



# SAINT THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC CHURCH SHELDON

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

## THE XXVIII SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2023

### Holy Mass

*Saturday for Sunday*

**5:30pm Vigil Mass**

### Intention

Mary Cahillane RIP  
Deceased Finneran Family

### SUNDAY

**9:00am Holy Mass**

Mary & Jimmy Early RIP

**11:00am Solemn Mass**

Alf Hanson RIP

### Weekday Masses

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> Saint Margaret Mary Alaoque**

9:30am Holy Mass Pro Populo

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> Saint Ignatius of Antioch**

9:00am Rosary & Novena

9:30am Holy Mass Sarah Smith Int.

**Please note the change of time**

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> Saint Luke**

--- NO Mass

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup>**

5:00pm Eucharistic Adoration

6:00pm Holy Mass Deceased of the Smith  
Family & Relatives

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup>**

9:30am Holy Mass Tim Gleeson RIP

10:00am – 11:00am

Eucharistic Adoration

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup>**

10:00am Holy Mass Frank Shovlin RIP

12noon Holy Baptism

## THE XXIX SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Saturday for Sunday*

**5:30pm Vigil Mass**

Maureen Gaffney RIP

SUNDAY 22<sup>nd</sup>

**9:00am Holy Mass**

Anne Perkins

**11:00am Solemn Mass**

Padraig Mannion

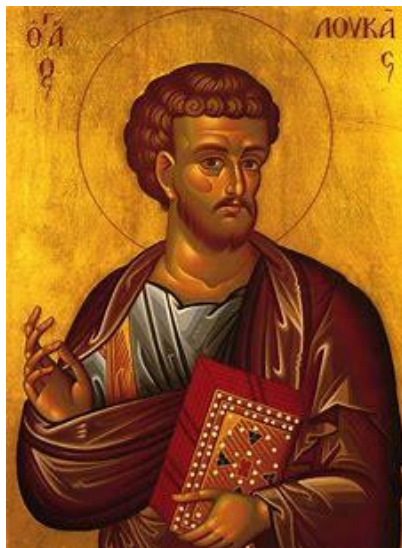
### The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday NO Morning Confessions - 4:45pm – 5:15pm

**Rosary** Monday – Friday before the morning Mass

Saturday after the morning Mass

**Divine Mercy** - During Adoration on Fridays



### SAINT LUKE

We celebrate the Feast of St. Luke the Evangelist, one of the four great Evangelists who wrote the Holy Gospels together with St. Matthew, St. Mark and St. John. According to Apostolic tradition, St. Luke was a physician and a follower and disciple of St. Paul the Apostle, who accompanied him for quite a few of his missionary journeys, and who wrote the accounts of those travels and also other actions of the Apostles in the Acts of the Apostles that he also authored.

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

**Thursdays 5:00pm – 6:00pm**

**Fridays 10:00am – 11:00am**

**Please come and support this precious time in the Presence of the Lord**



### Laudate Deum - Praise God!

Pope Francis has released his Apostolic Exhortation *Laudate Deum*, 'Praise God', to "clarify and complete" what he started in 2015 with his Encyclical Letter *Laudato si'* on how we care for our common home.

It was released at the end of the Season of Creation on the Feast of St Francis of Assisi, 4 October.

Pope Francis explains why he chose that title: "‘Praise God’ is the title of this letter. For when human beings claim to take God’s place, they become their own worst enemies."

"He reminds us that we should praise God for all His creatures and that our care for our common home is intimately connected with our care for each other."

## SYCAMORE

### RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults 'ABOUT BECOMING A CATHOLIC'

Instruction meetings will take place in preparation for Easter on Tuesday evenings at 6:45pm (after the Mass) beginning on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November at 6:45pm These will take place in the John Fisher Room.

All welcome. These will take place until Holy Week. After Easter there will be more instruction to understand even further the mysteries of the true faith.

## POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR OCTOBER

### For the Synod

We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.

### Recently Deceased – *May they rest in peace*

William Smith. Patrick Gavigan, Frank Shovlin

Patricia & Denis Bassett,

Requiem 27<sup>th</sup> October 11:00am

**THE SANCTUARY LAMPS** This week are sponsored in memory of Jack & Mollie Cahillane.

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

## WEEKLY GIVING TO THE CHURCH

08.10.23 - Gift Aid: £113.70 Non-Gift Aid: £349.05

Total: £462.75

## SECOND COLLECTIONS

**Cafod Harvest Fast** – £436.15

**Next Weekend** - APF World Mission.

**29.10.23** – Retiring Collection for the Priests Training Fund

## 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 standing order reduces the bank charges for the parish.

## 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](mailto:sg.stthomasmore.bham@rcaob.org.uk) or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto: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](mailto:stthomasmore.bham@rcaob.org.uk)

## PARISH DIARY

### OCTOBER

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> Mass and Anointing of the Sick 11:00am

### NOVEMBER

**The Solemnity of All Saints – *Holyday of Obligation***

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> Vigil Mass 6:00pm

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Mass 9:30am & 7:00pm

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> **All Souls**

Holy Mass 9:30am, 12noon & 6:00pm

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> Oscott – Blessing of Graves 3:00pm

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> Archdiocese Vision – Meeting

Saint John Fisher Room 6:45pm

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> Widney Manor – Blessing of Graves 2:00pm

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> Robin Hood – Blessing of Graves 2:00pm



## SUNDAY'S SOLEMN MASS

### CAN YOU SING?

We are hoping to have a group of singers to sing at the 11:00am Mass. Meeting before Mass at 10:30am Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> October

## FR JAN NOWOTNIK

Fr Jan Nowotnik is celebrating the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his Ordination to the Sacred Priesthood. You are invited to attend a Mass of thanksgiving at St Chad's Cathedral on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November at 7:30pm followed by a reception. If you would like to attend please sign the sheet in the porch by Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> October - TODAY. (Transport isn't provided)

## CHRISTMAS BAZAAR – 18<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER

We need the following donations which can be left at the piety stall.

Bottles for the stall (in date)

Gifts for the tombola.

Good quality 'bric a brac'

Chocolate and sweets.

Raffle prizes.

Many thanks for all your help and support.



## ST. THOMAS MORE'S PARISH TOTE - JACKPOT £250

Result for 9<sup>th</sup> October 2023 - **Winning Numbers 09-12-02-07**

**Next Draw Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October after morning Mass**

1 play = £1.00 for 4 numbers - 5 plays = £5 + 1 FREE GO

Match 4 = Share Jackpot £250+. Match 3 = share £75+

**JACKPOT NOW £250**