

**The Catholic Churches of
Saint John the Baptist, Trowbridge
Saint Bernadette, Westbury
& Saint Thomas More, Bradford-on-Avon**



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20th, 21st & 22nd Sundays in Ordinary Time – 18th August 2024

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www.together.ourchurchweb.org.uk/bradfordonavon/churches/stthomasmore/

This Week's Mass Times

Sat 17 th Aug	4pm	St Thomas More's	Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time	<i>Roy Tarren (RIP) (Ann)</i>
	6pm	St John's		<i>Robert Els (RIP)</i>
Sun 18 th Aug	9am	St Bernadette's		<i>People of the Parish</i>
	10.30am	St John's		<i>Bath Catenians</i>
Mon 19 th Aug	No Mass		Weekday in Ordinary Time	
Tues 20 th Aug	11am	St John's	Funeral Mass	<i>Michalina Szczesniak (RIP)</i>

No Weekday Masses Wed 21st – Fri 23rd Aug

Sat 24 th Aug	4pm	St Thomas More's	Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time	
	6pm	St John's		<i>People of the Parish</i>
Sun 25 th Aug	9am	St Bernadette's		
	10.30am	St John's		<i>Fr John Gaffney (RIP)</i>

No Weekday Masses Mon 26th – Fri 30th Aug

Sat 31 st Aug	4pm	St Thomas More's	Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	<i>Joyce Campbell (RIP)</i>
	6pm	St John's		<i>People of the Parish</i>
Sun 1 st Sep	9am	St Bernadette's		
	10.30am	St John's		<i>Minnie Campbell (RIP)</i>
Mon 2 nd Sep	No Mass		Weekday in Ordinary Time	
Tues 3 rd Sep	6pm	St John's	Feast of Saint Gregory the Great	<i>Canon Liam O'Driscoll (Ints)</i>
Wed 4 th Sep	9am	St Thomas More's	Weekday in Ordinary Time	<i>Brid Grimley (RIP)</i>
Thurs 5 th Sep	10am	St Bernadette's	Weekday in Ordinary Time	
Fri 6 th Sep	9am	St John's	Weekday in Ordinary Time	<i>Justin Whitehead (RIP)(Ann)</i>
Sat 7 th Sep	4pm	St Thomas More's	Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	
	6pm	St John's		<i>Bernadette Carpenter (Ints)</i>

Confessions

Sat	3.30-3.50pm	St Thomas More's
Sat	5.30-5.50pm	St John's
Thurs 5 th	9.30-9.50am	St Bernadette's

Today's Readings



Adoration

Thurs 9.30-10.30am St John's

HOLIDAYS

Fr Richard is away on holiday from 19th Aug until 3rd Sep. If you need a priest in an emergency, please contact Fr Matthew on 01225 752930 or 07719 778078

WELCOME

We welcome Fr Tibor Szende who will be celebrating the weekend Masses on 24th and 25th August and Fr Ian McCarthy who will be celebrating the Masses on 31st August and 1st September.

MICHALINA SZCZESNIAK RIP

The Funeral Mass of Michalina Szczesniak, who died recently, will take place at St John's Church on Tuesday 20th August at 11am. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

TEA AND CHAT

Tea and Chat in St John's Parish Centre, Tuesday 20th August at 2.30pm. Everyone very welcome.

TROWBRIDGE FOOD BANK

As always, a massive thank you to all who have contributed to the Trowbridge Foodbank Collection each month. Many people rely on your generosity. The next collection will take place on the weekend of 24th/25th August. Please leave your donated goods in the Church Porch at St. John's and St. Bernadette's.

WESTBURY TOWN PRAYERS

During September Westbury Town Prayers are in Saint Bernadette's on Tuesdays at 2.30pm. All welcome.

CONFIRMATION

Bishop Bosco will be coming to Saint John's to celebrate this year's Confirmation Mass on Tuesday 19th November. Application forms are now available, and a programme of preparation will begin in September. Copies of the form are available in all of the churches. Anyone who will be in Year 9 (current Year 8) or above can apply for the programme. Please return completed application forms to the presbytery, or email to richard.elson@cliftondiocese.com

MARCH FOR LIFE – SAT 7th SEP

The annual March for Life takes place on Saturday 7th September. The March will begin at 1.30pm at The Emmanuel Centre and will finish at Parliament Square. Morning events will be at The Emmanuel Centre and there will be a Mass at St George's Cathedral, Southwark. For more details see the church noticeboard or online at www.marchforlife.co.uk/

300 CLUB WINNERS FOR AUGUST

Prize	Number	Name
£200	10	Kirsty Simmons
£70	128	Jim & Maria Conway
£50	141	Rosa Binding
£10	87	Mike Simmonds

DAY FOR READERS – SAT 12th OCT

There will be a day for all readers from St John's, St Bernadette's and St Thomas More's, on Saturday 12th October at St John's Parish Centre. This will be an opportunity to discover more about the New Lectionary, as well as having a reminder about good practice when reading in church. It is important that readers attend this day in order to start preparing for the introduction of the New Lectionary in December. More details to follow.

ST BERNADETTE'S DROP IN

St Bernadette's Drop In takes place on the first Wednesday of each month. The next one will be on Wednesday 4th September, 2pm until 4pm. Everyone welcome for tea, cake and chat.

ST BERNADETTE'S QUIZ NIGHT – 20th SEP

St Bernadette's Fun Quiz Night Friday 20th Sep at 7 pm. Tickets £3 include soft drinks and nibbles and will be on sale soon with more information.

DIACONAL FORMATION

For the coming academic year, the Diaconal Formation programme is going to be based in St John's Parish Centre. They will be using the centre on a number of Friday evenings and Saturdays. The tutors and students will be fairly self-sufficient while they are with us, but part of their programme will involve celebrating Morning Prayer at 9am and Mass at 9.30am in the church on the Saturdays. Parishioners are very welcome to join the students for these celebrations. I know that other parishes who have hosted the programme in the past have enjoyed having the students with them. I'm sure that we will make them welcome here too. Fr Richard

CATHOLIC MOTHERS BATH & WEST WILTSHIRE

A new group for mothers to meet once a month for Mass at St John's the Evangelist, Bath and then afterwards in the hall to share tea, cake, faith and fellowship. Children are most welcome. It was wonderful to meet so many mothers at our first meeting, and we look forward to coming together again on Monday 16th September after the 9.30 Mass. Contact Amy on 07872382979 to find out more.

CAR PARKING 10.30 MASS

Please note, overflow car-park at St. Augustine's is available every Sunday morning.

PARISH GIVING

There are many ways you can give a donation to Parish Funds: with a monthly standing order (Ask Father Richard for a form), by using the Dona Card Reader in the Church Porch at St. John's, by a cash donation during the collections, or by using this QR Code. Thank you for your generosity.

