

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Truci Abrahams, Peter Anderson, Baby Oliver Barker, Angela Barrett, Miss Terry Bennett, Sandra Bourke, Arlene Bowman, Angela Bromfield, Geoff Brown, Gerry Cook, Irene de Freitas, Don Dourado, Betty Halliday, Doris Harriss, Margaret Jones, Margaret McDonnell, Camille Malone, Jutta Menzies, Janet Morris, Dr. Douglas Murphy, Betty Norton, Greta O'Donnell, +-Maureen Pestell, Maureen Pollock, Lily Reding, Joan Reynolds, Debbie Smythe, John Stokes, Madelaine Sydric, Astrid Turner, Rita Watkins,

Anniversaries: Peggy and Charles Collins, Rita Conlon, Una Scully

Lately Dead: Martin Flynn, Patrick Jolly, Rita Lambert, Ophelia Nazareth (Olga Machado's sister), Patricia Vicars.

Pamela Brolly wishes to thank you all for your prayers, Mass cards and messages of sympathy on the loss of her dear husband, Patrick. A very special "thank you" to Fr. Michael, Kathryn Wilson and the CWL ladies for their extreme kindness. All greatly appreciated, and it would have meant so much to Patrick.

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
8.20am on Lower Site.

CHURCH CLEANING

Friday 10.30am 7th July Rachel Varney, Lisa McDonnell, Carole Burns, Sheila Charles, Janet Walker.

We are looking for 2 people to help clean the church once in 7 weeks for about one hour in a team of 5 people. We need someone for a Thursday morning at 9am and someone for Saturday at 10.30am. Please ring Pat Bell on 020 8504 4577 or leave your details in the parish office.

GARDEN ROOM

Short term accommodation for rent in South Woodford

Self contained unit own bathroom, TV, wifi, fridge, sofa bed and side access. Sleeps 2. mivanlinto@yahoo.co.uk
<http://abnb.me/EVmg/aWfpk0wAsD>.

SACRED HEART COMPANIONS

Will have their monthly meeting on Monday, 3rd July at 2pm at Chigwell Convent

WANTED

A local family looking for a nanny to look after two children from September. 11months & 4 Yr old (at school), to be picked up from St. Antonys. If interested please contact Fiona 07912476123.

SATURDAY

CONFESSIONS
St. Thomas'
10.30am—11.30am
5.00pm—5.45pm
Chigwell Convent
After 10am Mass
BAPTISMS
1st and 3rd Sundays
Of the month

St Thomas of Canterbury

557/559 High Road, Woodford Green, Essex IG8 0RB

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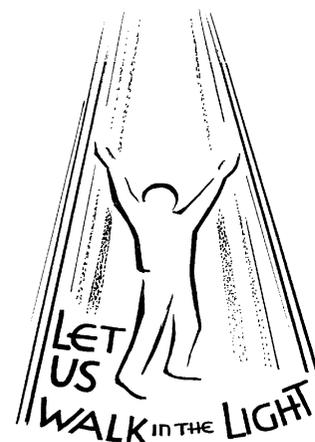
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13TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME CYCLE A

2ND JULY 2017



We gather for our Sunday Eucharist, as Catholics have done throughout the ages, rejoicing that the Lord will speak to us, will offer us himself in Holy Communion.

First Reading

2 Kings 4:8-11. 14-16

In response to a couple who generously provide him with food and lodging, the prophet Elisha promises that, despite their advanced years, they will soon have the son they have longed for.

Second Reading

Romans 6:3-4. 8-11

In baptism we joined Christ in his death, and so we will join him in his risen life and be alive in him for ever.

Gospel

Matthew 10:37-42

Following Jesus means taking up the cross; a reward awaits those who welcome his disciples

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord

PARISH AGM

16th July after the 11.30am Mass in the Becket Centre.

You can read the proposed amended Constitution which will be offered for acceptance at the meeting. Please note that we are looking for 2 or 3 nominees who will be willing to join the Council for the coming year.

A GREAT BIG THANKS

The Parish Fete Committee would like to express their gratitude for all the many donations that we received for this year's Parish Fete and to all of the volunteers who assisted and worked so hard on the day.

SUMMER FAYRE 2018

Too early to think about it? Well, yes and no. You need to recover from this week's exhaustion first. But we need to start looking to see who will steer the work for next summer. If you are willing to help please tell Quentin or the Parish Council.

