

Lately Dead

Marie Tisi

May she rest in peace

ANNIVERSERIES

Helena James, Peggy Hall, Sarah Glyde, Lita Hayde, Liza Ford, Margaret Murphy, Sandra Sifflet, Margaret Kivineen, Emily Dempsey, Garrett Godkin, Frederick Simmons, Dominic Correia, Patrick Lennon, Michael Glynn, Terence Lewis, Luciana Dodge, Jessie Anderson, Eileen Hands, Ann Starr, Anthony Fair, Maureen Morgan, John Green, Anne & Michael Loftus, May Mary Onn, Richard Flynn, Fr. Austin McCormack.

CHURCH PARADE

The Church Parade will take place during **10.00am Mass on Sunday, 26th April.** There will be no children's liturgy today.

Holy Communion Masses 2026

Calling all Sacristans, Readers, Ministers of Communion, Altar Servers, Ushers
Between 9th May & 13th June there will be first holy communion masses on Saturdays at 11.30am. Please add your name to the list at the back of the church or contact the parish office if you are able to help.

FRIARY TENNIS CLUB QUIZ NIGHT

Saturday 2nd May in the Becket Centre, 7pm for a 7:30 start. £9 per person, bar provided; supper is an optional extra.

Please contact fcwoodford@gmail.com if you would like to come.

SUNDAY MASSES

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



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

WEEKDAY MASSES

10am St Thomas'
9.30am Chigwell 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

BAPTISM COURSE DATES

6th and 13th May.

Both dates must be completed

** ADVANCE NOTICE **

Local Elections on Thursday, 7th May

St Thomas will be used as a polling station from 6am—10.30pm. The Becket Centre will be CLOSED and there will be no pick up OR drop-off facility permitted for parents on the day.

St Vincent De Paul Society

Are you in urgent need – financial or other?
Call us on 07547 491067 and leave a message. We will call you back.

Diocesan Walsingham Pilgrimage – Saturday 23rd May

Representatives from the BCYS will be joining the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham, and we would like to invite other young people to join and assist with the liturgy. Please contact gabriellaskinner@brcdt.org if you are interested

Choir members needed

The 11.30 choir is looking for enthusiastic singers to join this friendly group. We sing at the 11.30 Mass two/three times a month, at Christmas, Easter services and have occasional Thursday evening choir practices. If you enjoy singing, do come and have a chat after 11.30 Mass. We would love to meet you.



ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY
Woodford Green

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Served by the Franciscans

FORTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (A) SUNDAY 26TH APRIL 2026

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

Jesus, our Good Shepherd, offers us the security of his protection and guidance, calling us to follow him wherever he might lead

First Reading Acts 2:14a. 36-41

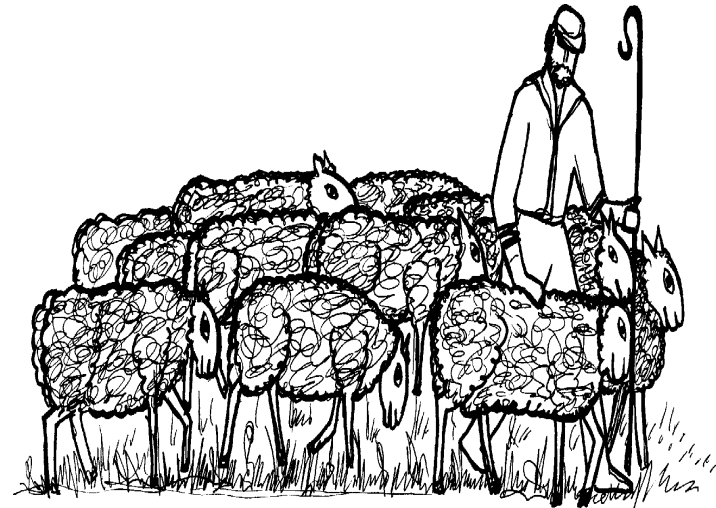
Peter declares that the crucified Jesus is both Lord and Christ.

Responsorial Psalm

The LORD is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Second Reading 1 Peter 2:20b-25

Through Jesus' crucifixion we are healed of our sins. He is our Shepherd.



Jubilee Note for News Letter.

