

<p>St. Thomas More Primary Sch. Horse Shoes Lane, B26 3HU Tel: 0121 743 3289. Headteacher: Mrs Kate Madia</p>	<p>TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 23RD August 2020</p> 	<p>St. Andrew's Primary & Nursery Sch Windrush Close, B92 8QL Tel: 0121 743 5675. Head Teacher: Mr Kevin Kelly</p>
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The Masses to be celebrated at **7pm** on the days given below **will not be celebrated in church** but will be transmitted using Facebook

Masses

Sat	5:30pm	Maureen West, RIP
	7:00pm	Bishop Leo McCartie (Facebook)
	8:30am	Kath Cooke, RIP
	10:30am	Jim Conway, RIP Anniv.
Mon		Feast of St Bartholomew
	9:30am	Joe Evans, RIP
	11:30am	Funeral Mass, Margaret McGrory
	7:00pm	Fr David Duggan
Tue	5:30pm	Gerard Cooke, RIP
	7:00pm	Canon Sean McTernan
Wed		Feast of Blessed Dominic Barberi
	9:30am	Mary Philbin, RIP
	7:00pm	Benefactors of Johnson Fund
Thu		Memorial of St Monica
	5:30pm	Memorial Mass for Colin McCarthy
	7:00pm	Canon Sean McTernan
Fri		Memorial of St Augustine
	9:30am	Kath Beale, RIP
	11:30am	Funeral Mass, Mary Hessian
	7:00pm	People of the Parish

Public Services in Church
Public Masses are taking place in our church. We still need volunteer stewards, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, servers and readers. All offering to help in these ways need to be people who don't presently have to self-isolate, or be living with someone who is self-isolating. Those attending Mass will be required to wear face coverings- masks or home-made face coverings. It is the responsibility of the person coming to a public service to provide their own face covering. As many people will still be unable to go to church, Mass will also be live-streamed using our Facebook page at 12 noon on Sunday. **The obligation to attend Mass on Sunday is still suspended.** The diocese is encouraging people to attend a weekday Mass, for their weekly Mass, to avoid congregations on Sundays being too large for safety. **Weekday Masses in our church will take place as follows: Mon, Wed, Fri 9.30am (church open at 9am) and at 5.30pm on Tues and Thurs (church open at 5pm).** We will be following our standard Sunday Mass times- Sat 5.30pm, Sun 8.30, 10.30am at the weekends for Mass in church.

Year of the Word – The God Who Speaks.
First Sunday of Advent 2019 to the First Sunday of Advent 2020.
Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time (www.twoinoneflesh.org.uk)
Reflection for Married Couples
The key to family life

Today's Gospel places keys at the heart of the responsibility Jesus gives Peter. In spite of his weaknesses and failings, because of his faith, he is entrusted with the 'keys' to the kingdom of God. Our married love is entrusted with the 'keys' of our family life. We are the 'rock' upon which the future of our family will be built.

My Jesus,
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Mass Intentions for Next Weekend

Sat		Memorial of the Beheading of Saint John the Baptist
	5:30pm	Mary Ann Kane, RIP
Sun	8:30am	Michael & Nancy Doody, RIP
	10:30am	Eric Roach, RIP Anniv.

Recently Deceased
Margaret McGrory Funeral Mass, Monday 24th August, 11:30am.
Mary Hessian Funeral Mass, Friday 28th August, 11:30am.
Rosemary (Val) Mulvany Funeral Mass, Friday 4th Sept. 9:45am

May they rest in peace



Confessions will be available in our church on Saturday August 29th from **10.00am-11.00am.**

August - Month of the Blessed Sacrament

CHURCH FUNERAL SERVICES
Guidance received from the Archdiocese on 19th August 2020 Effective from Saturday 22nd August Unfortunately, the number of People attending funerals in church has been capped at 30. Alongside the member of clergy, funeral director & staff it is advised that only the following should attend;

The sanctuary flowers this weekend have been donated in memory of **Gerard Cooke and Margaret McGrory** RIP

- Members of the person's household.
- Close family members or if the above are unable to attend,
- Close friends

Thanks to all who have offered to be prayer sponsors for our First Holy Communicants. Your next parish priest, Fr Christopher Miller, will make arrangements for the 2020 First Holy Communion and Confirmations of the children of our parish schools when he arrives in the parish in September. I am hoping to arrange the First Holy Communion of the children attending non-Catholic schools over the next few weeks.

Mary Holland RIP. Final Garage sale Mary's house is being put up for sale and parishioners are invited to come and browse through the many good-quality belongings which still remain, any Wednesday afternoon between 2pm and 5.30pm, at 10 Campbells Green, B26 3HB. Any donations will be given to the Corpus Christi Help group. Please phone Margaret before your visit on 01926 428399 or 07838 257808.

