

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
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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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

September: The Month of The Seven Sorrows of Mary

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for the Month:

Abolition of the Death Penalty:

We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.

Liturgies this Week

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

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

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 4th September

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

9:00am (AS) Mass

11:00am (AS) Mass

6:30pm (AS) Mass

Monday *Feria*

5th September

9:30am (STA) Rosary

10:00am (STA) Mass

followed by Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday *Feria*

6th September

9:30am (AS) Rosary

10:00am (AS) Mass

followed by Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday *Feria*

7th September

9:30am (STA) Rosary

10:00am (STA) Mass

Thursday *Feast: Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

8th September

9:30am (AS) Rosary

10:00am (AS) Mass

Friday *Feria*

9th September

9:30am (STA) Rosary

10:00am (STA) Mass

Saturday *Memoria: Our Lady on Saturday*

10th September

9:30am (STA) Mass

followed by Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

10:00am – 10:30am (STA) Confessions

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Education Sunday

11th September

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

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

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

Next Weekend: Education Sunday

Education Sunday is marked this year on 11th September: just after the new academic year starts. The theme for AD 2022 is 'enlightening the mind', taken from Ephesians 1:17-18.

Churches Together in England (CTE) rightly describes teaching and studying as "demanding and privileged callings" and Education Sunday gives us the opportunity to give thanks to God for all who teach and all who study, for all who continually have to find the right words and deliver them with enthusiasm and graciousness. On the 11th September, we pray that God will fortify those working to make our Catholic schools places of learning and sanctuary – not just teachers and leaders but all the support staff whose tireless work sometimes goes unnoticed. We pray for all our primary and secondary pupils – particularly school leavers who have had such a difficult journey in recent times – not to mention students in higher education and vocational training. Let us pray that our Catholic Schools will be places of encounter with Christ the Teacher and that all will grow in love for Jesus and His Church.

Baptism Preparation Evening

The next meeting for parents who are requesting Baptism for their children will be at 7:00pm on Monday, 5th September at St Thomas Aquinas Church Meeting Room (MK2 2JE). The meeting is for parents and guardians only, unfortunately we are unable to accommodate young children (only one parent needs to attend). Email the Parish Office to book a place.

Parish First Holy Communion Programme

There are still places available for children who will be in school years 5, 6 & 7 on our Saturday session 3:00pm-4:00pm (Group 2). The course will begin on Saturday, 10th September and will take place every Saturday thereafter in St Thomas Aquinas Church Meeting Room (MK2 2JE). Weekly participation at the Sunday Mass and full course attendance is essential to complete the Programme. There will be an Introductory Meeting for Parents at 7:00pm on Wednesday, 7th September at St Thomas Aquinas Church (MK2 2JE). The course also includes preparation for the Sacrament of First Confession (Reconciliation). Further details will be sent with enrolment forms on application to the Parish Office

Relics Tour of St Bernadette AD 2022



The relics of St Bernadette will be arriving in our Cathedral Church on Monday, 10th October at 3:00pm. The reliquary will be placed in front of the Cathedral sanctuary, for people to venerate, before leaving on Thursday, 13th October at 9:00am. The Cathedral will be open from 7:00am until 10:00pm, with Mass and the Sacrament of Confession being celebrated at various points, plus the Holy Rosary.

Youth Ministry Conference: "Called to Love"

Saturday, 8th October at the St Thomas Centre, Northampton Cathedral, 10:30am to 4:00pm (cost £10). The conference is for all who work with young people in the Church. This year's theme will explore the Church's teaching on sexuality and identity and how we can be better prepared to accompany our young people, through the confusion, as they seek to find their identity in Christ. More information about the conference, and the booking form, available at: <https://nymo.org/conference/>

YCA Weekend: "The Communion of Saints..."

During the weekend of 7th - 9th October the YCA will be running a retreat at Douai Abbey with the *Schola Gregoriana* of Cambridge. There will be Sung Masses, Confession a Marian Procession, Rosaries, talks and social gatherings. The weekend will feature Fr Glaysher from Portsmouth Diocese and Rachael MacKenzie from Rachel's Vineyard. The theme is "The Communion of Saints: Prayer and veneration of relics". Prices are £12 day visitor or £55 per person per night. Places are limited and booking closes on 16th September. More details can be found here: <http://www.youngcatholicadults.co.uk>

First Blessings from Fr Jithu



Although not a plenary indulgence, grace may be gained from receiving the First Blessing of a newly ordained Priest. First Blessings may be given up to a full year after Ordination to the Sacred Priesthood. Where possible, the faithful kneel to receive the First Blessing. Upon receiving it, the faithful might kiss the palms of the newly ordained

Priest in recognition of the sacred character of the Priesthood in which he shares and of his hands (consecrated with Chrism) that will hold aloft at Mass Holy Communion and confer the other sacraments.

MK Rosary Gathering

Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Thursday 8th September 2022 at the Angelus time of 6.00pm Meeting outside Christ the Cornerstone Church, 300 Saxon Gate West, Central Milton Keynes, MK9 2ES

With every blessing, **Fr Christopher and Fr Jithu**