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ST THOMAS MORE, SHELDON

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TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
21ST.. June 2020



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Public Celebrations of Holy Mass ceased on Saturday 21st March 2020. Masses will be celebrated in our church only in private until further notice. Fr John and Fr Kamil are offering Masses for the intentions below.

Mass Intentions from Saturday 20.06.20 PM to Saturday 27.06.20 AM

Sat	20.06.20	Cenacolo Community
Sun	21.06.20	Peter Kilroy RIP, Paul Mahon ints
Mon	22.06.20	Parish Feast Day, St Thomas More Rachael Green ints Pauline Dunne ints
Tue	23.06.20	Alice Cullen RIP Fran Curry RIP anniv
Wed	24.06.20	Solemnity of the Nativity of St John the Baptist Doreen Quinn ints Fr Kamil, birthday
Thu	25.06.20	Patrick Lynch RIP Anna Cole RIP anniv
Fri	26.06.20	Patrick Lamb RIP May Philbin RIP
Sat	27.06.20	Harry Getlevog RIP

Sacrament of Reconciliation in the time of pandemic It is not possible to celebrate the Sacrament of Confession or Reconciliation in the usual way at this time. The Sacrament cannot be celebrated over the phone or any form of social media. Our Holy Father is encouraging us to make **Spiritual Confessions**- confess our sins to God, with the intention of going to the Sacrament at the first opportunity once things are back to normal. If anyone would like to phone Fr John to discuss any spiritual or pastoral issues they may have, they are welcome to do so, but this would **NOT** be the Sacrament of Confession.

Year of the Word – The God Who Speaks.

First Sunday of Advent 2019 to the First Sunday of Advent 2020.
Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time
(www.twainoneflesh.org.uk)
Reflection for Married Couples
Fear conceals itself...
How easy to become paranoid, to wonder what others might be saying about us. These aspects can be present outside our relationship and within it; at their core is fear! Jesus continuously exhorts the twelve, "do not be afraid...every hair on your head has been counted." Living our life now in Christ, we will not fear what others think.

Mass Intentions for Next Weekend

Sat	27.06.20	John Madden RIP anniv
Sun	28.06.20	Keith Murphy. ints James Love RIP anniv



We celebrate our Parish Feast Day of St Thomas More on June 22nd. Happy Feast Day to you all and thanks for your continuing support

A Spiritual Holy Communion

My Jesus,
I believe that You
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment
receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart. I
embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You. Never
permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Recently Deceased: May they rest in peace

Denis Cleary, Funeral Service, Mon 22nd, June, 10am, Robin Hood
Alice Cullen, Funeral Service, Tues 23rd, June, 11.30am, Yardley Crem
Susan Hayes, Funeral Service, Thurs 25th, June, 9.30am, Yardley Crem
John McLaughlin, Funeral Service, Wed 1st, July, 2pm, Robin Hood
Peggy Moloney, Funeral Service, Fri 10th, July, 10am, Woodlands
Kathleen Beale

Funerals in the time of the Coronavirus outbreak Funeral services can be conducted, with a limited number of mourners present, at a graveside or in a crematorium chapel. A memorial Mass can be celebrated in church for the repose of the soul of the deceased person once we are able to congregate again. The Government has given permission from June 22nd for funeral services- but not a funeral Mass- to be conducted in church. A letter about this from Archbishop Bernard is available on our website.

Coronavirus Outbreak Update- Re-Opening of the Church for Private Prayer

We are to open our church for private prayer from this Sunday, June 21st.. The daily schedule that we are intending to follow is: Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday mornings, 9am-10am; Tuesday, Thursday evening, 5pm-6pm. Saturday afternoon 4pm-5pm. Thanks to the parishioners who have offered to be volunteer stewards. We do need more stewards, as the diocese has stipulated that there should be at least 3 stewards in church any time it is open to public. Please contact Fr John if you can help. If you will need disabled access to the church, please contact Fr John in advance. The church toilets will not be available when the church is open. Our opening date will be confirmed shortly. Please visit

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-taskforce-developing-plan-to-reopen-places-of-worship> and also <https://www.cbcw.org.uk/catholic-bishops-respond-to-governments-lockdown-easing-plans/>

It is appreciated that it might be very difficult for parishioners to continue to make donations to the parish in these uncertain economic times. For those who are still able to donate, there are standing order and Gift Aid forms available on the Archdiocesan Website.

For any further information and support regarding Parish procedures, please contact the Presbytery on 0121 743 2367 or visit www.stthomasmorechurch.com for more information.