"Pope Leo has declared the 800 Hundred Anniversary of the Death of St. Francis a special Jubilee Year for the whole Church. "Welcome Our Sister Death, exclaimed St. Francis on the 3rd October 1226 at the Porziuncola chapel in Assisi, as he approached death like a man finally at peace. Eight centuries have passed since the death of the Poverello who wrote Christ's saving word in the hearts of the people of his time. In this Year of Grace, I pray that St. Francis may continue to instil in all of us perfect joy and true harmony with the Lord, each other and all creation." **The Prayer of Pope Leo for the Jubilee Year.** Saint Francis our brother, you who eight hundred years ago Went to meet Sister Death as a man at peace, Intercede for us with the Lord. In the Cross of San Damiano, you recognised true peace. Teach us to seek in Christ, the divine source of all reconciliation, that breaks down every wall. You who, unarmed, crossed the lines of war and misunderstanding, Give us courage to build bridges where the world erects borders. In this time plagued by conflict and division, intercede so that we may become peacemakers:

Unarmed and disarming witnesses of the Peace that comes from Christ. Amen. decreed that during this Jubilee Year of St. Francis the faithful will be able to obtain a plenary indulgence under the usual conditions (sacramental confession, Eucharistic celebration and prayer for the Pope's intentions) when visiting a Franciscan Church or place of worship dedicated to St. Francis anywhere in the world. The Side Chapel of St. Francis in our Church set aside for prayer and quiet meditation.

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Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine & Co. Mayo

Led by Bishop Alan Williams

Monday 15th June 2026 to Friday 19th June 2026. 4 nights in Knock House Hotel, with Dinner, Bed & Breakfast. Visit Kylemore Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Ballintubber Abbey, Fr. Peyton Centre. Price £799.00 per person
Contact: Patricia Tel: 01268 762 278 Mob: 07740 175 557

knockpilgrimages@gmail.com

Mass For Migrants 20th Anniversary

This year Brentwood Diocese hosts the Mass for Migrants at 12pm on May 4th at St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church, 56 St. Anthony's Rd. E79QB. The celebrant will be The Rt Rev Alan Williams SM. joined by priests from the Diocese of Brentwood, Westminster and Southwark. The preacher will be The Most Reverent Richard Moth Archbishop of Westminster.

Celebrated on the Feast of Joseph the Worker, the Mass gives thanks for the contributions made to faith, life and work in the UK by all those who have come from other countries to make their home here. The Liturgy is a joyful celebration with banner processions, traditional costumes, international music and prayers for migrant justice and community solidarity. All are welcome. Car parking is in the school car park. Public transport via Elizabeth and District lines.

Being a Chorister' Zoom information

The session will take place at 6.30pm on Wednesday, 29th April at 6:30pm and will last approximately 30 minutes. **Register here - tinyurl.com/2zsf92j8** Alternatively, contact Rachel Bonnet at **020 7798 908**, or RBonnet@choirschool.com

Second Collection Promotion of Vocation

There will be a second collection after each mass this weekend (25th & 26th April)



Mass Intentions

26th April to 3rd May

Sunday 26th April

8.30am - Marie Murphy (very ill)
10am - Peggy Carrig
11.30am - Emily Dempsey anniversary
Chigwell - Mrs Kilkeny RIP

Monday 27th April

Gwenyth Smithe anniversary
Sr Teresa Quinn RIP
Fr Isidore (ill)

Tuesday 28th April

Marion Watts RIP
Roland Ford RIP

Wednesday 29th April

Anne McShea RIP
Myles O'Malley RIP
Dominic Correia anniversary

Thursday 30th April

Olive Jacobs RIP
Peg Carrig RIP

Friday 1st May

Ishbel Byrne RIP
Alexandra Jordash intention

Saturday 2nd May

10am - Angela Bromfield intention
6pm - Margaret Scott int

Sunday 3rd May

8.30am - Peg Carrig RIP
10am - Anne McShea RIP
11.30am - Ron Gillingham RIP

Church Cleaning

Thursday, 30th April at 9am
Sue Mansbridge, Jackie John, Mary Charter, Srimathie Crusz, Margaret Parkinson, Chelsea Chaplin

Vacancy

St Thomas of Canterbury

We are seeking to recruit a part time Parish Administrator. The Job description and person specification can be found on our website. www.stthomaswoodford.org
If interested please send your CV and one side of A4 covering letter setting out how you meet the person specification to suzanne@stthomaswoodford.org.

Closing date Monday, 27th April

The Governors of St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Hornchurch, are seeking to appoint an inspirational and dedicated Head Teacher. **Closing date: Friday 1st May 2026 at 5pm / Interview Date: Monday 18th May 2026.** Enquiries can be made by email to admin@stmcp.co.uk, or phone 01708 448430.

The Ursuline Academy Ilford are looking to recruit a TEACHER OF SCIENCE From: September 2026. Please see school website for further details The Ursuline Academy Ilford - Come work at UA!!

50th Anniversary Celebration

Trinity Catholic High School

Friday, 15th May at Woolston Manor

Prize donations are still very much needed for auction. Please contact Avril on 07805296582 for more information.

*** SAVE THE DATE ***

Trinity Festival on 4th July

Community event with food, drinks, bouncy castle, fireworks and lots more!

SUMMER FETE on 11th July

This year's summer fete will take place on the 11th of July, 12-4pm. We welcome any donations of prizes for the raffle. William Rose will sponsor £10 per advertising board. For more information on how to get involved or help, please contact; friendsofstantonys@gmail.com and / or avril.leary@yahoo.co.uk.