St Benedict Voice

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4th SUNDAY OF DENHA



SUNDAY READINGS

01.02.26 - 5th Sunday of Denha
Lev 4:13-21 | Dan 9:1-9 | Col 1:12-19 | Mk 2:1-12
08.02.26 - 6th Sunday of Denha
Ex 20:1-17 | Ezek 11:14-21 | Col 3:5-14 | Mt 5:17-26
15.02.26 - 1st Sunday of the Great Fast
Ex 24:12-18 | Sir 2:1-11 | Heb 2:10-18 | Lk 4:1-13
22.02.26 - 2nd Sunday of the Great Fast
Gen 13:1-13 | Sir 31:1-11 | 1 Tim 6:3-10 | Lk 19:1-10

READING, CHURCH CLEANING & REFRESHMENTS

01.02.26 - St Theresa
08.02.26 - Yr 8 Catechism Students
15.02.26 - St Rita
22.02.26 - St Padre Pio

FAMILY UNIT PRAYER MEETING

31.01.26 - St Alphonsa | Jose & Sini's House | 7:00 pm

SEASON OF EPIPHANY (DENHA)

St. Thomas Aquinas (1225–1274) is honored by the Church as one of her greatest saints, theologians, and teachers, whose influence continues to shape Catholic thought more than seven centuries after his death. Born into a noble family in Italy, Thomas chose a life of humility and service by joining the Dominican Order, dedicating himself entirely to prayer, study, and teaching, even when his decision was strongly opposed by his family. Gifted with an extraordinary intellect and a profound love for God, he worked tirelessly to show that faith and reason are not enemies but harmonious paths leading to the same divine truth, since both originate in God Himself. In his monumental work, the Summa Theologiae, Aquinas carefully and prayerfully explored the mysteries of God, creation, human nature, morality, and the sacraments, presenting complex truths with remarkable clarity and balance so that believers could better understand what they profess. His writings emphasize that theology is not merely an academic pursuit but a way of drawing closer to God, rooted in Scripture, Tradition, and a deep life of prayer.

St. Thomas had a particular devotion to the Holy Eucharist, recognizing it as the source and summit of the Christian life, and he composed many of the Church's most cherished Eucharistic hymns, such as Adoro Te Devote, Pange Lingua, and Tantum Ergo, which are still sung in parishes around the world today. Despite his intellectual achievements, Aquinas remained humble, often referring to his own work as "straw" compared to the greatness of God's revelation, especially after a profound mystical experience near the end of his life that led him to stop writing altogether.

MISSION MEMBER REGISTRATION

New families or persons who wish to register in this mission, please complete St. Benedict Mission Member Registration Form and approach Rev Fr. Fanzwa and introduce yourself.

Are you a UK taxpayer? UK taxpayers can sign up for Gift Aid, and we can collect 25% more from your offerings!

Please see Rev Fr. Fanzwa, for details.

Gift Aid Declaration Form, Standing Order Form

Please use the links for the respective forms.

MASS SCHEDULE

MON | 26.01.26 Feast of Saints Timothy and Titus	06:45 am 10:00 am	Holy Qurbana Latin Mass
TUE | 27.01.26	06:45 am 10:00 am	Holy Qurbana Latin Mass
WED | 28.01.26 Feast of Saint Thomas Aquinas	06:45 am 07:00 pm	Holy Qurbana Holy Qurbana, *Perpetual* Succour Novena, Adoration
THU | 29.01.26	06:45 am 10:00 am	Holy Qurbana Latin Mass
FRI | 30.01.26	06:45 am 07:00 pm 07:30 pm	Holy Qurbana Rosary, Confession Holy Qurbana, Adoration till 10 pm
SAT | 31.01.26	10:00 am	Latin Mass
SUN | 01.02.26	07:30 am 09:30 am 09:30 am 10:30 am 11:00 am	Holy Qurbana Latin Mass Catechism in school Confession Holy Qurbana

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

18.01.2026 | SUNDAY

11:00 am - £154.97
Digital collection plate: £0.00

Many thanks for all your generous contributions.

Refreshments after Qurbana. All are welcome.
NO Drinks or Refreshments allowed inside the Church.

