

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Truci Abrahams, Baby Oliver Barker, Angela Barrett, Sam Barter, Miss Terry Bennett, Catherine Bissmire, Sandra Bourke, Arlene Bowman, Angela Bromfield, Geoff Brown, Gerry Cook, Mary Cooney, Irene de Freitas, Conor Dempsey, Dermot Devlin, Anthony Doherty, Don Dourado, Laurie Durrant, Chris Fitzgerald, Ian Fitzgerald, Trish Gardner, Cynthia Gregory, Betty Halliday, Doris Harriss, Joan Hayes, Pat Harold, Lisa Hettiaracachi, Annie Keenan, Jane Kirk, Rory McCreesh, Frank McDermott, Audrey McDonnell, Mary McKay, Roger Machin, Camille Malone, Jutta Menzies, Dr. Douglas Murphy, Roseanne O'Connor, Dymrna O'Donnell, Liam O'Sullivan, Evaritia (Linda Palmer's Mother), Matthew Piper, Lily Reding, Jean-Yves de Sainte-Croix de la Sabliere, Debbie Smythe, Madelaine Sydric, Helen Taylor, Astrid Turner, Luciana Vaughan, Andrew Vaughan & Rita Watkins.

Lately dead: Sarah White, Lygia Walters & Mary Chandradasa

Lygia's funeral is on Tuesday 5th June at 10am in St Thomas'

Anniversaries: Patrick Brolly, Salih Raymond, Mary Poynter, Bernard Halliday, Aldo Iervolino, Liam McGowan, Margaret McCreesh & Patrick Black

SUNDAY MASSES

St. Thomas'
1st Mass Sat. 6pm; 8.30am;
10am (Children's Liturgy)
11.30am
Chigwell Convent
10am
St. James URC
(Buckhurst Hill)
9am (Children's Liturgy)

WEEKDAY

MASSES
St. Thomas'
10am
Chigwell Convent
9.30am
Saturday 10am
(1st Weds of the month)
No morning Mass
Trinity High School

SATURDAY
CONFESSIONS
St. Thomas'
10.30am - 11.30am
5.00pm - 5.45pm
Chigwell Convent
After 10am Mass
BAPTISMS
1st and 3rd Sundays

SACRED HEART COMPANIONS

The Sacred Heart Companions will have their monthly meeting on Monday the 4th of June at 2pm at Chigwell Convent.

Parish Annual Sponsored Walk for BCCS

This year's walk through Epping Forest for Brentwood Catholic Children's Society is on Sat 23rd June. The walk is suitable for ALL ages, families are especially welcomed. These walks are a major fundraiser for BCCS, last year we raised over £3000. Please contact David Underwood on 07905 741033 for more info & for registration and sponsorship forms.

URGENT—House needed

Our parish telco group are involved in an application to the home office to bring a family from Syria to Redbridge through the UN. We are looking for a 2-4 bedroomed house/flat in Redbridge. We have a refugee housing charity called ARHAG who will guarantee the local housing benefit rate (£859 -£1395 2-4 bedroom) from now and will pay for any renovations needed and upkeep of the property for a 3 year lease.

Please email Gemma Constable at gemmabourdillon3@hotmail.com

Catholic Singles

Is an organisation which helps single Catholics of all ages (over 18) meet other single Catholics, either one to one or through social events. For more info visit www.catholicingles.org.uk or tel 0161 941 3498



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The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) Cycle B

3rd June 2018

Christ Jesus is the greatest gift of God to humanity. Yet every gift is measured not just by its value but by our ability to receive that gift. In the Eucharist we are given a way to receive Christ.



First Reading

Exodus 24:3-8

Worship is a matter of obedience, because only God can reveal God.

Second Reading

Hebrews 9:11-15

In Christ death, which was the end, becomes the way to eternal life.

Gospel

Mark 14:12-16. 22-26

Old wine for new wine. Old lives for new lives. That is the kingdom.

Responsorial Psalm

The cup of salvation I will raise;
I will call on the Lord's name.

Mass-on-the-Grass No Sunday mass in St Thomas' next Week

Nothing happening at 8.30 or 10 am. Instead we will gather in the Friary garden for a united mass of all the parish families and people, starting at 11.30. Bring a sun-hat and something to sit on. We provide a few chairs which are only for the infirm. Bring a picnic and it will be great if you can share it with somebody you do not yet know. Please keep your family together for the Mass. We do invite those who have recently received their First Holy Communion to come in the dress of that memorable day. It will be a jolly Mass thanks to our excellent 10am group who will play at the Mass and after. The Theme: *We are God's family in Woodford*. Suitable readings from Sts Paul, Luke and our Pope. It will be appreciated if you leave the car parking spaces for the infirm and less nimble of foot. Please pray for fine weather. It will be a great leisurely day so do join us.

