



# 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 22nd June - 29 June 2025***

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## ***MASS TIMES FOR THE COMING WEEK***

DAY	TIME	SERVICE/INTENTION/FEAST
Today 22nd June 2025	M: 09.00 am	Sunday Mass
12th Sunday in Ordinary Time	B: 11.00 am	The most Holy Body and Blood of Christ Mass Intentions for Monique Keppens (M) Phil Richardson (B)
Tuesday 24 h June 2025	M: 10:00am	NO MASS
Wednesday 25th June 2025	B: 10:00 am	NO MASS
Thursday 26th June 2025	M: 10:00 am	NO MASS
Friday 27th June 2025	B: 10:00 am	NO MASS
Next Sunday 29th June 2025	M: 09.00 am	Sunday Mass
13th Sunday in Ordinary tTme	B: 11.00 am	(Replacement Priest) St Peter and St Paul Apostles

## **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 23<sup>rd</sup> 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 Monday 23rd June 2025 -20th July 2025**

### **DIOCESE JUBILEE CELEBRATION 1976-2026**

It was decided at the last Parish pastoral committee meeting to produce a magazine / brochure to celebrate our parish from its institution to the present day. It would be a way of incorporating this into the Diocese Jubilee celebration of 50 years. Points of contact for this would be **Mary Ryder and Patrick Finn (Mildenhall) and Frankie and Erika at Brandon** who can guide you as to what stories,, photos and any news articles of interest needed for both churches of St Thomas /St John in order to compile this celebratory document. It would be much appreciated if we could get volunteers to start this process as soon as possible, so we have a souvenir magazine printed ready for Christmas 2025. **If anyone wishes to be part of the team to discuss the content /layout please see the people mentioned above. Thank you very much.**

**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 acc details: Brandon & Mildenhall Catholic Parish Lloyds

Bank Sort code 30-98-58

A/C No. 00489176. Contact Philip Kemp Treasurer

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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'

### **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.

## **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.*

**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.”

**Please continue to pray for those who died in the recent Air India Aircraft crash and their families who mourn their loss.**

Gracious God, surround us and all who mourn this day with your continuing compassion.  
Do not let grief overwhelm your children or turn them against you.  
When grief seems never-ending, take them one step at a time along your road of death and resurrection in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** (Anglican church ref)

### **REMINDER FOR TODAY— Parish picnic and BBQ TODAY!**

SUN 22nd June 2025, at 1.30pm

In John & Sinead's garden at: Silverlea, Freckenham Rd,  
Worlington - IP28 8SN

This is a great opportunity to socialize as members of our Parish Family and to celebrate our First Holy Communicants - so come along & enjoy good food in good company!

COST: £8.00 to cover meat & rolls  
(£4 for children under 12)

Please bring a salad or dessert to share and let us know if you have any dietary requirements. (see sign-up sheets in back of church)

There will be a drinks bar and games for the young at heart.

Please bring something to sit on. If you require a lift, please ask.

*There are still tickets available for the Number Squares Draw, as usual after Masses in June, and at the BBQ. Raffle prizes are always welcome!*

### **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.

## **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**

Please support the local food bank. If you can spare items that you think would be of benefit, as long as they are 'in date' for consumption, please bring items on the **LAST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH** to the church.

You can also give your donations to **John or Sinead Bruton at Mildenhall church**, or leave them in bags in the Sacristy, and they will be collected.

## **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 probably 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>***