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**ST THOMAS MORE, SHELDON**

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<b>St. Thomas More Primary Sch.</b> Horse Shoes Lane, B26 3HU Tel: 0121 743 3289. Exec. Principal: Mrs Rebecca Nash	<h2 style="margin: 0;">FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT</h2> <h3 style="margin: 0;">31<sup>st</sup> MARCH 2019 - Year C</h3>	<b>St. Andrew's Primary &amp; Nursery Sch.</b> Windrush Close, B92 8QL Tel: 0121 743 5675. Head Teacher: Mr Kevin Kelly
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**Masses**

<b>Sat</b>	5:30pm	Catherine Reddy, RIP Anniv.
<b>Sun</b>	8:30am	Maura & Michael Flannery, Ints
	10:30am	Quinn Family
<b>Mon</b>	9:15am	People of the Parish (St Andrew's School)
	6:30pm	Frances & Cyril Conway
<b>Tue</b>	9:15am	Martina & Sean Lynch
	7:00pm	Christina Lynch
<b>Wed</b>	9:00am	Matthew Sherlock
	7:00pm	Mary Mullins
<b>Thur</b>	9:15am	Pat Sherlock
	7:00pm	Teresa McDonnell, RIP
<b>Fri</b>	9:15am	Paul & Teresa Sherlock
	7:00pm	Madelaine Farley, RIP
<b>Sat</b>	9:00am	Audrey Hollingsworth

**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  
 1<sup>st</sup> Sat. Holy Hour 9:30-10:30am  
**Morning Prayer of the Church:**  
 Tue, Thur, Fri, 9:00am. Sat 8:45am.  
**Sacrament of Confession:** 1<sup>st</sup> Fri 6:30-7:00pm, Sat 9:30-10:00am, and 4:30-5:00pm  
**Stations of the Cross** - Friday 6:30pm  
**Talk on Baptism** Mon 1<sup>st</sup> April, 6pm in church

**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

**Mass Intentions for Next Weekend**

<b>Sat</b>	5:30pm	Connor Rhodes Deceased Baby
<b>Sun</b>	8:30am	Andrew and David O'Gorman RIP
	10:30am	Molloy family

We welcome into the family of our Parish **Mary Rose Smith** who was baptised here last weekend.  
 And Congratulations to **Niall & Becky Abbey** who were married here last week

**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 18<sup>th</sup>. and Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May**

**Bishop Robert Byrne**, former auxiliary bishop of Birmingham, was installed as Bishop of Hexham and Newcastle on 25<sup>th</sup>. March. May we keep Bishop Robert in our prayers

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

**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

British Summer time begins this weekend. Clocks go forward one hour!

**Gift Aid Envelopes** are available for collection in the porch at weekend masses or in the sacristy @ weekday masses.

**Talk to Prepare for Holy Week:** Sat 6<sup>th</sup> April, 10:30am, - 12:00pm in the parish centre. This talk will focus on the ceremonies of the Easter Triduum, to explain them. Perhaps you might like to invite non-catholic friends or family members to this talk? Refreshments will be served. All are welcome.

**Missio Red Box Holders** – Please can you make sure you put your name on the box when handing in at the piety stall so we know who to return it to. Many thanks.

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

Eucharistic Ministry training in our parish, June 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**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 15<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm in church.

**Prayer Sponsors for 1<sup>st</sup> 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

**The Birmingham Passion Play 2019**  
 Volunteer stewards are being sought. The key roles are in ensuring the safety of the cast and public in its movement during the preparation for and the performance of the play.  
**Stewards' training evening:**  
 Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup>. April, 7:30pm-9pm, World Prayer Centre, 5 Ethel Street, Birmingham B2 4BG.  
**Rehearsals:** Sunday 14<sup>th</sup>. April, 3pm-6:30pm and Monday 15<sup>th</sup>. April, 5pm-8:30pm in Birmingham City Centre. Attendance at one rehearsal is essential, both preferable.  
**Performances:** Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup>., Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup>. and Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>. April in Birmingham City Centre. Set up from 10am, Performances from 12.30pm-2pm, Set down to 3.30pm. For more info, e-mail Steve Knight, our Event Safety Officer, at [stevek@saltmine.org](mailto:stevek@saltmine.org) or call Saltmine Trust on 01384 454800

**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 **6<sup>th</sup>. March- April 14<sup>th</sup>**. For more info. please contact Isabel 07773501721

**Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes**  
 Saturday 25<sup>th</sup>. May- Friday 31<sup>st</sup>. 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](mailto:lourdesadmin@rc-birmingham.org)

**Olivet to Calvary by J.H.Maunder**  
 To be performed by the Parish Choir at Olton Friary, St Bernard's Rd., Olton on Sunday April 7<sup>th</sup>. @7.30pm. It is a moving account of Our Lord's journey to Calvary. Donations to Marie Curie


**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.

The Knights of St Columba will be selling tickets next weekend for a skittles evening at Sheldon Heath Social Club on 11<sup>th</sup>. May. Proceeds to Mary's Meals

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

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

**OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS – 24/03**  
 Gift Aid £139.08 ~ Non-GA £414.90  
**This Weekend** – Cafod Emergency Cyclone Appeal  
**Next Weekend** – Knights of St Columba appeal for Mary's Meals

**St. Thomas More's Parish Tote**  
**JACKPOT NOW £2,050**  
 Result for 26/03/19   
**02-03-04-09**  
 Next draw will take place On **Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> April after Mass**

**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 Plessner, 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, Padraig Mannion, Hugh Hanratty, David Comerford, Margaret Bond, Ann Heath, Keith Allen, Andrea Cadman, Marie Ryan, Caelan McGurk.

Next Bingo Sat April 6<sup>th</sup> Parish Centre  
 Eyes down 7pm

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Canon Withers, Fr Sheridan, Fr Callaghan, Archbishop Williams, Deacon Zacaroli, Fr O'Reilly, Mgr Leonard, Fr King, Bishop Emery, Fr Glynn, William Nixon, Annie Bird, Maureen Mallinson, Elizabeth Northey, Rosina Higgins, Geradd Murphy, Andrew O'Gorman, Daniel Reddin, Thomas Pearse, Frederick Dawson, Bernard Williams, Thomas Reilly, Francis Houghton, Richard O'Carroll, Albert Hughes, Allan Warren, Kenneth Dempsey, Margaret Lyons.

There are a few Mothers Day cards for Sale in the Piety Stall.

<b>Rotas for 7<sup>th</sup> April 2019</b>			
	<b>5:30pm</b>	<b>8:30am</b>	<b>10:30am</b>
<b>Readers:</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>E</b>
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>C</b>
<b>Cleaning:</b>	<b>M.McGrory, C.Odilo</b>		
<b>Counting:</b>	<b>A.Aulton, A.Corkery, J.Crossan</b>		
<b>Brasses:</b>	<b>J &amp; A Perkins.</b>		