Parish AGM July 15th

Will be after the 11.30 Mass. We need to elect 3 new members to the Council. At present we do not enjoy a good gender balance. We need more ladies. The importance of the council grows each year. The church of the clergy is past. It is your church, and will blossom or fade according to the enthusiasm and leadership you bring to the task of making a real family of the parish. That involves seeing rightly the priorities; then initiating and following up action to achieve the targets. It is an enjoyable and rewarding task.

Church cleaning

I wrote last week of our acute need of church cleaners. I am not aware of any response. So I repeat: the basic task of keeping a minimum standard of order and cleanliness of the church is falling more heavily on people who have been doing it for many years, and whose energies are fading. I look to you the next generation who we need to take over. I know you are busy but it is the busy person who can

find the time. Just an hour or so every 7 weeks. Please think about it.

THE PARISH COUNCIL meets tomorrow evening at 8 pm. There will be no new business. Instead we will I hope review our performance in the year coming to its end. We have had successes. There have also been failures notably in organisation of our meetings. Then inevitably there are projects and work in progress. I hope a sort of preliminary agenda for the next year of the Council will emerge.

PRINTING THE NEWSLETTER

Volunteers urgently needed. With enough on the rota it would only be a commitment once every 6-7 weeks and takes less than an hour on a Friday. Full instruction will be given. If you are interested please contact Mario@harbour-residential.com

KEEP THE HOME FIRES BURNING

Once again Mickie Driver and Pearly Productions will be visiting us on Thursday 14th June at 2pm for a concert to mark the centenary of the end of the Great War. This is being hosted by the Wanstead and Woodford Association for the Blind. There is no charge but we would like to have an idea of numbers. If you would like to come please phone 07790 330371.

No 10am Mass Sat 9th June

Instead at 11am a Mass of Thanksgiving for the Golden Jubilee of Fr Isidore's Ordination. All are most welcome to attend this auspicious and historic occasion.

There will be a reception afterwards in the Becket Centre.

GDPR

The Diocese is preparing for GDPR, which came into force on 25th May 2018. Please visit the diocesan website to read the diocesan Data Protection Procedure and the Data Privacy Notice: <http://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/diocese/data-protection/>

CHURCH CLEANING

Saturday 9th June, 10.00am if you can:
Deborah Butterworth, Rachel Woolf, Rosie O'Connor & Deborah McNamara

Message for Saturday team cleaning on 9th June. This is the day of Fr Isidore's Mass (at 11am) If you are available could you come a bit earlier so the church will be clean well before mass (there is no 10am mass). Thank you - Pat

TEA AFTER 10am MASS

We need 2 more people once every 7 weeks. If you think you could help contact Pat on 0208 504 4577 or pop into the Becket Centre after the 10am mass and have a word, I am there most Sundays.

USHERS/STEWARDS AT 10am Sunday Mass

We are looking for families to help out at 10am mass. The commitment is once every 6 weeks welcoming people, handing out service sheets, conducting the Offertory collection, etc. A really good way of meeting new people and getting your children involved in the mass. Guidance given. Please contact David Underwood at davidmt.underwood@ntlworld.com

BABY SITTER WANTED

For 3 - 4 evenings per week and a few hours during the day. Must have experience with newborns. Please call 07769 328745

CWL

Next meeting Wednesday 6th June at 8pm in the Assisi Room.

Frank & Rosa Fitzpatrick

Thank everyone most sincerely for their good wishes, masses, cards & flowers on the occasion of their Diamond Wedding last Saturday. We will express our thanks by having a mass offered for all your intentions

PARISH CONCERT JUNE 30TH

A tribute to the Centenary of Armistice and the 80th Anniversary of Kindertransport. The 'Lux Aeterna' Ensemble and Parish Choir will present Karl Jenkin's 'Mass for Peace : the Armed Man' and many other favourites. Tickets on sale from the Parish Office. £14 - free entry for accompanied children. Are you able to sponsor the concert with donations of refreshments?

Scripture Sharing Group

Readers and any interested parishioners are welcome to attend. We will meet on Thursday 7th June at 7.30pm in the Becket Centre, for approx 1 hour. You are invited to share & reflect on the readings of the following Sunday's Liturgy. It is not a discussion group, but a means to explore and deepen our understanding of the Word of God. All are welcome.



BAPTISM'S IN MAY

We are delighted to welcome into the parish community - Dylan Vij-Gupta, India Rose Saund, Lucian Arthur George Clarkin, Arthur Joseph Andrew Clarkin, Lyra Brown, Hailey Scarlett Collendavelloo & Joseph Benjamin McKay who were all baptised in St Thomas'.

Trinity School

The following posts are available
Teacher of Science MPS/UPS Sept 2018
Part time - Teacher of Music MPS?UPS (Temporary Maternity cover) Sept 2018
School Chaplain 24 hours per week
Finance Officer 28 hours per week Visit the school's website for more details.

SVP

Thank you for the generous donations to their collection last weekend, the money will be used to help families in need.