr Christopher & Fr Emmanuel