



SAINT THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC CHURCH SHELDON

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THE XXVI SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 25th September 2022

Holy Mass

Intention

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

12noon Holy Baptism

12:45pm Holy Baptism

Weekday Masses

Monday 26th

9:30am Holy Mass

Thomas & Catherine Larkin

Tuesday 27th Saint Vincent de Paul

5:30pm Rosary & Novena

6:00pm Holy Mass

Colin & Val Mulvany RIP

Wednesday 28th

9:30am Holy Mass

Gerry Maguire

Thursday 29th Saint Michael, Saint Gabriel

& Saint Raphael. Archangels

5:00pm Eucharistic Adoration

6:00pm Holy Mass

William O'Donnell,

Friday 30th Saint Jerome

9:30am Holy Mass at Saint Andrew's

11:00am – 12noon

Eucharistic Adoration

12noon Holy Mass

Mary McGarry, Ints.

OCTOBER

Saturday 1st Saint Therese of Lisieux

10:00am Holy Mass

Kathleen Metcalf RIP

10:30am – 11:00am

Eucharistic Adoration &

First Saturday Devotions

12noon Holy Baptism

Next Sunday 2nd THE XXVII SUNDAY

IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday for Sunday

5:30pm Vigil Mass

Bram Garner RIP Anniv

SUNDAY

9:00am Holy Mass

Victoria & Francis de Silva

11:00am Solemn Mass

Jerry Corkery RIP Anniv.

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 - During Adoration on Fridays



SAINT MICHAEL, SAINT GABRIEL & SAINT RAPHAEL. ARCHANGELS

The liturgy celebrates the feast of these three archangels who are venerated in the tradition of the Church. Michael (Who is like God?) was the archangel who fought against Satan and all his evil angels, defending all the friends of God. He is the protector of all humanity from the snares of the devil. Gabriel (Strength of God) announced to Zachariah the forthcoming birth of John the Baptist, and to Mary, the birth of Jesus. His greeting to the Virgin, "Hail, full of grace," is one of the most familiar and frequent prayers of the Christian people. Raphael (Medicine of God) is the archangel who took care of Tobias on his journey.

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* teaches us that, "The existence of the spiritual, non-corporeal beings that Sacred Scripture usually calls "angels" is a truth of faith. The witness of Scripture is as clear as the unanimity of Tradition"

"In her liturgy, the Church joins with the angels to adore the thrice-holy God. She invokes their assistance (in the funeral liturgy's *In Paradisum deducant te angeli*. . .["May the angels lead you into Paradise. . ."]). Moreover, in the "Cherubic Hymn" of the Byzantine Liturgy, she celebrates the memory of certain angels more particularly (St. Michael, St. Gabriel, St. Raphael, and the guardian angels)"

A PILGRIMAGE OF THE RELICS OF SAINT BERNADETTE OF LOURDES

At Saint Chad's Cathedral

Friday 7 October

6pm - Cathedral doors open

6.30pm - Liturgy of Welcome & Evening Prayer. Followed by Veneration of the Relics 7pm until midnight.

Midnight - Cathedral closed

Saturday 8 October

8am - Veneration of the Relics until 11.30am

12noon - Mass with Anointing of the Sick, celebrated by Bishop Stephen Wright

1.30pm - Veneration of the Relics until 5.30pm

6pm - Mass, celebrated by Bishop David Evans

7pm - Relics depart Cathedral

RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Please take very great care as this is so sacred. As you approach the Priest remove your 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, Maureen Blaney, Bernadette Nicholls, Susan Healy, Fr Dermot Felon, Fr Paul Devaney, Michael Whyte

THE SANCTUARY LAMPS This week are sponsored for the intentions of Marie Macklin & Aoife Madden.

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

WEEKLY GIVING TO THE CHURCH

Will be updated next weekend.

SECOND COLLECTIONS

Catholic Evangelisation – Amount published next weekend

This 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 2nd Afternoon Tea is cancelled until next Spring.
Friday 7th – Monday 10th

'Lourdes is coming to us'

Saturday 22nd Legion of Mary Festival
Holy Mass 2:00pm *Celebrant:* Bishop David Evans
Solemn Benediction 4:00pm

NOVEMBER

Monday 7th The Day of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood
Saturday 19th Christmas Bizarre 11:00am – 2:00pm

ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM

Vacancy, Head of Safeguarding

The Archdiocese of Birmingham is seeking a Head of Safeguarding. The post holder will manage the operations of the safeguarding team, who operate in accordance with the statutory framework and the Catholic Church's safeguarding policies and procedures.

Following a period of significant change and improvement, now is an exciting time for an experienced safeguarding professional to join this friendly and creative team to further develop and embed excellence in safeguarding practice.

This will be a rewarding role for an experienced safeguarding professional. Closing date 3 October.

To find out more, please go to www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/jobs

SAINT PETER'S CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL

Saint Peter's Catholic Secondary School's Opening Evening – Parents of children in Year 6 are warmly invited to visit St Peter's on Thursday 22nd September 5:30-8:00pm. There are also two open mornings to visit and see the school in operation, by appointment only, on Monday 26th September and Tuesday 27th September. Please see Saint Peter's website for more details: www.st-peters.solihull.sch.uk or to book call 0121 705 3988.

Current vacancies at Saint. Peter's Catholic Secondary School:

Deputy headteacher (Closing Date Monday 19th September 2022, 9:00am)

Pastoral Officer (Closing Date Wednesday 21st September 2022, 9:00am)

Please visit the school website for more information and to apply.

SAINT MARY'S HOSPICE - Street Collection

The final total is £2849.04. Thank you to all who helped. More information is available from the Piety Shop.



ST. THOMAS MORE'S PARISH TOTE
JACKPOT £600
Result for 21st September 2022
Winning Numbers will be published in the porch.
Next Draw Wednesday 28th September after Mass
1 play = £1.00 for 4 numbers - 5 plays = 1 FREE GO
Match 4 numbers = Share Jackpot £250+
Match 3 numbers = share £75+