

# 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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## 3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> April 2024

### Liturgies this Week

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

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

#### Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April (Vigil)

STA	12 noon	Fr Jithu, Int.
AS	6.00pm	Johnny Peterson, RIP; Peterson Family, Thanksgiving; for the Priests

#### Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> April 3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

AS	9.00am	Pro Populo
AS	11.00am	Giorgio, Teresa & Libera Martuccio, RIP
AS	6.30pm	Anna Rose & Michael Joe O'Reilly, RIP; Alice Folom, RIP

#### Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April Feria

STA	10.00am	Salvatore & Angela Maccarone, RIP; Maccarone Family, RIP
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#### Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April Feria

AS	10.00am	Endy Mitrachi, Int.
STA	7.00pm	George Gibson, Anniv RIP

#### Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April Feria

STA	10.00am	Deceased Members of the John, Kamalaneson & De Silva Families, RIP
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#### Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April Feria

AS	10.00am	Mary Curran, RIP (B'day Remembrance)
STA	7.00pm	Bernard & Michael Byrne, RIP

#### Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April Feria

STA	10.00am	Cecilia Appiah Daniels, RIP
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#### Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April Feria

STA	9.30am	Anna Maria Buttazzo, RIP; Elda Barabotti, RIP
STA	6.00pm	Ody Kelvin Igweani, RIP (B'day Remem)

#### Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

AS	9.00am	Francesco & Giuseppina Pilla, Anniv RIP; George Martuccio, RIP
AS	11.00am	Rose Bickerstaffe, Anniv RIP
AS	6.30pm	Pro Populo

### Regular Devotions

**The Holy Rosary:** Daily, 30mins before morning Mass, Monday to Friday; Saturdays, after 9.30am Mass

**Divine Mercy Chaplet:** Fridays, 9.10am (STA)

**Perpetual Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour:**

Combined with Eucharistic Adoration after 10.00am Mass on Mondays

### Home Visits

Do you have a loved one confined to home or care home who can no longer attend Mass? Would he/she like to receive Holy Communion or a visit from the Legion of Mary? If so, please contact Maggie on 01908 563277.

### 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)

### If you need help...call the SVP

If you or someone you know would benefit from their support, please make contact by calling **07788796378**.

If you want to make a financial donation to the work of the SVP via Bank Transfer, please use the following details: -

Account Name: **ST VINCENT DE PAUL**

Sort Code: **60-60-04** Account No: **46084789**

### Regina Caeli (said before the Vigil Mass)

*(This replaces the Angelus during Eastertide)*

Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia.

**For he, whom you did merit to bear, alleluia.**

Has risen as he said, alleluia.

**Pray for us to God, alleluia.**

V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.

**R. For the Lord is truly risen, alleluia.**

Let us pray: O God, who gave joy to the world through the resurrection of thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, grant we beseech thee, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, his Mother, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

**Mondays:** After 10.00am Mass, Benediction at 11.00am (STA)

**Tuesdays:** After 10.00am Mass, Benediction at 11.00am (AS);

**Saturdays:** After 9.30am Mass, Benediction at 11.00am (STA)

**Time spent before the Blessed Sacrament in the best time you will spend on earth. (St Teresa of Calcutta)**

## Confessions

**Thursdays:** 9.30am, (AS)

**Saturdays:** 10.00am to 11.00am (STA); and at call.

## Requiescant in Pace

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

**Elaine Selyer** whose Requiem Mass will be in All Saints Church, 10.00am on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April.

**Domenico Cerrone**, whose Requiem Mass will be at St Thomas Aquinas Church, 10:00am on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April.

**Maria Magurno**, whose Requiem Mass will be in St Thomas Aquinas Church, 10.00am on 10<sup>th</sup> May.

*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*

## Bereavement Support Group

Do you miss someone? Would you like to talk about it? Our Parish Bereavement Group gives you the safe space to share your grief following the loss of a loved one. We listen and talk about those who are gone and reflect on our faith to guide us through. All welcome.

**2:00pm-3:30pm St Thomas Aquinas Church Meeting Room**

*Future Dates; 13<sup>th</sup> May, 3<sup>th</sup> June, 8<sup>th</sup> July.*

## Junior Youth Group for years 4, 5 & 6

The next youth group will be on **Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April** from 5.30pm to 6.30pm. Youth Group is for children in years 4,5 & 6 at St Thomas Aquinas Church Meeting Room. All Welcome.

