



SAINT THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC CHURCH SHELDON

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The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: registered charity no. 234216

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 20th February 2022

Holy Mass

Saturday for Sunday

5:30pm Vigil Mass

SUNDAY

9:00am Holy Mass

11:00am Solemn Mass

12noon Holy Baptism

Intention

David Hannon RIP

Doreen Quinn RIP

Kitty Ready *Months Mind*

Weekday Masses

Monday 21st

---- NO Mass

Tuesday 22nd The Feast of Chair of Saint Peter

5:30pm Rosary & Novena

6:00pm Holy Mass Griffin Family

6:30pm **WALKING TOGETHER**

THE SYNODAL PATHWAY MEETING

Saint John Fisher Room

Wednesday 23rd

9:30am Holy Mass

Mary Clarkin

4:00pm Reception

Josie Branigan

Thursday 24th

10:15am Requiem Mass Josie Branigan

5:00pm Eucharistic Adoration

6:00pm Holy Mass Kathleen Love

Friday 25th

10:00am Requiem Mass Ann O'Rourke

---- NO Adoration

Saturday 26th The Blessed Virgin Mary

10:00am Holy Mass Deepa Abraham Ints

12noon Holy Baptism

Next Sunday 27th EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday for Sunday

5:30pm Vigil Mass

Pro Populo

SUNDAY

9:00am Holy Mass

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11:00am Solemn Mass

Paul Mahon RIP

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday Evening only 4:45pm – 5:15pm

Rosary Monday – Friday before the morning Mass

Saturday after the morning Mass

Divine Mercy - After the morning Mass on Fridays

The Day of the Lord - Dies Domini

Sunday encounter with Christ is vital,
indispensable and irreplaceable for Catholics



THE FEAST OF THE CHAIR OF SAINT PETER

The "chair" to which this feast refers is the cathedra, or office, of the Apostle Peter. Given by Christ to Saint Peter and represents his supreme pastoral office which is passed to each of his successors as the Bishop of Rome, that is, where Saint Peter last served and where he died a martyr.

"And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock, I will build my Church, and the powers of death shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." - Matthew 16:18-19.

On this day let us particularly pray for our Holy Father Pope Francis that God may give him health and strength to guide and govern His holy people.

As we gather to look at the Synodal Pathway and discern the way forward for our parish, walking together may we be so inspired by the Grace of the Holy Spirit that we may be ever more faithful to the Catholic Apostolic Faith.

With my prayers for the wellbeing of you all.

Fr Christopher

LENT WALK WITH ME PRAYER BOOKS

These are available this weekend. The Calendars are also available.

FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

If you have a child in year 3 or above not at our Catholic Schools who wishes to make their First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion, please contact the parish office for an application form.

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.

GENEROUS DONATIONS

Gold! The collection of gold raised **£3,360.00** for the Sanctuary. This was a wonderful outcome. Many thanks.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR FEBRUARY

Religious Sisters and Consecrated Women

We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.

Recently Deceased – *May they rest in peace*

Josie Branigan –

Reception Wednesday 23rd February 4:00pm

Requiem Mass Thursday 24th 10:15am

Ann O'Rourke -

Requiem Mass Friday 25th February 10:00am

Frank Mulrennan –

Reception Thursday 24th February 4:00pm

Requiem Friday 25th February 11:15am at

. Holy Cross and St Francis, B76 2RS.

Larry Keohane

Joseph Borg

THE SANCTUARY LAMPS This week are sponsored for Ann & Tony Mahon & Family and Ena & Pauline.

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

WEEKLY GIVING TO THE CHURCH

13.02.22 - Gift Aid: £98.94 Non-Gift Aid: £328.96
Total: £427.90

SECOND COLLECTIONS

This Weekend – Retiring Collection for the Priests Training Fund

March 6th – Cathedral Maintenance

Racial Justice - £168.38

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

MARCH

Wednesday 2nd Ash Wednesday

Holy Mass: 9:30am & 6:00pm

Wednesday 9th Saint Andrew's First Confessions 6:00pm

Wednesday 16th Saint Thomas More First Confessions 10:30am

Friday 25th The Solemnity of the Annunciation

Holy Mass 9:30am

APRIL

Sunday 10th The beginning of Holy Week

Thursday 14th – Saturday 16th

The Sacred Paschal Triduum

Sunday 17th Easter Day



WALKING TOGETHER - THE SYNODAL PATHWAY

Parish Meeting: **Tuesday 22nd February 6:30pm** after the Evening Mass in the Saint John Fisher Room. All welcome. The gathering of the People of God is to see how we can respond to the Holy Father's wish for the Synodal Pathway and then for the Church to prepare for the Synod in 2023 in Rome. Thank you to those who have already returned their thoughts and prayerful reflections. These are very helpful. It is good to see such Catholic reflections on how we move forward as a place of Catholic and Apostolic faith here in this place.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE - ABORTION EXPOSED

– an insight into the abortion industry from ex-MSI director Kevin Duffy. Also one mum tells her story of reversing her abortion. Sun 27th Feb – 2pm. St Joseph and St Helen's Hall, 84 Northfield Rd, Kings Norton B'ham B30 1JG. For further details call Isabel on 07773 501721.

GOLD ! GOLD ! GOLD !

We are going to continue with this and hope to be able to do more good works in the Parish.

SAINT FRANCIS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL HANDSWORTH

Applications are invited for the position of new Headteacher. Further details and an application pack are available on the vacancy page at www.stfranrc.bham.sch.uk The closing date is the 11th March.