ACROSS

Charity to provide transport and support to enable those with special care needs to go on pilgrimages to Lourdes.

Requires a HR/Admin Administrator
For further information please email contactus@across.org.uk.

To apply for the role, please submit a CV and covering letter to Debbie Hourihan via email as above. Closing date 10th July.

ST JOHN'S SUMMER FETE 8th July 2017

Turpins Lane, Woodford Bridge IG8 8AX from 12pm—4pm. Colin McMillian Boxing Champion to open. Many stalls and crafts for the family to enjoy. Come and join us 020 8504 1818.

PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

22nd July

The cost is £14 per head, children free. Please make cheques payable to St. Thomas of Canterbury Church Parish Account or cash and send to parish office by Wednesday to confirm your place. More details to follow.

SCRIPTURE SHARING

There will be a Scripture Sharing Group on 6th July in the Clare Room, upstairs in the Becket Centre. All are welcome.

HOLY FAMILY LAY ASSOCIATES

Meeting 3rd July 2017 at Maureen's House at 7.30pm.

REPOSITORY

To celebrate the Centenary of Our Lady of Fatima we are now able to order statues for those who would like one in their home. Two small samples are available to view.

MOTHER'S PRAYER GROUP

Tuesday 4th July in the Francis Room after the 10am Mass.

CWL

Meeting 5th July in the Assisi Room 8pm

REQUIRED

Assistant Caretaker & Handyman to work with a busy team a.s.a.p. for Trinity High School. Closing date 9th July 2017.
<http://fc.tchs.uk.net> for more details.

CATHOLIC HISTORY WALKS

Smells & Bells—London Catholic Culture Monday 10th July 2pm. Meet at St. Martin in the Fields, Trafalgar Square, walking to St. Paul's via Covent Garden. Nearest tube: Charing Cross or Leicester Square.

BEREAVEMENT GROUP

The Bereavement Group will be holding their annual Afternoon Tea in the Becket Centre this afternoon between 3.00 pm and 5.00 pm.

We would like to welcome ALL who have been bereaved and particularly those who have lost their loved ones in the last year.

ST ANTONY'S SCHOOL MASQUERADE BALL

Following the news of her impending retirement, the parents of St. Antony's School are organising a Ball in honour of Ms Chris Curtis. St. Antony's Masquerade Ball will be taking place on Sat. 16th Dec. 2017 at the Prince Regent Hotel. Tickets £65 per person for champagne reception, 3 course dinner and a half bottle of wine p.p. plus live music from Hot Stuff. Please contact Aine Wood on ainewood4@gmail.com should you wish to join us in celebrating Ms Curtis' dedication over the past 22 years to St. Antony's School.

1ST HOLY COMMUNION 2017-2018

Applications are now available from the back of the church. If your child will be in Year 3 in September, please take one and return it to the parish office a.s.a.p. Closing date for applications is Friday, 1st September 2017.

Applications after this date will not be accepted

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK 24TH JULY

£699 p.p. sharing. Led by Fr. John Corbyn, Wickford. Contact Patricia 01268 762278 or knockpilgrimages@gmail.com for more information.

There will be a Diocesan Collection for Peter's Pence after all Masses this weekend.

TELCO

REFUGEE FAMILY

St. Thomas' TELCO Team are working with a team of other faith organisations in Redbridge in a community sponsorship project. This is a government scheme whereby local communities are involved in the welcoming and resettlement of a vulnerable refugee family fleeing war.

The group is looking to recruit befrienders for the family and would welcome applications for parishioners who would be willing to dedicate some regular time to the family; experience in working with refugees/vulnerable people would be helpful but not essential.

If you have any additional experience/skills helpful to such a family (teaching English/translating/play therapy/house maintenance for example) contact us gemmabourdillon3@hotmail.com.

FABRIC TEAM

Our small team does some basic fixing and mending around the Church and Becket Centre. We need two more members to spread the load.

If you have reasonable basic DIY skills and experience, and a little time every now and again, email fabricteam16@gmail.com for more information.

Please note: for anything we cannot safely do, we bring contractors in.

WELCOME AT 10AM MASS

We are looking for some fresh faces to join the Stewards' rota at Sunday 10am Mass. Working in a team of 4 once every six weeks.

Duties include welcoming people, handing out service sheets and weekly newsletters, conducting the offertory collect and guiding congregation to Communion.

Young families very welcome to join. Please contact David on 07905 741033.