

P LEASE PRAY FOR

Sick:- Richard Abangwu, Mike Angelo, Baby Oliver Barker, Angela Barrett, Miss Terry Bennett, Angela Bromfield, Claire, Teresa Daly, Nigel Dillon, Karla Doherty, Irene & Carter de Freitas, Don Dourado, Raymond Flynn, Cynthia Gregory, Mary Grisdale, Doris Harriss, Jane Kirk, Roger Machin, Camille Malone, Patrick McGurk, Yomi McEwen, Mary McKay, Jutta Menzies, David Morgan, Joan Reynolds, Jacky Rott, Debbie Smythe, Astrid Turner, Roswitha Wagener, Rita Watkins,

And for all the sick and housebound of the parish.

Anniversaries:- Thomas Cruzs, Vera Finan, Tony Judge,

Lately Dead: Dr. Olaf Brinkenhoff. Tony Keane, William Macpherson,

GEORGE -THE HANDYMAN

If you need something for repair, painting or decoration – also garden work, please contact text sms or call 07405787338. George “handyman” . References available also Certificate of Disclosure

CHURCH CLEANING

Saturday 10.30am 1st October, Charmaine Turnell, Rachel Woolf, Christine Pinnock, Rosie O'Connor, Eweline Allen, Deborah McNamara.

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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USED STAMPS

The Chigwell Sisters would like to thank all those who take the trouble to save their used stamps for the missions and place them in the box in the church porch. Your help is greatly appreciated.

BADMINTON CLUB

Badminton has restarted for the autumn term. Why not come and join us for a game on Thursday nights between 8 and 10pm in Trinity School, Mornington Road. For details 'phone Liz 07759 410304.

TUESDAY CLUB

From G.P.O. to B.T. 2pm in the Becket Centre Tuesday, 27th Sept.

COME AND SING

Open Rehearsal Thurs. 6th Oct. 8pm—10pm at Bancrofts School, Woodford Green IG8 ORF The Crofton Singers.

BRENTWOOD NEWS

Is available from the back of the church. Please take a copy.

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26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME CYCLE C

25th SEPTEMBER 2016



The texts that the Church offers for our consideration today are surprisingly forceful, and invite us to examine our conscience about prosperity and poverty.

First Reading (Amos 6:1/ 4-7)

The prophet warns the self-indulgent rich people of his time.

Second Reading: (1 Timothy 6:11-16)

St. Paul encourages his favourite disciple

Gospel (Luke 16:19-31)

Jesus has a pointed lesson for the Pharisees about excessive self-interest and neglect of poor people.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM My soul, give praise to the Lord.

**There will be a second collection this weekend
for Home Mission Sunday**

CERTIFICATE OF PRACTICE FOR SCHOOL ENTRY

I shall provide several more opportunities for you to receive the needed certificate. To start, I will be available in the William Scott Room (upstairs in the Becket Centre) on 28th Sept. 3-4pm, Thursday 29th 7pm—8pm and Friday 30th from 7pm—8pm. Please wait in the Francis Room until your turn. On each occasion I will see only 25 so that there is time to greet you properly. Do note that there will be abundant further opportunities in the following weeks. I do ask you to say honestly what your Catholic practice is. I am not at all happy with the formula that is forced on us by the education authorities.

In the middle of Mass last Sunday I was presented with a message requiring a car to be moved in the car park. This is just not on. The inconsiderate parking and the request are both inappropriate, and I should have ignored it. Please show consideration in using the car park. Be aware you may not find a space, and hence need to move elsewhere rather than abandon your car inconveniencing others.

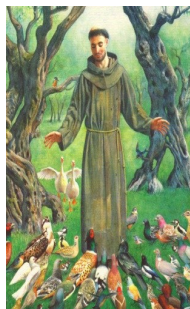
SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Today at 3pm there will be a short Mass for those who are sick or infirm to receive the Sacrament of the Sick. Tea and cakes follow in the Becket Centre. Do what you can to assist them to come.

HOLY FAMILY LAY ASSOCIATES MEETING

Monday, 3rd October, Maureen's House.

FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS



Falls on Wednesday, 4th October. The whole spirituality of our parish is shaped and led by this Saint. His Feast Day Mass will be at 10am on **Tuesday**. But the real celebration will be on **Monday** evening at 7.30pm. That is the time at which Francis died. A moving traditional service—called the Transitus meaning death—re-enacting the dramatic events of his dying hours will be presented in church. Do come and join us for the celebration.

ST. ANTONY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL RECEPTION APPLICATIONS

For those children whose dates of birth fall between 1.09.12 and 31.08.13 and who wish to apply for the Reception classes to start in Sept. 2017. Applications are made on line on the Redbridge website www.redbridge.gov.uk and then follow the link for Admissions, or if you live in another authority please apply direct to them.

The Supplementary Form can be downloaded from the School's website www.stantonyscatholicps.co.uk.

The school is holding an Open Afternoon on Wed. 12th Oct. at 1.45pm.

BAPTISMS

If you need to attend a baptism course for your first child, please contact the parish office for details.

Baptisms take place on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month in St. Thomas'.

WELCOME

We welcome into the Parish Community Sofia Richards, Blake Arlo Harmer Stevens, Lewis Christopher Copping and Harvey Peter Hanshaw who were baptised in St. Thomas' last weekend.

ASSISI LUNCH

Friday, 30th September in the Becket Centre.

SACRED HEART COMPANIONS

Will have their monthly meeting on Monday, 3rd October at 2pm at Chigwell Convent. All new members are welcome.

SOUP RUN FOR THE HOMELESS AND NEEDY

We are up London again on Wednesday and would be grateful to receive sandwiches, cakes, biscuits, sweets, fruit, tins (soup, tuna, beans etc.) toiletries and clean men's clothing. Items can be left in the parish office during opening hours or in the Becket Centre between 6.30pm and 7.30pm on Wednesday evening. With more and more people relying on soup runs we thank you for your continued support.



A BIG THANK YOU

To all parishioners who supported Sainsburys Vouchers for the St. Thomas' Baby Groups. We have received some lovely new equipment. Thank you for your help.

CWL NEARLY NEW AND JUMBLE SALE

On Sat. 22nd Oct. at 2pm in the Becket Centre. Please leave your donations in the church porch.

BUCKHURST HILL MONEY ADVICE SERVICE

Comprises volunteer advisers from local churches and is in urgent need of more advisers. If you have a reasonable understanding of figures and care about helping people who are struggling with debt, please consider joining our team. Full training is provided. Please contact Peter Minoletti on 020 8505 3883 for more information.

The Advice Service is holding a quiz at St. Johns Church, High Road, Buckhurst Hill on 1st October at 7pm to raise funds for the service. Price is £8 including ploughman's supper. If interested please contact Peter Minoletti on 020 8505 3883.

NEW TO THE PARISH?

If you are new to the parish or have moved within the parish, please contact the parish office.

BIBLE STUDY PRAYER GROUP

Led by Sr. Sandra in the Becket Centre on Thursday, 29th September 7.30pm—8.30pm. All are welcome. Do come to learn/share more about the Gospel.

BEAVERS

Should you wish your child to join Beavers, you need to ensure that you have put their name on the waiting list. Beavers start at 6 years old and then move into Cubs when they are 8 years old. They meet on a Monday night for 1 hour from 6.15pm at the Scout hut alongside the Becket Centre. An application form can be obtained by emailing the beaver leader paulineelkin616@gmail.com

