

Parish Priest: Fr. John Peyton

ST. THOMAS MORE, SHELDON

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<b>St. Thomas More Primary School</b> Horse Shoes Lane, B26 3HU Tel: 0121 743 3289. Head teacher Sr. Susan Collins.	<h2 style="margin: 0;">FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT</h2> <h3 style="margin: 0;">27th November 2016</h3> <h4 style="margin: 0;">Year A</h4>	<b>St. Andrew's Primary School &amp; Nursery,</b> Windrush Close, Solihull B92 8QL Tel: 0121 743 5675. Head teacher Mr. David Naughton
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<b>Masses:</b>	
<b>Sat</b>	5:30pm Rooney Family Deceased
<b>Sun</b>	8:30am Deceased of Newman, Dalton & Bishop Families
	10:30am Michael Smith, RIP Anniv.
<b>Mon</b>	9:15am Jerry O'Boy, RIP Anniv.
<b>Tues</b>	12noon Funeral Mass, Luciano Melito
	7:00pm Pat McGowan, RIP
<b>Wed</b>	9:00am Kathleen McNutt
	7:00pm Danny O'Connor, RIP
<b>Thur</b>	9:15am Michael McDaid, RIP
	7:00pm Karen O'Connor, RIP
<b>Fri</b>	9:15am Alan McHugh, RIP
	7:00pm Michael Daly, RIP Anniv.
<b>Sat</b>	9:00am Mick Carr, RIP Anniv

**Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour:** Tues 7pm during Mass.  
**Rosary** is recited daily after Morning Mass.  
**Eucharistic Adoration** Wed 9:45am-12noon. Fri 6-6:55pm, Sat 4:00-5:0pm. (1<sup>st</sup> Sat Holy Hour!)

**Morning Prayer of the Church:** Mon, Thur, Fri 9am. Sat 8:45am  
**Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)** 1<sup>st</sup> Friday 6:20-6:50pm, Sat 9:30-10:00am. 4:30-5:00pm.

**Recently Deceased:**  
**Luciano Melito** (Ollerton Rd) Funeral Mass, Tues 29<sup>th</sup> Nov, 12noon.  
**Rita Somerville** (Steyning Rd) Reception Sun Dec 4<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm, Funeral Mass Mon 5<sup>th</sup> Dec, 10:30am.

*May they rest in peace.*

**PARISH CHRISTMAS BAZAAR**  
 SATURDAY DECEMBER 3<sup>rd</sup> 11.00am – 2.00pm  
**WE STILL URGENTLY NEED DONATIONS OF BOTTLES AND CAKES ON THE DAY PLEASE**

50p per person    £1.00 per family (Max 2 adults/4 children)

**GIFT TOMBOLA**    Face Painting    **SANTA'S GROTTTO**  
 Hamper Raffle    **BOTTLE TOMBOLA**    Teddy Tombola  
 Tea/Coffees    Chocolate Tombola

**GRAND PRIZE DRAW – TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE**

**Mass Intentions for Next Weekend**

<b>Sat</b>	5:30pm Noel Whittall, RIP
<b>Sun</b>	8:30am Peter Handel, RIP Anniv.
	10:30am Mary, James, Joe Early RIP

We welcome into the family our parish **Sienna & Luca Boothe** who were baptised here last weekend.

**Congratulations and Prayerful**  
 Good wishes to Paul & Amy Moulder who were married here last weekend.

**Season of Advent**  
 Please come and join us on Tuesday Evenings for an hour of prayer, Mass with Novena at 7:00pm, followed by exposition of the blessed Sacrament until 8:00pm with reflections on Amoris Laetitia by Pope Francis, finishing with night prayer and Benediction at 8:00pm

**Bingo Sat 10<sup>th</sup> Dec, Eyes Down 7:00pm**

**OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS**  
**20<sup>th</sup> November**  
 Gift Aid £229.35 ~ Non-Gift Aid £494.66  
 Catholic Youth Service £348.15  
**This Weekend** ~ ~ Mary's Meals  
**Next Weekend** ~ Poor Parishes Fund


**St. Thomas More's Parish Tote**  
**This week's Jackpot: £1050**  
 Result for 22/11/2016  
 01-05-13-14  
**Next draw, Tues 29th November**  
**6:30pm in the presbytery**

Walk with Me books for Advent and Christmastide £1 per copy, take an extra one for free to pass on!

**Dates for your Diary:**  
**Parish Carol Service** – Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> Dec. 5:00pm.  
**Advent Penitential Service** – Monday 19<sup>th</sup> Dec. 7:00pm

**Baptismal Preparation.** Fr David will be giving monthly talks on Baptism, commencing on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 6:30pm in church. All are welcome, especially the parents and godparents of any child shortly to be baptized

Our Neighbouring parish of **Our Lady Help of Christians** are celebrating their Golden Anniversary this year. We are invited to join them on **Saturday December 3<sup>rd</sup>, at The Mackadown Club, Mackadown Lane, 7pm till late for an Adults only 50's and 60's night.** £5 ticket includes Ploughman's Plate. **Dress to impress!** Tickets from Tracey 07415008357 or Pat 07866281698.  
 Please support! Fr Anthony is a great support to me!



