

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



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## Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity – 31<sup>st</sup> May 2026

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### This Week's Mass Times

Sat 30 <sup>th</sup> May	4pm	St Thomas More's	Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity	<i>People of the Parish</i> <i>Mike Simmons (RIP)</i>
	6pm	St John's		<i>Penny Richmond (RIP) (Ann)</i> <i>Catherine and Joe Fox (RIP)</i>
Sun 31 <sup>st</sup> May	9am	St Bernadette's		
	10.30am	St John's		
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> Jun	<b>No Mass</b>		Memorial of Saint Justin	
Tues 2 <sup>nd</sup> Jun	6pm	Parish Centre Hall	Weekday in Ordinary Time	<i>KP Joseph (RIP) (Ann)</i>
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup> Jun	9am	St Thomas More's	Memorial of Saint Charles Lwanga & Companions	<i>Private Intention</i> <i>Flora Moore (RIP)</i>
Thurs 4 <sup>th</sup> Jun	10am	St Bernadette's	Weekday in Ordinary Time	<i>Aidan Noel Wynne (RIP) (Ann)</i>
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> Jun	9am	St Thomas More's	Memorial of Saint Boniface	
Sat 6 <sup>th</sup> Jun	9.30am	St John's	Weekday in Ordinary Time	
	4pm	St Thomas More's	Corpus Christi	<i>Fr Jason Jones (RIP)</i> <i>People of the Parish</i>
	6pm	St John's		

#### Confessions

Sat	10.00-10.30am	St John's
Sat	3.30-3.50pm	St Thomas More's
Sat	5.30-5.50pm	St John's
Thurs	9.30-9.50am	St Bernadette's

#### Today's Readings



#### Adoration & Benediction

Fri 5<sup>th</sup> 8-9pm St John's

#### Morning Prayer

Sat 6<sup>th</sup> 9am St John's

### THE WORD THIS WEEK

We begin our Summer 'Ordinary Time' by celebrating a strange feast - not of a particular saint or event, but of the awesome paradoxes of our God, the Three-in-One, Father, Son and Spirit: so immeasurably distant, yet so amazingly close, so full of power and so full of love. It is love that is the key to the mystery: the revelation of God, to Moses and in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, shows a perfect love - a perfect unity. In the beginning, in the story of Creation in Genesis, God made man and woman 'in the image and likeness of God', to live together as a community of love. So too, the Church is an image of this perfection of community which is Father, Son and Spirit. We, as many members of one Church, strive in our everyday lives to imitate God who is Three and One, perfect unity and perfect love.

## WITH GREAT SADNESS

It is with a tremendous amount of sadness we tell you that Mike Simmons died this week. He contributed so much to the Church and School community over the years, most recently being Chair of Governors at St. John's. He will be sorely missed. His funeral details to come. Please pray for him and his family.

## ST. JOHN'S CLOSED FOR CARPETTING

St. John's will be closed next week from 1<sup>st</sup> June to 5<sup>th</sup> June whilst the new carpets are being fitted. Mass on Tuesday evening will be in the Parish Centre. Mass on Friday morning will be at St. Thomas More.

## BAPTISM

We welcome Zofia Kinga Hannabuss into the family of the Church as she is Baptised this weekend. Please pray for her and her family.

## FOOD BANK COLLECTION- NEXT WEEKEND

Donated items will be collected from St. John's this Saturday and Sunday 30<sup>th</sup>/31<sup>st</sup> May. Please do consider donating to this cause. A list of required items is on the notice board at St. John's or you can email Eve.

## ST. BERNADETTE'S DROP IN

This will next be on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June from 2-4pm. Everyone is welcome for drinks and cake.

## MEETING FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR 150<sup>TH</sup> CELEBRATION

There will be a meeting at St. Augustine's College on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June from 4– 5pm. This is for all stewards who have volunteered to help with the family fun day on 27<sup>th</sup> June so you will know where your help will be needed and where everything will be.

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH GROUNDS

Now that the repairs to the outside of the Church are nearing completion, we will be trying to improve the look of the grounds around the borders of the Church. Thank you to all who have already helped, the work is ongoing and if you are able to volunteer some time to this please contact Becky in the Parish Centre.

