

**ST. THOMAS MORE, SHELDON**


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<p><b>St. Thomas More Primary Sch.</b> Horse Shoes Lane, B26 3HU Tel: 0121 743 3289. Head teacher: Sr. Susan Collins</p>	<p><b>1<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT</b> <b>18<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2018 – Year B</b></p>	<p><b>St. Andrew's Primary &amp; Nursery Sch.</b> Windrush Close, B92 8QL Tel: 0121 743 5675. Head Teacher: Mr Kevin Kelly</p>
<p><b>Masses</b></p> <p><b>Sat</b> 5:30pm Mary, John &amp; Pat McDonald, RIP <b>Sun</b> 8:30am Sadie Bennett, RIP Anniv. 10:30am Philomena Kennedy, RIP <b>Mon</b> 9:00am Joe Evans, RIP 6:30pm Richard Comerford, RIP <b>Tue</b> 9:00am Sofia Minshall, Ints <b>Wed</b> 5:30pm nb Bernie Murray, RIP 9:00am Stuart Shaw, RIP 7:00pm Maeve Durkin, RIP Anniv. <b>Thurs</b> 9:00am Mary &amp; Peter Cahill, RIP 7:00pm Florence, Ints <b>Fri</b> 9:00am Ann Boyle, RIP 7:00pm B. Tiernal <b>Sat</b> 9:00am John Ready, RIP Anniv.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Feast of the Chair of St Peter</i></p>	<p><b>Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour</b> – nb Tues during 9:00am Mass <b>Rosary</b> is recited daily after Morning Mass. <b>Eucharistic Adoration.</b> Monday 9:30am-12noon. <b>Morning Prayer of the Church:</b> Mon-Sat 8:45am <b>Sacrament of Confession:</b> Sat 9:30-10:00am, 4:30pm-5:00pm <b>Stations of the Cross:</b> Friday 6:30pm.</p>	<p><b>Recently Deceased:</b> <i>May they rest in peace</i> <b>Dinah Tomkins</b> Funeral Mass Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February at 10:45 <b>Patrick O'Rourke</b> <b>Clara Betts</b> (Leam Crescent), Funeral Mass, Monday 5<sup>th</sup> March, 1-15am. Olton Friary.</p>
<p><b>Mass Intentions for Next Weekend</b></p> <p><b>Sat</b> 5:30pm Harold &amp; Josie Whittall, RIP <b>Sun</b> 8:30am Bridie Delaney, Ints 10:30am Richard Lambe &amp; Deceased of Lambe Family.</p>	<p><b>Meeting at St Augustine's for possible Catechists,</b> Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> March, 7:30-9pm. This event is for parishioners who are already involved in parish ministries, who want to grow their faith and want to find out about the possibilities of further studies.</p> <p><b>Closing Mass for the Deanery Visitation programme, Thurs March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 7pm, St Augustine's, Solihull</b></p>	<p><b>Dates for your diary</b> <b>Feb 24<sup>th</sup>:</b> Lenten Day of Prayer 10:00am-4:00pm <b>Mar 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup>:</b> Bishop's Visitation <b>Mar 9<sup>th</sup>:</b> Meeting for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Readers 7:45pm <b>Mar 17<sup>th</sup>:</b> St Patricks Celebration <b>Sat 21<sup>st</sup> &amp; Sun 22<sup>nd</sup> Apr:</b> Beer Festival</p>
<p><b>Parish Lenten Day of Prayer, Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> February</b> All are welcome for all or part of the day. 9:00am Mass. 9:30am Confessions during Rosary. 10:00am Tea &amp; Coffee followed by a DVD on Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. 11:00am Talk and Discussion on the True Devotion to Jesus through Mary. 12:00pm Angelus followed by lunch break. 1:00pm Lectio Divina, 2:00pm Stations of the Cross in church. 3:00pm-4:00pm Holy Hour and Benediction.</p>	<p>Coffee Morning and Mini Sale, Sat 24<sup>th</sup> Feb 12:00pm-3:00pm at Mary's, 10 Campbells Green. Proceeds for disadvantaged children in Africa and India.</p>	<p><b>Women's World Day of Prayer</b> This year, the event will take place at <b>St Mary's Church of England Church, Hobs Moat</b> at 2pm on <b>Friday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018.</b> All are welcome!</p>
<p>Congratulations and Prayerful good wishes to <b>John &amp; Michelle Pinfield</b> who were married in our church last weekend</p>	<p><b>Lenten Alms</b> this year will be collected at Mass on Holy Thursday night and donated to the Fr Hudson's Society.</p>	<p><b>Lenten House Rosaries</b> If you would like Fr John to pray the rosary with you and your family in your home during this season of Lent then please let him know.</p>
<p><b>Confirmation Preparation for Children in Non-Catholic Schools</b> Every Sunday, 9:30am, Parish Centre. This group will be confirmed, along with the St Andrew's children, on Sat March 3<sup>rd</sup>.</p>	<p><b>Retreat at Mount St Bernard 11<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> April 2018.</b> If staying overnight, the monks have requested that retreatants stay for a minimum of 2 nights. They have declining numbers in their monastery and it makes a lot of work for them if people only stay for 1 night. No charge, just a donation. Please see Fr John if interested.</p>	<p><b>Prayer Sponsors for our First Holy Communicants</b> Would you be willing to pray for the children of our parish as they prepare to make their First Holy Communion? It simply involves keeping a child in your daily prayers as he or she prepares for First Holy Communion. Please sign the sheet in the porch if you can help.</p>
