



SAINT THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC CHURCH SHELDON

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The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: registered charity no. 234216

THE SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING

Sunday 23RD November 2025

Holy Mass

Saturday for Sunday

5:30pm Vigil Mass

Intention

Alice Simon &
Santhamma Abraham RIP

SUNDAY

9:00am Holy Mass

Frank Richardson RIP

11:00am Solemn Mass

Celine John & Gobi John RIP

Weekday Masses

Monday 24th

---- NO Mass

Tuesday 25th

---- NO Mass

Wednesday 26th

---- NO Mass

Thursday 27th

---- NO Mass

Friday 28th

---- NO Mass

Saturday 29th *Our Lady on Saturday*

NO Morning Mass

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

5:30pm Vigil Mass

Andrew & Mary Smyth RIP

SUNDAY 30th

9:00am Holy Mass

Jimmy & Mary Early RIP

11:00am Solemn Mass

Ann, Billy & Frank Rafferty

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday NO Morning Confessions 4:45pm – 5:15pm

Rosary Monday – Friday before the morning Mass

Divine Mercy - During Adoration on Fridays

DAILY MASS

Sacred Heart and Holy Souls Acocks Green

Usually at 10:00am

Olton Friary

Usually at 10:15am



CHRIST THE KING

The Solemnity of Christ the King is celebrated today, the last Sunday of the Liturgical Year. Since the announcement of his birth, the Only-begotten Son of the Father, born of the Virgin Mary, was described as “king” in the Messianic sense, that is, heir to the throne of David in accordance with the Prophets’ promise, for a Kingdom that would have no end.

The kingship of Christ remained completely hidden until he was 30 years old, years spent in an ordinary life in Nazareth. Then, during his public life, Jesus inaugurated the new Kingdom which “does not belong to this world”, and finally, with his death and Resurrection, he fully established it.

Appearing to the Apostles after he had risen, he said: “Full authority has been given to me both in heaven and on earth”: this power flows from the love that God manifested in its fullness in the sacrifice of his Son. The Kingdom of Christ is a gift offered to the people of every epoch so that those who believe in the incarnate Word “may not die but may have eternal life”.

Therefore, he proclaimed precisely in the last Book of the Bible, Revelation: “I am the Alpha and the Omega... the beginning and the end”.

Diocesan Prayer for Vocations

Heavenly Father, we ask you to send labourers into your harvest.

Inspire, in the hearts of your people, vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life.

Bless our families with a spirit of generosity, so that those whom you call have the courage to give themselves to your Church in faith.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

FATHER CHRISTOPHER

Would like to invite you to his Induction as Parish Priest at the Holy Name of Jesus, Cross Lane, Great Barr on Wednesday 10th December at 7:00pm. All are welcome.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR NOVEMBER

For the prevention of suicide

Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

BAPTISMS

If you would like to arrange a baptism please call the parish office on 0121 743 2367. Monday to Wednesday between 10:30am & 2:30pm

Recently Deceased – *May they rest in peace*

Margaret (Peggy) Heffernan, Breda Hogan.
Martin De Vreede

Requiem Monday 12th December 10:00am.

THE SANCTUARY LAMPS This week are sponsored in memory of Rosalind Emms.

Please use envelopes provided for Mass Intentions and Sanctuary Lamp sponsorship.

WEEKLY GIVING TO THE CHURCH

16.11.25 - Gift Aid: £153.40. Non-Gift Aid: £533.19
Total: £686.59

SECOND COLLECTIONS

This weekend - Catholic Youth Service.

Next Weekend – Priests Training Fund.

07.12 – Poor Parishes Fund.

Bazaar Total - £2,476.60 – Thank you to all who did so much work to make the Bazaar a success and for all the generous donations and support.

PIETY SHOP

There is a large collection of Christmas Cards, Calendars, Diaries and Gifts available. Please come and have a browse. We are open before and after all weekend Masses, 5:30pm Saturday, 9:00am & 11:00am Sunday. The Piety Shop helps to support the work of our parish so everything you purchase helps.

PARISH OFFICE - PLEASE NOTE - Whilst waiting for the appointment of a new parish priest, the presbytery will be closed. Any enquiries please telephone 0121 743 2367. If no answer please leave a message. You can also Email: stthomasmore.bham@rcaob.org.uk

If you need a priest in an emergency please Contact: **Sacred Heart & Holy Souls** on 0121 706 0800 or **Olton Friary** on 0121 706 0505.

SAFEGUARDING

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Sue Nightingale. They can be contacted at: sg.stthomasmore.bham@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

PARISH DIARY

Sunday 30th November Saint Andrew's School First Holy Communion
Commitment Mass 11:00am

HOLY SOULS - NOVEMBER LISTS

Envelopes are available for your Mass offerings - **Please hand the offering envelope into the Sacristy for safety.** As with all Mass intentions it is traditional to make an offering.

Please go to the Lady Chapel Altar with your list of names.

Please put your list of intentions in the box provided and Holy Mass will be offered for your loved one's weekly during the Month of November.

BLESSING OF GRAVES - NOVEMBER

Robin Hood Sunday 23rd 2:00pm.

Wythall Sunday 23rd 2:00pm.

SEND Mass at Holy Souls Church, Acocks Green.
29th November at 11.45 all welcome.

THANK YOU to everybody who bought raffle tickets for the Walsingham Association raffle in aid of the National Shrine of Our Lady in Walsingham. You raised an amazing £305 which has been sent to the organiser. Last year's raffle raised £165 for the Association. Thank you once again for your valued support.

Christmas wreath making workshop
13th December 12-2pm
St Thomas More church
130 Horseshoes Lane, Sheldon, B26 3HU

£30pp for all materials and festive refreshments
- Booking is essential

In aid of **mary's meals**
£19.15 will provide a meal for a child everyday for a year.
Just 10p provides a meal

For tickets call Sue Nightingale on 07973741062 or contact Carmel at the Piety Stall.



ST. THOMAS MORE'S PARISH TOTE- JACKPOT £250
Result for 19.11.25 - **Winning Numbers 16-23-24-04**
Next Draw Wednesday 10:00am