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The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: registered charity no. 234216

THE XX SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 20th August 2023

Holy Mass

Intention

Saturday for Sunday

5:30pm Vigil Mass

Tony & Edel McLoughlin

SUNDAY

9:00am Holy Mass

Pro Populo

11:00am Solemn Mass

Anthony Staley RIP

12noon Holy Baptism

Weekday Masses

Monday 21st Pope Saint Pius X

9:30am Holy Mass

Rebekah Clarke

Tuesday 22nd The Queenship of the

Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00am Rosary & Novena

9:30am Holy Mass

Paddy Folan

Wednesday 23rd Saint John Wall

9:30am Holy Mass

John White RIP

Thursday 24th Saint Bartholomew

9:30am Holy Mass

Keiran Stowe RIP

10:00am – 11:00am

Eucharistic Adoration

Please note the change of time

Friday 25th

9:30am Holy Mass

John O'Neill

---- NO Adoration

Saturday 26th Blessed Dominic Barberi

10:00am Holy Mass

Anthony Jordan &
Allison Malins

12noon Holy Baptism

12:45pm Holy Baptism

XXI SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday for Sunday

5:30pm Vigil Mass

Alice Simon &
Santhamma Abraham

SUNDAY 27th

9:00am Holy Mass

Steve Simon Ints

11:00am Solemn Mass

Ogiesoba (Richard) Eweka
RIP

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 10:30am – 11:00am & 4:45pm – 5:15pm

Rosary Monday – Friday before the morning Mass

Saturday after the morning Mass

Divine Mercy - After the morning Mass on Fridays



THE QUEENSHIP OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Pope Pius XII established this feast in 1954. But the Blessed Virgin Mary's queenship has roots in Scripture. At the Annunciation, Gabriel announced that Mary's Son would receive the throne of David and rule forever. At the Visitation, Elizabeth calls Mary "mother of my Lord." As in all the mysteries of Mary's life, she is closely associated with Jesus: Her queenship is a share in Jesus' kingship. We can also recall that in the Old Testament the mother of the king has great influence in court.

In the fourth century Saint Ephrem called Mary "Lady" and "Queen." Later Church fathers and doctors continued to use the title. Hymns of the 11th to 13th centuries address Mary as queen: "Hail, Holy Queen," "Hail, Queen of Heaven," "Queen of Heaven." The Dominican rosary and the Franciscan crown as well as numerous invocations in Mary's litany celebrate her queenship.

The feast is a logical follow-up to the Assumption, and is now celebrated on the octave day of that feast. In his 1954 encyclical *To the Queen of Heaven*, Pius XII points out that Mary deserves the title because she is Mother of God, because she is closely associated as the New Eve with Jesus' redemptive work, because of her preeminent perfection, and because of her intercessory power.

National Relics Tour of St Columba, St Margaret of Scotland and St Andrew

The parish of Sacred Heart and Holy Souls, Acocks Green invites you to come and venerate the relics. See The Diary >>>



**POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR AUGUST
For World Youth Day**

We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.

Recently Deceased – May they rest in peace

Michael Slattery, Katie Comerford, Michele Madden, John White
Margaret Kerrigan Reception 30th August 6:30pm
Requiem 31st August 10:00am

THE SANCTUARY LAMPS AND FLOWERS This week are sponsored for the intentions of James & Dylan.

Please use envelopes provided for Mass Intentions and Sanctuary Lamp sponsorship.

WEEKLY GIVING TO THE CHURCH

13.08.23 - Gift Aid: £153.00 Non-Gift Aid: £396.60
Total: £549.60

SECOND COLLECTIONS

This Weekend – Priests Training Fund
Next Weekend – March for Life
03.09 – Catholic Education Service
10.09 – Friends of the Holy Land selling Olive Wood Carvings

GIFT AID AND NON-GIFT AID DONATIONS

Thank you to those who have agreed to change to standing order donations. For more information on how to do this please contact the Parish office. Paying by

SAFEGUARDING

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Sue Nightingale. They can be contacted at: sg.stthomasmore.bham@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

Office Hours: The Parish Office is open between 10:30am and 2:30pm Mon, Tue & Wed. Any requests for Baptism Appointments, certificates, parish centre enquiries etc; should be made during these times. Tel. 0121 743 2367 or Email: stthomasmore.bham@rcaob.org.uk

**PARISH DIARY
AUGUST**

Tuesday 22nd National Relics Tour of St Columba, St Margaret of Scotland and St Andrew

The parish of Sacred Heart and Holy Souls, Acocks Green invites you to come and venerate the relics of St Columba, St Margaret of Scotland and St Andrew. Events and liturgies throughout the day: Opening Mass 10am, followed by rosary and litany. Tea, coffee and cake available in the meeting room afterwards. The Church will be open throughout the day for people to come and venerate these saintly relics. 5pm Adoration with reflection on the veneration of relics, 5.30pm to 6pm opportunity for confession. 6pm Closing Mass. Parking is available close to the Church and access will be the front and side door for disabled access. All are welcome.

SEPTEMBER

September in our Deanery time of prayer for vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life and there will be events throughout the Deanery to pray for this intention.

DIOCESAN NOVENA TO BLESSED DOMINIC BARBERI

in preparation for his Feast on Saturday 26th August. The following is the Prayer for the Novena:

O God, who so lovingly raised Blessed Dominic to the heights of holiness, learning and apostolic zeal and made him a powerful minister of your mercy, listen to our humble request.

We pray that you will in your goodness, grant a miracle through the intercession of Blessed Dominic, so that the Church may further honour him on earth and that many more people will come to know and invoke the help of this faithful servant of the Church.

We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Mary, Mother of Mercy, Pray for us.
Blessed Dominic Barberi, Pray for us.
Saint John Henry Newman, Pray for us.

**ST. THOMAS MORE'S PARISH TOTE
JACKPOT £250
Result for 15th August 2022
Winning Numbers 23-20-09-10
No Jackpot Winner – 1 Winner with 3 Numbers
Next Draw Wednesday 23rd August after Mass
1 play = £1.00 for 4 numbers - 5 plays = 1 FREE GO
Match 4 numbers = Share Jackpot £250
Match 3 numbers = share £75**