DIOCESAN CELEBRATION OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Please join Bishop Alan and parishioners from across the Diocese at Brentwood Cathedral at 3pm on Sunday, 15th Feb for Mass to celebrate on of the Patrons of Brentwood Diocese, in the week of the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes and World Day of Prayer for the Sick. Many hundreds take part in our Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes each year. Cathy O'Connor, the pilgrimage administrator, will be on hand to answer any queries you have, and the BCYS will also be assisting, just as they do in Lourdes. This special celebration will include candles blessed in Lourdes, and everyone is very welcome. There will be refreshments after the Mass. For more information contact Cathy on 01206 501146.

FAREWELL

Frs. Brian and Michael Copps have now left the parish to take up their new posts. We pray that with the help of our Lord's Grace, they will be guided through the new challenges that lay ahead of them in their new parishes. We shall miss them tremendously.

MEDJUGORJE

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje this Easter. Departing 1st April with British Airways, 7 nights half board accommodation, guide and transfers for £499. Or join 50,000 young people for the Medjugorje Youth Festival departing 30th July. Contact Jonathan on 02032892627.

WANSTEAD & WOODFORD CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP

Will be celebrating Mass on Sunday, 15th Feb at 2.30pm (please note the earlier time) at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Wanstead followed by refreshments. All welcome.

TRINITY 6TH FORM

Completed Priest's reference forms to be sent to the parish office.

STEWARDS REQUIRED

We have a desperate need for more volunteer stewards at the 6pm Mass—children most welcome to help.

We also urgently require volunteers to join the rota for the 10am Mass at St. Thomas'. You will join a team of four on duty once every six weeks handing out service sheets and newsletters, conducting the Offertory and guiding parishioners to communion. More information about this ministry contact David 07905 741033.

WELCOME

We welcome into the parish community Hugo Rafferty Edmonds, Harrison Knight and Bleu Barker-Fletcher who were baptised in St. Thomas' last weekend.

GM BABIES

Genetically Modified Babies—what does this mean? Please take an information leaflet from the back of the church and sign the Petition on the table so we can send it in by 6th February to our MP Iain Duncan Smith

FR. QUENTIN TUESDAY CLUB

On Tuesday, 27th January in the Becket Centre at 2pm. Fr. Quentin will be giving a talk on his time as a Prison Chaplain. Everyone welcome to come an listen to Fr. Quentin's very interesting experience. Refreshments will be served.

TRINITY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Require Data Manager a.s.a.p. The candidate must have excellent knowledge of the SIMS system.

Email sam gillary@fc.tchs.uk.net. Closing date Wed. 4th Feb.

HOLY FAMILY LAY ASSOCIATES

Meeting at the Convent on Monday, 2nd February at 7.30pm to join with the Sisters in memory of the occasion of 3rd February 1822.

WEEK OF CHRISTIAN UNITY Jan. 18th—25th

The service for Christian Unity will take place this evening, Sunday, 25th January at 6pm at St. Paul's, Woodford Bridge. All are very welcome.

AVAILABLE

From 1st February a beautiful well decorated double loft room with en-suite. Double bed, wardrobe, desk, chest of drawers and fast wi-fi. £620 per month including bills. References and a month's deposit required. Live in landlord who has two friendly cats. Massive garden great for barbeques. Suit friendly young couple over 30. In Woodford ridge area 07838 666 424.

TELCO - BOROUGH ASSEMBLY

On Tuesday, 27th January at 6.30pm upstairs in the Becket Centre. This is where each member organisation will identify 4 or 5 local issues that they would like to see addressed. These will then be voted on, and the top 5 will become our focus for the coming year. Why not come along and see democracy in action!

CONGRATULATIONS

To Paul Nathaniel & Malgorzata Rafinska who were married in St. Thomas' last weekend. We wish them a long and happy married life together.

BINGO NIGHT

7th February 2015 in the Becket Centre at 7.30pm in aid of Scout Japan Jamboree Fundraising 2015. Tickets—contact Kathleen Mahoney 07958 645746.

ADMISSIONS TO ST. ANTONY'S SCHOOL NURSERY

Children whose date of birth is between 1.9.2011 and 31.8.2012. Application forms are now available at the School Office Office for the Nursery for the school year 2015/2016. Those children born between 1.9.12 and 31.12.12 may also apply to start in January 2016 if there are vacancies. Forms are also available on the school website www.st-antonys.net. Please note, any enquiries will only be dealt with in the afternoons after 1.30pm. Closing date for receipt of forms is mid-day on Monday, 9th March 2015.

