

ST. THOMAS MORE, SHELDON

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<p><i>Parish Schools:</i> St. Thomas More Primary, Horse Shoes Lane, B26 3HU Tel: 0121 743 3289. Head teacher Sr. Susan Collins.</p>	<p>FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY 27th December 2015 – Year C Year of Consecrated Life: November 30th 2014 - February 2nd 2016 Jubilee Year of Mercy, December 8th, 2015-November 20th, 2016</p>	<p>St. Andrews Primary & Nursery, Windrush Close, Solihull B92 8QL Tel: 0121 743 5675. Head teacher Mr. David Naughton</p>
<p>Masses: Sat 5.30pm Harold, Josie & Noel Whittall, RIP. Sun 8:30am Bridie Evans, RIP Anniv. 10:30am David Fletcher, RIP. Mon 10:00am John Marley, RIP. <i>Feast of the Holy Innocents</i> Tues 9:00am Ann Turner, RIP Anniv. <i>Feast of St Thomas Becket</i> 9:00am James O'Brien, RIP Anniv. Wed 9:00am Rhona Flower, RIP. Thur 9:00am Fri 10.00am People of the Parish <i>Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God</i> Sat 9:00am Santhamma Abraham, Sick. <i>Memorial of St Basil the Great & St Gregory Nazianzen</i></p>	<p>Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour: Tuesday AM during Mass. Rosary is recited daily after Morning Mass. Eucharistic Adoration New Year's Eve Holy Hour. First Saturday Holy Hour 4:00pm-5:00pm. Morning Prayer of the Church: Tue, Wed, Thurs, Sat, 8:45am. Sacrament of Reconciliation 1st Friday, New Year's Day, 9:30-9:55am. Sat 9:30-10:00am. 4:30-5:00pm. First Saturday Devotions Saturday 9:30am</p>	
<p>Mass Intentions for Next Weekend Sat 5.30pm Catherine Rooney, RIP. Sun 8.30am William Dempsey, RIP Anniv. 10.30am Norman Dowse, RIP Anniv.</p>	<p>Christmas Season Services 2015 New Year's Eve Holy Hour 11:00pm concluding with Benediction at Midnight New Year's Day Mass 10:00am preceded by Confessions (1st Friday, from 9:30am)</p>	
<p>Recently Deceased Margaret Simcox (Coventry Road) <i>May she rest in peace</i></p>	<p>Parish Christmas Season Party Saturday, January 2nd., 2016, after the 5:30 pm Mass. Drinks (alcoholic and non-alcoholic) will be provided. Party-goers are asked to bring food items. There is a sign-up sheet in the porch for you to indicate what food items you can bring. All are welcome!</p>	
<p>Mass with Anointing of the Sick: Saturday 9th January., 2016, 10:30am. If anyone would like transport so that they can attend this Mass, please let Fr John know.</p>	<p>Taize Prayer Service New Year's Eve at Olton Friary, St Bernard's Road, Olton.. Starting at 9pm on December 31st in the Friary, with Mass at 10:00pm. This Taize prayer service is part of their Parish Jubilee Year of Mercy programme. It will be a quiet, reflective prayer time, using Bible readings, singing Taize chants, and using times of silence. All welcome!</p>	
<p>We Welcome into the family of our parish Elias Boulcott and Darcie Kirby who were baptised here last weekend. Patricians Discussion Group: Friday 22nd January 7:45pm. Topic 'Why can't we receive communion in each other's churches?'</p>	<p>Our Crib Offerings this year are being donated to Friends of the Holy Land and Fireside Archbishop Bernard is encouraging parishes this Christmas to donate crib offerings to the Friends of the Holy Land. Every penny will help the poorest Christian families, especially in and around Bethlehem, the West Bank, Gaza and Israel, with education, employment, health and housing costs and initiatives. FHL is non-political and ecumenical. Please pray for our brethren in the Holy Land DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:- Saturday 2nd Jan: Parish Christmas Season Party after 5:30pm Mass. Sunday 24th Jan: Christian Unity Service at Elmdon Church, 6:00pm. Friday 29th Jan: General Parish Meeting, 7:45pm. Sunday 31st Jan: Altar Servers trip to the cinema- More details to follow.</p>	
