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**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

**- 8<sup>TH</sup> March 2020 - A**



**St. Thomas More Primary Sch.**  
Horse Shoes Lane, B26 3HU  
Tel: 0121 743 3289.  
Headteacher: Mrs Kate Madia

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

**Masses**

<b>Sat</b>	5:30pm	Philomena O'Connor, RIP Anniv.
<b>Sun</b>	8:30am	Tony Gately, RIP Anniv.
	10:30am	Margaret Wilks, RIP
<b>Mon</b>	9:15am	Mary Robb, RIP
	6:30pm	Timmins Family
<b>Tue</b>	9:15am	John Stokes, Ints
	7:00pm	Special Intention (Deepa)
<b>Wed</b>	9:00am	Maura Sheahen, RIP
	7:00pm	Olive Dunning, RIP
<b>Thu</b>	9:15am	People of the Parish (St Andrew's School)
	7:00pm	Laura Cechrzycki
<b>Fri</b>	<b>8:30am</b>	Lina Sorongon, RIP
	7:00pm	Mary Carr, Ints
<b>Sat</b>	9:00am	Jacqueline Cunningham

**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. and during Lent after the Novena Mass until 8pm Sat 4:25-5:05pm.  
**Morning Prayer of the Church:** Mon, Tues, 9:00am, Sat 8:45am.  
**Sacrament of Confession:** Sat, 9:30-10:00am, 4:30-5:00pm.  
**Stations of the Cross** - Fri, 6:30pm  
**Talk on Baptism** - Mon 6:00pm

**Parish Societies:**  
**SVP** - Second Saturdays, 9:45am  
**Legion of Mary** Thurs 7:45 pm  
**Choir Practice** Tues 6.30pm  
**Thursday Club** from 1pm on Thurs  
**RCIA:** Monday, 7pm.

**Legion of Mary - General Meeting Times**  
**Adult Group** - Thurs Eves 7:45pm  
**Junior Group** - Friday Eves 6:00pm  
Both meet in the Parish Centre.  
**School Groups:** **St Andrew's** Fri 3:45pm  
**St Thomas More's** Mondays 3:30pm

**Mass Intentions for Next Weekend**

<b>Sat</b>	5:30pm	Paddy Mills, RIP
<b>Sun</b>	8:30am	Ellen Hartle, RIP
	10:30am	Margaret & Geraldine McGrory

**Year of the Word - The God Who Speaks.**

First Sunday of Advent 2019 to the First Sunday of Advent 2020.

**Second Sunday in Lent**

([www.twoinoneflesh.org.uk](http://www.twoinoneflesh.org.uk))

**Reflection for Married Couples**

Transformed by our love  
Sometimes life is hard and we can get lost in the daily grind of making ends meet, of getting things done. Then, suddenly, a change occurs through a simple show of affection: a kiss, a touch, a loving glance from my beloved! In little gestures like these, we reveal again our love for each other and our relationship is transformed!

**Retreat at Mount St Bernard Abbey.**

We had a lovely couple of days' prayer at Mount St Bernard. It was great to be joined by people from the parish. More retreats will be planned later in the year. Arrangements can be made to visit the abbey at any time.  
[abbeyguest@btinternet.com](mailto:abbeyguest@btinternet.com)

**Recently Deceased:**

**Joe Evans, John Carlin, Roger Webb, Fr Robert Wright**  
*May they rest in peace*

**Mass with Anointing of the Sick** - Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March, 10:30am. Please let us know if you would like transport. Devotions in honour of St. Peregrine from 10:15am

**St Thomas More's Youth Group** For youth from Year 5 upwards, meeting on Friday evenings, 7-8:30pm. More leaders are needed. Please see either Fr John or Fr Kamil if you can help

This weekend we welcome back **Steven Fleming**. It will be good to hear of his experiences in the Holy Land.

We welcome into God's family **Autumn Rose Kelly** who was baptised recently.

**40 Days for Life** - There is now a new prayer campaign, focussing on the Robert Clinic, 162 Station Road, King's Norton B30 1DB. Prayer vigils will be taking place outside this clinic from 8am-8pm every day until Sunday April 5<sup>th</sup>. 2020. Volunteers are urgently needed, please contact Isabel on 07773501721 if you can help

**Comedy Night**  
Many thanks to all who supported the recent comedy night in Dougal's Den- and thanks to those who helped to organise it. £200 was raised for the Giles Trust.

