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ST THOMAS MORE, SHELDON

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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
24TH MARCH 2019 - Year C

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

Masses		
Sat	5:30pm	Catherine Healey RIP anniv
Sun	8:30am	John White, Ints
	10:30am	McGowan Family
Mon		Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord
	9:15am	People of the Parish (St Andrew's School)
	6:30pm	Jan Rymkiewicz, RIP Anniv.
Tue	9:15am	Funeral Mass, Maureen Bardini
	7:00pm	Maureen Lawler, RIP
Wed	9:00am	Anne O'Meara, RIP
	7:00pm	Rafferty Family, RIP Anniv.
Thur	9:15am	Christine Corns, RIP
	7:00pm	Mary Emmanuel, RIP
Fri	11:15am	Funeral Mass, Mary Cambridge
	7:00pm	Bernie O'Gorman
Sat	9:00am	Sebastian Joseph, RIP

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour – Tuesday during 7:00pm Mass.
Rosary is recited daily after Morning Mass.
Eucharistic Adoration
Thurs 9:45-11:00am. Sat 4:25-5:05pm
Morning Prayer of the Church:
Tue, Thur, 9:00am. Sat 8:45am.
Sacrament of Confession:
Sat 9:30-10:00am and 4:30-5:00pm
Stations of the Cross - Friday 6:30pm

Looking to Volunteer/Gap Year? The Society of Our Lady of the Most Holy Trinity (SOLT) is a religious community who are looking for help in their Belize (Central America) mission. Visit www.tiny.cc/SOLTGAPYEAR

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham Sat 11th May 2019. A coach will be arranged from Holy Family parish, Small Heath. See notice in porch.

Patricians Discussion Group: Next meeting, Fri March 29th, 7:45pm in Dougal's Den. Topic: **Amoris Laetia – How does the church care for the divorced and remarried?** Please come and join us as we try to discuss and understand the Church's teaching.

Parish Societies:
SVP – Second Saturdays, 9:45am
Legion of Mary, Thurs 7:45pm
Choir Practice: 6:30pm Tues.
Thursday Club from 1pm, Parish Centre
Journey in Faith Mon 7pm

First Holy Communion Preparation for Children in non-Catholic Schools
Our group meets on Sunday mornings in the parish centre at 9:30am. If your child is in year 3 or above at a non-Catholic school and has not yet made his/her First Holy Communion, they are most welcome.
First Holy Communion Weekend: Saturday 18th. and Sunday 19th May

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**
St Andrew's, Thursdays 3:45pm

Legion of Mary Acies Ceremony
At the Acies ceremony, members of the Legion of Mary- active and auxiliary- make or renew the consecration of their lives to Jesus through Mary. This year, the Acies will take place at **Selly Park convent, 94 Selly Park Road, B29 7LL** on Sat 30th. March at 9:30 am

Deanery Vocations Group
Next meeting, this Tuesday, March 26th, 7:30pm, in Dougal's Den in the Parish Centre. Please come and pray with us for an increase in Vocations to the Priesthood and the Religious Life

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.

Bereavement Group, Thursday 28th March 5:45pm in the presbytery. We are trying to care for those who have suffered a bereavement. New members and/or new ideas are most welcome!

Vacancy for **Deputy Head Teacher:-** St Alban's Catholic Primary School. More info at www.st-albans.eschools.co.uk

More **Foundation Governors** are needed for St Thomas More School. Please contact the school for more info

Mass Intentions for Next Weekend
Sat 5:30pm Catherine Reddy, RIP Anniv.
Sun 8:30am Maura & Michael Flannery, Ints
10:30am Quinn Family

Recently Deceased: May they rest in peace
Maureen Bardini Reception Mon 25th. Mar 6:00pm, Funeral Mass, Tues Mar 26th., 9:15am
Mary Cambridge: Reception Thurs 28th. Mar 6:30pm, Funeral Mass Fri Mar 29th., 11:15am

Church Car Parking –
The Church Gates will be closed until 8:45am each morning.

Alpha Leaders Training on Saturday 6th April 10:30am-3:30pm at Our Lady of Fatima Church Hall, Higgins Lane, Quinton. See Poster in Porch.

