

Anniversaries:

Joanna Elflain, Stephen Wheatley, Guilielmuis Comerford, Ronald Johnson, Francesecsa Nippress, Reginald Smith, Lygia Walters, Richard Thomas, Clare Woolaghan, Mary Barry-Gregory, Mary Chandradasa, Sister Colette Clearv, Eric Du Casse, Robin Flindall, Michael Reilly, Christopher Stubbs, Andrew Cloonan OFM,, Daniel Healy, John McGovern, Joan Neenan, Amelio Tolaini, Mavis Bruce, Denis L'Estrange, Percy Wartnaby, Julian Famiglietti, Terence McGraph,

Advanced Notice Pentecost Sunday

There will be road closures due to Ride London taking place, as a result we would recommend walking to Mass on this day.

For Chiqwell there will be no mass on the Sunday but a 6pm vigil mass on Saturday 27th May.

Mass Timetable The masses on Saturday evening and Sunday at St Thomas' are live streamed

SUNDAY MASSES

1st Mass: 6pm Saturday; 8.30am; 10am & 11.30am Sunday (The 11.30am Mass is recorded)



Join us for tea/coffee after Sunday Mass in the Becket Centre

10am Chigwell Convent

WEEKDAY MASSES

10am St Thomas' 9.30am Chigwell Convent except on Saturday's when mass takes place at 10am

> CONFESSIONS Saturdays 10.30 to 11am and 5.15 to 5.45 pm

BAPTISMS 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month

Retiring Collection

There will be a retiring collection this weekend for world communications



A FAIRTRADE PARISH

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Seventh Sunday of Easter (A) 21st May 2023

Please note the nearest Fire Exit to you whilst you are in the Church

Christ was the supreme broadcaster. He came to glorify God on earth and make his Father known. On this World Communications Day, we celebrate the role of the media in continuing his mission.

First Reading Acts 1:12-14

Jesus' disciples were known as "apostles", a word that means sent on a mission.

Second Reading 1 Peter 4:13-16

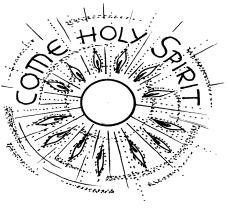
St Peter tells us that it is a glorious thing to bear the name "Christian".

Gospel John 17:1-11

Jesus hands on his mission and prays for those to whom it has been entrusted.

Responsorial Psalm

I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living



Pentecost

The Holy Spirit seems to be allowing celebration of his feast to be more difficult this year.



Throughout the day there is to be no vehicular access to St Thomas or Chiqwell Convent. No problem for walkers. So if you need to use a car you will have to find a parking spot somewhere nearby which you can reach and then complete the journey on foot. To help you there will be an extra mass at Chiqwell Convent on Saturday. 27th at 6 pm. Mass will be at the usual times in St Thomas and I have no doubt that you will all find a way to be there. In these days of uncertainty we are in special need of the Holy Spirit with all the gifts he brings. For some it is an exceptional day. The 4 remaining members of our Journey of Faith will receive the sacrament of Confirmation at the 10 am Mass.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Last Tuesday 14 committed to this ministry spent a time in adoration and reviewed our practice in church and taking the Lord to homes. I hope the rest will come tomorrow (22 May) at 7.30 to do the same so that we are all up to date. Our prayer in common though occasional and brief is especially important for this ministry. I am still concerned that there may be some housebound, some perhaps lonely, who would benefit and wish for the sacrament. Please do not be shy of asking. Our Ministers really want to come to you and they receive as much in giving as you in receiving.

A number who have ministered – and some for many years – have now stood down from the practice. On your behalf and mine I thank them for their service.

First Holy Communion

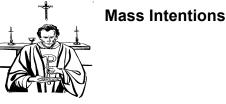
The series of 10 special masses for our newcomers to Holy Communion began last weekend. We have work to do to make sure that these are truly masses of prayer. It can happen that many well-intentioned friends who do not understand church practice dominate the service and harm its purpose. I ask that all who come will take a full part in praying the mass and not as spectators.

St Francis Exhibition

Free tours of the National Gallery Exhibition are being offered by a Member of the Secular Franciscans on Friday evenings and Saturday Afternoon. For more information please contact Angela Ampolo on mimmo.ampolo@gmail.com

> Car Park Bicycle Stand

The Parish Council have arranged for a cycle stand to be installed in the Church car park on **Tuesday 23 May**. This may mean that there may be restricted use of the car park on that day.



Sunday 21st May 8.30 Maureen Kivin

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Monday 22nd May Ronald Johnson anniversary Norma McMahon anniversary Chigwell Catherine Holland anniversary

Tuesday 23rd May Frank Costello anniversary Christina Ryan anniversary Chris Whapton RIP

Wednesday 24th May John Buckley RIP Fred McIntyre sick Helena O'Reilly RIP

Funeral 11am John Green

Thursday 25th May John Griffin RIP Martha Charles RIP Trinity intentions

Friday 26th May Frank Fitzpatrick RIP wed anniversary Sheila McSharry RIP Anita Andrade thanks giving

Saturday27th May10Maureen Kivineen RIP6Galyna Szyzonenka RIPChigwell60Dominic Correia anniversary

Sunday28th May8.30Frank Costello anniversary10Kathleen J White RIP11.30Dora Murphy anniversary

Parish Office

The Parish Office will be closed on 25th May all day for staff training

Church Cleaning

Friday 26h May at 9am Claire Hobbs, Susanna Barnoin, Michelle Liddle, Agatha Emohare, Susan Juffs, Julia Bever & Liz Atkinson

English Tuition

Do you feel your child would benefit from extra support with their English and English literature curriculum? I am about to start a new GCSE group <u>on</u> <u>Friday June 16th (in the</u> Becket centre). I also offer A Level English Literature and Language/ Literature tuition. I am a fully qualified English teacher with over 20 years experience - I currently teach full time in East London. I am DBS checked and fully insured. Please email for details. <u>theresaosullivan2002@yahoo.co.uk</u>

Vacancy

St Anthony's School are looking to recruit a KS1/KS2 Class Teacher Please visit the school website for more information

Church Notice Board

Please note that if you wish to display any item on the Church Notice Board this **MUST** be handed into the Parish Office in the first instance for approval.