Week 12 of Ordinary Time 2020 at St Thomas More's, Sheldon

The following liturgies and services will be conducted behind locked doors but will all be live-streamed using our parish Facebook page: St Thomas More R.C Church Sheldon
12th Sunday of Ordinary Time, June 21st..... Mass 10.30am, Holy Hour 5.30pm.

Week 12 of Ordinary Time Monday, June 22nd... - Friday, June 26th..... from 6:30pm, Evening Prayer of the Church, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Mass (7.00pm), Rosary, Night Prayer.

Saturday, June 27th..... Evening Prayer of the Church, 5pm, Vigil Mass for Solemnity of SS Peter and Paul, 5.30pm, followed by Rosary and Night Prayer of the Church.

Sunday, June 28th.Solemnity of SS Peter and Paul Mass 10.30am, Holy Hour, Benediction, 5.30pm.

Novenas The Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Novena will be prayed at 7pm Mass on Tuesday.

Special Novena to the Sacred Heart. This Novena is being prayed nightly before the Blessed Sacrament, for the intention that a vaccine will be developed shortly for the Coronavirus.

i) Oh Jesus who has said "Ask and you shall receive, seek and you shall find, knock and it shall be opened".....Behold I knock, I seek, I ask that this prayer, through the intercession of Our Lady, will be granted.....(State Request).....Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be.....

ii) Oh Jesus who has said "Anything you ask the Father in My Name will be granted,"Behold, in Your Name, I ask the Father for the grace of(State Request)Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be.....

iii) Oh Jesus who has said "Heaven and Earth will pass away, but My Words will not pass away,".....Behold, encouraged by the infallibility of Your Words, I feel confident that this prayer will be granted.....Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be.....

Oh Sacred Heart of Jesus, to whom it is impossible not to have compassion on the afflicted, have pity on us miserable sinners and grant us the grace that we ask of you through the Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart of Mary, our tender Mother.....Hail Holy Queen.....St Joseph, Foster Father of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Pray for us

June- Month of the Sacred Heart This Sunday would have been the day of the annual Sacred Heart Pilgrimage to the Sacred Heart Shrine at Maryvale. The pilgrimage Mass will be live-streamed from St Chad's at 11am this Sunday. <https://www.maryvale.ac.uk/novena-2020.html>



Prayer Sponsors for 1st Holy Communicants

Please consider becoming a prayer sponsor for one of our First Holy Communicants. It is simply a matter of keeping one of the children in your daily prayers. E-mail me at thomas.more@btinternet.com. I will inform sponsors of the name of the child for whom they are being asked to pray as soon as I can. Please keep all the First Holy Communicants in your prayers.

Livestreaming of Services from St Thomas More's

With the help of Fr Kamil and Facebook, I am continuing to be able to livestream liturgies celebrated behind closed doors in our parish. Simply key in **St Thomas More R.C Church Sheldon** into a Facebook account. Other services and resources are available on the Archdiocese's Website. www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk

Male and Female He Created Them

Weekly talks on this document by the Congregation for Catholic Education- on gender identity- will be transmitted using Facebook at 8pm on Mondays

SICK: Hugh Murphy, Chris O'Shea, Mary Marie, Magda Skrybant, Pam Firkins, Cornelius McKay, Rosie Smith, Peter & Joseph Fahy, Joan Morris, Sally Woodcock, Ann Taylor, Montana Coughlan, Stephanie Allsop, Maria Walton, Cameron Cuddihy, Richard Coe, Etti Devine, Daniel Meadows, Darlene Tidswell, Freya Williams, Paul Ryan, Mary Griffiths, John O'Sullivan, Elaine & Lillian 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, Jacob, Kerry, Carmel & Sharna Smith, Christine Lambe, Colette Hickey, Max Taylor.

ANNIVERSARIES Rev Arthur Proudman, Rev Geoffrey Tucker, Mgr Peter Stonier, Rev Thomas Browne, Rev John Boyer, Rev James Walsh, Mgr Hugh Montgomery, Deacon Ralph Watkins, Rev John Bradley, Franciszek Maksymiak, Ivy Woodford, Josephine O'Brien, William Gordon, Patrick Knowles, Jeremiah Creighton, Reginald Hearne, Pauline Smith, Ann Connor, Margaret O'Brien, Bridget Thomas, Noel Casey, Margaret Green, Edward Wild, Kathleen Hurlley, Joseph Stevens, John Moran, William Flaherty, James Love, Raymond Todd, William Caffrey, Mary Bates, Gerard Meenan

Vacancies: Cover supervisor at St Peter's Catholic school, more info. from www.st-peters.solihull.sch.uk. Birmingham Diocesan Trust secretary(part-time voluntary) more info. from <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/trustees>