## HANGING BASKETS ST. JOHN'S

We would like hanging baskets in place ready for the anniversary celebration on 24<sup>th</sup> June. The celebratory colour theme this year will be yellow/gold and white. Please, if you are able, take a basket after Mass, available from the Church porch from today and return your filled basket to the rear of the Parish Centre (next to the shed). Could baskets please be returned by 19<sup>th</sup> June at the latest. Any queries please contact Becky in the Parish Centre, thank you.

## CHOIR REHEARSALS FOR THE 150<sup>TH</sup> CELEBRATION

We welcome members from all our three Churches to attend our choir rehearsals. Sessions will be on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> and Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June at St John's Church from 7 – 8 pm.

## ST THOMAS MORE FEAST DAY

On Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June there will be a Mass at 6pm followed by a buffet supper. All are welcome. If you would like to bring some food or drink for the buffet, please see the list at the back of the church or speak to Christina Barry (01225 863441)

## FLOWER ARRANGERS

We are in need of some extra flower arrangers at St. John's. The flowers are done on a rota basis so it wouldn't be every week. If you are interested, please email Eve.

## 150<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY PARISH EXHIBITION

If you are currently involved in any aspect of parish life (groups, ministries etc) or have organised anything in the past and you would like it to be included in our parish exhibition next month please contact Sinead on 01225 971020 [haywoodsmv@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:haywoodsmv@yahoo.co.uk). We would love to show case every aspect of our parish, both currently and historically, for example SVP, Brownies, Soup Run, Flower arrangers, music group and so many more. Photos especially welcome! Thank you

## TROWBRIDGE STREET PASTORS

There will be a brief talk about the Street Pastors after all weekend masses this weekend. For further information contact the coordinator, Julia Wade on 01380 870137 or [juliawade8@gmail.com](mailto:juliawade8@gmail.com) or see <https://streetpastors.org/locations/trowbridge/>

## SUNDAY COFFEE ROTA

Thank you to all who continue to help and to those who have recently volunteered to help serve refreshments after Sunday morning Mass. The opportunity to gather in the Parish Centre and have a chat with a cup of tea or coffee is valued by many.

A polite reminder to all who attend; refreshments are served until midday, and the Parish Centre needs to be closed by 12.30pm. Thank you for your support with this.

## BUY A TILE UPDATE

Apologies to those of you waiting for your tile(s) to be delivered. The factory has been extremely busy and has not had any space to make your tiles. Delivery is now promised for the end of June. Thank you for your patience.

## MISSIO RED BOXES

Can all Missio red boxes that need to be emptied be brought to St. John's over the next few weeks so they can be emptied. Many thanks

## RCIA COURSE BEGINNING SEPTEMBER

For anyone who is interested in becoming a Catholic, we will be running the RCIA course starting in September. This course is aimed at adults who would like to learn more about the Catholic faith. For those who decide they would like to, we would look to them being Baptised or received into the Church at the Easter Vigil next year. If you think you might be interested, or someone you know, please do email Eve.

We are also looking for volunteers, who have an interest in adult Catechesis (no experience necessary), to help run the course. If you are interested, please email Eve.

## UK PRAYS- PUBLIC ROSARY

The next public rosary will be at the War Memorial in Trowbridge Park this Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May at 4.30pm. All Welcome.

## WE BELIEVE FESTIVAL

Is being held at Oscott in Birmingham on 24<sup>th</sup>- 27<sup>th</sup> July. For further details or to book tickets please see: <https://www.webeliefestival.com/>

## EVANGELIUM CONFERENCE

Is being held at the Oratory school in Reading on 21<sup>st</sup>- 23<sup>rd</sup> August. For further info or to book tickets please see: <https://www.evangelium.co.uk/>

## TOUR OF THE RELICS OF ST. GERARD MAJELLA

St. Gerard is a great patron of mothers, couples looking to conceive, those looking for work, and making a good confession. As part of a tour of our diocese, the relics will be at the following locations:

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June: Holy Ghost in Yeovil with Mass at 6pm; Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June: St. Peter in Gloucester with Mass at 7pm; Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June: St. Mary's in Swindon with Mass at 6pm; Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June: St. Osmond in Salisbury with Mass at 6pm and Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June: St. Gerard in Bristol with Mass at 12 noon with Bishop Bosco.

Churches will be open an hour before Mass for private prayer and following Masses there will be an opportunity for individual or family blessings with the relics.

## 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.

