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ST THOMAS MORE, SHELDON

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SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 16th February 2020 - A



St. Andrew's Primary & Nursery Sch
Windrush Close, B92 8QL
Tel: 0121 743 5675.
Head Teacher: Mr Kevin Kelly

Masses
Sat 5:30pm Patty Rooney, RIP
Sun 8:30am John White Snr, Ints
10:30am Mary Hanratty, RIP
Mon 9:00am Sadie Bennett, RIP
Tue 9:00am Kitty Gallagher, Ints
Wed 9:00am O'Neill & Beal Families
Thu 9:00am Kath Beale, Ints.
Fri 9:00am Kathleen Finn, RIP
7:00pm Patrick Crossan, RIP Anniv.
Sat 9:00am **Feast of the Chair of St Peter**
Mary Gallagher, Ints.

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour - Tuesday during 9:00am Mass.
Rosary is recited daily after Morning Mass.
Eucharistic Adoration
Tues 9:30-11:00am. Sat 4:25-5:05pm
Morning Prayer of the Church:
Mon - Sat, 8:45am.
Sacrament of Confession:
Sat, 9:30-10:00am, 4:30-5:00pm.

We welcome into the family of our parish
Ivy O'Connor baptized here last week.

Parish Societies:
SVP – Second Saturdays, 9:45am
Legion of Mary Thurs 7:45 pm
Choir Practice Next on Tues 25th. Feb
Thursday Club Next Thurs 27th. Feb
RCIA: Resumes Mon 24th. Feb, 7pm.

Legion of Mary –General Meeting Times
Adult Group – Thurs Even 7:45pm
Junior Group – Friday Eves 6:00pm
Both meet in the Parish Centre.
School Groups: **St Andrew's** Fri 3:45pm
St Thomas More's Mondays 3:30pm

Mass Intentions for Next Weekend

Sat 5:30pm Jasper Shine, RIP
Sun 8:30am Michael & Maura Flannery, Ints
10:30am Hugh Hanratty, RIP

Year of the Word – The God Who Speaks.
This special year will run from the First Sunday of Advent 2019 to the First Sunday of Advent 2020.

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
(www.twoinoneflesh.org.uk)
Reflection for Married Couples
Making the right choices

Choices! How difficult sometimes to make the right choices. What to eat today, how to save money, what clothes to wear, what we or our children need. For Christians, prayer and a set of Christian values influence the choices we make. We can ask the Lord's help to decide what issue is uppermost for us today.

Retreats and Pilgrimages
Retreat at Mount St Bernard Abbey, near Coalville, Leics. LE67 5UL
Wed. March 4th. 2020- Fri March 6th, 2020..
Join us for 2 days of prayer with Cistercian monks. They just ask for a donation but retreatants must stay for a minimum of 2 nights. More info. from Fr John.

Journey in Faith meets on Mondays at 7:00pm in the parish centre. Are you an adult who has not been baptised? Do you know someone interested in baptism? Are you interested in finding out more about the Catholic faith? Maybe you simply wish to deepen your own faith? All most welcome. **Resumes Mon. Feb. 24th. 7pm**

Recently Deceased:

Betty Kaminski, Reception, Sun 23rd Feb 5:00pm, Funeral Mass, Mon 24th Feb, 10:00am.

Jake Foster (aged 18) Funeral, Tues 25th. Feb, 11:15 am
May they rest in peace

Patricians Discussion Group

Friday 28th Feb, 7:45pm, Dougal's Den.
Topic: 'What do we mean by the Church?'

Re-Dedication of England as the Dowry of Mary

Our Bishops are to re-dedicate England as the Dowry of Mary on March 29th, 2020- restoring a medieval title given to this land by King Richard II. More details www.dowrytour.org.uk
In order to prepare for this historic event, we are being encouraged to pray the Angelus daily. It would also be fitting to consecrate our lives to Jesus through Mary, according to the spirituality of St Louis Marie de Montfort. Please take a leaflet, free of charge, from the porch which explains this devotion.

COMEDY NIGHT CHARITY EVENT – Sunday 16th February in the Parish Centre. Bar open from 6:00pm
Doors to the Den open at 6:45pm.
acts from 7:15pm.

Oilton Friary Lenten Events: -
A whole programme of events have been arranged by the Friary for Lent 2020, including a retreat and Lectio Divina sessions. Please see porch leaflets

Pilgrimage to Rome, Assisi, San Giovanni, June 1st-8th. There are now more than 30 participants. The balance for the pilgrimage is due to be paid in early April. There will be another get-together in early May.

