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THE XIX SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 7th August 2022

Holy Mass

Saturday for Sunday

5:30pm Vigil Mass

SUNDAY

9:00am Holy Mass

11:00am Solemn Mass

12noon Holy Baptism

Intention

Siobhan Bilton

Seamus O'Grady

John & Margaret Lyons RIP

Weekday Masses

Monday 8th Saint Dominic

9:30am Holy Mass

Thomas & Catherine Larkin

Tuesday 9th Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross,

Patron of Europe

5:30pm Rosary & Novena

6:00pm Holy Mass

Eileen Richardson

Wednesday 10th Saint Lawrence

9:30am Holy Mass

Peter Feenick

Thursday 11th Saint Clare

5:00pm Eucharistic Adoration

6:00pm Holy Mass

Edward Burke

Friday 12th

11:00am – 12noon **Please note the change of times**

Eucharistic Adoration

12noon Holy Mass

Donald Reaney

Saturday 13th

10:00am Holy Mass

Alice Simon &

Santhamma Abraham

12noon Holy Baptism

Next Sunday 14th THE SOLEMNITY OF THE

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Saturday for Sunday

5:30pm Vigil Mass

SUNDAY

9:00am Holy Mass

John Dillon RIP

11:00am Solemn Mass

Anna & Thomas O'Keefe

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

During Adoration on First Fridays



SAINT TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS

A brilliant philosopher who stopped believing in God when she was 14, Edith Stein was so captivated by reading the autobiography of Teresa of Avila that she began a spiritual journey that led to her baptism in 1922. Twelve years later she imitated Saint Teresa by becoming a Carmelite, taking the name Teresa Benedicta of the Cross.

Born into a prominent Jewish family in Breslau, Germany—now Wroclaw, Poland—Edith abandoned Judaism in her teens. As a student at the University of Göttingen, she became fascinated by phenomenology—an approach to philosophy. Excelling as a protégé of Edmund Husserl, one of the leading phenomenologists, Edith earned a doctorate in philosophy in 1916. She continued as a university teacher until 1922, when she moved to a Dominican school in Speyer; her appointment as lecturer at the Educational Institute of Munich ended under pressure from the Nazis.

After living for four years in the Cologne Carmel, Sister Teresa Benedicta moved to the Carmelite monastery in Echt, Netherlands, in 1938. The Nazis occupied that country in 1940. In retaliation for being denounced by the Dutch bishops, the Nazis arrested all Dutch Jews who had become Christians. Teresa Benedicta and her sister Rosa, also a Catholic, died in a gas chamber in Auschwitz on August 9, 1942.

Pope John Paul II beatified Teresa Benedicta of the Cross in 1987 and canonized her 12 years later.



Prayerful congratulations to Fathers Steven Fleming and Toby Duckworth

Steven Fleming and Toby Duckworth were ordained to the Sacred Priesthood by Archbishop Bernard Longley on Saturday 23 July. Surrounded by family and friends the ordination service took place at St Chad's Cathedral

During the ordination rite, the candidates promised 'to celebrate the mysteries of Christ, faithfully and religiously... for the glory of God and the sanctification of Christ's people'

RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Please take very great care as this is so sacred. As you approach the Priest remove your face covering so that you can receive the Host with great care and reverence. **Do not move while holding the Blessed Sacrament.** If you wish to receive on the tongue, please come to the communion rails last.

If you need the Most Blessed Sacrament brought to you at Holy Communion please sit at the front of the Church and in any case at the end of a bench so that the greatest amount of honour and respect can be shown to Jesus. It is not appropriate that the Priest or minister has to reach across other people.

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

THE SANCTUARY FLOWERS

have been donated by Teresa McGrory.

THE SANCTUARY LAMPS This week are sponsored for the intentions of Rachel Hamill and Aoife.

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

WEEKLY GIVING TO THE CHURCH

24.07.22 – Gift Aid £100.17 Non-Gift Aid: £304.04
Total £404.21

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: stthomasmore.bham@rcaob.org.uk

PARISH DIARY

AUGUST

Sunday 14th The Solemnity of the Assumption

SEPTEMBER

Saturday 3rd March for Life UK - London

Monday 5th The Start of the Academic Year

Saturday 10th Refresher Day for parish liturgical ministers
At Saint Nicholas Boldmere. 10:00am – 3:00pm

OCTOBER

Friday 7th – Monday 10th

'Lourdes is coming to us'

A pilgrimage of the relics of Saint Bernadette.

The relics will be visiting St Chad's Cathedral in Birmingham, Our Lady of Lourdes in Hednesford and

the Immaculate Conception in Bicester

NOVEMBER

Monday 7th 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 13th September, at 6:30pm**, after the evening Mass.

THE SOWER

Out now! Summer edition of *The Sower* magazine

Snap up the latest edition of the Diocesan magazine, *The Sower*.

This free magazine is available in churches and online now.

Featuring a great selection of articles showcasing the work of our parishes, schools and communities.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED ASSUMPTION PILGRIMAGE

On August 14th, with Aid to the Church In Need, the Diocesan Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes at Hednesford is holding a Pilgrimage on the Feast of the Assumption to focus attention on the need of the Suffering Church.

Our preacher, Monsignor Daniel McHugh, is the Diocesan Ethnic Chaplaincy Coordinator and well acquainted with the needs of the Church throughout the world.

Sunday August 14th - Aid to the Church in Need Assumption Pilgrimage

- 3 pm - Mass – Mgr. Daniel McHugh, Ethnic Chaplaincy Coordinator, Preacher.
- 4 pm - Refreshments
- 4.30 - 5.15pm Speakers on the Suffering Church.



ST. THOMAS MORE'S PARISH TOTE
JACKPOT £600
Result for 3rd August 2022
Winning Numbers 20-24-10-22
No Jackpot Winner – 2 Winners with 3 Numbers
Next Draw Wednesday 10th 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+