**Coronavirus Outbreak**

This advice has been issued by our diocese:  
i) **If you have cold/flu symptoms**, please do not shake hands at the sign of peace or receive Holy Communion from the chalice. Please receive the sacred host on the hand only.  
ii) When attending Mass, please sanitise your hands using the gel dispensers at the entrances. More detailed guidance is available from <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/our-work/health-social-care/coronavirus-guidelines/>

**Journey in Faith meets on Mondays at 7:00pm in the parish centre.** Are you an adult who has not been baptised? Do you know someone interested in baptism? Are you interested in finding out more about the Catholic faith? Maybe you simply wish to deepen your own faith? All welcome



The Peytons at Wembley- Villa's second home!

**OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS - 01/03**  
Gift Aid £130.17 ~Non-GA £472.01  
Cathedral Maintenance - £310.56  
**This Weekend** - Cafod, Family Fast  
**Next Weekend** - Immaculate Heart of Mary Sisters

**St Thomas More's Parish Mission 2020**  
**Sat., October 3<sup>rd</sup> to Sat., October 10<sup>th</sup> 2020.**  
The mission will be preached by the Redemptorists. Its focus will be **Family Life**.  
Next Holy Hour in preparation for our Mission: **Sunday April 5<sup>th</sup>, 5:30pm**  
Our church building is 50 years old this year. Our mission has been planned to coincide with this special year for us. More details of other prayer events soon.

**Re-Dedication of England as the Dowry of Mary.**

Our Bishops are to re-dedicate England as the Dowry of Mary on March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020- restoring a medieval title given to this land by King Richard II. More details [www.dowrytour.org.uk](http://www.dowrytour.org.uk) In order to prepare for this historic event, we are being encouraged to pray the Angelus daily. It would also be fitting to consecrate our lives to Jesus through Mary, according to the spirituality of St Louis Marie de Montfort. Please take a leaflet, free of charge, from the porch.

**Bollywood Bash**, in the parish centre. **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March from 6:30pm.** Entrance £5. All proceeds towards Sunshine Kids - helping send a destitute child to school in India. More info on the poster in the porch.

**St. Thomas More's Parish Tote**  
Result for 03 March - **21-22-23-24**  
We have a **Winner** Congratulations to **Joe Peyton** who has scooped the **£1,050 Jackpot!**  
Next draw will take place on **Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March After Mass.**  
**JACKPOT NOW £500**

**Forthcoming Events:**

**Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist & Readers**, Meeting, Fri 13<sup>th</sup> March 7:45pm, Dougal's Den.  
**St Patrick's & St Joseph's Day Celebration**, Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> March from 1:00pm.  
**Parish Lenten Day of Prayer**, Sat 21st. March (more details soon)

**Prayer Sponsors for 1<sup>st</sup> 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 - whose name you will be given shortly - in your daily prayers, Sign-up sheet in porch

**Preparation for Children in non-Catholic Schools** meet on Sunday Mornings at 9:30am in the Parish Centre, to prepare children in Year 3 or above at non-Catholic schools for their First Sacrament of Reconciliation & First Holy Communion. **First Holy Communion Masses** will be celebrated in our parish over the weekend **May 16th/17<sup>th</sup>**.

**SICK:** Hugh Murphy, Chris O'Shea, Mary Marie, Magda Skrybant, Pam Firkins, Cornelius McKay, Rosie Smith, Peter Fahy, 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, James Dalton, Paul Ryan, Mary Griffiths, John O'Sullivan, Elaine Collins, Lilian 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, Pdraig 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 and Sharna Smith, Kath Beales, Christine Lambe, Colette Hickey

**ANNIVERSARIES:**

Fr Jarvis, Fr Fullerton, Fr Johnson, Deacon Rowe, Deacon Prince, Fr Purcell, Fr Sheppey-Greene, Fr Thornton, Fr Harkin, Canon Hanlon, Canon Walsh, Fr Lloyd, Fr Sims, Bishop Cashman, Teresa Simmons, Ursula Lamb, Hilda Faulkner, Veronica Reddy, Christine Lambert, Frederick Fitzsimons, Elizabeth Reilly, Eileen Deehan, Patrick Murphy, Constance Alcock, William Moriarty, Matilda Henry, Sheila Dale, Anne Tremarco, Thomas Beck, Bridget Higgins, Anthony Tyler, Henry Ives, Michael Hession, Gordon Bristol, Thomas Haynes, Paul Scott, Patrick Herlihy, Caroline Otto, John Heffernan, Agnes O'Gara, Margaret Forrester, Francis Johnson, Catherine McGrath

Next Parish Bingo, Saturday 4<sup>th</sup>, April, 2020, eyes down 7pm

<b>Rotas 15<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>5:30pm</b>	<b>8:30am</b>	<b>10:30am</b>
<b>Readers:</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>F</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>			