

### **BEREAVEMENT SERVICE**

The annual Bereavement Service will be held in the church on this afternoon, Sunday, 10th November at 4pm. All are welcome to join us in the Becket Centre for a cup of tea afterwards.

### **NEW TO THE PARISH?**

If you are new to the parish or have moved within the parish please contact the parish office so that we can keep our records up to date. Grateful thanks.

### **REQUIEM MASS**

The Bi-Annual Concelebrated Requiem Mass at St. Patrick's Cemetery, Leytonstone, will be on Monday, 11th November at 11.30am.

### **CHURCH CLEANING**

Friday 10.30am 15th November Rachel Varney, Lisa McDonnell, Carole Burns, Sheila Charles, Janet Walker.

### **NOVEMBER DEAD LIST**

Mass will be offered daily during the month of November for your loved ones. Envelopes are available from the back of the church. Please return either through the Friary letterbox (no need to ring the bell) or the parish office.

### **CAKE SALE**

The Brownies, Rainbows, Guides are putting on a Cake Sale in the Becket Centre after Church Parade today.

### **SOUP RUN FOR THE HOMELESS**

We are up London again on Wednesday night and would be grateful to receive sandwiches, fruit, cakes, sweets and warm men's clothing. Items can be left in the parish office on Wed. morning or in the Becket Centre between 7pm and 8pm on Wed. evening.

### **ST. ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL RECEPTION APPLICATIONS**

For those children whose dates of birth fall between 1st Sept 2009 and 31st August 2010. Applications are made on line [www.redbridge.gov.uk](http://www.redbridge.gov.uk).

The parish office requires completed Forms A & B, together with copy of child's baptism certificate and non-returnable family photo. Closing date is 15th January 2014.

### **FRANCISCAN MARTYRS**

A new group of Franciscan martyrs (Friars Minor & SFO) has been declared Blessed. They are part of a larger group of 522 martyrs beatified in Tarragona (Spain) Oct. 2013. They offered their heroic witness of faith in the course of the bloody religious persecution in Spain in 1936. They are: Br. Antonio Lopez Faundez and Br. Buenaventura Munoz Martinez and Pedro Sanchez Barba & Fulgencio Garcia Martinez.

### **VALENTINE SINGERS**

Music from Italy in the Afternoon. Featuring Puccini Messa di Gloria music by Rossini and other Italian delights for voices and piano on Sunday, 17th November at 4.30pm. Banardo's Church, Tanners Lane, Barkingside. Tkts £10, £5 (students/benefit holders) £2 supplement at the door. Box office 020 8550 4654. Tickets also available from The Mayfair Stationers, 80 High Street, Barkingside.

### **ADVENT WREATH WORKSHOP**

Join the creative hands in our parish in an evening to make an Advent Wreath. Come along at 7.30pm in the Becket Centre on Thursday, 28th November with a large bag of decorative foliage and get busy. All wreaths made on the night will be for sale at the Parish Christmas Fayre. Proceeds to the Church.

### **UNMARKED MONEY**

It would be most helpful if you could clearly mark any monies put through the letter box so that we can make sure it goes to the right place. Grateful thanks.

### **WELCOME**

We welcome into the parish community Ava and Dylan Perriment, Keya Maria Vyas who were baptised in St. Thomas' last weekend.

### **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY**

Thank you from St. Thomas' Conference to parishioners for your generosity to the October collection which raised £686.

### **CAFOD**

The Christmas Catalogue is available at the back of the church. Please take one.

### **GREAT TRINITY GHOST LECTURE**



"The Chronicles of the Crypt". Do come for a most chilling night out. Refreshments provided including wine. Admission fee £2. All proceeds go to the school fund. Thursday, 14th November 7.30pm in the Ratcliffe Hall, Upper Site.

### **1ST HOLY COMMUNION**

The parents are reminded of the talk on Baptism on Wednesday, 13th November at 8pm in the Becket Centre.

### **STEWARDS REQUIRED**

Volunteers are required to help assist with stewarding at the 6pm Mass on Saturdays. If you would like to find out more about being a Steward please contact Myrtle Scannell on 020 8504 6609 or 07956 289441.

