

Pray for the sick

If you wish any names to remain or be added to the sick list please contact the parish office

Lately Dead

Chris Bell

May he rest in peace

The Catholic Clothing Guild

This is a charity supplying new clothing for those through unfortunate circumstances who are unable to provide for themselves and their families. If you require help please initially contact the Catholic Women's League via the parish office.

Parish Pastoral Council

The Council will be meeting on
7th August

House keys found

Keys found in the car park

Please contact the Parish Office for more information

Becket Centre—Hire

Our Centre is available for hire.

The booking form can be found on our website at www.stthomaswoodford.org/becket-centre

August/ September (9th) Anniversaries

Thomas Anderson, Mary Armond, Aldo Cara, Laraine Templeman, Rima Atkociuniene, Myrtle Goad, Robert Fields, Elizabeth Brown, Bernard Holford, Cecilia Hucks, Dennis Curran, Josseline Heal, Margaret(Greta) O'Donnell, Carol Bullman, Catherine Dunbar, Thomas Keating, Stanisoaus Bell, Sandra Dimmock, Giuseppina Verney, Patricia Boutall, Eileen Hodgkinson, James Leahy, James Quill, Maureen Regan, Maria Gouveia, James Sullivan, Terrance Voisey, Dorothy Craft, Jhassan El'Haddad, Terrence Hill, Louis MacPherson, Peter Murphy, Lydia Pittard, Sister Hockran, Jack Machin, Felix Marr, Peter Horton, Iris Monk, Emmeline Friel, Gerrard Houlihan, Neil Igoe, Francesca Resta, Nancy Ryan, Philip Kelly, Sister Mary McStraw, Catherine Morgan, Carmen Robertson, Peter Arthur, James Bourke, John Gilmartin, Patrick Keane, Sister Anna O'Brien, Christopher Pumfrey, Jenna Wilkins, Matilda Griffiths, Miriam Harwood, Goretti Parchment, Catherine Ray, Ronald Brady, Sheila Brown, John Cunningham, Clement Dodge, Ruby Hall, John Inglis, Gwendolyn Brazier, Margaret Griffin, Oona Lindemann, Joan Walsh, Felix Fox, Grace Kenny, Anne Luggeri, Sister O'Connor, William Titmarsh, Terence Bullman, Joseph Littlehill, Sister O'Brien, Elizabeth Szukics, Barnaby Browne, John Hutton, Liam Lynch, Nellie Martin, Laurence Nelson, Jane Nolan, Isabel Dunleavy, Anabelle Hill, Patrick Maloney, Teresa Thambynayagam, Kitty Blogg, Pawel Kalinowski, Anna Moss, Donna Spriggs-Elliott, Peggy Devine, Bridgett Kildea, M Lowry, Eddy Marie, Margaret Andrews, Henry Christey, Nora Pollard, Benjamin Pound, Sister Margaret Crimmins, Michael Potrykus, Joan Browne, Elizabeth Franklin, Helena Greene, Christina Quill, Michael Box, Frederick Heath, Ann Kenyon, Cynthia Kenyon, Albert (Jack) Lee, Anne Digby, Emma Huxley, George Clarke, Maria Golaszewska, Sister Oliver Kinane, Sean McDonagh, Terence Tuckey, Helen Bailey, Richard Barber, Harry Day, Michael Leppert, Mary McCarthy, Veronica Bailey, Katherine Bullman, Annie Croke, Michael Higgins, Mark Hodgskin, Beryl Mahoney, Mary McClean, Kenneth McDonnell, James McHugh, Dennis McCardle, William Maher, Dr Cajetan Emeka Ume, Oscar De Sa, Pat Maloney, Michael Godber.

Mass Timetable

All services at St Thomas of Canterbury are live streamed

SUNDAY MASSES

1st Mass: 6pm Saturday;

8.30am; 10am & 11.30am Sunday

There will be refreshments served after 11.30am Mass during August

WEEKDAY MASSES 10am St Thomas'

9.30am Chigwell Convent except on Saturday's when mass takes place at 10am

CONFESSIONS

After 10am Mass on Saturdays

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Served by the Franciscans

Newsletter August 2023

The Next Newsletter will be published for 10th September 2023

All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy. So it is important that everyone gets a good holiday so that full parish life can resume in early September. You know that four of our community depart for Dublin on 12th to take part in a Provincial Chapter. Really what that means is that they throw us all into the pot and then fish us out one by one with our tasks for the next stage of our life and ministry. Spare a prayer for us. You will be served by a willing but skeletal staff during the week of our absence. Thank you for all you have given us through the past year.

A new chapter of St Thomas begins in September. Prospects are good for Communion preparation. We confidently expect the children's liturgy to start up again. We expect a visit from Bishop Alan who will give confirmation. You have sung very well at recent 11.30 masses so hopes rise for a musical renewal. We really must explore *Synodality* for our own benefit. And then give the wider church some help with it. And no doubt there will be surprises, and all for the good even though some will have rough edges.

World Youth Day

Pope Francis obviously puts great hope in the celebration of this week end. The great event will be in Portugal and I am sure the media will tell us much about it. Satellite meetings provide for youth gatherings in many countries. World Youth Day here will take place in London on 5th at Notre Dame de France Church. We are all very concerned for youth and our youth in particular. So please redouble your prayers. Not least that we will find what we can do to help, and act on it.