<p>Sunday January 10th. 2016 is to be a Jubilee Day for Parents and Grandparents. The families who had a child baptised in 2015 have been invited by letter to our 10:30 am Mass that Sunday. Catholic Directories are now on Sale at the Piety Shop - £2.50</p>	<p>Christmas Prayer Intentions Please write a prayer intention on a decoration of the porch Christmas tree. These intentions will be prayed for at Masses during the Christmas season Annual Pro Life Vigil In reparation for the evil of abortion from 10pm Sun 27 Dec to finish with Mass at 6am on Mon 28 Dec (Mass of the Holy Innocents) at Olton Friary, St Bernard's Rd. All Welcome!</p>	
<p>OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS 20th December Gift Aid £242 ~ Non-Gift Aid £522.04</p>	<p>Parish Societies: SVP – First Saturdays, 9:45am Legion of Mary this week Wednesday, 7pm Thursday Club resumes in January Youth Group – resumes in January Choir Practice Mon Dec 28th. after Mass Journey in Faith - resumes on Jan 4th. 7pm Confirmation Class – Sun Jan 10th. 9:30am</p>	
<p>St. Thomas More's Parish Tote The Jackpot this week is £1,150 Result for 22/12/2015 05-08-11-14 Next draw, Tues 29th Dec after Morning Mass</p>	<p>Rotas for 3rd Jan Readers: 5:30pm Team F 8:30am Team B 10:30 am Team F Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: 5:30pm Team B 8:30am Team C 10:30 am Team B Cleaning: M.McGrory, M.Wilks Brasses: S.Garner, H.Nolan Counters: M.Cleary, J.O'Malley, C.Rimington Refreshments after 10:30 Sunday Mass this week- PLEASE SUPPORT!</p>	
<p>SICK: Hugh Murphy , Chris O'Shea, Mary Marie, Magda Skrybant, Cornelius McKay, Pam Firkins, Theresa O'Shea, Katie Hobday, Hannah Lynch, Rosie Smith, Joachim Blaney, Peter Fahy, Kathleen Fahy, Joseph Lockington, Sally Woodcock, Joan Morris, Charlie Fogarty, Montana Coughlan, Clara Bett, Barry Harte, Stephanie Allsop, Maria Walton, Camron Cuddihy, Vera King, Ann Taylor, Richard Coe, Daniel Meadows, Darlene Tideswell, Freya Williams, Ettie Devine, James Dalton, Paul Ryan, Michael Ruane, Gary Hinks, Fred Whitehouse, Mary Griffiths, John O'Sullivan, Anne Cleary, Elaine Collins, Lilian Collins, Jackie Gallagher, John Bond, Gillian Cox, Josephine Conboy, Mary Morris, Rita Duffy, Margaret Kelly. Joanna Jones, Michael Wallis, Val Plessler, Lynn, Jean Cole, Charlotte Moriarty, Bernie O'Gorman, Rita Deehan, Beryl McGrory, Nora Mills, Michael Ward, Frank Maguire, Ami Mucklow, Jeanette Kilmartin, Demie & Danielle Pinches, Margaret Casey. ANNIVERSARIES: Fr O'Callaghan, Fr Etherington, Fr Evans, Fr Lynch, John Bilston, Mary Gibbons, Joseph Caffrey, Anthony Chedotal, Anthony Clarke, Robert Polke, Stuart Jones, Keith Morris, Spencer Prendergast, Kathleen Wilson, Peter Tracey, Lilian Chamberlain, Vincent Kelly, Bridie Evans, Olga Gaughran, June Moore, Mary Rose, Joan Lancaster, John Wimsey.</p>		



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 May God bless you abundantly this New Year and always.

