## ST. THOMAS MORE, SHELDON

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

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# FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 4<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2018 – Year B

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

Head Teacher, Mr Kevin Kelly

Masses

Tue

5:30pm Elizabeth, Thomas & Catherine McKenna, RIP Sat

8:30am Maureen Salt. RIP Sun

Norman Dowse, RIP Anniv. 10:30am Memorial of St Agatha Mon

People of the Parish (St Andrew's School) 9·15am

6:30pm Jean Hogan, RIP Memorial of St Paul Miki

10:00am Marjorie Walsh, RIP 7:00pm Donald Judd, RIP

9:00am Wed Gerry & Mary King Ints. Thurs Nb No Morning Mass Paddy McGill, RIP Anniv. 7:00pm Fri Funeral Mass, Esther Molloy 1:45pm

James & Jean O'Brien, RIP Anniv. 7:00pm Memorial of St Scholastica Sat

Mary Dunne, RIP 9:00am

Mass Intentions for Next Weekend

5:30pm Josephine Kennedy, RIP Sat Antony Bunting, RIP 8:30am Sun 10:30am Linda Healey, RIP

We welcome into the family of our parish Ariel Smith who was baptised here last week.

Congratulations and prayerful good wishes to Dominic & Hannah Kenny, married last week.

Mass with Anointing of the Sick Sat 17th February,10:30am, preceded by devotions in honour of St. Peregrine. Please let Fr John know if you would like transport.

Dates to note: Meeting at St Augustine's for possible Catechists, Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> March,7pm. Closing Mass for the Deanery Visitation programme, Thurs March 22<sup>nd</sup>., 7pm, St Augustine's, Solihull

Two Left Feet meet Every Monday evening in the Parish Centre. If you've got 2 left feet and a good sense of humour and you need to work off those Christmas Chocolates come and join us from 7:45 - 9:00pm.

## OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS - 28th Jan 2018

Gift Aid £144.45 ~ Non-Gift Aid £511.22 Racial Justice £296.76 This weekend - Pro-Life Next weekend - Tabor House

St. Thomas More's Parish Tote JACKPOT NOW £2,300

Result for 01/02/18 03-13-14-23

Next draw will take place

Wednesday 7th Feb after morning Mass

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour - Tues 7pm during Mass

Rosary is recited daily after Morning Mass.

Eucharistic Adoration. Thu 2:30-3:30pm. Fri 6:00-7:00pm, Sat 4:25-5:05pm. Morning Prayer of the Church: Tues 9:45am. Sat 8:45am

Sacrament of Confession: Sat 9:30-10:00am, 4:30pm-5:00pm Talk on Baptism Monday 5<sup>th</sup>. February, 6pm in church

Recently Deceased: May they rest in peace

Esther Molloy Reception Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> Feb 6:30pm, Funeral Mass Fri 9<sup>th</sup> Feb, 1:45pm. Helen Molloy, Reception, Thurs 8th. Feb, 6:30pm.

You are invited to the induction of Fr David Doran as Parish Priest at St Peter's Catholic Church, 208 High Street, Bloxwich, WS3 3LA on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February at 7:00pm

Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage 2018 Sat 26<sup>th</sup>. May- Fri/Sat 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>. June

Coach section: From £434.00 Air Section: From £715.00

#### Second Saturday Catholic Convention

Saturday, Feb 10<sup>th</sup>. 8am-4pm (Mass at 9am)Bethel Convention Centre, Kelvin Way, West Bromwich, B70 7JW. Led by Fr Soji Olikkal, Director of Sehion UK Ministries with Fr Soji Olikkal, Fr Piotr Prusakiewicz and Fr Anil Thomas Madukamoottil

#### **Prayer Sponsors for our First Holy Communicants**

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.

## Retreat at Mount St Bernard 11<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> April 2018.

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

**40 Days for Life** starts on Ash Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> Feb. Our Kick-Off is on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> Feb at 2:00pm in the Upper Cloister Room of the Birmingham Oratory. Contact Isabel for more details 07773 501721

#### **Thursday Lunch Club (TLC)**

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! TRANSPORT CAN BE ARRANGED

Bishop Robert Byrne will be visiting our parish over the weekend 3rd./4th. 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.

## Dates for your diary

Wed 14<sup>th</sup> Feb: Ash Wednesday Feb 17<sup>th</sup>: St Stephen's Guild Mass Feb 24<sup>th</sup>: Lenten Day of Prayer 10:00am-4:00pm

Mar 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th:</sup> Bishop's Visitation Mar 9th: Meeting for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Readers 7:45pm

Sat 21st Apr: Real Ale Festival

Payment is due for The Pink Curate's **Diary** by Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> March. Please give name & £6 to Geraldine or the Piety Stall. New subscribers welcome

#### Parish Bereavement Group

Next meeting- Tuesday 6th. February, 6:15pm in the Presbytery. All are welcome- please come and help us serve those who have lost someone.

#### St Thomas More's Pilgrimage to the Holy Land, November 21st .- 28th ., 2018

So far, 37 people have booked a place on our pilgrimage! There will be a chance for us to meet each other on Friday, February 23rd. at 7:45pm in the Parish Centre. An updated itinerary will be given and we can make arrangements for transport to and from our airport of departure, Luton. It's not too late to join. However, 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. Itineraries and booking forms are available from the presbytery. (If you booked before Nov 24th., 2017, you will pay the original pilgrimage price of £879 per person sharing).

### Parish Societies:

SVP - second Saturdays, 9:45am Legion of Mary (Adult group) Thurs 7:45pm Thursday Lunch Club from 1pm, Thurs Youth Group Fri 7-8:30pm. Choir Practice: Tues 6<sup>th</sup>. Feb. 10:30am Journey in Faith Monday Feb 5th., 7pm.

Rotas for 11th February;

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** Cleaning: M.McGrory, C.Odilo

5:30pm Team B Brasses: M.McGrory, A.Perkins

5:30pm Team C

8:30am Team B 8:30am Team A

10:30 am Team D 10:30 am Team C Counting: A.Aulton, A.Corkery, J.Crossan Bingo! Saturday, Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>., parish centre. Eyes Down, 7pm.

SICK: 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, Clara Bett, 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, Mary Morris, Rita Duffy, Margaret Kelly. Joanna Jones, Michael Wallis, Val Plesser, Jean Cole, Anne O'Meara, Bernie O'Gorman, Charlotte Moriarty, Michael Ward, Ami Mucklow, Danny Moore, Jeanette Kilmartin, Demie & 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, Padraig Mannion.

Confirmation Preparation for Children in Non-Catholic Schools Every Sunday, 9:30am, Parish Centre. The children in this group will be confirmed, along with the St Andrew's children, on Sat March 3rd

Thank you for this weekend's anonymous donation for the sanctuary flowers

ANNIVERSARIES: Fr O'Carroll, Archbishop Keating, Fr Watkins, Fr James, Fr Gibb, Fr Brady, Patrick Murphy, James Gilbert, Cornelius Lenihan, Karen Mitchell, Mary Callaghan, Mary Dowie, Walter Simcox, Edward Gallacher, James Crowley, Nancy Stafford, Mary Farmer, Veronica Jarvis, Patrick Malone, Michael Melody, Patrick McGill, Elizabeth Murphy, Luke Lawlor, Martha Dowdell, Pierce O'Reilly, Michael Kennedy, Anna Wimsey.