

SAINT THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC CHURCH SHELDON

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THE XXV SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 18th September 2022

Holy Mass Intention

Saturday for Sunday

5:30pm Vigil Mass

SUNDAY

9:00am Holy Mass

11:00am Solemn Mass

Annie Parker Special Int. Julia, Mary & Paul O'Connor

Weekday Masses Monday 19th

9:30am Holy Mass HM Queen Elizabeth II RIP

Tuesday 20th Saint Andrew Kim Tae-gon & Saint Paul **Chong Ha-saang & Companions**

9:00am Rosary & Novena

9:30am Holy Mass

Maureen Blaney RIP

Alan Bakewell

James Blaney

5:00pm Reception Molly Dawson

Wednesday 21st Saint Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist

10:00am Requiem Mass Molly Dawson

6:00pm Holy Mass Kevin Kelly & Family

Thursday 22nd

5:00pm Eucharistic Adoration

6:00pm Holy Mass Michael Murnane

Friday 23rd Saint Pius of Pietrecina

9:30am Holy Mass at Saint Andrew's

11:00am - 12noon

Eucharistic Adoration

12noon Holy Mass **Private Intention**

Saturday 24th Our Lady of Walsingham

10:00am Holy Mass **Private Intention**

12noon Holy Baptism

Next Sunday 25th THE XXVI SUNDAY **IN ORDINARY TIME**

Saturday for Sunday

5:30pm Vigil Mass

Siobhan Merry RIP Anniv

SUNDAY

9:00am Holy Mass Pat Kavanagh RIP 11:00am Solemn Mass **HM King Charles III**

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 10:30am - 11:00am & 4:45pm - 5:15pm Rosary Monday – Friday before the morning Mass

Saturday after the morning Mass

Divine Mercy - After the morning Mass on Fridays **During Adoration on First Fridays**



Pope Francis says he's deeply saddened over death of Queen Elizabeth

"I willingly join all who mourn her loss in praying for the late Queen's eternal rest, and in paying tribute to her life of unstinting service to the good of the Nation and the Commonwealth", Francis said in a telegram to King Charles.

"Cardinal: We have lost an example of moral faithfulness"

Queen Elizabeth took so many opportunities to explain her faith, gently yet directly, especially in almost every public Christmas message that she gave. The words of St. Paul we have just heard reminded me of that. She saw, as he did, that it was her duty to proclaim her faith in Jesus Christ. And, she said, among the treasures that flowed from that faith was her readiness not to judge others, to treat people with respect and without unnecessary criticism, to make them welcome.

In this she was exactly reflecting the message of the Gospel passage that we heard this evening: never to concentrate on the splinter in another's eye. In contrast, she was always ready to see the good in everyone she met. In an age in which we rush so quickly to close people down, to 'cancel' them, her example is crucially important.

HOLY MASS FOR HM QUEEN ELIZABETH

The Solemn Mass last Sunday was offered for Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. This Monday, the day of her funeral at Westminster Abbey, our morning Mass will also be a Requiem Mass for her. There are copies of the prayers the Cardinal and all our Bishops have sent available at the back of Church.

In paradisum deducant angeli In tuo adventu suscipiant te martyr Et perducant te In civitatem sanctam Jerusalem Chorus angelorum te suscipiat Et cum Lazaro, quondam paupere Aeternam habeas requiem

May angels lead you into paradise Martyrs receive you at your arrival And bring you To the holy city Jerusalem May the choir of angels receive you And with Lazarus, once a pauper May you have eternal rest

RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Please take very great care as this is so sacred. As you approach the Priest remove you face covering so that you can receive the Host with great care and reverence. **Do not move while holding the Blessed Sacrament.** If you wish to receive on the tongue, please come to the communion rails last.

If you need the Most Blessed Sacrament brought to you at Holy Communion please sit at the front of the Church and in any case at the end of a bench so that the greatest amount of honour and respect can be shown to Jesus. It is not appropriate that the Priest or minister has to reach across other people.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER Abolition of the Death Penalty

We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country

Recently Deceased – *May they rest in peace*Molly Dawson –

Reception Tuesday 20th September 5:00pm Requiem Mass Wednesday 21st 10:00am Maureen Blaney, Bernadette Nicholls, Susan Healy, Fr Dermot Felon, Fr Paul Devaney

THE SANCTUARY LAMPS This week are light for: HM Queen Elizabeth II RIP

HM King Charles III

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

WEEKLY GIVING TO THE CHURCH

11.09.22 – Gift Aid £123.10 Non-Gift Aid: £476.8 Total £599.90

SECOND COLLECTIONS

Catholic Education Service – £252.55
This Weekend – Catholic Evangelisation
Next Weekend – Father Hudson's Society

GIFT AID AND NON-GIFT AID DONATIONS

Thank you to those who have agreed to change to standing order donations. For more information on how to do this please contact the Parish office. Paying by standing order reduces the bank charges for the parish.

Office Hours; The Parish Office is open between 10:30am and 2:30pm Mon, Tue & Wed. Any requests for Baptism Appointments, certificates, parish centre enquiries etc; should be made during these times. Tel. 0121 743 2367 or Email: stthomasmore.bham@rcaob.org.uk

PARISH DIARY OCTOBER

Sunday 2^{md} Afternoon Tea 3:00pm – Parish Hall

Friday 7th - Monday 10th

'Lourdes is coming to us'

NOVEMBER

Monday 7th The Day of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood

Saturday 19th Christmas Bizarre 11:00am – 2:00pm

EVANGELII GAUDIUM SUNDAY

The Third Sunday in September, formerly called Home Mission Sunday, is now Evangelii Gaudium Sunday.

Named after Pope Francis' first (solo) Apostolic Exhortation on the Joy of the Gospel, the day offers the Catholic community in England and Wales the opportunity to celebrate the beauty of our faith and our commitment to witness to the fullness of life in Christ.

Fr Jan Nowotnik, Director of Mission at the Bishops' Conference and a priest of the Archdiocese of Birmingham, tells us more about the day and how you can support this important work – See the Archdiocese website.

PAKISTAN FLOODS APPEAL

Devastating floods have hit Pakistan, submerging vast areas of land and leaving 6 million people in need of urgent help. People have lost their homes, their cattle, their lands and their livelihoods, and urgently require humanitarian assistance. Affected communities immediately need clean drinking water, food, emergency medical assistance and shelter. Please pray for those affected. If you are able to donate please see the Disasters Emergency Committee website:

https://www.dec.org.uk/appeal/pakistan-floods-appeal

SAINT ANDREW'S SCHOOL

Mr Kevin Kelly is leaving Saint Andrew's School to take up an appointment as a Director of Education in a Catholic Diocese in Ireland. To give thanks for all his work in the parish at Saint Andrew's there will be a Mass this Wednesday at 6:00pm when we can show our thanks and pray for Kevin and his family. Bishop David Evans will be with us to offer this Holy Mass. All welcome.

