



The Parish Newsletter

"Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit". Mt. 28:19

Year A 21st June—28th June 2026

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DATE	TIME	SERVICE/INTENTION/FEAST
Sunday 21st June 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time	M 09.00 am B 11.00 am	Sunday Mass Mass Intention (M) + Rev. Liam Armour Mass Intention (B) + Bogdan Kielbus Second Collection Bishops' Conference Life Charities
Monday 22nd June	B 6.00 pm	Confirmation Mass—Bishop Thomas
Tuesday 23rd June	M 10.00 am	Sorry, no Mass today
Wednesday 24th June	B 10.00 am	Weekday Mass
Thursday 25th June	M 10.00 am	Weekday Mass
Friday 26th June	B 10.00 am	Sorry, no Mass today
Sunday 28th June St. Peter & St. Paul	M 09.00 am B 11.00 am	Sunday Mass (Second Collection) Mass Intention (B) + Teresa Savidee

DAY OF LIFE 2026

This Sunday, 21st June, we mark the Day for Life under the theme "The Wonder of the Child in the Womb." The theme also recognises the loss of children who died before birth and the grief of their parents. The bishops' message and prayers can be found on the Day for Life website www.dayforlife.org. The second collection will go towards the Day for Life Fund, which distributes grants to organisations that promote respect for life from conception until natural death. You can also donate online via the Day for Life website."

CHURCH READERS, EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND ALTAR SERVERS

Are you interested in becoming a reader or eucharistic minister?
Would any of our young people like to train as altar servers (daily and/or Sunday mass)?
If so, please speak to Fr Anil or a member of the PPC.

50/50 CLUB If anyone wishes to join the 50/50 club draw, please contact Bernard Camenzuli at St John's Church or by email. The draw of 1st Prize of £20.00, 2nd Prize of £15 and 3rd Prize of £10 is held each month.

PARISH FINANCES

Please note that there are many ways to support our parish. The preferred option is by standing order or regular transfer, details below

1. Web Card donation using the DONA button on the parish website home page.
2. Cheques made payable to Brandon & Mildenhall Catholic Parish
3. Cash donations—please help if you can by donating cash or cheques at the offertory in the baskets provided during service or at the back of the church.
Donations can also be given for mass intention and when lighting candles for special private intentions.
4. Parish bank account details: Brandon & Mildenhall Catholic Parish Lloyds Bank Sort code 30-98-58 A/C No.00489176.

RC Diocese of East Anglia Registered Charity 27874

Treasurer - Philip Kemp.

ST THOMAS, BRANDON GIFT SHOP

Our little gift shop has been revamped with an improved display, new items and something for everyone. We also have in the Narthex some new First Holy Communion cards—all proceeds go directly to the church (Brandon) to keep the shop stocked. Please stop by and take a look today if you have any suggestions for items to be stocked please speak with Angie.

FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH AND THOSE THAT CARE FOR THEM

Please remember to pray at this time for **Stephen Dean, Sue Dean, Des Neville, Eugene Armour, Yan Cheung, Kath Cottrell, Frances Rutterford** and all in our parish who are challenged with health issues or need our support at this time.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be ...

For all fathers and father figures on this special day, who have guided, encouraged and cared for us throughout our lives, and for those fathers who have died and now live in our memories - that God may bless them all. **Lord in your mercy**

A WONDERFUL FIRST COMMUNION DAY CELEBRATION

Congratulations to our First Communicants who received the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist for the first time on Saturday, 20th June.

It was a joyful celebration for our parish community. Thank you to all the children in the class of 2026. You were outstanding. And a big thank you to everyone who contributed to making the day such a memorable occasion.

Your support and commitment were greatly appreciated.

Let us continue to pray for these lovely young people as they move forward in faith

Alex, Amelia, Cosette, Diego, Hailee, Isla, Jan, Julia, Logan and Nikola

PLEASE KEEP OUR 15 CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES IN YOUR PRAYERS

Lord, send out Your Spirit to touch the hearts of all people,
so that they may believe in You and in Jesus whom You sent.

Look kindly on all candidates for Confirmation as they listen to Your voice.

Open their hearts to Your Spirit and bring to fulfilment the good work
that You have begun in them. **Amen**

Alan (St. Krzysztof)
Alexander (St. Carlos Acutis)
Beatriz (St. Catherine)
Dakota (St. Lucy)
Dominik (St. Jude Thaddaeus)
Emilija (St. Veronica)
Jacob (St. Michael)
Karol (St. Pawel)

Kiara (St. Angela)
Margarida (St. Mother Teresa)
Mikolaj (St. Thomas Aquinas)
Niamh (St. Bernadette)
Nina (St. Isabel)
Rafael (St. Rafael)
Raquel (St. Cecilia)
Wiktoria (St. Matila)

Dates for your Diary

Holy Days of Obligation	
June 28th	St Peter & St Paul (June 29th)
Aug. 16th	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Aug 15th)
Nov. 1st	All Saints
Dec. 25th	The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

Parish Dates / Events	
June 22nd 6.00pm	Confirmation at St Thomas Brandon
July 12th 1.30pm	Parish Picnic & BBQ John & Sinead Bruton's Garden, Worlington

Second Collection Dates	
June 28th	Peter's Pence
July 12th	Stella Maris
Sept. 13th	Catholic Education Service
Sept. 20th	Bishops' Conference
Oct. 4th	Mission Appeal (details to follow)
Oct. 18th	MISSIO (The Assoc. for the Propagation of the Faith)
Dec. 13th	Diocesan Dependent Priests' Fund

Did you know....

We take a saint's name at Confirmation to signify a new spiritual identity and to gain a lifelong heavenly patron. A tradition deeply rooted in our Catholic history.

With candidates selecting a saint whose life, virtues, or patronage they admire and wish to emulate.

Historically, taking a new name symbolizes a fresh start, standing as a reminder of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit received on the day of Confirmation.