Mass

Week 6th August

Transfiguration of the Lord (A)

Sunday 6th August

8.30 David Fahy RIP
 10 Erica Zimmer RIP
 11.30 Gordon Murphy anniversary
 Chigwell Jim Sullivan anniversary

Monday 7th August

Helen & Charlie Murphy
 Christiana Kumarika ill

Tuesday 8th August

Lou Macpherson anniversary
 Vera Craft anniversary

Wednesday 9th August

Dr Cajetan Ume anniversary
 Philip Musonza RIP

Thursday 10th August

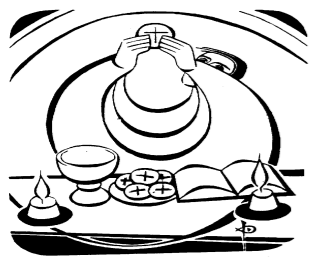
Francis Moore surgery
 Raphael Musonza RIP

Friday 11th August

C.W.L
 Beryl Vaughan RIP

Saturday 12th August

10 Jo Pestell intention
 6 Muriel Fitzpatrick RIP
 (nee Meyler)



Week 13th August

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Sunday 13th August

8.30 John O'Malley RIP
 10 Pat McCreesh RIP
 11.30 Alan Green sick

There will be no mass in Chigwell Convent on Sunday 13th August. Instead the mass will be celebrated there on the evening of Saturday 12th at 6 pm.

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

- * Monday 14th August Vigil Mass at 7.30pm
- * Tuesday 15th August Mass at 10am

Week 20th August

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Week 27th August

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Week 3rd September

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

We aim to post updates for Mass intentions during August on the Church notice Board

Church Cleaning

Saturday 12th August at 10.30am

Rachel Woolf & Kathleen Mahoney

Friday 18th August at 9am

Claire Hobbs, Julia Bever,
 Susanna Barnoin, Susan Juffs,
 Agatha Emohare & Michelle Liddle

Saturday 26th August at 10.30am

Rosie O'Connor &
 Charmaine Turrell

Thursday 7th September at 9.00am

Jackie John, Sue Mansbridge,
 Srimathie Cruzs,
 Margaret Parkinson
 & Mary Charter

Altar linen

4th August Mrs Charles
 11th August Mrs McLaughlin
 18 August Mrs Ring
 25 August Mrs Francioni
 1st September Mrs Charles



Would you like to volunteer

We need more helpers for our church community, this can be as readers, ushers, etc.. If you would like more information please contact the parish office

Baptisms

Congratulations to all children who received the Sacrament of Baptism. The following children have been Baptised in July: Amari Bernard-McIntosh, Sonny Clements,, Noah Numes, Bodhi Hurd, Caleb Nash, Jago White, Hugo Linehan, Lidia Jezierska, Basil O'Doherty, Kyla Nicolas Shaker, Nikita Cheung & Jude Cheung.

Baptism Course

Our next **baptism course** dates are 20th & 27th September 8pm to 9pm. If you are having your first child you will need to attend a course prior to booking a baptism. Application forms can be found on our website <https://www.stthomaswoodford.org/forms>

BAPTISMS TAKE PLACE ON the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month

Companions of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary

Will meet on Monday
 14th August at
 2.00pm at Chigwell
 Convent.

Franciscan life: Invitation

The Franciscan Community invite enquiries from single Catholic people aged 18-40 years pondering a possible vocation in the religious and/or priestly life, and Franciscan life; (website: www.friar.org). If interested and need guidance, please talk to one of the Friars or contact *Br Dónal ofm* via email - brdonalofm@yahoo.co.uk

Holy Communion preparation 2023/24

Applications are now open for registered Parishioners of baptised children who will be going into year 3 in September 2023. Regular attendance at mass is expected as part of the programme.

The application form can be found on the website. The closing date is **6th September 2023**. No applications after this date will be accepted.



Dates for your Diary

9th September Parish Annual Sponsored Walk for BCCS

15—16th September Blessed Sacrament Adoration

21st October—International Food Evening

19th November—Bereavement Service

25th November—Christmas Fayre

Donations to

St Thomas of Canterbury

If you would like to make a donation to St Thomas of Canterbury church, please scan the QR code with your phone camera and open a link with directions Or alternatively through our website

<https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/donations/>



Gift Aid

If you are a UK taxpayer, the government can add 25 pence on every £1 you donate to the St Thomas of Canterbury parish. If you would like to join the scheme, please fill in the Gift aid form and return it to the parish office. Available on our website or at the back of the church.

If you have joined the Gift Aid scheme and your situation has changed, (you do not pay taxes), please inform the parish office immediately as we may still claim on your behalf.

Journey of Faith

Will start again in September, The Journey-ers will meet every Wednesday at 7 pm for coffee, then starting our discovery at 7.30. It is for newcomers to faith from any quarter; for cradle-catholics and others who have not been churchy for a while. We do look at the Catholic church as she is today – warts and all. And learn from each other. No heavy doctrine, no arguments, no demands.

Do come and give it a try.