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**ST THOMAS MORE, SHELDON**

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**FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD**  
**13<sup>TH</sup> January 2019 - Year C**

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

<b>Masses</b>		
<b>Sat</b>	5:30pm	Albert & Mary Nicholls, RIP
<b>Sun</b>	8:30am	Larry Carr, RIP
	10:30am	Norman Dowse, RIP Anniv.
<b>Mon</b>	9:15am	People of the Parish (St Andrew's School)
	6:30pm	Teresa Chilton, RIP
<b>Tue</b>	9:15am	Kathleen Kilbride, RIP
	7:00pm	Mick Sinclair, RIP Anniv.
<b>Wed</b>	9:00am	William Buckley, RIP Anniv.
	10:15am	Funeral Mass, Christine Coady
	7:00pm	Christina Angles, Ints
<b>Thur</b>		<b>Memorial of St Antony</b>
	10:00am	Funeral Mass, Margaret Cunniam
	7:00pm	Marian Coffey ints
<b>Fri</b>	1:45pm	Funeral Mass, Maureen Handel
	7:00pm	Padraig Clarke
<b>Sat</b>		<b>Feast of St Wulstan</b>
	10:30am	Catherine Leetch, RIP Anniv.

**Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour** –  
Tuesday during 7:00pm mass.  
**Rosary** is recited daily after Morning Mass.  
**Eucharistic Adoration** Tues 9:45-11:00am.  
Sat 4:25-5:05pm.  
**Morning Prayer of the Church:** Tue 9am,  
Wed 8:45am.  
**Sacrament of Confession:**  
Sat 9:45-10:15am and 4:30-5:00pm

**Parish Societies:**  
**SVP** – Second Saturdays, 9:45am  
**Legion of Mary**, Thursday 7:45pm  
**Choir Practice:** Mon 6:00pm  
**Thursday Club** from 1pm, Parish Centre  
**Journey in Faith** Mon 7pm.

**Journey in Faith on Mondays at 7:00pm**  
in the parish centre. The talks will resume  
on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> Jan., 2019. It is not too late  
to join. Those joining the group at this stage  
and who are seeking Baptism and/or  
reception into the Church would receive the  
Sacraments at Pentecost. Anyone who is  
interested in finding out more about the  
Catholic faith is most welcome any Monday  
evening.

<b>Mass Intentions for Next Weekend</b>		
<b>Sat</b>	5:30pm	David Hannon, RIP Anniv.
<b>Sun</b>	8:30am	Eileen Marley, RIP Anniv.
	10:30am	Pat McGowan, RIP Anniv.

**Dates for your Diary 2019**  
**General Parish Meeting**, Friday January 18<sup>th</sup>,  
7:45pm, New Meeting Room, St Thomas More's  
**Christian Unity Service**, Sunday January 27<sup>th</sup>, 6pm,  
St Mary's Cof E church, Hobs Moat

**Legion of Mary –General Meeting Times**  
**Adult Group** – Thurs Eves 7:45pm  
**Junior Group** – Friday Eves 5:45pm  
Both meet in the Parish Centre.  
**Junior School Groups**  
St Thomas More's, **Mondays, 3:30pm**  
from Jan 14<sup>th</sup>.  
St Andrew's, Thurs 3:45pm

**Recently Deceased: May they rest in peace**  
**Pat Askin** Service in St Giles CofE Church, Mon, 14<sup>th</sup> Jan, 11:00am.  
**Christine Coady** Reception, Tues 15<sup>th</sup> Jan, 6:30pm. Funeral Mass, Wed  
16<sup>th</sup> Jan, 10:15am.  
**Margaret Cunniam** Funeral Mass, Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> Jan, 10:00am.  
**Maureen Handel** Reception, Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> Jan, 6:30pm, Funeral Mass Fri  
18<sup>th</sup> Jan, 1:45pm.  
**Kevin Melody** Funeral Mass, Mon 21<sup>st</sup>. Jan 11:00am.  
**Tim Hanly** Reception, Sacred Heart and Holy Souls church, Acocks  
Green, Thurs 17<sup>th</sup>. Jan, 6pm. Funeral Mass, Fri 18<sup>th</sup>. Jan, 11:30am  
**Diane Cosgrove** Reception, Thurs Jan 31<sup>st</sup>., 6:30pm, Funeral Mass Fri  
Feb 1<sup>st</sup>., 10am

**Launch of East Birmingham Deanery Vocations  
Group**, Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup>. Jan, 7:45pm, Parish Centre

Archbishop Bernard has invited Married  
couples and their families to a special Mass of  
Thanksgiving at St Chad's Cathedral for  
Married Couples on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb at 11am.  
More details on the diocesan website

**Patricians Discussion Group** – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> Jan,  
7:45pm. Topic: 'Pope Francis' concern for the  
families of today'

**Mass with Anointing of the Sick**  
Sat 19<sup>th</sup> January 10:30am. Let Fr John know if  
you would like transport. Devotions in honour  
of St. Peregrine, patron saint of cancer  
sufferers, from 10:45am

**Pilgrimages:**  
**Knock** – Led by Mgr Daniel McHugh  
27<sup>th</sup> April – 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2019  
**Oberammergau** – For the Famous  
Passion play 23<sup>rd</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> May 2020.  
**Fatima** – 10<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> July 2019 £632.  
More info on all the above in porch

**White Flower Appeal**  
The Society for the Protection of Unborn  
children (SPUC) will be holding an appeal  
this weekend. SPUC are currently  
campaigning to stop the decriminalisation  
of abortion, which means taking abortion  
outside the law. This is the most dangerous  
threat to unborn children and their mothers  
in decades. Please be as generous as you  
can to help us defeat this latest attack on  
unborn babies and their mothers.