First Holy Communion Preparation for Children in non-Catholic Schools A group will meet on Sunday Mornings at 9:30 am in the Parish Centre, **starting Sunday March 1st, 2020**, to prepare children in Year 3 or above at non-Catholic schools for their First Sacrament of Reconciliation & First Holy Communion. **First Holy Communion Masses** will be celebrated in our parish over the weekend **May 16th/17th**.

Vacancy for a Religious Education Co-Ordinator at St Paul's School for Girls. More details on poster in porch.

40 Days for Life

There is to be a new campaign, focussing on the Robert Clinic, 162 Station Road, King's Norton B30 1DB. There is a launch event for this campaign on Sun Feb 23rd, 2pm, Upper Cloister Room, The Oratory, 141 Hagley Road, B'ham B16 8UE.

St Thomas More's Bereavement Group

Thurs 27th. February, 6pm in the presbytery. All are welcome! Please come and help us serve those who have lost a loved one.

St Thomas More's Youth Group For youth from Year 5 upwards, meeting on Friday evenings, 7-8:30pm. Resumes Feb 28th. More leaders are needed.

BISHOP WALSH CATHOLIC SCHOOL in Sutton Coldfield (part of the St. John Paul II MAC) are seeking a **Principal** for September 2020. Full details at www.bishopwalsh.net

Kidd School of Irish Dancing
Lessons; Wednesday after school till 5pm in Parish Centre.
Contact Sharon 07973 537383
Saturdays 9:45am start at the Women's Institute, Solihull, B91 3DQ
Contact 07971 857935

St Thomas More's Parish Mission 2020
Sat., October 3rd to Sat., October 10th 2020.

The mission will be preached by the Redemptorists. Its focus will be **Family Life**.
Next Holy Hour in preparation for our Mission: **Sunday March 1st, at 5.30pm.**
Our church building is 50 years old this year. Our mission has been planned to coincide with this special year for us. More details of other prayer events soon.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS – 09/02
Gift Aid £147.00 ~Non-GA £384.19
Racial Justice- £261.61
This Weekend – Pro Life
Next Weekend – Retiring Collection for the Clergy Training Fund.

St. Thomas More's Parish Tote JACKPOT NOW £950
Result for 11.02.2020
08-12-13-20
Next draw will take place on **Tuesday 18th Feb After Mass.**

Adult Ceili Dancing Mondays 7:45pm in the parish centre.

Next Bingo, Sat 29th. Feb (please note!) Parish Centre. Eyes down 7pm

SICK: Hugh Murphy, Chris O'Shea, Mary Marie, Magda Skrybant, Pam Firkins, Cornelius McKay, Rosie Smith, Peter Fahy, Joseph Fahy, Joan Morris, Sally Woodcock, Ann Taylor, Montana Coughlan, Stephanie Allsop, Maria Walton, Cameron Cuddihy, Richard Coe, Etti Devine, Daniel Meadows, Darlene Tideswell, Freya Williams, James Dalton, Paul Ryan, Mary Griffiths, John O'Sullivan, Elaine Collins, 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, Marie Ryan, Caelan McGurk, Teresa & Des Duffy, William O'Donnell, Carol Peglar, Majella Wynne, Adam Hyde, Joe Evans, Jacob, Kerry, Carmel and Sharna Smith, Kath Beales, Christine Lambe, Colette Hickey

ANNIVERSARIES: Fr Conefrey, Fr McEvilly, Fr Healy, Fr McDonnell, Fr Jordan, Patrick Kelly, Guiseppe Lanza, Bridget Jagger, Thomas Dwyer, George Allt, Kathleen Harding, Katie Surgeoner, Sheila Oseman, Margaret O'Mahoney, Nancy Kennedy, Patrick Monaghan, Laura Hogkins, John Bates, Mary Biddle, Agnes Lawless, Mary McCarron, Patricia Aston, Elizabeth Murphy, David Robinson, Thomas Milton, Bernadette Toms, John Fitzpatrick, Diane Loveland, Joan Reeve

Rotas 23 rd FEB	5:30pm	8:30am	10:30am
Readers:	A	D	C
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:	D	C	D
Cleaning:	A.Lane, A.Walsh		
Counting:	J.O'Malley, B.Owens, B.Winspear		
Brasses	S.Garner		