DATES FOR DIARY

01.02.26 | SUNDAY - Pradhinidhi Yogam
01.02.26 | SUNDAY - CML Snack Sale
20.02.26 | FRIDAY - 3 days Annual Retreat - DAY 1
21.02.26 | SATURDAY - 3 days Annual Retreat - DAY 2
22.02.26 | SUNDAY - 3 days Annual Retreat - LAST DAY

NEWS & UPDATES

BIBLE READING: As a new year's resolution, we started the Bible reading for our catechism children on Monday, 5/1/25, from 8:30 pm for 15 minutes. The aim is to finish Bible reading in the next year, and it is an encouragement for the children for Bible reading. Please encourage all children to join in this prayerful time. Please visit catechism WhatsApp groups for updates.

ANNUAL RETREAT: Welcome to the Annual Retreat led by Rev Fr Pozhaliparamban VC.

20/02/2026 - 6:00 pm to 9:30 pm
21/02/2026 - 3:00 pm to 9:00 pm
22/02/2026 - 11:00 am to 4:00 pm (11 am Holy Qurbana)

CATECHISM: The school gate will be open from 9.20 am to 9.30 am. Kindly follow the instructions by volunteers. Catechism will start at 9:30 am and finish with Holy Qurbana at 11:00 am. All children should participate in Qurbana. Children are not allowed to leave the church premises until and unless parents get permission from the class teacher or head teacher in advance. After the Holy Qurbana, parents are requested to come forward to collect their children in Year 1 to Year 6 please. Parents are kindly requested to regularly check for any updates regarding catechism in the SBM Parents Teachers WhatsApp group as well. Also, please contact Head Teacher Jini Baiju at 07576 840 870 to join this WhatsApp group. Catechism Calendar 2025 - 2026.

NO Car Parking in Church premises on **Sundays** due to health and safety concerns. Please use the Parkfield Road or car park in B8 1EP. Please **do not** park/stop/drop on yellow lines.

CAR PARK POST CODE: B8 1EP, St Saviours Road

There is separate Entry and Exit for this Car Park, which is next to the Mosque will be open on **Sundays** and two minutes walking distance to the church.



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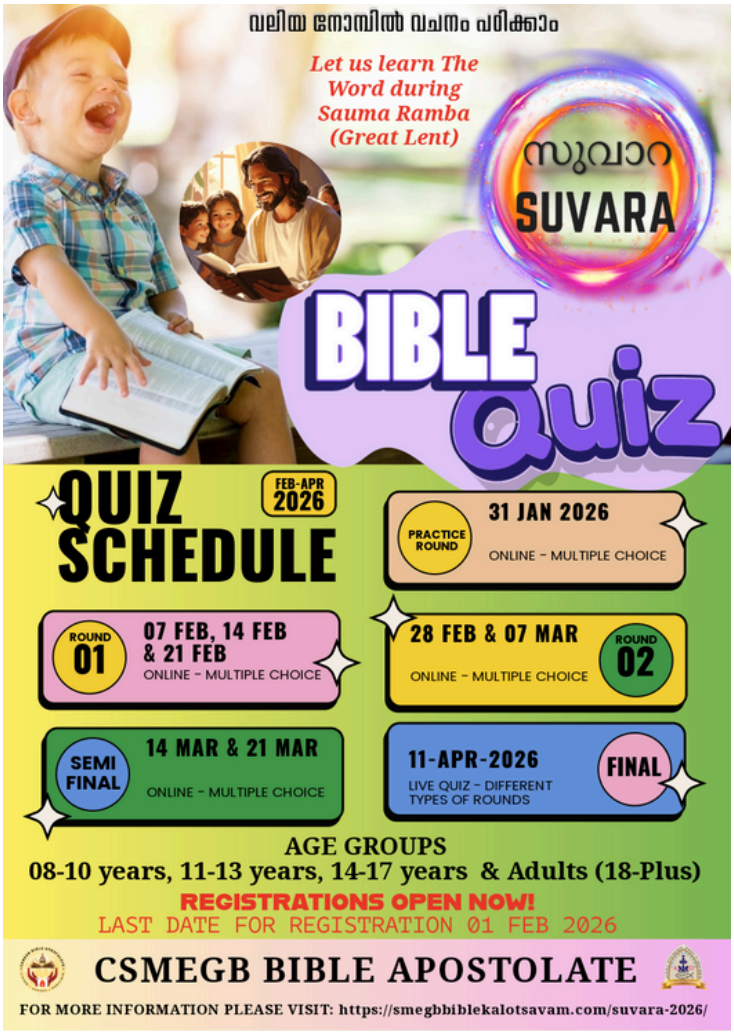



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