

# SAINT THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC CHURCH SHELDON

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### THE XXII SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 28th August 2022

Holy Mass Intention

Saturday for Sunday

5:30pm Vigil Mass Joe & Mary Macklin RIP

**SUNDAY** 

9:00am Holy Mass Elizabeth Farley RIP

11:00am Solemn Mass Pro Populo

12noon Holy Baptism 12:45pm Holy Baptism

Weekday Masses

Monday 29th The Beheading of Saint John the Baptist

**Bank Holiday** 

11:00am Holy Mass Vera O'Gorman RIP

# Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> Saints Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line & Margaret Ward

9:00am Rosary & Novena

9:30am Holy Mass Christy Lambe

## Wednesday 31st Saint Aiden

9:30am Holy Mass

5:30pm Reception Susan Healy

SEPTEMBER

Thursday 1st

11:00am Requiem Mass Susan Healy

--- NO Evening Mass

Friday 2nd

---- NO Mass

Saturday 3rd

---- NO Morning Mass

### Next Sunday 4th XXIII SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday for Sunday

**5:30pm Vigil Mass** Mick & Joan Kelly

Diamond Wedding Anniv.

SUNDAY

9:00am Holy Mass Derek & Glenice Fernando

11:00am Solemn Mass Lorna Smyth RIP

### The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday No Morning Confessions 4:45pm – 5:15pm

Rosary Monday – Friday before the morning Mass

Saturday after the morning Mass

Piving Marcy – After the morning Mass on Fridays

**Divine Mercy -** After the morning Mass on Fridays

During Adoration on First Fridays



## Saint Margaret Clitherow, Saint Anne Line & Saint Margaret Ward

The three martyrs we commemorate on August 30th are numbered amongst the Forty Martyrs of England and Wales, who suffered death for the Catholic faith which had been outlawed in the kingdom.

These three women — St. Margaret Clitherow, St. Anne Line, and St. Margaret Ward — were all martyred because they protected Catholic priests from the Elizabethan authorities, who were seeking out all Catholic priests for execution. During this dark time in history, it was illegal for priests to be in the country, as it was illegal for Catholics to receive the Sacraments of the Catholic Church.

Although these three martyrs were canonized in 1970 among the Forty Martyrs of England and Wales, they are commemorated on a separate day because of the particular reason for their deaths; namely, their deep respect for the priesthood, and their zealous protection of priests.

## **FATHER CRAIG SZMIDT**

Next weekend we welcome Fr Szmidt to the Sunday Masses to tell us about his work as the Vocations Director of the Archdiocese. Please pray for him and for vocations to the Sacred Priesthood. We pray that God will give to the Church holy priests. Our day of prayer, that all churches undertake for the Archdiocese, is on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November. That day we will have Eucharistic Adoration all day.



# Bishops present Reflection on the Synodal National Synthesis

'Seeking Our Hearts' Desire' is a Reflection from the Bishops of England and Wales following the compilation of the Synodal National Synthesis document. The National Synthesis document will now go forward, together with the reflection, to form part of the European continental synodal phase.

Both documents are now available to read. See Archdioceses website.



### MARCH FOR LIFE

This takes place on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> September in London. Please pray for the good work that takes place when the People of God witness to the sanctity of all life. You may even consider going yourself.

# POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR AUGUST Small Businesses

We pray for small and medium sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating, and serving their communities.

**Recently Deceased** – *May they rest in peace* Susan Healy -

Reception Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> August 5:30pm.

Requiem Mass Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September 11:00am

Molly Dawson –

Reception Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September 5:00pm Requiem Mass Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> 10:00am Maureen Blaney

**THE SANCTUARY LAMPS** This week are sponsored for the intentions of Sandra Macklin and Peace in the World.

Sponsor a sanctuary lamp for Anniversaries or Intentions - £5. Please use envelopes provided for Mass Intentions and Sanctuary Lamp sponsorship.

### WEEKLY GIVING TO THE CHURCH

21.08.22 – Gift Aid £119.64 Non-Gift Aid: £364.24 Total £483.88

### SECOND COLLECTIONS

This Weekend – March for Life – for their work & witness Next Weekend – 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.

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: <a href="mailto:stthomasmore.bham@rcaob.org.uk">stthomasmore.bham@rcaob.org.uk</a>

## PARISH DIARY SEPTEMBER

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> March for Life UK - London Monday 5<sup>th</sup> The Start of the Academic Year

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> Refresher Day for parish liturgical ministers

At Saint Nicholas Boldmere. 10:00am - 3:00pm

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> A Day for Ministers of the Liturgy

Saint Ambrose Barlow Hall Green 10:00am – 3:00pm

#### OCTOBER

Friday 7th - Monday 10th

'Lourdes is coming to us'

**NOVEMBER** 

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> The Day of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood

### **BAPTISM PREPARATION**

This is an important part of getting ready for the actual celebration of Holy Baptism. The next meeting is **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September**, at **6:30pm**, after the evening Mass.

### HARVINGTON PILGRIMAGE - 4th September

The annual pilgrimage to Harvington offers you a chance to reflect on our own faith and the persecution, and often martyrdom, of Catholics during the English Reformation.

Guided tours of the house are free on the day of the pilgrimage.

You can bring your own picnic and the Malt House cafe will be open to purchase cakes and treats.

Doors open 1pm. Picnic area open. Malt House Cafe open to purchase tea, coffee and a bite to eat.

Confessions from 1.45 pm - 2.30 pm

### Mass at 3.00 pm

After Mass: Free refreshments (tea, coffee, juice) in the Priest's garden by Harvington Parish Church. Picnics welcome.

You must bring your own chairs

The Hall has free parking and a picnic area.

Free timed tours of Harvington Hall are available and may be booked on the day at the table in the courtyard.

**St Augustine's Church are organising a coach**. The coach will start at Our Lady of the Wayside at 12.00 midday and will collect pilgrims from St Augustine's at 12.15pm. The cost is £12, Children up to 12yrs of age travel free; Teenagers £6

