



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 C 29th June - 6th July 2025

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MASS TIMES FOR THE COMING WEEK

DAY	TIME	SERVICE/INTENTION/FEAST
Today Sunday 29th June 2025	M: 09.00 am	Sunday Mass
	B: 11.00 am	<i>St Peter and St Paul Apostles</i>
Tuesday 1st July 2025	M: 10:00 am	Mass Today (replacement priest) Mildenhall
Wednesday 2nd July 2025	B: 10:00 am	NO MASS
Thursday 3rd July 2025	M: 10:00 am	NO MASS St Thomas Apostle
Friday 4th July 2025	B: 10:00 am	NO MASS St Elizabeth of Portugal
Next Sunday 6 July 2025	M: 09.00 am	Sunday Mass
14th Sunday in ordinary time	B: 11.00 am	(Replacement Priest)

PARISH AND CHURCH NEWS

PLEASE NOTE: Fr. Anil Holiday ... "I am on my annual holidays for a few weeks. I will be leaving for India on Monday the 23rd of June and will be back on 20th of July. We will have **supply priests on Sundays and on Tuesday 1st July 2025 at Mildenhall (so far)**.

Should you need the help of a priest,

please contact Thetford or Newmarket parish priests or Claire Priory.

IMPORTANT TO NOTE: *There will be No WEEKDAY masses at Brandon/Mildenhall (except as above thus far) during the above period on 23rd June 2025 -20th July 2025*

DIOCESE JUBILEE CELEBRATION 1976-2026

Please if you have any information regarding the collection and editing of news-worthy items about our parish to incorporate into our celebration of the 50th anniversary of our parish and publication of a brochure, please contact Mary Ryder/Partick Finn or Fr Anil.

Many thanks for all your generosity in helping the parish with funding.

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 intentions 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. Contact Philip Kemp Treasurer

RC Diocese of East Anglia

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CHILDREN'S LITURGY AND CATECHISM—St John's and St Thomas

If you wish your children to participate in children's liturgy,
please see Fr Anil/Sara at St John's/Angie St Thomas'

FRST HOLY COMMUNION - Last Saturday 21st June 2025

Many congratulations to all our candidates that celebrated their First Holy Communion last Saturday. Also many thanks to those in our parish who made the day very special and in particular those that taught catechism to all the children in preparation for this occasion at both St Thomas and St John's churches in our Parish. It was a very special day.

SPIRITUAL CORNER

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

Please pray especially at this time for Stephen Dean, Sue Dean, Joan Neville, Eugene Armour and all in our parish who are challenged with health issues at this time.
Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be

PRAYER FOR INTENTIONS:

Please continue to pray for peace in the world. There is conflict in many parts of our world and we need prayer, especially at this time.

PRAYER: “O God of peace, who art Peace itself and whom a spirit of discord cannot grasp, nor violent mind receive, grant that those who are one in heart may persevere in what is good and those in conflict may forget evil and be healed.”

Parish picnic and BBQ

A wonderful day was enjoyed by all those in the parish who came to the Annual Parish BBQ. A really big thank you to John and Sinead for once again hosting the Parish at their home. The weather was great and the food amazing! le tickets and cooked and donated prizes. Additionally thanks to those organising the event and making the day very special. Many thanks to all those who worked hard to make the day very special and to all those who attended and bought raffle tickets. The event is sure to have raised a substantial sum in aid of our parish. (to be announced)

PARISH PASTORAL LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE

Sub committee members are still welcome. If you think you might like to assist in some way or have talents we need in our parish, please see Barry Spenser (Brandon) Jo Della Maestra (Mildenhall) or Fr Anil with your name and where you believe you might be able to assist us.

UPDATING

If you are able to help with donations,/ideas to fund raise or other suggestions regarding the updating of the sacristy areas, please contact Fr Anil/a member of PPC/Sub-committee.

PARISH WEBSITE

We are still busy updating our website and are looking to introduce some new and exciting features. It is an efficient way to reach out to all our parish family and beyond. Please contact our parish web editor Barry Spencer if you have any articles or additions.

FOOD BANK DONATIONS

The local food bank supports those less fortunate people in our area. The basic non-perishable items that are 'in date' would be gratefully received things such as tinned meat, tinned vegetables, baked beans, soups, packets of cereals jams, biscuits and long-life milk. If you can spare any non-perishable items that you think would be of benefit please bring them and leave them at the back of the church at St John's Mildenhall on the **first Sunday of each month. Financial donations are also very welcome. Thank you for your generosity.**

NEWLETTER:

Items to be included in the newsletter need to be passed on to Les or Jo Della Maestra - leslie258@btinternet.com NLT Wednesday before publishing on Friday.

MAILING LIST FOR NEWLETTER AND MASS SHEETS

Do you know of someone who would appreciate/benefit from hearing from us? There are people in our community who are unable to attend mass for whatever reason. From now on we can send out a copy by email of the mass sheet and the weekly news bulletin to allow them to follow the readings and the gospel each week. This will be a nice way of helping them to keep in touch with the Parish and to ensure we are reaching out to as many people as possible who might enjoy this contact. Please email parishwebeditor@yahoo.com or call 07771 590387 to ensure their email addresses are updated to the mailing list.

CHOIR

If you think you would like to join the choir/play an instrument at either church, please speak to John Bruton at St John's Mildenhall or Maura Vine (organist) at St Thomas Brandon.

DIOCESAN JOB VACANCIES

See <http://www.redea.org.uk/vacancies>

St Luke's Way Pilgrimage of Hope -Thursday 4th September 2025 - Sat 13th Sept 2025

The eastern Pilgrimage of Hope Way Start Date 4th Sept 2025 - End date Saturday 13th September 2025 at St Barnabas' Cathedral, Nottingham.

If you are interested - For a detailed map of the route and more information see <https://www.pilgrimways.org.uk/st-luke-s-way>.