

Parish Priest: **Fr. John Peyton**

ST. THOMAS MORE, SHELDON

Assistant Priest: **Fr. David Doran**

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

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St. Thomas More Primary School Horse Shoes Lane, B26 3HU Tel: 0121 743 3289. Head teacher Sr. Susan Collins.	<h2 style="margin: 0;">SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</h2> <h3 style="margin: 0;">19TH February 2017 – Year A</h3>	St. Andrew's Primary School & Nursery, Windrush Close, Solihull B92 8QL Tel: 0121 743 5675. Head teacher Mr. David Naughton
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Masses:

Sat	5.30pm	Matt & Anne King RIP Anniv
Sun	8:30am	Alph Village, RIP
	10:30am	Corns Family
Mon	9:00am	Anna Celeste Tavares Lima RIP
Tues	9:00am	Eileen Marley, RIP
	7:00pm	Eddie McKeown, Ints
Wed	9:00am	Margaret Banford, RIP anniv
Thur	9:00am	Teresa Kelly RIP
	7:00pm	Andrew & David O'Gorman, RIP
Fri	9:00am	Rose Casey, Months Mind
	7:00pm	Carmel Lenihan, RIP Anniv.
Sat	9:00am	John Ready, RIP Anniv.

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour: Tues 7:00pm during Mass.
Rosary is recited daily after Morning Mass.
Eucharistic Adoration: Wed 9:30-12:00noon. Fri 6:00-6:55pm, Sat 4:25-5:05pm.
Morning Prayer of the Church: Mon- Sat 8:45am.
Sacrament of Confession: Sat 9:30am-10:00am, Sat 4:30-5:00pm

Recently Deceased: Bridie Reid, Sarah Burns (Brays Rd). May they rest in peace

40 Days for Life- 2017 - The next campaign will run from Wed 1st. March to Sunday 9th. April, providing a peaceful, prayerful witness outside Marie Stopes Abortion Clinic in Arthur Road, Edgbaston from 8am to 8pm daily. At least 18 babies were saved during the 2016 campaign. This year is the 50th. anniversary of the passing of the Abortion Act. Please consider joining the group that meets to pray outside the Marie Stopes Clinic.

40 Days For Life - Spiritual Warfare Bootcamp. A preparation for this year's Lenten Campaign, Sunday 26th Feb 2:30-4:00pm. Birmingham Oratory. For more info contact Isabel: 07773 501721

Mass Intentions for Next Weekend

Sat	5:30pm	Bernadette Toms, RIP Anniv.
Sun	8:30am	Lesley Peachey, RIP
	10:30am	Sadie Bennett, RIP Anniv

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

<p>March Wed 1st, Ash Wednesday Sat 11th, Parish Lenten Day of Prayer, Parish Centre Thur 16th, St Patrick's Day Celebration- a day early, but plenty of craic!! Fri 31st, Meeting for extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion and readers, 7:45pm, upper room</p>	<p>April Mon 10th, 7pm Holy Week Penitential Service Sun 16th, Easter Sunday Sun 23rd, Divine Mercy Devotions Sat 29th, 3rd Annual St Thomas More's Real Ale Festival, more details soon!</p>
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Talk on Baptism will be given by Fr David at 6:30pm Wed 1st March (in Church). All are welcome, especially if you are having a child baptised shortly or if you have been asked to be a Godparent.

Confirmation Preparation Group Every Sunday 9:30am upper room.
First Holy Communion Preparation Group will commence on Sunday, April 2nd at 9:30am in the upper room. If you know of a child who is in Yr3 or above at a non-catholic school and has not made their 1st Holy Communion please contact Fr John or Fr David

Fr John will be in Ireland this week and will offer Holy Mass for the people of our parish at the Shrine of Our Lady Of Knock, Co. Mayo.

St Patrick's Day Celebration
 Thursday, March 16th, in the Parish Centre- from 12:30pm. Bacon and Cabbage Lunch, Plenty of Craic! Tickets on sale shortly

Thursday Lunch Club (TLC) in the Parish Centre on from 12:30pm. Lunches at excellent value available. All are welcome to come along for a cuppa, a chat and a game or two of bingo!
Funeral Planning Awareness Day
 Call in anytime between 9am and 5pm on Tuesday 14th. March 2017 to Jonathan Walker Funeral Directors 286-288 Church Road, Sheldon. See poster for more info

Journey in Faith: No meeting this Monday, Feb 20th due to the half term holiday. **On Sunday March 5th** there will be the Rite of Election at St Chad's Cathedral, where those preparing for baptism and/or reception into the church at Easter are presented to the Archbishop. Please pray for the 12 adults in our parish who are presently receiving instruction in the Catholic faith.