Lent 2019
Lenten House Rosaries If you would like one of the priests to pray the Rosary in your home during Lent, please let us know.
Lenten Alms this year will be collected at Mass on Holy Thursday night and donated to the Fr Hudson's Society.
Holy Week Penitential Service: Monday April 15th 7:00pm in church.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS – 17/03
Gift Aid £205.10 ~ Non-GA £488.07
Cafod (Family Fast) £755.24
Next Weekend – Retiring Collection for the Clergy Training Fund

St. Thomas More's Parish Tote
JACKPOT NOW £2,000
Result for 19/03/19 
11-14-16-17
Next draw will take place On **Tues 26th March after Funeral Mass**

Mass with Anointing of the Sick
Sat 13th April 10:30am, please Let Fr John know if you would like transport. Devotions in honour of St. Peregrine, patron saint of cancer sufferers from 10:15am

Prayer Sponsors for 1st Holy Communicants Would you be willing to be a prayer sponsor for a child in our parish as he or she prepares for First Holy Communion? It would just involve keeping the child in your daily prayers at this important time. Please sign sheet

St Thomas More's Youth Group
Training is taking place in our parish centre on the Friday evenings of Lent, commencing 7:30pm.

40 days for Life
A prayer campaign is taking place outside the Marie Stopes abortion centre, 4 Arthur Road, Edgbaston, B15 2UL from 8am-8pm daily from **6th March- April 14th**. For more info. please contact Isabel 07773501721

Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes
Saturday 25th. May- Friday 31st. May 2019. Prices: By coach, from £444, By air, from £774. More info. available from the Lourdes Office on 0121-230-6288 or lourdesadmin@rc-birmingham.org

Next Bingo Sat April 6th Eyes down 7pm

Training for Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
An exciting day of training for both new and experienced Ministers of Holy Communion is taking place at **St Ambrose Barlow, Hall Green on Saturday 30th. March from 10am-4pm**. The day's programme is as follows:
10:30 am: Welcome and Introduction, Mgr McHugh
10:45: The Eucharist, Heart of Mission Fr Andrew Martinez SDV
11:15 Quiet prayer and Reflection
11:45 Holy Communion and the sick Fr Roger Raven
1:00pm Practicalities of Holy Communion distribution Deacon Kevin O'Connor
1:45pm The Eucharist and Spirituality Fr Robert Taylerson
2:15pm Adoration
2:45pm Holy Communion in school Fr Jonathan Veasey
3:30pm Benediction.
Please bring a packed lunch. Refreshments provided by St Ambrose Barlow. Please let Fr John know if you intend to go, so that numbers can be given.

SICK: Hugh Murphy, Chris O'Shea, Mary Marie, Magda Skrybant, Pam Firkins, Cornelius McKay, Rosie Smith, Peter Fahy, Joseph Fahy, Joan Morris, Sally Woodcock, 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 Plesser, Jean Cole, Charlotte Moriarty, Ami Mucklow, Danny Moore, Jeanette Kilmartin, Demie & Danielle Pinches, Santhamma Abraham, Mary Cusack, Kathleen Widdop, Kathleen Biddles, Baby Jacob, Anne O'Donnell, Justin Bull, Annie Mortimer, Pdraig Mannion, Hugh Hanratty, David Comerford, Margaret Bond, Ann Heath, Keith Allen, Andrea Cadman, Marie Ryan, Caelan McGurk.

St Edmund Campion Catholic School and Sixth Form Centre wish to appoint a Teacher of Mathematics and a Teacher of Science (UPS/MPS) with effect from September 2019. For more info visit www.stedcamp.bham.sch.uk

ANNIVERSARIES: Bishop Bright, Fr Donnelly, Fr McManus, Mgr Davis, Mgr Welch, Fr Cockburn, Eileen Watts, Celia McGurk, George Bennett, Winifreda Pallett, Tassadet Hawkins, Michael Barron, Annie Keating, Gino de Giusti, Dora Parman, Eileen Chambers, James Fallon, Patrick Flanagan, Martin Rooney, Ellen Johnson, James Norton.

There are a variety of gifts and cards for children's and adults' Sacraments receptions for Sale in the Piety Stall.

Rotas for 31st March 2019			
	5:30pm	8:30am	10:30am
Readers:	B	A	D
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:	A	D	B
Cleaning:	M.Folan, B.McDonald		
Counting:	G.Cassidy, L.Dean, M.Hayes		
Brasses:			