*Junior Youth Group is held on 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays of the month.*

## Bletchley Parish Youth Group for ages 11+

The next meeting will be on **Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April** from 2pm to 3pm in St Thomas Aquinas Church Meeting Room. Come along for games, activities, music, movies, art, fun learning about Jesus, snacks and much more. All welcome.

*Youth Group is always held on 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month.*

## Half Marathon for CAFOD

Congratulations to Sinead Callahan for completing the London half Marathon for CAFOD raising at least £300.00 from parish sponsorship. Any outstanding sponsorship money can be put in a marked envelope 'CAFOD Marathon' in the collection plate.

## Urgent Message from Aid to the Church in Need

A message from Aid to the Church in Need - please hear the cry of our Christian brothers and sisters in Ukraine. There are brochures at the back of church or go to [acnuk.org.uk](http://acnuk.org.uk) for more information on ways in which we can help support them.

## New Offertory Envelopes

New sets of Offertory envelopes are available for collection. If you have had a set before, your box is named and has the same number as last year. If you have not had a set before, but would like one, please contact Jo in the parish office by phone or email. Alternative methods of giving include Standing Order or via the DONA card machine. Thank you for your continued generous support for our parishes.

## Requiem Masses

Requiem Masses will now be said at 10.00am and will take the place of the regular Parish Mass; this may mean that the regular Mass schedule may alter between the two churches. If a Mass intention has been booked on a particular day and a funeral is subsequently arranged, then the Mass intention will be said privately, unless you wish to change the date, in which case please contact Jo in the Parish Office who will do her best to rearrange a convenient date for the Mass.

## Foreign Change for Mary's Meals

Mary's Meals is a charity that works in 18 countries to feed over 2.4 million young children one good meal every day in their place of education. Mary's Meals are asking us to help them in their great work by sending them any foreign coins or notes, no matter how old or obscure, or any old UK currency that is no longer legal tender. Clear out your drawers and have a look under the sofa. Mary's Meals is a no-frills charity committed to spending 93p in every £1 received on its charitable activities. Because of their low costs Mary's Meals feeds children for only 10p per meal so a little goes a long way; they can feed a child for one year for as little as £19.15! There are envelopes at the back of church for you to take home and put all your unwanted foreign/UK coins and notes in. Thank you for your support.

## Walsingham Pilgrimage 2024

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June. Departs All Saints Church 8:00am *sharp!* Returns circa 8:00 pm. To book your seat please bring £17.45 (non-refundable fare) to Jo at the Parish Office or give it to Fr Gerard in an envelope clearly marked with your details and contact number.

*We always have a lovely time at Walsingham ~ England's Nazareth*



## Thank You from Fr Jithu

Father Jithu would like to thank you all most sincerely for your presence at his Mass of Farewell on Saturday morning, for attending the reception in the Meeting Room afterwards and for the cards, gifts and generous leaving present. We thank him for all that he has contributed to the life of the parish, and we wish him well as he takes up his new appointment in Marlow.

Fr Jithu's new address will be:

St Peter's Presbytery  
7, St Peter's Street  
Marlow  
SL7 1NQ

## Wednesdays from Week Commencing 22<sup>nd</sup> April

Fr Jithu's departure next weekend means that Fr Gerard will be on his own. In order to facilitate Fr Gerard to have one day off each week, there will be no public Mass in the parish on most Wednesdays. If you have booked a Mass on a Wednesday in the coming weeks, then please know that these Masses will be said privately, however, if you wish to change the date in order to attend the Mass then please contact Jo in the Parish Office to rearrange a convenient date and time, subject to availability.

## Holiday Cover

The change to one priest will mean that when Fr Gerard is away, there will be cover for the Saturday evening and all the Sunday Masses, but not during the week. If you have booked a Mass on a day when Fr Gerard is away, then please know that these Masses will be said privately, however, if you wish to change the date in order to attend the Mass then please contact Jo in the Parish Office to rearrange a convenient date and time, subject to availability.

## Second Collection Next Week

Next weekend there will be a second collection for the Diocesan Priests' Training Fund, that supports our diocesan candidates for the priesthood. Thank you for your support.

*May the love, joy and peace of the Risen Christ reign in your hearts and in your homes this Easter Season.*

*Fr Gerard & Fr Jithu*