Our **Parish Youth Club** has begun again. More helpers are urgently needed. If your child goes to the club, perhaps you might consider helping? The more helpers, the less often your turn will come round. Please see Fr John, Fr David or Sue Nightingale if interested.

Women's World Day of Prayer will be held at Elmdon Church on Friday 3rd March at 2:00pm. All are welcome

Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage
 Sat 27th May – Fri/Sat 2/3 June. Cost by Coach from £439. By air from £745. Please see poster in the porch for more details.

We welcome into the family of our parish **Ellis McGrory** baptized here last week.

Prayer Sponsors for our First Holy Communicants
 Would you be willing to help at least one of the children of our parish prepare for his or her first Holy Communion? If so, please add your name to the list in the porch. Once we have enough sponsors, each child will be allocated one sponsor each. The sponsor is asked to keep the child in their prayers. There will be opportunity to meet the children during Lent.

Two Left Feet meet every **Monday** evening in the Parish Centre from **7:45 – 9:00pm**.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS
12th February
 Gift Aid £189.40 ~ Non-Gift Aid £525.27
 Racial Justice £310.77
Next Weekend ~ Retiring Collection for Clergy Training Fund


Junior Legion of Mary
 We are blessed to have 2 junior branches (or praesidia) of the Legion of Mary in our parish. One group meets in the parish centre's upper room at 3:30pm on Tuesdays (for St Thomas More's school). The other branch meets in St Andrew's school at 3:45pm on Fridays. The children serve Mass as their Legion work and try and make Jesus and Mary better known and loved. Come and have a look!

Holy Daring: A conference exploring a Vision for Youth Ministry in the Birmingham Archdiocese: Sat March 25th, 9:30am-6:30pm @ Alton Castle, Staffs. See poster for more info.

St. Thomas More's Parish Tote

Jackpot £1,050

Result for 14/02/2017
02-04-07-14
 Next draw Tue 14th February
 At 6:30pm in the presbytery



Parish Societies:

SVP – Second Saturdays, 9:45am
Legion of Mary Thurs 7:45pm
Thursday Lunch Club Thurs, from 12:30pm
Youth Group – Fri March 2nd..., 7pm-8:30pm
Choir Practice Tues 9:30am
Journey in Faith Monday Feb 27th, 7pm

Rotas for 26th February:	Readers: 5:30pm Team F 8:30am Team D 10:30 am Team C	Refreshments after Sun 10:30 Mass. Please support! Proceeds to Acorns and SVP
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:	5:30pm Team D 8:30am Team C 10:30 am Team C	
Cleaning: M.McGrory, C.Odilo	Brasses: S.Garner, H.Nolan Counting: M.Cleary, J.O'Malley, C.Rimington	

SICK: Hugh Murphy, Chris O'Shea, Mary Marie, Magda Skrybant, Cornelius McKay, Pam Firkins, Rosie Smith, Joachim Blaney, Peter Fahy, Kathleen Fahy, Joseph Lockington, Sally Woodcock, Joan Morris, Charlie Fogarty, Montana Coughlan, Clara Bett, Stephanie Allsop, Maria Walton, Camron Cuddihy, Vera King, Ann Taylor, Richard Coe, Daniel Meadows, Darlene Tideswell, Freya Williams, Ettie Devine, James Dalton, Paul Ryan, Fred Whitehouse, Mary Griffiths, John O'Sullivan, Anne Cleary, Elaine Collins, Lilian Collins, John Bond, Gillian Cox, Josephine Conboy, Mary Morris, Rita Duffy, Margaret Kelly, Joanna Jones, Michael Wallis, Val Plessner, Jean Cole, Charlotte Moriarty, Bernie O'Gorman, Rita Deehan, Nora Mills, Michael Ward, Ami Mucklow, Jeanette Kilmartin, Demie & Danielle Pinches, Margaret Casey, Jack Baker, Anne O'Meara, Danny Moore, Peter Bradford, Santhamma Abraham, Pamela Smith, Mary Cusack, Catherine Byrne, Martha Burton, Mary Hill, Kathleen Widdop, Michael Ruane, Kathleen Biddles, Mary Meagan,
ANNIVERSARIES: Fr McGavin, Canon Roughan, Fr Coyle, Fr Farrell, Canon McTernan, Fr Wharton, Fr McCabe, Fr Meagher, Fr Collins, Bishop Cleary, Patrick Monaghan, Laura Hodgkins, John Bates, Mary Biddle, Agnes Lawless, Msry McCarron, Patricia Aston, Elizabeth Murphy, David Robinson, Thomas Mitton, Bernadette Toms, John Fitzpatrick, Diane Loveland, Ellen McCafferty, John Bardini, Patrick McTernan, Alan Hale, Leonard Jeffries, Edward Dunne, John O'Neill, Joyce Size, Terence Cassidy, Geraldine Bradley.