**Over 60's Christmas Lunch**  
**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December.**  
**1:30 for 2:00pm - St Andrew's school**  
 Eat for free! bring your own alcohol if you fancy a tippie. Tickets are now available after all Masses. 1<sup>st</sup> come, 1<sup>st</sup> served, maximum of 50. Transport can be arranged if needed

**Fancy a bit of TLC?** Our Thursday Club have been re-launched as the Thursday Lunch Club. A selection of lunches at good value will be available in the parish centre from 12:30pm on Thursdays. Why not come along for a cuppa, a bite to eat, a chat and a game or two of Bingo! All welcome!

**The Second Annual Redford Lecture**  
 in Memory of Canon John Redford On Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2016, 7:30pm at the Maryvale Institute, Old Oscott Hill, Kingstanding.  
 "Pope Francis- A new challenge for everyone" by Bishop John Arnold, Bishop of Salford.

Many thanks to the Like Minded Ladies for last week's dance. The splendid effort raised a magnificent **£2020**. Many thanks indeed to Mr Pat Owens of the Irish Centre for his great generosity in donating the room, the band and the food!

**Confirmation Preparation Group** – Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2016, 9:30am in the upper room.

**Advent Retreat** at Mount St Bernard's Monastery, Whitwick. LE67 5UL  
**Wed. Nov 30<sup>th</sup> - Thurs. Dec 1<sup>st</sup>,** leaving here at 11:30am on Wed 30<sup>th</sup>, returning noon Thurs 1<sup>st</sup>. There is accommodation for 2 more people to stay overnight. Others are welcome to come for any part of the Wednesday. No charge, the monks just ask for a donation. More details from Fr John.

**St Mary's Hospice Street Collection**  
 The total raised by our parishioners was a magnificent **£2,812.91 – Many Thanks**

**Parish Societies:**  
**SVP** – Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December, 9:45am  
**Legion of Mary** Thurs 7:45pm  
**Thursday Lunch Club** from 12:30pm  
**Youth Group** – Friday Dec 9, 7-8:30pm  
**Choir Practice** Mon 9:45am  
**Journey in Faith** – Mondays 7pm

<b>Rotas for 4th December:</b>	<b>5:30pm</b> Team F	<b>8:30am</b> Team D	<b>10:30 am</b> Team E	No Refreshments after Sun 10:30 Mass this week. Volunteers still needed!
<b>Readers:</b>	<b>5:30pm</b> Team D	<b>8:30am</b> Team C	<b>10:30 am</b> Team A	
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:</b>	<b>Brasses:</b> S.Garner, H.Nolan	<b>Counting:</b> M.Cleary, J.O'Malley, C.Rimington		

**SICK:** Hugh Murphy, Chris O'Shea, Mary Marie, Magda Skrybant, Cornelius McKay, Pam Firkins, Rosie Smith, Joachim Blaney, Peter Fahy, Kathleen Fahy, Joseph Lockington, Sally Woodcock, Joan Morris, Charlie Fogarty, Montana Coughlan, Clara Bett, Stephanie Allsop, Maria Walton, Camron Cuddihy, Vera King, Ann Taylor, Richard Coe, Daniel Meadows, Darlene Tideswell, Freya Williams, Ettie Devine, James Dalton, Paul Ryan, Fred Whitehouse, Mary Griffiths, John O'Sullivan, Anne Cleary, Elaine Collins, Lilian Collins, John Bond, Gillian Cox, Josephine Conboy, Mary Morris, Rita Duffy, Margaret Kelly, Joanna Jones, Michael Wallis, Val Plessner, Jean Cole, Charlotte Moriarty, Bernie O'Gorman, Rita Deehan, Nora Mills, Michael Ward, Ami Mucklow, Jeanette Kilmartin, Demie & Danielle Pinches, Margaret Casey, Jack Baker, Anne O'Meara, Danny Moore, Peter Bradford. **Santhamma Abraham, Pamela Smith. Mary Cusack, Catherine Byrne, Martha Burton, Mary Hill, Kathleen Widdop, Michael Ruane**

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Canon Emery, Fr Neary, Fr Browne, Archbishop Masterson, Fr Anwyll, Fr Millard, Fr Rogers, Archbishop Ilesley, Arthur Kemp, Annie Connolly, Andrew Smyth, Gerald O'Boy, Mary Slattery, Mary Whitehouse, Harry Redfern, Charles Dougan, Mary Fitzpatrick, Valerie Richards, James Early, Kevin Geary, Iris Kirkland, Edmund McGuire, Peter Handel, Michael Daly, Margaret Cotter, Thomas Jones, Brian Gisborne, John McGeough, Elizabeth Colliton, Mary Slattery.