<b>St Thomas More's Pastoral Statistics 2018</b>	
<b>Baptisms</b>	111, including 7 adult Baptisms
<b>Receptions into the Catholic Church</b>	7 including 3 children
<b>First Holy Communions</b>	86, including 10 adults
<b>Confirmations</b>	82, including 10 adults
<b>Marriages</b>	6
<b>Deaths</b>	48

**Birmingham Passion Play 2019:** The Archbishop asks the  
Catholic community to support/participate in this event  
which will run on **16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> April** in the City Centre.  
Leading actors/actresses supplied by professional players  
from the Saltmine Trust. There will be a meeting for all those  
interested at One Colmore Row, Floor 8, from 2:30-5:00pm on  
Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> February. All Welcome.

**St Peter's Catholic  
Secondary school, Solihull,**  
are advertising for a  
**Deputy Headteacher**,  
required from Sept. 2019.  
Closing date for  
applications, 7<sup>th</sup>. Feb.,  
2019. More info. in porch

**Rosary for the Unborn**  
Please join the Knights of St  
Columba and SPUC in praying  
for the unborn. This  
campaign is being organised  
in honour of the centenary of  
the Knights of St Columba.  
Prayer leaflets in the porch.

**OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS - 06/01**  
Gift Aid £202.52 ~Non-GA £466.95  
**This Weekend** – White Flower Appeal  
**Next Weekend** – Pax Christi

**St. Thomas More's Parish Tote  
JACKPOT NOW £1,450**  
Result for 06/01/19  
**03-08-15-23**  
Next draw will take place  
On Tues 15<sup>th</sup> Jan after morning Mass

**Many Thanks**  
To all who  
helped at the  
Epiphany Party  
and all who  
helped at the  
Children's  
Party

**The Piety  
Stall** is open  
before/after  
all weekend  
Masses.  
**2019  
Directories**  
available  
Price:£2-75.

Our **Crib Offerings** this year will be  
donated to Fireside (SIFA) and Friends  
of the Holy Land.  
The Church Christmas decorations will  
be taken down on Sunday- the Feast of  
the Baptism of the Lord. The crib,  
however, will remain up until  
Candlemas Day, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, the Feast  
of the Presentation.

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2019 a course is taking  
place entitled **Practising Catholics Aspiring for  
Leadership Positions in Catholic Schools**  
8:30am-3:30pm (no cost) Don Bosco House,  
Coleshill, Please use the link to book a place  
on this course <http://w.pfrms.co/2lttp>

**Memorial Mass at St Paul's School for  
Girls**, Vernon Rd, B16 9SL. For Miss  
Eastwood (former Head of RE), 10:30am  
Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March. If you wish to attend  
please call 0121 454 0895. Poster in Porch.

**SICK:** Hugh Murphy, Chris O'Shea, Mary Marie, Magda  
Skrybant, Pam Firkins, Cornelius McKay, Rosie Smith, Peter  
Fahy, Joseph Fahy, Joan Morris, Sally Woodcock, Joseph  
Lockington, Montana Coughlan, Stephanie Allsop, Maria  
Walton, Cameron Cuddihy, Ann Taylor, Richard Coe, Etti  
Devine, Nora Mills, Daniel Meadows, Darlene Tideswell,  
Freya Williams, James Dalton, Paul Ryan, 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, Charlotte Moriarty,  
Ami Mucklow, Danny Moore, Jeanette Kilmartin, Demie &  
Danielle Pinches, Jack Baker, Santhamma Abraham, Mary  
Cusack, Kathleen Widdop, Kathleen Biddles, Baby Jacob,  
Anne O'Donnell, Justin Bull, Annie Mortimer, Padraig  
Mannion, Hugh Hanratty, David Comerford, Margaret Bond,  
Ann Heath, Keith Allen, Andrea Cadman.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Fr McSwiney, Fr  
Tuite, Deacon Dockerty, Mgr Cregg, Fr  
Kirby, Fr O'Gorman, Deacon Carter, Fr  
Peuleve, Fr Bennett, Canon Corrigan, Fr  
Snell, Fr Dinan, Fr Keane, Fr Robertson,  
Fr Winterton, Fr Leicester, Margaret  
Quigley, Rita Wilson, Marie Grice,  
James Moore, Francis Dempsey, Peter  
Cahill, Michael Sinclair, Michael Ward,  
Lilian Kennett, Norman Dowse, Patrick  
McGowan, Ethel Clements, Bill Buckley,  
Mary Rooney, David Hannon, Lorraine  
Parsons, Gwendoline Flynn, Edwin  
Owen, Mary Owen, Mary Comerford,  
Elsie Mosedale, Alice Moran.

<b>Rotas for 20<sup>th</sup> January 2019</b>			
	<b>5:30pm</b>	<b>8:30am</b>	<b>10:30am</b>
<b>Readers:</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>B</b>
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>B</b>
<b>Cleaning:</b>	<b>M.Folan, B.McDonald</b>		
<b>Counting:</b>	<b>P.Martyn, M.McDonald, J.Mills</b>		
<b>Brasses:</b>			