

#### Lately dead:

**Nora Power** May she rest in peace

#### Anniversaries:

Sister John MacDonald, Ellen Clarke, Mary Clegg, Francis Drennan, Michael England, Sister Imelda Manning, Houghton Sandra, Anthony Carden, Nino Jomaa, Charlotte Spencer, Catherine Dalli, Angela Douglas, Matthew Glendenning, Michael Lynch, Michael Scully, Liberty Mascoll, Elsie Valles, Stanley Dias.

## **REPAIR CAFE** Repair, Re-use, Recycle.

Come to the free REPAIR CAFE 10am-1pm, Saturday 18 October in the Memorial Hall at St Marv's. South Woodford, 209 High Road, E18 2PA. Electrical and mechanical repairs, watch repairs, clothing mending, bicycle MOT, toy swap and toy reconditioning, jewellery cleaning, small appliance recycling - See poster on noticeboard in the porch for more details. St Mary's welcomes attendance of parishioners from St Thomas.

#### **SUNDAY MASSES**

1st Mass: 6pm Saturday; 8.30am; 10am & 11.30am Sunday (The 11.30am Mass is recorded)



Join us for tea/coffee after Sunday Mass in the Becket Centre

10am Chiqwell Convent

#### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

10am St Thomas' 9.30am Chiqwell Convent except on Saturday's when mass takes place at 10am

#### **CONFESSIONS**

Saturdays 10.30 to 11am and 5.15 to 5.45 pm

#### **BAPTISMS**

1st and 3rd Sundays of the month

# **Lost Property**

Items of lost property will be placed in the porch next weekend. Any item not reclaimed will be disposed of.

# **Companions of the Sacred Hearts of** Jesus and Mary

will next meet on 13th October at 2.00pm at Chigwell Convent. All welcome



A FAIRTRADE PARISH



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# Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) 12th October 2025

Please note the nearest Fire Exit to you whilst you are in the Church

Today we hear stories of healing and how some of those who were healed responded with thanksgiving and faith.

#### First Reading 2 Kings 5:14-17

Naaman, considered a foreigner, receives healing and wishes to express his gratitude and faith in the God of Israel.

# Second Reading 2 Timothy 2:8-13

No matter what life throws at us, if we belong to Christ, then we shall have life in him.

#### **Gospel** Luke 17:11-19

We hear the familiar story of the ten lepers who were cured, but only one returned to give thanks and praise.

# **Responsorial Psalm**

The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.



# **Today is Prisoners' Sunday**

Prisoners' Sunday is an opportunity to consider how we, as individuals, as a Church, and as communities, are serving our brothers and sisters affected by imprisonment.

Our prisons are in crisis. There are record numbers of people behind bars. Inspectors regularly report instances of vermin, violence, self-harm and people languishing in cells with nothing to do.

At the same time, too many people are released with no home, no job, no family and no hope.

The ripple effects of this crisis are felt well beyond the prison walls. The lives of hundreds of thousands of families and children are affected as they, too, serve a hidden sentence. Having a mother, father, husband or wife in prison can have a devastating impact – more than half of families tell us they are struggling to afford the basics for themselves and their children.

This weekend there will be a retiring collection to support Prisoners and their families.

#### A message from PACT

# The national Catholic prison charity

As the leading Catholic charity in prisons, we have been helping people in need for more than 125 years. We support prisoners, their families and their children, offering them hope and the chance to turn their lives around.

Our work at Pact draws on the values of our faith: dignity, solidarity, and subsidiarity. We believe that everyone can make a fresh start, whatever they may have done.

Last year, our dedicated staff and volunteers supported 565,000 prison visits and helped nearly 600 people with emergency welfare grants. Our work is a lifeline for many thousands of people struggling to stay afloat or to make a fresh start.



If you want to find out more about the work of PACT you can visit there website at https://www.prisonadvice.org.uk/

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#### **Mass Intentions**

#### Church Cleaning Saturday 19th October 10.30am Rosie O'Connor & Charmaine Turrell

# **Confirmation Programme 2025/6**

We would like to invite students in school years 10—13 who are baptised, registered parishioners and who attend Mass at St Thomas to apply to join our 2025/56 confirmation programme.

The programme will consist of 12 sessions and the confirmation Mass will take place in late May 2026



Please visit our website to complete the registration form <a href="https://forms.cloud.microsoft/Pages/">https://forms.cloud.microsoft/Pages/</a>
ResponsePage.aspx?id=EuRnik-nXUOjw3UeobcTyheS7 iLZj5AoC8j5XT7HSRUNExSRUswRTNESzhMNjI1NkxaVjRNTFE4Ty4u

The closing date for applications is 9th November 2025

#### **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 on to Cubs when they are 8. 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

Sunday 12th October

8.30 Johanna Costello anniversary
10 T J & Bridie McDonagh RIP
11.30 Harrison Nada 23 years old RIP

**Monday 13th October** Maura Clarke William Derbyshire

**Tuesday 14th October** Joyce Southall Deceased sisters SHJM

Wednesday 15th October C.W.L Paula Weddle sick Winnie Nkomo RIP

Thursday 16th October Estove & Vincenti Fernando & family Philomena Quinn RIP

Friday 17th October Peter Savers RIP

Funeral 2pm Chigwell Margaret Honeyman

**Saturday 18th October** 10 Cathy Mair RIP 6 Mary McKay

Sunday 19th October8.30 Michael Barrett RIPMary Milne RIP

11.30 Mary Hampshire RIP