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Entrance Antiphon:

He fed them with the finest wheat and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

Psalm response:

You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek.

Acclamation:

Alleluia! Alleluia! I am the living bread that came down from heaven, says the Lord.
If anyone eats of this bread he will live for ever. *Alleluia!*

The Apostles Creed is on page 456. / Nicene Creed is on page 455

After the Bidding Prayers:

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee.

Blessed art thou among women
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God,

Pray for us sinners now, and at the hour of our death. Amen.

To conclude the Bidding Prayers:

We give you thanks, Lord Jesus Christ,
for all the benefits you have gained for us,
for all the pains and insults you have borne for us.
Most merciful Redeemer, friend and brother,
may we know you more clearly, love you more dearly
and follow you more nearly. Amen.
(St Richard of Chichester)

Communion Antiphon:

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him,
says the Lord.

*The newsletter is also available at www.saintmichaelsonningcommon.org.uk
If you do not need to take this one home, please return it to the console at the back of
Church after Mass, so that it can be reused. Many thanks.*

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Catholic Parish of St Michael's Sonning Common

Sonning Common, Dunsden, Peppard,
Checkendon, Stoke Row, Emmer Green
and Caversham Park

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PARISH NEWSLETTER

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

22 June

MEDITATION FOR THE WEEK: ST THOMAS AQUINAS *

Godhead here in hiding, whom I do adore,
Masked by these bare shadows, shape and nothing more,
See, Lord, at Thy service low lies here a heart
Lost, all lost in wonder at the God thou art.

Seeing, touching, tasting are in thee deceived:
How says trusty hearing? that shall be believed;
What God's Son has told me, take for truth I do;
Truth Himself speaks truly or there's nothing true.

On the cross Thy godhead made no sign to men,
Here Thy very manhood steals from human ken:
Both are my confession, both are my belief,
And I pray the prayer of the dying thief.

I am not like Thomas, wounds I cannot see,
But can plainly call thee Lord and God as he;
Let me to a deeper faith daily nearer move,
Daily make me harder hope and dearer love.

O thou our reminder of Christ crucified,
Living Bread, the life of us for whom he died,
Lend this life to me then: feed and feast my mind,
There be thou the sweetness man was meant to find.

Bring the tender tale true of the Pelican;
Bathe me, Jesu Lord, in what Thy bosom ran
Blood whereof a single drop has power to win
All the world forgiveness of its world of sin.

Jesu, whom I look at shrouded here below,
I beseech thee send me what I thirst for so,
Some day to gaze on thee face to face in light
And be blest for ever with Thy glory's sight. Amen.

*Translation by Fr Gerard Manley Hopkins, S.J.

WELCOME TO ST MICHAEL'S

If you are a visitor or new to the parish, we welcome you warmly.

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If you would like a home visit please call Deacon Brian Theobald

Tel: 07484332580 or email dcn.brian.theobald@rcaob.org.uk

All Masses are live streamed and Mass streaming links can be found on our website

DEFIBRILLATOR APPEAL

Thank you to all who have already donated toward this wonderful initiative - to have a defibrillator installed outside the church. The appeal is off to a wonderful start, as we have already reached the half way mark! You're invited to make a one-off donation of £20, which can be via the Dona machine on the basket at the back of the church. Thank you.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR CAFOD REPRESENTATIVE

Dear Parishioners, a BIG 'thank you' for fundraising for CAFOD during Lent. Together we raised over £800, which is a phenomenal amount! Your contribution will make a real difference to those in need. On behalf of CAFOD, thank you for standing with us. *Deborah West*

MORE THANKS

The First Holy Communion children have expressed their thanks to all who have been praying for them. There is a lovely card from them at the back of the church.

ST ANNE'S PRIMARY SCHOOL...

...is celebrating its 125th Anniversary. There's Summer Fair at the school in Washington Road between 12 and 3pm on Saturday, 28 June. Plenty of stalls and fun! 30-minute school tours at 12.30, 1.30 and 2.30pm.

SIGN WRITER

We would like to refresh and update the noticeboard on the wall outside the church. Do you have the skills? Please contact the parish office if you can help. Thank you.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND FOR PETER'S PENCE.

BECOME A FOUNDATION GOVERNOR OR DIRECTOR AT ONE OF OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Opportunities are available across the Archdiocese; all skills/backgrounds welcome.

For more information: <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/>

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is **Mary Lewis** who can be contacted at: sg.stmichael.sonningcommon@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted by telephoning: 0121 230 6240 or emailing safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns

Parish Liturgies for week commencing 15 June 2025

Weekend Celebrant: Fr Colin Blayney

21 / 22 June

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| Saturday Vigil | 5.30pm | Holy Souls |
| Sunday | 9.00am | People of the Parish |
| Sunday | 10.30am | Thanksgiving for the Gift of Life |
| Monday | - | No Liturgy |
| Tuesday | - | No Liturgy |
| Wednesday | - | No Liturgy |
| Thursday | - | No Liturgy |
| Friday | 1.30pm | Funeral Mass, Lin Prendergast, R.I.P. <i>Celebrant: Fr Kenneth McNab</i> |

28 / 29 JUNE

WEEKEND CELEBRANT: FR MICHAEL DOYLE

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| Saturday Vigil | 5.30pm | People of the Parish |
| Sunday | 9.00am | Holy Souls |
| Sunday | 10.30am | Mass Stephen Aldworth/Cotter Family deceased |
| Confessions | Available before and after each of the weekend Masses | |
| Sacrament of the Sick | On request: ☎ 0118 972 3418 | |

Please Pray for our Sick Parishioners, family and friends; Lord, send your healing Spirit on all who are sick or distressed.

Dominic Antão; Catherine Belletty; Robert Brooks; Joe Bunton; Savanna Clark;
Mary Edwards; Mary Hagger; Rogan Hodgson; Vivien Kear; Jennifer Learmouth;
Dominic Sakrouge; Peppin Sanz.

If circumstances change please ask for the name to be removed from the list.

For All Deceased Members of our Parish Family

We pray for all who have died, and for those whose anniversary occurs about this time:

Sue Conners; Andrew Creighton; Anne Ouro; Peter Spencer; Rosena Faultner;
Elizabeth Tonner; Petra Zambano de Roman; Joseph Cunningham; Norman Hutchinson;
Joan Griffin; Patrick Joseph Trecy; Frances Talkington; Babs Monaghan; Noel Moore;
Marcus Fernandes; Rita Lavalette; Peter Perie;

May the light and joy of God's peace shine upon them.