Parish Office requires Priest's reference form, copy of baptismal cert and nonreturnable family photograph.

The Governors are looking to appoint a cleaner to clean after school. The position is for 14hrs per week x 52 weeks per year. £8.32 per hour. Application forms from Angela.Odunsi@redbridge.gov.uk. or 0208 4706.

ALSO

Required a Mid-day Assistant 1-1/2 hours per day during term time only. 7-1/2 hours a week £8.87 per hour.

NEARLY NEW & JUMBLE SALE

Chigwell Sisters. Sat. 21st February at 2pm in the Becket Centre. Please leave donations in the church porch. Grateful thanks.

SOUP RUN

Wed. 28th January. We would be grateful to receive sandwiches, biscuits, sweets, cakes and warm clean men's clothing. Items can be left in the parish office on Wed. morning or in the Becket Centre in the evening between 6.30pm and 7.30pm. Volunteers to help with kitchen between 6.45pm and 7.30pm urgently required. Thank you for your continued support.

P LEASE PRAY FOR

Sick:- Sheila Abrams-Batley, Teresa Bonaventhoor, Angela & Kerry Bromfield, Claire and Lauren, Julia Croft, Irene & Carter de Freitas. Don Dourado. Ana-Maria Erkasap, Ray Finney, Joan Green, Cynthia Gregory, Pat Greene, Doris Harriss, Mary McKay, Gloria McQueen, Roger Machin, Camille Malone, John Meneghan, Jutta Menzies, Kay Meyler, Harry Moody, Patrick Moran. Fr Con O'Connell OFM. Marv O'Donnell, Maureen Pestell, Anneli Prowse, Lily Reding, Joan Reynolds, Jacky Rott, Debbie Smythe, Grace Taylor, Lorenzo Vaughan, Teresa Warnock, Jim Wilson.

and for all the sick and housebound of the parish.

Lately Dead.: Tony Baulch, Michael Byrne, Sean Carpenter, Kathleen Johnson, Adela Musson, James Pamplin, Sister Lawrence.

Anniv: Victor Van Boolen, Victor Charter, Fr. Jim Fitzpatrick Month's Mind, Teik Ghee Saw,

SPANISH CLASSES FOR KIDS

On Fridays at the Becket Centre 3.45pm—4.30pm Year 2 & 3 4.30pm—5.15pm Reception & Year 1 Please contact Amaia 07957133176 babelia@btinternet.com

CHURCH CLEANING

Saturday 31st Jan. 10.30am Rachel Woolf, Charmaine Turnell, Siobhan Daly, Rosie O'Connor. Eweline Allen & Debbie Bryant.

ASSISI LUNCH

In the Becket Centre on Friday, 30th Jan.

BARBER

Experienced Barber available for immediate start. Perm/part-time. Modern Trens & Classic Contact Gee 07821624990

PTI ATES

Wednesday and Thursday evenings in the Clare Room (upstairs in the Becket Centre). For more information contact davidrae56gmail.com.

BIBLE ALIVE

Copies available at the back of the church.

BADMINTON CLUB

Come and get fit in 2015. We play Thursday nights between 8pm and 10pm in Trinity School, Mornington Road. For details please 'phone Liz 07759410304 or turn up on the night.

MOBILE HAIRDRESSER

Harrods trained. Contact Tina 07957977380 for more information.

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

+T+ St Thomas of Canterbury 557/559 High Road, Woodford Green, Essex IG8 0RB **Served by the Franciscans**



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THIRD SUNDAY **ORDINARY TIME B**

25th January 2015



In today's Gospel we learn of Jesus' first words and deeds as he begins his public ministry.

First Reading (Jonah 3:1-5. 10)

At Jonah's preaching the people of Nineveh repent and the Lord withdraws the punishments he had threatened.

Second Reading (1 Corinthians 7:29-31)

This world is passing away, time is short; Paul tells us to get our priorities right.

Gospel (Mark 1:14-20)

The heart of Jesus' preaching—the kingdom of God and the call to repentance and belief—and his first disciples.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Lord, make me know your ways.

There will be an SVP Collection after all Masses this weekend.