Coronavirus Outbreak Update- Re-Opening of the Church for Public Services
Our church is open for 1 hour per day. This includes the time for daily public Mass. The daily schedule that we are following is: Monday, Wednesday, Friday mornings, 9am-10am; Tuesday, Thursday evening, 5pm-6pm. Thanks to the parishioners who have offered to be volunteer stewards. We do need more stewards, as the diocese has stipulated that there should be at least 3 stewards in church any time it is open to public. Please contact Fr John if you can help. If you will need disabled access to the church, please contact Fr John in advance. The church toilets will not be available when the church is open for private prayer or for public Mass.
Please visit <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-taskforce-developing-plan-to-reopen-places-of-worship> and also <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/catholic-bishops-respond-to-governments-lockdown-easing-plans/>
It is appreciated that it might be very difficult for parishioners to continue to make donations to the parish in these uncertain economic times. For those who are still able to donate, there are standing order & Gift Aid forms available on the Archdiocesan Website. For any further information and support regarding Parish procedures, please contact the Presbytery on 0121 743 2367. Visit www.stthomasmorerchurch.com or www.birminghamdiocese.org for more information.

Week 21 of Ordinary Time 2020 at St Thomas More's, Sheldon
The following liturgies and services will be conducted behind locked doors but will all be live-streamed using our parish Facebook page: St Thomas More R.C Church Sheldon Sunday 23rd August, NO FACEBOOK TRANSMISSIONS
Week 21 of Ordinary Time Monday, 24th August - Friday 28th August - from 6:30pm, Evening Prayer of the Church, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Mass (7.00pm), Rosary, Night Prayer.
Sunday, 30th August - 22nd Sunday of the Year, Mass 12 noon, Holy Hour, Benediction, 5:30pm.
Novenas The Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Novena will be prayed at 7pm Mass on Tuesday. From August 24th to August 28th, a Novena in honour of Our Lady of Knock will be prayed.
Special Novena to the Sacred Heart This Novena is being prayed nightly for the intention that a vaccine will be developed shortly for the Coronavirus.
i) Oh Jesus who has said "Ask and you shall receive, seek and you shall find, knock and it shall be opened"Behold I knock, I seek, I ask that this prayer, through the intercession of Our Lady, will be granted.....(State Request).....Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be.....
ii) Oh Jesus who has said "Anything you ask the Father in My Name will be granted, Behold, in Your Name, I ask the Father for the grace of(State Request)Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be.....
iii) Oh Jesus who has said "Heaven and Earth will pass away, but My Words will not pass away,".....Behold, encouraged by the infallibility of Your Words, I feel confident that this prayer will be granted.....Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be.....
Oh Sacred Heart of Jesus, to whom it is impossible not to have compassion on the afflicted, have pity on us miserable sinners and grant us the grace that we ask of you through the Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart of Mary, our tender Mother.....Hail Holy Queen.....St Joseph, Foster Father of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Pray for us

SICK: Hugh Murphy, Chris O'Shea, Mary Marie, Magda Skrybant, Pam Firkins, Cornelius McKay, Rosie Smith, Peter & Joseph Fahy, Joan Morris, Sally Woodcock, Ann Taylor, Montana Coughlan, Stephanie Allsop, Maria Walton, Cameron Cuddihy, Richard Coe, Etti Devine, Daniel Meadows, Darlene Tidswell, Freya Williams, Paul Ryan, Mary Griffiths, Elaine & Lilian Collins, Gillian Cox, Rita Duffy, Josephine Conboy, Margaret Kelly, Joanna Jones, Michael Wallis, Val Plessner, Jean Cole, Charlotte Moriarty, Ami Mucklow, Danny Moore, Jeanette Kilmartin, Demie & Danielle Pinches, Santhamma Abraham, Mary Cusack, Kathleen Widdop, Kathleen Biddles, Aurora-Rose Hennessey, Anne O'Donnell, Justin Bull, Padraig Mannion, Ann Heath, David Comerford, Keith Allen, Andrea Cadman, Caelan McGurk, Teresa & Des Duffy, William O'Donnell, Carol Peglar, Majella Wynne, Adam Hyde, Jacob, Kerry, Carmel, Sharna Smith, Colette Hickey, Max Taylor, Molly Cahillane

ANNIVERSARIES: Fr Smith, Fr Branagan, Fr Rowe, Mgr Foster, Fr Downey, Deacon McCarroll, Fr Savin, Mgr Emery, Canon Hogarty, Fr Toole, John Hallissey, Terence Stafford, Kathleen Flanagan, Margaret Carter, Eugene McGurk, Christopher McCarthy, George Fields, Elsie Fitzgeorge, Ryszard Zabko, Bridget Croft, Mary O'Dwyer, Eveline Dwyer