<p><b>The Patricians</b> is a discussion group, run by the Legion of Mary. It meets monthly to discuss some aspect of our faith. Its aim is to deepen this faith and to empower us to spread this knowledge to others. <b>Next Meeting Fri Mar 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018. Topic: Forgiveness- Christianity at its most radical?</b></p>	<p><b>40 Days for Life</b> prayer campaign outside the Marie Stopes Abortion Clinic, Arthur Road Edgbaston. More volunteers are needed. Please contact Isabel for more details 07773 501721</p>	<p><b>St Thomas More's Pilgrimage to the Holy Land, November 21<sup>st</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>, 2018.</b> There will be a chance for us to meet each other on <b>Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 7:45pm in the Parish Centre.</b> The price has increased to £929 per person sharing for those joining at this stage. To secure a place at this price, you must book by 30<sup>th</sup> April 2018.</p>
<p><b>OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS – 11<sup>th</sup> Feb 2018</b> Gift Aid £183.00 ~ Non-Gift Aid £470.55 Tabor House £553.46 <b>This weekend</b> - Retiring Collection for the Clergy Training Fund <b>Next weekend</b> - Cafod (Lent Family Fast)</p>	<p><b>Thursday Lunch Club (TLC)</b> TLC has resumed in the Parish Centre on Thursdays from 12:30pm. Lunches at excellent value available. All are welcome, to come along for a cuppa, a chat and a game or two of bingo! <b>TRANSPORT CAN BE ARRANGED</b></p>	<p><b>Parish Societies:</b> <b>SVP</b> – second Saturdays, 9:45am <b>Legion of Mary (Adult group)</b> Thurs 7:45pm <b>Thursday Lunch Club</b> from 1pm, Thurs <b>Youth Group</b> Resumes after the Half Term <b>Choir Practice:</b> Tues 20<sup>th</sup>. Feb. 9:30am <b>Journey in Faith</b> Monday Feb 19<sup>th</sup>, 7pm.</p>
<p><b>St. Thomas More's Parish Tote JACKPOT NOW £2,400</b> Result for 07/02/18 <b>1-6-15-16</b> Next draw will take place <b>Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> Feb after morning Mass</b></p> 	<p><b>Bishop Robert Byrne</b> will be visiting our parish over the weekend 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> March. He will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with the St Andrew's children at the 5:30pm Saturday Mass and preach at the Sunday morning Masses.</p>	<p><b>Many thanks</b> for the £261 collected by the SVP after the Ash Wednesday Masses.</p>
<p><b>Rotas for 25<sup>th</sup> February:</b> <b>Readers:</b> 5:30pm Team E 8:30am Team D 10:30 am Team F <b>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:</b> 5:30pm Team D 8:30am Team C 10:30 am Team E <b>Cleaning:</b> I.Buckley, S.Smith. Brasses: S.Hall, C.McGrory <b>Counting:</b> F.Perkins, M.McGrory, T.McGrory</p>	<p><b>Lenten Walk with Me books are now available, £1 per copy. BOGOF!</b></p>	<p>No Ceili Dancing on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> Feb.</p>
<p><b>SICK:</b> Hugh Murphy, Chris O'Shea, Mary Marie, Magda Skrybant, Pam Firkins, Cornelius McKay, Rosie Smith, Joachim Blaney, Peter Fahy, Joseph Fahy, Sally Woodcock, Joseph Lockington, Joan Morris, Charlie Fogarty, Montana Coughlan, Stephanie Allsop, Maria Walton, Camron Cuddihy, Ann Taylor, Richard Coe, Etti Devine, Daniel Meadows, Darlene Tideswell, Freya Williams, James Dalton, Paul Ryan, John Bond, Mary Griffiths, John O'Sullivan, Elaine Collins, Lilian Collins, Gillian Cox, Josephine Conboy, Rita Duffy, Margaret Kelly. Joanna Jones, Michael Wallis, Val Plessner, Jean Cole, Anne O'Meara, Bernie O'Gorman, Charlotte Moriarty, Michael Ward, Ami Mucklow, Danny Moore, Jeanette Kilmartin, Demie &amp; Danielle Pinches, Margaret Casey, Jack Baker, Nora Mills, Peter Bradford. Santhamma Abraham, Pamela Smith. Mary Cusack, Kathleen Widdop, Kathleen Biddles, baby Jacob, Anne O'Donnell, Justin Bull, Annie Mortimer, Pdraig Mannion.</p>	<p><b>ANNIVERSARIES:</b> Fr McEvelly, Fr Healy, Fr McDonnell, Fr Jordan, Fr McGavin, Canon Roughan, Fr Coyle, Fr Farrell, Fr Wharton, Fr McCabe, Fr Meagher, Fr Collins, Fr Cooney, Kathleen Harding, Katie Surgeoner, Sheila Oseman, Margaret O'Mahoney, Nancy Kennedy, Patrick Monaghan, Laura Hodgkins, John Bates, Mary Biddle, Agnes Lawless, Mary McCarron, Patricia Aston, Elizabeth Murphy, David Robinson, Thomas Mitton, Bernadette Toms, John Fitzpatrick, Diane Loveland, Ellen McCafferty, John Bardini, Patrick McTernan, Alan Hale, Leonard Jeffries, Thomas Foy, Edward Dunne, John O'Neill, Joyce Size, Walter Bien.</p>	