### **PARISH CHRISTMAS FAYRE**



Will take place on 30th November 1pm—4pm. It is a great day for the Parish to get together as a community. We do ask for your support, firstly by coming along and secondly, by

donating generously. This year we need donations of any unwanted gifts, toiletries and jewellery but request that no jumble or videos are donated. We have a special request for any Christmas puddings/cakes homemade or shop bought, jams, pickles breads etc., as we are going to run a stall just for them! Please bring on the day or contact Mary Charter 8504 3798. We thank you in advance for your continued support.

**The Christmas Fayre Team.**

### **TELCO**

Under the Umbrella of London Citizens has been battling for a living wage for neigh on 12 years and we are getting there slowly. St. Thomas' was represented at Portcullis House on Thursday at its launch.

The London Living Wage is currently £8.80 an hour inside London and £7.65 outside. This is now set annually by the Mayors' economic team and is based on the cost of living in the Capital. It is announced each November and is voluntary but little by little more companies are signing up and feeling the benefit of a more contented and loyal staff. Although not all departments in Whitehall are currently Living Wage Employers our MP Iain Duncan Smith has decided to do so in his Department.

Find out if your Authority is a Living Wage employer: it has six months to implement it.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR

**Sick:-** Phil Archer, Ellen Armstrong, Mary Barnes, Alice Binder, Moira Bisset, Angela & Kerry Bromfield, Liz Channer, Chris Callow, Elsie Carey, Veronica Carroll, Claire, David Clancy, Violet Clark, Sue Crail, Kathie Crowley, Chanelle Conway, Alan Cornish, Noreen Coyle, Kate Crowley, Mary Cullis, Siobhan Davids, Tomoko Dawson, Karen Davies, Donald Dourado, Mary Duffy, Michael Durcan, Harold Elston, Alan Farmer, Ray Finney, Fr. Jim Fitzpatrick, Irene & Carter de Freitas, Nora Gaiger, Martin Garnar, Judy & John Gilmartin, Joan Green, Pat Greene, Amelia Halfyard, Doris Harriss, Rowland Hill, Veronica Hutchison, Stephen Jannece, Derek Jones, Laura Kennedy, Fr. Austin Kinsella O.F.M., Jacqui Lebaz, Lauren, Daniel Lucey, Fr. Austin McCormack O.F.M., Dennis McMullen, Mary McKay, Anne McShea, Ron Mallett, Hannah Martin, Paul Mason, Sadie Meade, Jutta Menzies, Kathleen Meyler, Pat Meyler, Maureen Noden, Anthony O'Boyle, Mary O'Boyle, Joanne O'Boyle, Mary O'Connor, Katie O'Neil, Lucy Owen, Lily Reding, Mark Pateman, Anneli Prowse, Jacky Rott, Ann Rowley, Sandra Sifflett, Debbie Smythe, Karen Spencer, Carmel Sweeney, Mary Taylor, Alfi Thompson, Eileen Vallely, Terry Wauer, Monica Worsfold.

And for all the sick and housebound of the parish.

**Lately Dead:-** Rosie Armstrong, Wally Evans, Charles Green, Patrick Joseph Kelly, Bobby Kelly, Mrs Leahy, Christina O'Sullivan.

*Wally Evans' Requiem will take place on Friday, 15th November at 10.30am at Our Lady of Grace, Chingford.*  
**May he rest in peace.**

**Anniv:** Baby Rhys Williams

### RETIRED NURSE REQUIRED

Must be driver—prepared to do 9am.–2pm Monday—Friday looking after the elderly. For more details contact 0208 606 0329.

### ASSISI LUNCH

Please note the Assisi Lunch for November will be on Friday, 22nd November.

### TUESDAY CLUB

“CHRISTMAS IS COMING” We welcome back Jenifer Plummer for another entertaining talk. Look forward to seeing you all at 2pm on the 12th November in the Becket Centre.

### SACRISTAN ROTAS

Please note the Sacristan Rotas are in the Sacristy.

### 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.

### 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

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## 32ND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR CYCLE C

10th NOVEMBER 2013



In following Christ we may be called to suffer for our faith; but such times of trial are also opportunities to bear witness to him.

### First Reading (Malachi 3:19-20)

The Lord comes in judgement but also with healing.

### Second Reading (2 Thessalonians 3:7-12)

Waiting for Christ's return is no reason to sit in idleness but rather to earn one's own bread.

### Gospel (Luke 21:5-9)

In the face of persecution and hostility Christians are called to bear witness to their faith.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The Lord comes to rule the peoples with fairness.